



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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July 26, 2026

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, July 26, 2026

8:00 a.m. ✝️ + Ted Barthel

Tuesday, July 28, 2026

5:30 p.m. ✝️ + Maria Gartner

Sunday, August 2, 2026

8:00 a.m. ✝️ + Kendall Hammell

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, July 26

Announcer/Lector: Kent Bezdicek
Ushers: Mike Moriarty & Nick Serres
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Mary Mell
Choir: Trece Robson **Precious Blood:** Al Christian & Andrew Robson
Gift Bearers: Martha & John Meyer
Servers: Brynn Waters & Thea Waters
Rosary: Dan Hurley
Children's Lectionary: Joan Reining
Counters: Carmen Barthel & Marilyn Rose

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, August 2

Announcer/Lector: Karen Colsch
Ushers: Cary & Kathy Koel
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Mary Mell
Choir: Trece Robson **Precious Blood:** Kathy Koel & Andrew Robson
Gift Bearers: Nicole & Brent Carlon Family
Servers: John Carlon & Walker Kohlmeyer
Rosary: Frank Dvorak
Children's Lectionary: Aleigha Burg
Counters: Dave Ammann & Karen Kohlmeyer

Church Support: July 19, 2026

Adults:	\$	615.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$	125.00
Offertory:	\$	135.00
Hall Rental - Funeral:	\$	200.00
Mass Stipends:	\$	50.00
CCW Donation - Funeral:	\$	100.00
Choir Donation - Funeral:	\$	100.00
Votives:	\$	17.00

TOTAL: \$ 1,342.00

Servant Leadership

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Vogel
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Blog: fathervogel.wordpress.com
Podcast: Musings of a One-eared Catholic Priest

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announcements

- ✝️ **Fr. Ed McGrath** will be celebrating Mass with us on July 26th as Fr. Vogel will be out of town.
- ✝️ Join us on **August 2nd for Roll Sunday** following Mass. Great treats. Great Friends. Great Conversations.
- ✝️ The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated Sunday, August 16th Mass at St. Patrick's
- ✝️ **Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday, August 18th**

LITURGY MESSAGE

Today's Gospel from Matthew 13 concludes Jesus' three-part teaching on the Kingdom of God. Two Sundays ago, with the Parable of the Sower and the Seeds, Jesus introduced the kingdom to us. Last Sunday, Jesus spoke of the growth of the kingdom throughout the earth and within ourselves. And today, Jesus presents four parables to teach us about the eternal value of the kingdom.

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field...

The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it...

The kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind... They put what is good into buckets. What is bad they throw away...

Every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old...

These are vivid parables that honestly can't be retold as masterfully as Jesus himself preached them. Buried treasure, fine pearls, and buckets of tasty nourishing fish are all valuable in and of themselves. But today Jesus is challenging us: What do WE treasure?

Would we sell everything we have to deepen our relationship with God? Would we toss out the things that do not belong in our buckets – the grudges, distractions, and false treasures? Would we have the wisdom to keep what nourishes the soul and let go of whatever keeps us away from God's love?

God's deepest desire is to enter into personal relationship with you, and with me, and with all the children he created out of love.

Would God sell everything he has for you and for me? He already did! He sent his Son into the world to offer his life on the Cross and open for us eternal life – eternal relationship – with God.

Perhaps this is one way to understand the fourth parable. God

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It's Time for a New Parish Directory!

Our Church directory will not be complete without you! Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album. **Photography Dates will be on Tuesday, September 29th and 30th, from 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm at St. Patrick's Hall.** Every sitting photographed will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory. We need 100% participation to create memories!

Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table in the Hall or simply go online at www.ucdir.com, click on **church code mn679**, with **password 679mem**. Follow the directions given and you should then see your name on the list of appointments.

We will be organizing **committee** (parish choir, Servers, counters, council, etc.) **photo's following Mass on August 2nd and 9th.** Additional dates will be made as needed. You will receive a call soon inviting you for committee pictures!



back to school FAIR
July 30, 2026 1-7pm
Helping Hands Backpack Giveaway
free school supplies
Fair includes: Girl Scouts, 4H, bike safety, library, yoga, and more
* Free meal from 5-7pm *
Immanuel Lutheran Church and Mainspring
419 E. Grove St.
Caledonia
Please bring your child or something to prove you have school age children for example report card or student ID



POP-UP thrift shop
AUGUST 5, 6, 7
WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY
NOON - 6 EACH DAY
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
419 E. GROVE - CALEDONIA



Semcac Food Shelf

Needed items at this time are: Ramen noodles, any pasta, generic hamburger or tuna helper. All other items are appreciated as well!

Dive into the Life of Jesus with us!

Starting July 7th, we will have informal gatherings in Breza Hall to view episodes of "The Chosen" series. Tuesday evenings from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. No commitment, just come when you can. All adults and high schoolers are welcome. Popcorn and lemonade will be available!

Dates: July 28 August 4, 11, 25



LITURGY MESSAGE

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is the head of the household, lovingly bringing forth treasures old and new. He holds our memories and our hopes, our failures and our dreams, our past, our present, and our future. Nothing is lost in God's kingdom. Everything is gathered into his loving and merciful hands. This is Christian hope!

So let us look into our hearts and reflect on what Jesus is teaching us. What do you value above all else?

God values us. We are the treasure that God seeks and loves into eternity.

May we spend our lives seeking the One who has already found us, loving the One who has already loved us, and treasuring the God who treasures us beyond all measure.

12 Days Marian Shrines & Barcelona Trip

If you are interested in joining Fr. Matthew Wagner, St. Mary's Spiritual Director on **May 16 through 27, 2027** to tour sacred encounters – Walking with Our Blessed Mother Mary – in Portugal and Barcelona sign up can be completed by mail (Brochures at each entrance) or online at www.nativitypilgrimage.com/msh-bar-5909



2026
Catholic
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Appeal

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2026

This year's theme, "I Will Make You Fishers of Men," reminds us that Christ calls each of us to share in His mission. Through our generosity, we help support the diocesan programs and services made possible through the CMA.

St. Patrick's Parish 2026 goal:	\$ 6,944.00
Support Pledged:	\$ 2,080.00 (30%)
Number of Donors:	9

Brochures and envelopes are located at church entrances. Please prayerfully consider helping our Parish to meet our goal in this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal!

Summer Flowers for the Altar

Help beautify our church this summer by providing flowers to adorn the altars at St. Patrick's. Donations of green plants, fresh-cut flowers, or floral arrangements are warmly welcomed. Please sign up on the sheets located on the table in the Parish Hall. Flower donations should be dropped off in the Hall Kitchen by 10:00 a.m. on Saturdays. Thank you for helping make our church a place of beauty and prayer. **Altar Flower Donations:**

July 26th: *In memory of*

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. Mass Intentions are \$10 per Mass. 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 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.