



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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June 28, 2026

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, June 28, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Bill Jahn

Tuesday, June 30, 2026

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Josephine Abnet
Lector: Debi Shuda

Sunday, July 5, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + John, Alvina, John Jr.,
& Ruth Zoubek

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, June 28

Announcer/Lector: Kent Bezdicek
Ushers: Gracie & Isaac Bruggeman
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Ann Fitzpatrick
Choir: Andrew Robson **Precious Blood:** Jean Meyer
& Trece Robson
Gift Bearers: Martha & John Meyer
Servers: John Carlon & Shauna Colsch
Rosary: Dan Hurley
Children's Lectionary: Joan Reining
Counters: Carmen Barthel & Marilyn Rose

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, July 5

Announcer/Lector: Karen Colsch
Ushers: Cary & Kathy Koel
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Bill Fitzpatrick
Choir: Ann Fitzpatrick **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes
& Kathy Koel
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: June 21, 2026

Adults:	\$	980.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$	225.00
Offertory:	\$	223.00
Cemetery Donation:	\$	25.00
Votives:	\$	10.00

TOTAL: \$ 1,463.00

Servant Leadership

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Vogel
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Sacramental Emergencies: 507.722.0788
Blog: fathervogel.wordpress.com
Podcast: Musings of a One-eared Catholic Priest

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announcements

- ☩ **June 28th Brownsville Days** Join in on the fun to watch a Kickball game, Fire Dept. vs. kids, at 6pm at the Ballfield.
- ☩ **June 28th – Second collection for Peter's Pence**
- ☩ **July 2nd – 7th** Fr. Vogel will be visiting family in Ames, IA.
- ☩ **July 5th** - Missionary Priest Fr. Duncan Mwangangi from Kenya will talk to the parish on his mission.
- ☩ **July 5th Roll Sunday** following Mass. Please join us!

SEMINARIAN'S MESSAGE

Greetings to you all,

I hope you have had a blessed week as well as a great Father's Day/Summer Solstice.

Fr. Duncan Mwangangi will be visiting us next weekend from Kenya. Please give him a warm welcome when you see him.

In this week's Gospel reading, Jesus presents us with a difficult teaching. He tells us that anyone who loves someone else more than Himself and is unwilling to take up their cross is unworthy of Him. Christ's words make it clear that it is essential for us as Christians to make Him our top priority. While this sounds easy on paper, it can be hard to put into practice because of world we live in today. How often do we push prayer, or the Mass, or Confession to the side because we would rather spend extra time working or having fun? It would be easy to skip Mass on Sunday to watch an NFL game, but that would be a failure to carry our cross.

Being a follower of Christ is not meant to be easy. Sometimes it will require us to make drastic changes to our lives by giving up material possessions or relationships that are holding us back from putting God first. This was certainly true for the Apostles who gave up everything for Jesus' sake, including their own lives. Much like the Apostles, we will all face suffering in our lives. While it can be good for us to avoid suffering, that is not always possible. In the moments when we are unable to do so, it is important to put God first by offering our suffering up to Him. (Colossians 1:24) We all have a God shaped hole in our heart that can only be filled with His infinite love.

Making God our number one priority can have visible effects on our lives. I have noticed in my own life that when I pray before starting a daunting task, I am able to finish the task faster and with less effort than if I had not prayed. Saint Teresa of Calcutta knew this truth very well. There is a famous story of one of her sisters asking her to reduce their daily prayer time so that they could spend more time completing their demanding work. Mother Teresa responded by adding an additional hour of prayer to their schedules! Without that time in prayer, we cannot do any of the other work. It is that time with God that makes our work possible." (St. Teresa of Calcutta)

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Catholic Ministries Appeal 2026

The Catholic Ministries Appeal is one of the primary efforts to support the spiritual, educational, and social needs of the Catholic community in southern Minnesota.

The appeal provides essential funding for many diocesan ministries that play a vital role in carrying out the mission of the church, such as:

- Cemeteries
- Parish Support
- Newman Centers

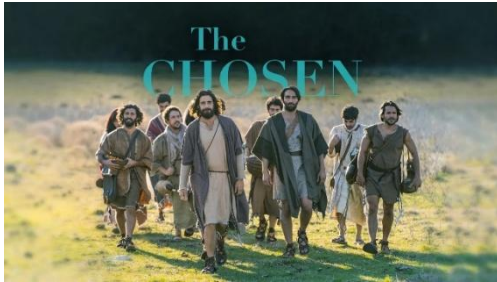
Our goal for St. Patrick's Parish this year is \$6,944.

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!

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 7, 14, 21, 28 August 4, 11, 25



On the Sacred Heart of Jesus

In the Catholic Church, the month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The image of the Sacred Heart, wounded by our offenses while still burning with love for us, is both a deeply meaningful devotion for Catholics, and also a model of mercy for all people of good will.

In all that we do at Catholic Charities, we strive to love like Jesus, whose heart was "moved with pity for them for they were like sheep without a shepherd."

O Jesus, meek and humble of Heart, make our hearts like unto Thine.

Learn more at ccsomm.org



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Life itself is a gift from God. Because of this, our lives are not our own, but rather they belong to God. Consequently, we must treat all of God's possessions with love and respect. Both the Gospel reading and the first reading speak to the importance of hospitality towards one another. Every time we show hospitality to someone else, we are showing it to Jesus Christ Himself. While it can be hard work to do so, we will be greatly rewarded. Inspired by God's Word, let us continue to prioritize God and show hospitality to others.

Alex Danielson, Seminarian

Alex Danielson is a seminarian for our diocese who is living with Fr. Vogel for the summer.



Interested in joining a Bible Study group?

We're excited to announce that Tuesday Bible Study is returning! **Beginning Tuesday, July 7, Bible Study will meet each Tuesday from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at the Parish Rectory.** Adults and confirmed students are warmly invited to participate as we explore Sacred Scripture, deepen our understanding of God's Word, and reflect on how it applies to our daily lives. This is a casual and welcoming gathering that provides an opportunity to learn, share, and grow in faith in a relaxed and spiritual setting. Bring your Bible! To sign up or for more information, please contact Mary Mell at 507-450-4577. We look forward to seeing you!

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 from your garden, or floral arrangements are warmly welcomed. Flowers may be given in memory of a loved one, in honor of an anniversary or birthday, or simply as an expression of gratitude and appreciation. 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. Hope Flannery will lovingly arrange the flowers to enhance our worship space and create a beautiful setting for our liturgies. Thank you for helping make our church a place of beauty and prayer throughout the summer season.



Semcac Food Shelf

Needed items at this time are: Raisin Bran, crackers, all juice, canned pasta, and ramen noodles. All other items are appreciated as well!

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 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.