

Tri-Parish Catholic Community News



St. Patrick Catholic Church
436 W Main St, LeRoy, MN 55951
Sunday Mass @ 8:30 AM



St. Finbarr Catholic Church
504 1st St SW, Grand Meadow, MN 55936
Saturday Mass @ 5:00 PM



St. Ignatius Catholic Church
213 W Franklin St, Spring Valley, MN 55975
Sunday Mass @ 10:30 AM

June 22, 2025

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Readings: Genesis 8:22-31; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Luke 9:11b-17

From Father's Desk -

This past week, I've been reflecting somewhat on our fickle human condition. Saint Augustine teaches about the effects of the fall of the original sin of Adam and Eve. He says that we suffer the loss of "preternatural" gifts. This word is important because we cannot say it's some part of human nature that is changed or lost in the fall. The gifts are something extra that God was conferring in a continuous way. We don't want to say "supernatural" because of the connotation of divine grace which we experience through the sacraments—it was less than that, but it was more than natural. Perhaps another word, though still not used much in common English today, would be "superadded". They are extra, above, on top of our human nature, but not so exalted and sanctifying as to be supernatural.

Though sometimes listed as three, as I learned them there are five gifts lost by Original Sin: infused knowledge, rectitude, integrity, immortality, and friendship with God. The effects of the fall which we all experience then are: ignorance, weakness of the will, disorder of the emotions, bodily corruption and alienation from God. The life of baptism restores these, as baptism itself orders the soul to God's goodness and the restoration of the whole person. The life of virtue, lived by faith, decreases the effects of the fall and replaces the lost gifts with God's sanctifying grace.

Sickness falls into the category of bodily corruption. I don't think of immortality as some sort of magical preservation of a really strong nature. Instead, I think of God's providence in preventing us from coming across danger, and in giving us prudence to avoid harmful behavior. After the fall, God no longer protects us from imprudence or coming across illness, blindness, broken bones, etc. Sickness mostly becomes an opportunity for us Christians to recognize our weakness—our lowliness—and our dependence upon God and the community He gives us. It should lead to internal spiritual sacrifice, an example of patience, and humility in awaiting healing and in graciously accepting assistance from others.

There is a powerful meditation on the Eucharist that can be had in all of this. As Christ offered His human weakness, He demonstrated great patience—especially as the root of patience is *passio*, passion, suffering. He endured His long and immense suffering, but He also endured that humiliation, that misunderstanding, that sinful rejection. It is His saving sacrifice that is commemorated in the Eucharistic Sacrifice: "which will be given up for you", "poured out for you and for many". Eucharistic Adoration heightens this idea of the patience of Christ. As we gaze upon Him, we become aware of our sinfulness and our unworthiness. Yet nonetheless, there He is. There He waits for us. There He loves us. There He assists us. There He blesses us. There He consoles us. There He shines His face upon us. Until the day we are fully His.

In Christ,

Fr. Parrott

St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

Tues., June 24, 8:30 AM for Kevin Stier
Sat., June 28, 5:00 PM for Phil Jacobson †

Offering from June 14, 2025 – Week 50

Weekly Support:	\$ 822.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,731.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 85,691.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 81,633.00

Liturgy Schedule Sat., June 28, 5:00 PM

Opener: Diana Weiss
EMHC: Nicole Meyerhofer / Troy Gehling
Lector: Susan Baldus
Servers: Ryan Meyerhofer / Evan Davis
Ushers: Al Stier / Lon Baldus
Counters: Dom Stier / Lori Stier

- **Run to Roar 5K** run/walk and a kids Fun Run on June 28th starting at 9:00 AM in support of Lion's Hope, a nonprofit group dedicated to raising funds for special needs families. Online registration is closed but there are other options to register. For more information see Lisa Glynn or visit Run to Roar Meadowfest online.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Wed., June 25, 8:30 AM for Lisa Hovde †
Sun., June 29, 8:30 AM *Pro Populo*

Offering from June 15, 2025 – Week 50

Weekly Support:	\$ 816.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,269.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 69,599.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 79,983.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., June 29, 8:30 AM

Greeters: David & Gladys Kasel
Gifts: Vicky Nolt
EMHC: Arlene Bastian
Lector: Kate Rohrer
Servers: Natalie Bunne / Tyler Huff
Ushers: Chris Lentz / Jim Yoch
Counters: Joyce Arndorfer / Jim Yoch

St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Thur., June 26, 8:30 AM for Arvidson Family
Friday, June 27, 8:30 AM for Juanita Mallari †
Sun., June 29, 10:30 AM for Russ Betsinger †

Offering from June 15, 2025 – Week 50

Weekly Support:	\$ 1,076.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses:	\$ 1,885.00
YTD Support Received:	\$ 99,321.00
YTD Expenses Paid:	\$ 132,110.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., June 29, 10:30 AM

Greeters: Brad & Andrea Reiter
Gifts: Lee & Teri Hill
EMHC: Joanie Betsinger / Jeff Erding
Lector: John Gladys
Servers: Emily Wolfram / Avery Reiter
Ushers: Paul Mettler / Bob Capelle
Counters: Arndorfer / Christian



Tri-Parish News

- **Second Collection:** There will be a second collection next weekend for Peter's Pence. This collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to aid the neediest throughout the world – those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters.
- **St. Finbarr** is in need of a Faith Formation Coordinator. This is a paid position. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, obtaining volunteer teachers, overseeing Wednesday Faith Formation classes, coordinating sacramental preparation for First Confession and First Communion in 2nd grade and Confirmation in 10th grade, and organizing youth Mass volunteers. Please contact Fr. Parrott with questions or if you are interested in this position.
- **Women's Christian Experience Weekend:** September 12-14 at Good Earth Village, Spring Valley Take time away from the busy-ness of daily life to encounter the Holy Spirit in a unique way. Participants spend time together renewing their Christian faith. Visit the Pax Christi Church, Rochester website for more information.
- **Tri-Parish Masses:** Please give Mass stipends directly to Father Parrott along with the name(s) for whom the Mass is intended. Make checks payable to St. Ignatius. Stipend requests are \$10 per Mass and are said during the week and on weekends.
- **Courier:** The June edition is available in the Narthex and on the Diocese of Winona-Rochester website: dowr.org.
- **Tri-Parish Bulletin:** Please e-mail Mary with any bulletin additions (triparishsecretary@gmail.com). Deadline is 9 AM Wednesdays.
- **Mass Announcements:** Please email announcements to Mary by Thursday at 10 AM. Subject to edit and Father's discretion.

*"When you look at the crucifix,
you understand how much Jesus loved you then;
when you look at the Sacred Host,
you understand how much Jesus loves you now."
St. Mother Teresa*



Faith Formation Announcements

Enjoy Your Summer!

Prayer Chain

Please keep the following sick, hospitalized & homebound Tri-Parish members in your prayers.

Dorothy Steinkamp – St. Finbarr
Ron Neis – St. Ignatius
Joe O'Connell – St. Ignatius
Kurt Fuhrmann Jr. – St. Patrick
Jodi Miller – St. Patrick
Crystal Stern – St. Patrick
Cheri Jose
Sandy Stern
Jason Emanuel
Kathleen Domaille

Lois Gehling – St. Finbarr
Rita Bezdicek – St. Ignatius
Don Mulhern – St. Ignatius
Tom Hovde – St. Patrick
Sara Kasel – St. Patrick
David Geary
Karen Sanford
Maxine Mlenar
Todd Mlenar

*If you know someone who needs to be included in the prayer chain,
email their name to triparishsecretary@gmail.com.*

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Sacraments

Baptism: Arrangements for infant baptism are made at least one month in advance. A one-hour Pre-Jordan session is required for parents who have not participated in one previously. Baptism is preferably celebrated during the Mass on Saturday or Sunday. To make arrangements, contact Fr. Parrott.

Marriage: Arrangements for marriage should begin six months prior to the intended date of the wedding. Marriage preparation requires a series of meetings and a marriage encounter weekend. This sacrament is not celebrated during Lent or Holy Week.

Confession: This is offered before the Saturday Mass from 4:15 – 4:45 p.m., before or after daily Mass in the respective parishes or by appointment with Fr. Parrott or Fr. Collins (LeRoy, 507-289-7637).

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Finbarr:

Tuesdays, 9 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

St. Patrick:

Wednesdays, 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

St. Ignatius:

Thursdays, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.