



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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August 31, 2025

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, August 31, 2025

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Woodie & + Margaret Johnson

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Joe Blahnik

Sunday, September 7, 2025

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Delores Serres

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, August 31

Announcer/Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick
Ushers: Nick Serres & Mike Moriarty
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Ann Fitzpatrick
Choir: Karen Colsch **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes
Gift Bearers: Barb Wiese & Marilyn Rose
Servers: Summer Colsch & Shauna Colsch
Rosary: Virginia Albert
Children's Lectionary: Teresa Colsch
Counters: Carmen Barthel & Marilyn Rose

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, September 7

Announcer/Lector: Karen Colsch
Ushers: Cary & Kathy Koel
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Mary Mell
Choir: Ann Fitzpatrick **Precious Blood:** Al Christian
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: August 24, 2025

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| Adults: | \$ | 765.00 |
| Adult Online Giving: | \$ | 100.00 |
| Offertory: | \$ | 140.97 |
| Hall Rental: | \$ | 100.00 |
| Mass Stipends: | \$ | 50.00 |
| Kwik Trip Rebate: | \$ | 78.86 |
| Cemetery Donation: | \$ | 25.00 |
| Catholic Home Missions: | \$ | 525.00 |
| Votives: | \$ | 10.50 |

TOTAL \$ 1,795.33

Servant Leadership

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announcements

- ✚ Please sign up to **bring in fresh cut flowers** to adorn the Church. Sign up sheet is located in Hall on table.
- ✚ **September 7th Join fellow parishioners for Roll Sunday**
- ✚ **September 14th – Special collection for Gaza and surrounding areas**
- ✚ **Wednesday, September 24th – Generations of Faith -- Potluck begins at 5:30 pm, Program 6:00 – 7:30 pm.**
- ✚ **September 28th -- Special collection for Freeburg Cemetery.**

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Pray!

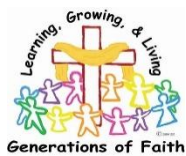
As most of you know there was a major tragedy at a Catholic Church in the Cities. The school kids were at Mass celebrating the beginning of the school year. Please pray for the community and everyone involved. Their lives will never be the same. Our diocese sent out an email right away Wednesday morning. After some discussion with Arleen and Rebecca, we have decided to close off Wednesday and Friday morning Masses to the public at least for the first semester. This may be an overreaction, but if we are going to err, I would rather at this point err on the side of being too cautious than not being cautious enough. As of Thursday morning, when I'm writing this bulletin article, I and St. Mary's Pastoral Council are meeting Friday (August 29) to discuss when we will have separate daily Masses for the public. I assume I will announce all this at Masses this weekend. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.

This Saturday (August 30) I am praying with the family of William Puent. Please pray for the repose of his soul. Losing a loved one is not easy.

Today in the Gospel Jesus says, *"For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."* I have been reminded in prayer lately that we must live for the good of God and others. It is so easy to get stuck on ourselves. And yes, we should try and grow and become better people, but one way to do this is to focus on others. Jesus was always focused on others. In fact, Gaudium et Spes (no. 22) says that Christ shows man to himself. So, if we want to be more like Christ, if we want to live out the fulness of our humanity, then we need to give of ourselves. It is not only better to give than to receive, but we are most human, we are most alive, when we give. Are we in the business of exalting ourselves or are we in the business of humbling ourselves? I need to do less of the former and more of the latter.

God bless,

Father Vogel



GENERATIONS OF FAITH 2025-2026

Our new season of Generations of Faith will begin soon!

We will come together again as a parish, for family-centered faith formation, to grow in our understanding and love of the Faith. **We will gather one Wednesday evening per month on the following dates from 5:30-7:30 p.m.**

September 24, 2025

November 19, 2025

February 25, 2026

October 22, 2025

January 28, 2026

March 25, 2026

Our topic this year is *"Living a Moral Life"*. We will be taking a look at the Ten Commandments and practical ways to live them out in our daily lives. The Commandments are core to our faith and so important for us to review, and for our youth to learn and understand them. All are welcome! Come alone, come with your family, or bring a friend. Generations of Faith has been successful at St. Patrick's because we have so many people who are willing to help out. We will find some engaging presenters to inspire our faith life, and it will be a great year of faith, food and fellowship!



Semcac Food Shelf

Thanks to all who helped fill the grocery cart during the month of August. A record 179 pounds of food was delivered to the Semcac Food Shelf on August 28th! Items most in need at this time are: Ramen noodles, elbow macaroni, cereal, canned fruit, tuna, sardines, and any kind of canned meat. All other items are appreciated as well.



Please consider St. Patrick's to **provide an everlasting back drop of flowers for our altars** in our church with flower sharing donations – green plants, cut flowers, flower arrangements.

Please use the sign-up sheets on the table in the Hall. Flowers can be given in memory of someone, for an anniversary, birthday or just to show appreciation. Drop off flowers in the Hall Kitchen by 10:00 am on Saturday's. Hope Flannery will be arranging the flowers to adorn the altars.

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



Faith Lutheran of Blackhammer Annual Meatball Supper

Wednesday, September 10, 2025, Serving: 5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Menu: Meatballs & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Cole Slaw, Buns/Lefse, Dessert & Beverage Cost: Adults & Carry outs: \$15.00, Ages 5-12: \$5.00, Under 5: Free

Second Collection for relief efforts in Gaza

The USCCB has been working diligently to establish a way to support those who are suffering in Gaza. As part of that effort, Bishop Barron is heeding the call for a second collection. A **second collection will be taken September 14** to support the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Catholic Relief Service (CRS) in their relief efforts. To learn more about their vital work, you can visit their websites at www.cnewa.org and www.crs.org.



2025
Catholic Ministries Appeal
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The 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal

The CMA 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.

St. Patrick's Parish 2025 Goal : \$6,788.00
Received: \$5,180.00 (76%)
Number of Donors: 18

Every donor counts as we fund Catholic Ministries, education and evangelism in Southern MN. Please prayerfully consider what is feasible for your family - \$30, \$300, or \$3,000 - every gift matters to help us reach our Parish goal. If you haven't already contributed, there are envelopes available at the Church entrances. Or you may give online at www.catholicfsmn.org Thank you for your contributions!

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.