



# St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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January 4, 2026

## Parish Business

### Mass Schedule

#### Sunday, January 4, 2026

8:00 a.m. + Jared Hammell

#### Tuesday, January 6, 2026

5:30 p.m. For Health & Well Being of Parishioner

#### Sunday, January 11, 2026

8:00 a.m. + Art & + Delores Augedahl

### Liturgical Roles - Sunday, January 4

**Announcer/Lector:** Karen Colsch

**Ushers:** Cary & Kathy Koel

**Eucharistic Ministers: Host:** Randy Mell

**Choir:** Ann Fitzpatrick **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes & Bill Fitzpatrick

**Gift Bearers:** Nicole & Brent Carlon Family

**Servers:** Summer Colsch & Shauna Colsch

**Rosary:** Frank Dvorak

**Children's Lectionary:** Aleigha Burg

**Counters:** Dave Ammann & Karen Kohlmeyer

### Liturgical Roles - Sunday, January 11

**Announcer/Lector:** Mary Mell

**Ushers:** Nick Serres & Dan Boser

**Eucharistic Ministers: Host:** Karen Colsch

**Choir:** Al Christian **Precious Blood:** Adeline Colsch & Hope Flannery

**Gift Bearers:** Teresa & Steve Colsch Family

**Servers:** Sabrina TenKley & Sophia TenKley

**Rosary:** Virginia Heintz

**Children's Lectionary:** Heidi Grams

**Counters:** Angie TenKley & Cindy Dvorak

### Church Support: December 28, 2025

<b>Adults:</b>	\$ 1,135.00
<b>Adult Online Giving:</b>	\$ 200.00
<b>Offertory:</b>	\$ 112.00
<b>Special Offering:</b>	\$ 40.00
<b>Christmas Offering:</b>	\$ 70.00
<b>Votives:</b>	\$ 3.00
<b>CCP Annual Dues:</b>	\$ 75.00

**TOTAL \$ 1,635.00**

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### Servant Leadership

**Pastor:** Rev. Andrew Vogel

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**Sacramental Emergencies:** 507.722.0788

**Blog:** [fathervogel.wordpress.com](http://fathervogel.wordpress.com)

**Podcast:** Musings of a One-eared Catholic Priest

### The Epiphany of the Lord

### Announcements

- † January 4<sup>th</sup>, join fellow parishioners for Roll Sunday following Mass.
- † January 11<sup>th</sup> following Mass we will need help taking down the Christmas décor.
- † January 11<sup>th</sup> following Mass parishioners can take home a Poinsettia that decorated the altar areas.
- † Mass Intentions for a loved one living or deceased and for special occasions are needed for Tuesdays in 2026. There are several Sunday's still open as well.

### PASTOR'S MESSAGE

The Christmas season continues. Hopefully the kids haven't gotten too crazy yet. Maybe for some of you Monday and sending the kids back to school can't come fast enough. Seriously, hopefully our young families have had a chance to rest and relax and enjoy each other's company. I think back on my first 15 years of life. So many great Christmas family memories. I'm still making Christmas memories, but they are very different now with all of my siblings having families of their own and all of us living all over the world. You probably don't need to hear it from me, but young families, treasure these times. I know sometimes it is not easy getting everyone moving in the same direction, but I promise you, it is worth it for the memories you are making now.

Today we celebrate Epiphany. Epiphany means a sudden realization or insight. There are so many ways that the visit of the magi is revelatory. The magi had been following the star west over a great distance. The star finally led them to Jerusalem. The magi had discerned that this was a very special star, a star that was leading them to a great king. From Jerusalem they make the eight and half mile hike down to Bethlehem. There they found the Holy Family. When they arrived, they gave Jesus interesting gifts. Gold, for Jesus' kingship. Frankincense for Jesus' priesthood. And myrrh for Jesus being the greatest prophet, the great revealer of God (because He is God). Jesus is the ultimate priest, prophet, and king. In our baptism we become partakers in Jesus' priesthood, prophecy, and kingship. Do we partake in Christ's priesthood? Do we lead others to worship God? Do we partake in Christ's prophecy? Do we proclaim the Truth of Jesus Christ to others? Do we partake in Christ's kingship? Do we inspire others to make Christ King of their lives by making Jesus first in our lives?

I pray as we celebrate Epiphany today and continue to celebrate the Christmas season that we remember to slow down and pay homage to Jesus and to thank Him for being our King; a King that loves us more than we can imagine.

Merry Christmas and God bless, Fr Vogel

**Church Support: December 24, 2025**

Adults:	\$ 230.00
Christmas Offering:	\$ 1,291.00
Help a Student:	\$ 25.00
Special Offering:	\$ 20.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,566.00</b>

**Church Support: December 31, 2025**

Adults:	\$ 40.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ 40.00
First Offering:	\$ 30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 110.00</b>

**The Knights of Columbus Council 5115 Events****Breakfast**

The Knights of Columbus Council 5115 is having an eggs, pancakes and sausage breakfast on Sunday, January 11, 2026 at the Crucifixion school gym from 8:00 am to 12:00pm



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Christmas Party**

We are also holding our annual KC Christmas party at the Wieser Pavillion in La Crescent on Sunday, January 18th, from 12:00 to 3:00 pm.

**Parish Giving Envelopes**

2026 parish giving envelopes are available in the Hall. Please pick yours up after Mass today. If you did not receive a box, please leave a message on the Parish Office phone: 507-482-6818. Thank you!

**CCW Regional Quarterly Meeting**

Ladies of the Parish: You're invited to attend our upcoming Diocese of Winona-Rochester Council of Catholic Women meeting at Holy Family, Kasson, MN on January 10th.

Meeting begins at 9am with refreshments. At 10am, Speaker Cathy Blaeser from MCCL on issues and Feb. 3rd Caucus, Mass/Service, Free-Will donation Lunch. Speaker at 1:00 will be World-Renown, Sir Raymond de Souza, speaking on one of his special topics!! Do come and have fellowship, too! If you need a ride, Rosanne Buehler from Crucifixion will be going, just reach out to Jean Meyer.

**Semcac Food Shelf**

There is a need for everything at this time. They are very grateful for your continued support.



The Christmas Season is always complete with the generous donations from parishioners of St. Patrick's to purchase the Poinsettia's. Thank you for making our parish so special.

We also had donations in memory of loved ones from:

Al &amp; Annette Christian

*In memory of deceased Becker and Christian Families*

Mary &amp; Bob Frank and Family

Mike &amp; Carmen Moriarty and Family

Jean &amp; Gary Hughes and Family

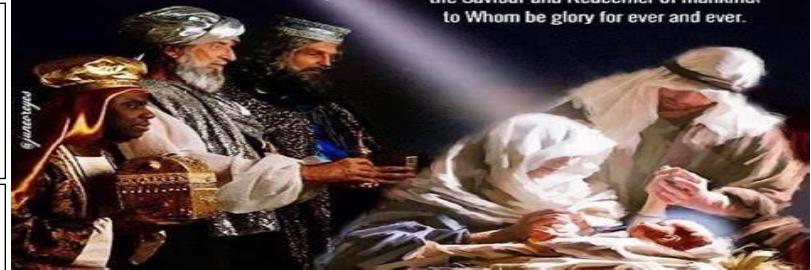
Dan Moriarty

*In memory of Joseph D. and Margaret M. Moriarty*

Gery &amp; Colette Bruening

*In memory of family members***THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD***"The Lord and Ruler is coming. Kingship is His, and Government and Power."**Lord Jesus Christ*

Eternal God, may Your light shine our way,  
as once it guided the steps of the magi:  
that we too may be led into Your presence  
and worship You, the Child of Mary,  
the Word of the Father, the King of kings,  
the Saviour and Redeemer of mankind:  
to Whom be glory for ever and ever.

**What is the Meaning of "Epiphany"?**

While Christmas is centered on the birth of Jesus, Epiphany marks the moment of His revelation to the world. Epiphany means "appearance or manifestation." Throughout the world, Christians celebrate it 12 days after Christmas Day. Many countries refer to it as "Three Kings Day." On this day, Western Christianity recognizes Christ's manifestation to the Gentiles. The Gentiles were represented when The Magi visited the child Jesus and showed how God's gift of the Good News is for everyone. Since epiphany means manifestation, early celebrations honored any of the four manifestations of Christ. His birth, the adoration of the Magi, Jesus' baptism, and the first miracle at Cana, where Jesus turned water into wine.

**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](http://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](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.