



# St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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April 20, 2025

## Parish Business

### Mass Schedule

#### Sunday, April 20, 2025 - Easter

8:00 a.m. + Bonnie Helke Schock

#### Tuesday, April 22, 2025

5:30 p.m. For A Parishioners Health

#### Sunday, April 27, 2025

8:00 a.m. + George Joyce

### Liturgical Roles - Sunday, April 20

**Announcer/Lector:** Karen Colsch

**Ushers:** Grace & Isaac Bruggeman

**Eucharistic Minister: Host:** Bill Fitzpatrick

**Choir:** Ann Fitzpatrick **Precious Blood:** Al Christian

**Gift Bearers:** Jessica & Ray Waters Family

**Servers:** Summer Colsch & Shauna Colsch

**Rosary:** Virginia Heintz

**Children's Lectionary:** Joan Reining

**Counters:** Mary Lou Graf & Gery Bruening

### Liturgical Roles - Sunday, April 27

**Announcer/Lector:** Kent Bezdicek

**Ushers:** Janice & Ralph Konkel

**Eucharistic Ministers: Host:** Karen Colsch

**Choir:** Adeline Colsch **Precious Blood:** Al Christian

**Gift Bearers:** Barb & Ken Wiese

**Servers:** Brynn Waters & Thea Waters

**Rosary:** Frank Dvorak

**Children's Lectionary:** NO CHILDREN'S LECTIONARY

**Counters:** Carmen Barthel & Marilyn Rose

### Church Support: April 13, 2025

Adults:	\$	765.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$	150.00
Offertory:	\$	175.00
Help A Student:	\$	40.00
General for Praise Banners:	\$	688.00
Cemetery Donation:	\$	50.00
Catholic Relief Services:	\$	10.00
Rice Bowl:	\$	30.00
CCP Spring Fling:	\$	1,324.00
Votives:	\$	5.00

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## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

### Announcements

- Remember your annual CCP contribution of \$25.
- Rice Bowl contributions are due.
- 2025 Spring Fling -- Come enjoy breakfast, Auctions, Raffles, Bake Sale, Jewelry Sales, Children's games, and so much more! Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 9am-12pm
- Roll Sunday will be combined with breakfast for Adelita to celebrate her 1<sup>st</sup> Communion. Come celebrate with her!

### PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Happy Easter! The Lord Jesus has risen!!

Today begins the 50-day celebration of the rising of Jesus Christ. The Easter seasons ends with Pentecost, which this year is June 8. Notice how the Easter season is longer than the Lenten season. It is good to spend time fasting and doing acts of mortification and to remember that Jesus died on the Cross for our sins. However, it is also good, even better (while not forgetting that Jesus died on the Cross for our sins) to remember that Jesus rose from the dead to give us the opportunity of eternal life with God in heaven. In the Liturgy of the Church, the first eight days of Easter, the Octave of Easter, is especially joyous. Every day of the Octave is to be celebrated almost as much as Easter itself. The Octave of Easter ends with Divine Mercy Sunday.

Divine Mercy Sunday is a devotion given to St. Faustina Kowalska by Jesus. St. Faustina was a religious sister in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Jesus asked Faustina to commission the Divine Mercy image (which we have in front of the ambo) and to start a devotion to the divine mercy of Jesus. There is the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which is quick and easy to say. Just look it up online on how to pray it. It takes about 7-8 minutes to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet using a Rosary. I pray it (almost) every day. Divine Mercy Sunday was established by Pope Saint John Paul II in the year 2000. It is always the Sunday after Easter.

This year for Divine Mercy Sunday, we are going to have a Holy Hour with Confessions and a praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM next Sunday (April 27).

But we are getting ahead of ourselves. Today Jesus has risen! Our mission, should we choose to accept it, is to enter into a relationship with Jesus, who has died for our sins and risen to set us free. If we choose our mission of making Jesus our friend and Savior, we will be with Him forever in heaven. This was not possible before. In fact, the people of the Old Testament had to wait until Jesus opened the gates to heaven after His death on the Cross. Jesus loves us and wants us to be with Him, but He never disrespects our free will. Jesus is willing to die in order to be with you, but He is not going to force you to be with Him. We have to choose Jesus.

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### Servant Leadership

**Pastor:** Rev. Andrew Vogel

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**Sunday, April 27, 2025**

Join us for a delicious breakfast starting at 9:00 am of egg bake, sausage, fruit, pancakes, juice and coffee, all for \$15 each. Youth at \$10 and children 5 yrs and under – Free. Enjoy Basket Raffles, Silent Auction, Quilt Raffle, Big Ticket Raffle, and Jewelry Sales from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, with drawings at 1:00 pm. Bake Sale: Baked goods will be available for sale from 9:00 am until sold out. So many delicious items for you to take home and enjoy! Bring the kids and join the fun with children’s games available from 9:00 am – noon. When one adult per family purchases a meal ticket, you will receive 6 free children game tickets. Additional tickets to participate in the children’s games will be available for purchase.

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**CCP Annual Dues:** \$ 25.00

**TOTAL \$ 3,262.00**

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May we grow day by day in the appreciation of the gift Jesus gives us in His resurrection. May we, in Jesus’ death and resurrection, become more and more aware of His infinite love for us. And may this drive us to love Him back.

Happy Easter and God bless, Fr. Vogel



**ANSWERING GOD’S CALL**

The **2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal** has kicked off!

The Appeal is more than just a fundraiser. It’s a way for us to come together, help others grow in their faith, provide for the poor, and continue the incredible work of Christ in our community. Your donation will help strengthen and expand ministries that touch lives and lead people closer to Christ. Together we can build up the Kingdom of God in southern Minnesota!

St. Patrick’s Parish 2025 Goal : \$6,788.00  
Received: \$1,110.00 (16%)  
Number of Donors: 6

If you haven’t already contributed, there are envelopes available at the Church entrances. Or you may give online at [www.catholicfsmn.org](http://www.catholicfsmn.org). Thank you for your contributions!



**Synod** ON EVANGELIZATION & VOCATIONS



His Excellency Bishop Robert Barron has convoked a Diocesan Synod focused on the themes of evangelization and priestly vocations. This event aims to inspire and equip our community to share the joy of the Gospel and respond to God’s call in their lives. As Pope Francis reminds us, we have a duty to share the Gospel with all whom we meet as we strive to be witnesses of Christ’s love in the world.

The preparatory phase is now in the stage of hosting regional gatherings. All are welcome to attend the session nearest their home parish. For a full listing of sessions, and to preview the questions for deliberation, visit our synod website, which can be found at the homepage of our diocesan website, or by visiting: [downsynod.my.canva.site](http://downsynod.my.canva.site).

**Quarterly Caledonia Area CCW Meeting**

The Caledonia Area CCW is made up of Catholic Church members from Houston and Fillmore Counties and meets to discuss the various works of area parishes. This quarter’s meeting is hosted by St. Columban Parish in Preston on Saturday, April 26 at 1:00 pm. Come to learn what other Parishes are doing! If anyone would like a ride, I have room for 4 in my car. My number is: 507-895-2403. Rosanne Buehler

**Bible Study**

St. Patrick’s Bible Study will meet every Tuesday from 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the rectory (parish house). Come whenever you can and learn how to pray with the Bible. All adults are invited to attend. Deacon Bob



**La Crescent Area Bereavement Program**

Thursdays 1:30-3:00 pm

June 19 and 26

July 3, 10, 17, 24

August 7, 14, 21 and 28

*The death of a loved one can be painful.*

*Sharing with others who have experienced a similar loss is the first step in overcoming the heavy burden of grief.*

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

21 N. Hill St., La Crescent.

Our program offers both education and support. The book, *Understanding Your Grief*, by Alan Wolfelt will be provided. Wolfelt’s website is [www.centerforloss.com](http://www.centerforloss.com). Sessions are facilitated by counselors and nurses and open to anyone.

For information, and to register: Jane Welch at 608-797-4554

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, and the program is FREE.**

Sponsored by Church of the Crucifixion, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, La Crescent United Methodist Church and Mayo La Crosse Health System.

**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.stpatrickschurchbrownvillemn.org](http://www.stpatrickschurchbrownvillemn.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 [stpatricks@acegroup.cc](mailto:stpatricks@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.