



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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April 6, 2025

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, April 6, 2025

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Deceased members of
Kreutzer Family

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Al & Jeanette Graf

Sunday, April 13, 2025

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Bill Howes

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, April 6

Announcer/Lector: Mary Mell
Ushers: Mike Moriarty & Nick Serres
Eucharistic Minister: Host: Bill Fitzpatrick
Choir: Al Christian **Precious Blood:** Ann Fitzpatrick
Gift Bearers: Nicole & Brent Carlon Family
Servers: John Carlon & Walker Kohlmeyer
Rosary: Joe Blahnik
Children's Lectionary: Aleigha Burg
Counters: Dave Ammann & Karen Kohlmeyer

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, April 13

Announcer/Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick
Ushers: Mike Moriarty & Dan Boser
Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Karen Colsch
Choir: Adeline Colsch **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes
Gift Bearers: Teresa & Steve Colsch Family
Servers: Sabrina TenKley & Sophia TenKley
Rosary: Frank Dvorak
Children's Lectionary: Heidi Grams
Counters: Angie TenKley & Cindy Dvorak

Church Support: March 30, 2025

Adults:	\$ 1,055.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$ 100.00
Offertory:	\$ 70.00
Help A Student:	\$ 10.00
Faith Formation:	\$ 27.00
Cemetery Donation:	\$ 250.00
Catholic Relief Services:	\$ 445.00
CCP Spring Fling:	\$ 520.00
Votives:	\$ 18.00

TOTAL \$ 2,495.00

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

Announcements

- ☩ Remember your annual CCP contribution of \$25.
- ☩ Please take a Rice Bowl and fill it with your change during Lent, return by April 20th.
- ☩ Tuesdays after Mass - until April 15: Stations of the Cross at 6pm & Lenton Soup Supper at 6:20 pm.
- ☩ April 6 – CCP Roll Sunday, following Mass
- ☩ April 13 – Spring Fling Meeting following Mass

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Hopefully you survived April Fools' Day. Hopefully no one was injured. I unfortunately did not do anything for April Fools' Day. Maybe next year I think of something epic to do.

I will be gone the second half of the week. I am going to visit a FOCUS missionary at Southeast Missouri State University. SMSU is located in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Taylor was a new FOCUS missionary in Mankato my last year there. I told her if she became team director, I would come visit her. I think I was hoping it was somewhere closer. Oh, well. I will be leaving Wednesday evening and I'll be back for Mass at St. Mary's on Saturday evening. So, pray for me for safe travels.

Next week is already Holy Week, starting with Palm Sunday. So, let's hit those Lenten penances hard. The end is in sight. Don't give up yet. If you have recently fallen, start again and finish strong.

This week we get one of my favorite events in the Gospels. Today we get the woman caught in adultery. I don't want to think about it too hard, but I've wondered, how did she get caught in adultery? Anyway, the scribes and the Pharisees bring this woman before Jesus. Mosaic Law said the woman was to be stoned. Leviticus 20:10 says that both the adulterer and adulteress are to be stoned. So where is the man? Why wasn't he brought before Jesus?

As I said the other week, if we don't accept God's love and mercy, we force Him to deal with us with justice. The scribes and Pharisees wanted justice, but Jesus extends mercy. Jesus finally says in response, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." One by one, the scribes and the Pharisees leave until the woman is left alone standing before Jesus. Jesus extends mercy, but He also challenges her to change her ways. Not only does Jesus say, "Neither do I condemn you," but He also says, "Go, and from now on do not sin anymore." He gives her freedom...freedom from her past, but not a freedom to keep sinning, but a freedom to start a path of holiness. Again, the graces of the Cross are not there just to free us from sin, but to give us the grace to actually change; to actually become better people. Jesus doesn't want to just give us the grace to actually change; to actually become better people.

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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: \$ 330.00 (5%)
Number of Donors: 3

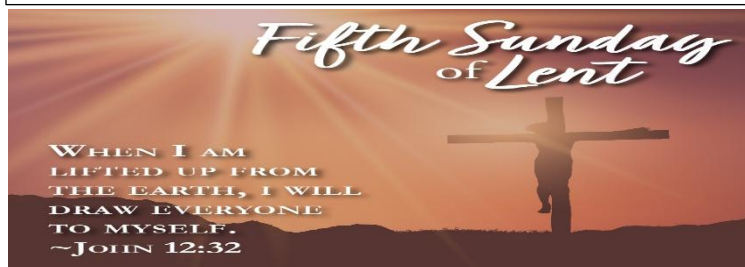
If you haven't already contributed, there are envelopes available at the Church entrances. Or you may give online at www.catholicismn.org. Thank you for your contributions!



Sunday, April 27, 2025

Please consider donating towards our largest fundraiser - **St. Patrick's Spring Fling**. Now is the time to start to bring in donated items for the themed baskets, provide your handmade silent auction items, donate gift cards or certificates from businesses, sell & purchase Raffle tickets, bring in small prizes for the children's games, bring in new or gently used jewelry, plan to bake for the bake sale, and plan to volunteer on the day of the event.

The Spring Fling will start with a delicious and hearty breakfast at 9:00 am on Sunday, April 27th, along with basket and ticket raffles, jewelry and silent auctions, Quilt Raffle, bake sale, children's games, and much more!



CCW Spring Meeting will be in Spring Valley on April 12th starting at 8:00 am with breakfast, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church. Speakers from Seven Sisters Apostolate and St. Vincent de Paul Society. Please consider coming!

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Jesus doesn't want to just give us a band aid for our sins; He wants to give us the platelets we need to be healed. Jesus is the Divine Physician. As we near the end of our Lenten journey, allow Jesus to heal you of your past fears and injuries (physical, mental, and spiritual). The Church is a field hospital. It is a place where we who are beat up in the battle between good and evil, can come and be healed and restored. May you have a week full of mercy and healing, Fr. Vogel

All **Parish youth** are invited to join in **singing a song before Mass on Easter Sunday**.

Practice will be in the Church, after Mass, on Sunday April 6 and April 13. Hope to see you there!



Stations of the Cross following the 5:30 pm Weekday Mass.

All are welcome to join in these nights of reflection and a delicious soup supper following the Stations of the Cross each Tuesday during Lent.



La Crescent KC Corner

KC Council Fish Fry, benefits both Crucifixion and St Peter's schools. Event date is 4/11 from 4 pm – 7 pm, at Crucifixion School. \$15/plate and includes fish (cod), baked potato, french fries, baked beans, coleslaw, bun, milk/coffee. Desserts will again be offered from CCCW.



Semcac Food Shelf

Thank you to all who helped fill the grocery cart during the month of March. 140 pounds of food was delivered to the Food Shelf on April 3. They are very grateful for your generosity! Items most needed at this time are generic cookies, ramen noodles, peanut butter, (crunchy and creamy), Knorr's pasta and sauce or rice and sauce, sardines, salt & pepper (disposable sets). All other items are also welcome.

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



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 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.