

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 29, 2025

Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Readings: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19

From Father's Desk -

This past week we have had two solemnities on the liturgical calendar. On June 24, we celebrated the birth of John the Baptist. As he was greatest among those born of women (cf. Mt 11:11), the saintly relative of our Lord, and the prophetic precursor of the Messiah, the Church celebrates St. John the Baptist both at his birth and at his death. Because of his essential role in preparing the way for Jesus, the Church celebrates his nativity. In fact, there are only three births celebrated in the liturgical calendar: John the Baptist (June 24), the Blessed Virgin Mary (September 8) and our Lord Jesus Christ (December 25). All three are instrumental in the plan of salvation, and all three are family.

Today, now, the Church celebrates the two greatest apostles: St. Peter and St. Paul. Both of these men were zealous missionaries and preachers, each fulfilling their apostolic mission in different ways. St. Paul went on his many missionary travels to preach especially to the Gentiles. St. Peter brought the faith to the center of power and authority at the time, the capitol city of Rome. Today's feast commemorates especially their martyrdom, both St. Peter and St. Paul having shed their blood for the faith in Rome.

Liturgically, St. Peter and St. Paul were never separated. Because of their non-competing yet dual missions, the Church acknowledges both men's quintessential contributions. St. Peter, as the leader of the apostles, had a mission focused somewhat *ad intra*—to the inside, organizing the Church herself. St. Paul's mission was in a way *ad extra*—to the outside, reaching out and bringing more in. In the Litany of the Saints, the two saints are mentioned under one invocation: "Saint Peter and Saint Paul, pray for us." In the older calendar, even when it was a feast day more dedicated to one of them, the other was mentioned in a commemoration, because both are essential. Both are the nature of the Church: always reaching out, while always reforming within. This has been, and ought to be, the constant life of the Church. God's providence in providing these two men with their complementary roles has benefited the Church for these nearly 2,000 years.

On a separate note, I'll be gone for just over a week starting next weekend. These next two weekends there will be a substitute here for the Masses. I realize this is just when we're doing our summer switcheroo with Masses. My family has, since before I was born, gone on vacation each year, just across the border into Canada. (A couple years we stayed, or had to stay during COVID, in northern Minnesota.) We spend the week fishing, and relaxing, and playing cards and other games. There won't be daily Masses or Adoration again that week from July 7 to 11—my apologies. Please pray for me. Know that I'll be praying for all of you.

In Christ,

Fr. Parrott

St. Finbarr Announcements

Mass Schedule

Tues., July 1, 8:30 AM for John Gwin †
Sun., July 6, 8:30 AM for Paul Snyder †

Offering from June 21, 2025 – Week 51

Weekly Support: \$ 522.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,731.00
YTD Support Received: \$ 86,213.00
YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 81,700.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., July 6, 8:30 AM

Opener: Dawn Stier
EMHC: Dawn Stier / Ellen Olson
Lector: Denice Gehling
Servers: None Scheduled
Ushers: Chris Stier / Jim Davis
Counters: Susan Baldus / Trudy Swanson

➤ Mission Circle will meet Tuesday, July 1, 1 PM at Church. No sewing necessary. Everyone is welcome.

St. Patrick Announcements

Mass Schedule

Wed., July 2, 8:30 AM for Herman Miller †
Sat., July 5, 5:00 PM for JoAnn Ginder †

Offering from June 22, 2025 – Week 51

Weekly Support: \$ 1,721.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,269.00
YTD Support Received: \$ 71,320.00
YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 79,983.00

Liturgy Schedule Sat., July 5, 5:00 PM

Greeters: Rod & Shirley Miller
Gifts: Paul & Cathy Yoch
EMHC: Jim Yoch
Lector: Jennifer Lewis
Servers: Brittany Tucke / Laney Huff
Ushers: Rod Miller / Mike Arndorfer
Counters: Mike Arndorfer / Paul Yoch

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St. Ignatius Announcements

Mass Schedule

Thur., July 3, 8:30 AM for Thomas Warren †
Fri., July 4, 8:30 AM for Bob Czapiewski †
Sun., July 6, 10:30 AM for Tim Schmaltz †

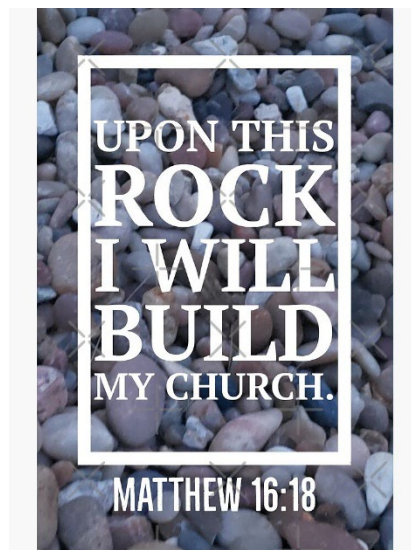
Offering from June 22, 2025 – Week 51

Weekly Support: \$ 4,070.00
Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$ 1,885.00
YTD Support Received: \$ 103,391.00
YTD Expenses Paid: \$ 134,405.00

Liturgy Schedule Sun., July 6, 10:30 AM

Greeters: Lois Bolter / De Vreeman
Gifts: Lee & Teri Hill
EMHC: John Gladly / Bill Mettler
Lector: Joanie Betsinger
Servers: Harper Holmen / Scarlett Marcom
Ushers: Ralph Drees / Paul Klockeman
Counters: Klockeman / Mulhern

➤ The Knights of Columbus will meet on Tuesday, July 8. Supper at 6 PM with meeting to follow.



Tri-Parish News

- **Remember:** Saturday evening Mass will move from St. Finbarr to St. Patrick next week Saturday, July 5.
- **Second Collection:** There will be a second collection this 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.
- **Seminarian Education:** Did you know it takes on average \$40,000 per year to educate a single seminarian? Today, our Diocese is helping to fund 25 seminarians to meet the future needs of our parishes. Donate to help support them using the envelopes in the Narthex.
- **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.



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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Tri-Parish Website: www.tri-parish.net

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.