



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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November 9, 2025

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, November 9, 2025

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Al & + Jeanette Graf

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Al & + Alvina Hoodecheck

Sunday, November 16, 2025

8:00 a.m. ☩ + John Reining

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, November 9

Announcer/Lector: Mary Mell
Ushers: Grace & Isaac Breggeman
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Bill Fitzpatrick
Choir: Adeline Colsch **Precious Blood:** Al Christian & Ann Fitzpatrick
Gift Bearers: Nicole & Brent Carlon Family
Servers: Sabrina TenKley & Sophia TenKley
Rosary: Virginia Heintz
Children's Lectionary: Heidi Grams
Counters: Angie TenKley & Cindy Dvorak

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, November 16

Announcer/Lector: Ann Fitzpatrick
Ushers: Ralph Konkell & Dan Boser
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Bill Fitzpatrick
Choir: Karen Colsch **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes & Mary Mell
Gift Bearers: Jessica & Ray Waters Family
Servers: Summer Colsch & Shauna Colsch
Rosary: Mary Lou Graf
Children's Lectionary: Teresa Colsch
Counters: Mary Lou Graf & Gerry Bruening

Church Support: November 2, 2025

Adults:	\$ 1,015.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$ 200.00
Offertory:	\$ 227.00
All Saints Offering:	\$ 95.00
Cemetery Donations:	\$ 200.00
Baby Bottle Campaign:	\$ 144.00
Votives:	\$ 9.35
CCP Roll Donations:	\$ 89.00

TOTAL \$ 1,979.35

Servant Leadership

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Vogel
E mail Address: frapvogel@gmail.com
Sacramental Emergencies: 507.722.0788
Blog: fathervogel.wordpress.com
Podcast: Musings of a One-eared Catholic Priest

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Announcements

- ✚ November 9th -- Second Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services.
- ✚ Fr. Vogel will be away November 13th through 17th for FOCUS Recruitment Week in Alexandria, VA.
- ✚ November 16th -- Second collection for the Campaign for Human Development.
- ✚ November 18th -- Parish Council Meeting
- ✚ November 19th -- Generations of Faith -- come join fellow parishioners for a meal and Program

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Guten Tag,

That's about the extent of my German. This past week, the St. Mary's community, and the larger Caledonia community, lost a cornerstone. Lois Schmitz passed away. Her funeral will be Monday, November 10 at 11 AM. Visitation will be Sunday from 3-7 PM and from 10:45 on Monday. Visitation will be in Holy Family Hall at St. Mary's Church. Please pray for the repose of her soul and for her family.

Father Ed McGrath is covering some Masses for me next weekend. He is a retired priest living in Preston. He will have the school Mass Friday morning. He will also have the weekend Masses. Please welcome him. The reason he is covering for me is because I will be in the Alexandria, Virginia area for a FOCUS (Fellowship Of Catholic University Students) recruitment weekend. I will be one of the spiritual directors for the weekend. Please pray for the young men and women who are discerning if God is calling them to commit to two years of evangelizing and inviting students on college campuses across the country to a deeper relationship with Christ.

This Sunday lands on the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. St. John Lateran Basilica is one of the four major basilicas in Rome. The others are St. Mary Major, St. Paul Outside the Wall, and of course, St. Peter's. Founded in AD 324, it is the oldest public church in the city of Rome and the oldest basilica in the Western world. St. John Lateran is the Catholic Cathedral of the Diocese of Rome. Since the 12th century, the dedication of St. John Lateran Basilica has been celebrated on November 9th. Hence, why we celebrate it today. Of course, my favorite major basilica in Rome is St. Peter's. But besides the obvious, my favorite of the other three major basilicas is St. John's Lateran. I think the size and beauty is just amazing. I think I have talked about this before. Someone can ask why the Church has such expensive and beautiful things. The three transcendentals are truth, goodness, and beauty. These are things that we desire in and of themselves. God created us to desire these things for themselves. And of course, God IS Truth, Goodness, and Beauty.

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Thank-you!

Many thanks to all who helped out with Trunk-or-Treat for Halloween! We are grateful for the generous donations of candy from our Parish. Thanks to all who decorated their vehicles and distributed candy. We had a great time seeing all the costumes, and the children really appreciated it!

VETERAN & AUXILIARY BRICK ORDERS TAKEN UNTIL DECEMBER 15 FOR 2026

WAYS TO ORDER A BRICK(S):

Electronically: www.brownsvillemn.org and click on Business Directory/Clubs & Organizations to locate the VFW/Auxiliary page for order forms

Pick Up Form: Brownsville Community Center Lobby during open hours

Email: brownsvillevetsmemorial@gmail.com to request order form

Phone: 507-551-2049 to request order form

Mail: Brownsville Vets Memorial
912 Wildwood Ct
La Crescent, MN 55947

US NAVY WWII
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Semcac Food Shelf

Suggested items at this time are: tuna, peanut butter, boxed potatoes, hamburger helper, cereal, ramen noodles, spaghetti sauce. All other items are appreciated!



GENERATIONS OF FAITH

Living a Moral Life: The Commandments
& Life in Christ

Wednesday, November 19, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Our 3rd gathering of the season is coming up soon! We have had some outstanding speakers so far, and we are looking forward to Tom Thibodeau as our special guest this time! Tom is Professor of Servant Leadership at Viterbo University. We will focus on the 7th and 10th Commandments: You Shall Not Steal and You Shall Not Covet Your Neighbor's Goods. We will not only focus on what we "should not" do but what we "should do". We will begin with a complimentary supper: Chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, salad and dessert! Take a night off from cooking and join us for a relaxing evening of faith, free food, and fellowship! (No need to bring a dish to share) There will be special learning sessions for youth. No fee or pre-registration to attend. This is faith formation for all ages. Everyone is welcome! Please mark your calendars!

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So, beauty in the world ideally shows us a glimpse of the infinite beauty of God. Jesus said that we will always have the poor among us. So, yes, we should do what we can to take care of the poor. But the Church also has a duty to use beauty in the world to point us to the infinite beauty of God. Our lives are better when we have beautiful things around us. From sunsets to the beauty of the body and soul of your beloved, this week take time to recognize the beauty God has put in your life.

Take care and God bless, Fr Vogel

My new address is: Deacon Bob Yerhot
307 1st Street SW, PO Box 133
New Richland, MN 56072



Why is November called the Month of Remembrance?

The month of November is traditionally a time in which the Catholic community remembers those who have died. It is related to the fact that the end of November is the end of the Liturgical Year with a new year starting the First Sunday of Advent – the four-week period of preparation before Christmas. The Church then uses this end of the year period as a time to think of the end of life and the end of all things and the great hope that our earthly end is transition into a new life in God's heavenly reality. We give thanks for those who have gone before us, and we look with prayer and hope to their new life in heaven and our desire to join them there one day. St. Patrick's has dedicated the space in front of Mary's Altar to honor those that have died this past year.



The NOVEMBER edition of The Courier is available at the Church entrances. Please pick one up today!

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal

St. Patrick's Parish 2025 Goal :	\$6,788.00
Received:	\$6,040.00 (89%)
Number of Donors:	23

Every donor counts as we fund Catholic Ministries, education and evangelism in Southern MN. Please prayerfully consider what is feasible for your family - \$30, \$300, or \$3,000 - every gift matters to help us reach our Parish goal. If you haven't already contributed, there are envelopes available at the Church entrances. Or you may give online at www.catholicfsmn.org Thank you for your contributions!

Mass Intentions & Offerings envelopes can be dropped in offertory on Sunday or mailed to St. Patrick's Parish at the address below. Please indicate for whom the Mass intention is for, the preferred date(s) for the intention and who the donor is. Please note that specific dates may not be available, we will do all we can to honor your date on or as close to as possible. Also available is online giving at www.stpatrickschurchbrownsvillemn.org and click on the 'Online Giving' link or set up automatic payment plan by calling the Office.

Donations to St. Patrick's Cemetery can be sent to St. Patrick's Parish Office at 604 Adams Street, P.O. Box 155, Brownsville, MN 55919 OR placed in the collection basket during Mass. Mark "St. Patrick's Cemetery" on the outside of envelope and on the check.

Requests for the Prayer Network may be emailed to stpatrick@acegroup.cc or leave a message at the Parish Office at 507-482-6818. Make sure to provide your name, to whom the request is for and any other details you wish.

Reconciliation is available at 7:30 to 7:45 am on Sunday and 5:00 to 5:20 pm on Tuesday. Confessions are taken in the confessional located at the back of the church.