



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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May 31, 2026

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, May 31, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Alex Klug

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Terry Monarch

Lector: Butch Shuda

Sunday, June 7, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Don Hoodecheck

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, May 31

Announcer/Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick
Ushers: Grace & Isaac Bruggeman
Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Karen Colsch
Choir: Adeline Colsch **Precious Blood:** Ann Fitzpatrick & Jean Meyer
Gift Bearers: Colette & Gery Bruening
Servers: Brynn Waters & Thea Waters
Rosary: Virginia Albert
Children's Lectionary: Summer Colsch
Counters: Mary Lou Graf & Gery Bruening

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, June 7

Announcer/Lector: Karen Colsch
Ushers: Cary & Kathy Koel
Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Bill Fitzpatrick
Choir: Ann Fitzpatrick **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes & Kathy Koel
Gift Bearers: Teresa & Steve Colsch Family
Servers: Walker Kohlmeyer
Rosary: Frank Dvorak
Children's Lectionary: Aleigha Burg
Counters: Dave Ammann & Karen Kohlmeyer

Church Support: May 24, 2026

Adults:	\$ 2,485.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$ 125.00
Offertory:	\$ 189.00
Hall Rental:	\$ 100.00
Cemetery Donations:	\$ 75.00
Votives:	\$ 33.00
Youth M&M Fundraiser:	\$ 88.60
Youth Brat Fry Fundraiser:	\$ 1,179.00

TOTAL: \$ 4,274.60

Servant Leadership

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The Most Holy Trinity

Announcements

- ☩ **June 4th – 5th** Fr. Vogel will be attending Ministry Days at St. Mary's University, Winona from Thursday afternoon until Friday afternoon.
- ☩ **June 7th** – Join fellow parishioners for **Roll Sunday**, following Mass. Enjoy delicious rolls, fruit, coffee and juice.
- ☩ Please remember to contribute to the Help A Student fund. Envelopes are in your contribution box.
- ☩ **June 28th – Second collection for Peter's Pence**

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This was the great revelation of Jesus Christ. Yes, God is One, but there are three Persons in the One God. As I have said many times, to say that God is love is not just a statement. It is a deep, simple reality. Love requires two persons. Because there is a Father and a Son, the Father loves the Son perfectly and completely and the son perfectly and completely receives the Father's love. The Son then perfectly and completely loves the Father back. This exchange of Love is so radically real that it is the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Trinity. So, God is a community, a community of Love.

If we are made in the image and likeness of God, then it makes sense that we are created for love. This means that love, relationships are not just an aspect of who we are. No, relationships are at the very core of who we are as human beings. This is why the arts (music, plays, and movies) are so full of themes surrounding relationships. This is why we spend so much time obsessing over relationships. This is why relationships can drastically increase our happiness and can drastically increase our suffering. This is all to point us to the truth that God created us ultimately to have a relationship with Him. This is why the ultimate relationship we are created for is with God. This is why no human relationship can completely satisfy us; not even our spouse. This is why we are always searching for more. As Saint Augustine once said, "Our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee." It is only in our relationship with God that our hearts ultimately and fully come to rest. Our hearts pine for the unconditional and completely selfless love that is only available from God Himself. We will experience this love fully in heaven. God planted this desire for perfect love in our hearts so that we might search for Him. And He satisfies this desire in heaven.

God is a community of Love. He wants to share that love outside of Himself, outside of the Trinity. Thus, He created us. Thus, He invites us to participate in the Love of the Trinity, even now, even imperfectly. May we desire the love of God and fight for it every day. May we be instruments of God's Love as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in the world.

Peace, Fr. Vogel

ST. PATRICK'S YOUTH "BRAT FRY" FUNDRAISER

St. Patrick's youth would like to thank everyone who came and supported us at our "Brat Fry" last Sunday. We had a beautiful day and a very successful fundraiser. We are excited to attend the Steubenville Catholic Youth Conference in July, along with thousands of other Catholic teens, to draw closer to Christ and grow in our faith! We greatly appreciate your generosity!



The 2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal

When Jesus says "I will make you fishers of men," He calls us into the great adventure of discipleship. Through the Catholic Ministries appeal, we help share that mission across

our diocese.

With your generosity we are able to form future priests, assist the poor and vulnerable, strengthen Catholic schools, and support ministries that proclaim the Gospel and build up the life of the Church throughout southern Minnesota. Brochures and Envelopes are located at church entrances. Please prayerfully consider participating in this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal

Most Holy Trinity

The Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith, expressing the belief that God is one in essence but exists in three distinct, co-eternal, and consubstantial Persons: the Father, the Son (Jesus Christ), and the Holy Spirit. The Catholic Church teaches that there is one God - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit - each fully God, yet distinct from one another in their relations. The Father is the source of all being; the Son, the Word made flesh, reveals God's love and redeems humanity; the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son, sanctifying the Church and guiding the faithful. Most Holy Trinity means that **God is one, yet three - a perfect communion of love that is the very heart of the Christian faith.**



Semcac Food Shelf

Suggested items at this time are: granola bars (generic), snack crackers, saltines, graham crackers, instant pudding, and sardines. All other items are appreciated as well!

Thank you for your continued support of the Food Shelf!

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 stpatrick@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.



Nick's Story

When Nick arrived at our Rochester Overnight Shelter, he was homeless, struggling with addiction, and had ridden his bike all the way from the Twin Cities. We helped him to get connected with AA supports, find temporary work, and obtain work clothes. Our shelter staff also packed him a lunch and some snacks each night to get him through the following workday. Eventually, this led to full-time employment and an apartment of his own. After months of hearing nothing from Nick, he returned recently with a few cases of water to check in on our shelter guests. He was so thankful that Catholic Charities was there for him when he was ready to give up hope!

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