



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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April 12, 2026

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, April 12, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Bonnie Helke Schock

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

5:30 p.m. ☩ + George Joyce
Lector: Butch Shuda

Sunday, April 19, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Bill Jahn

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, April 12

Announcer/Lector: Mary Mell
Ushers: Cary & Kathy Koel
Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Al Christian
Choir: Trece Robson **Precious Blood:** Kathy Koel & Andrew Robson
Gift Bearers: Nicole & Brent Carlon Family
Servers: John Carlon
Rosary: Virginia Heintz
Children's Lectionary: Heidi Grams
Counters: Angie TenKley & Cindy Dvorak

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, April 19

Announcer/Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick
Ushers: Gracie & Isaac Bruggeman
Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Ann Fitzpatrick
Choir: Andrew Robson **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes & Trece Robson
Gift Bearers: Jessica & Ray Waters Family
Servers: Summer Colsch & Shauna Colsch
Rosary: Mary Lou Graf
Children's Lectionary: Teresa Colsch
Counters: Mary Lou Graf & Gery Bruening

Church Support: April 5, 2026 Easter

Adults:	\$ 1,030.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$ 125.00
Offertory:	\$ 454.27
Easter Offering:	\$ 877.00
Cemetery Donation:	\$ 50.00
Holy Land:	\$ 35.00
Rice Bowl:	\$ 80.00
CCP Spring Fling:	\$ 532.00
Votives:	\$ 10.09
CCP Annual Dues:	\$ 25.00

Servant Leadership

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Second Sunday of Easter -- Sunday of Devine Mercy

Announcements

- ☩ **Spring Fling – April 19th.** Breakfast from 9am to noon. Raffle Tickets, Basket Raffles, Silent Auction, Quilt Raffle, Bake Sale, Children's games and much more!
- ☩ **May 3rd – Roll Sunday** following Mass. Come join us for Rolls, Fruit and conversations!

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Remember Easter is a season. Continue to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Today is the Second Sunday of Easter or also known as Divine Mercy Sunday. As I said last year, Pope Saint John Paul II declared the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday in honor of his fellow Polish saint, Saint Faustina.

Despite abuses in the past, indulgences are a good thing. The Pope, as the successor of Saint Peter, can hold things bound on earth so that they are bound in heaven or he can lose things so that they are forgiven in heaven. (Matthew 16:16-19) There are plenary and partial indulgences. A plenary indulgence is a complete remission of the temporal punishment due to sins that have already been forgiven. A partial indulgence is a grant from the Catholic Church that remits a portion of the temporal punishment due to forgiven sins, helping to relieve the suffering of a holy soul in Purgatory. Either can be obtained by actions, prayers, or works of charity as specified by the Pope and the Catholic Church.

To obtain a plenary indulgence on Divine Mercy Sunday, you must fulfill the following conditions: go to sacramental confession, receive Holy Communion, and pray for the intentions of the Pope. Additionally, you must participate in prayers and devotions in honor of Divine Mercy in a church or chapel or recite the Our Father and the Creed in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Divine Mercy Sunday Plenary Indulgence is unique because to obtain a plenary indulgence throughout the year, an individual must be detached from all sin, which is actually very difficult to do. However, Jesus does not require complete detachment from sin with the special graces He offers on Divine Mercy Sunday. This is the only time complete detachment from sin is not required to receive a plenary indulgence, the complete remission of the temporal punishment due to sin.

So, to facilitate the reception of this plenary indulgence, this extraordinary gift, we are going to have a Holy Hour from 3-4 PM today (Sunday, April 12) at St. Mary's. We will have Eucharistic Adoration, pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and I will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I strongly encourage you to come and receive the grace and mercy of God.

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Soup Supper Donation: \$ 50.00
TOTAL: \$ 3,268.36

Church Support: April 3, 2026 Good Friday
Holy Land: \$ 398.00
CCP Spring Fling: \$ 450.00
TOTAL: \$ 848.00



Sunday, April 19, 2026

Join us for a delicious breakfast starting at 9:00 am of egg bake, sausage, fruit, pancakes, juice and coffee, all for \$13

each. Youth at \$8 and children 5 yrs and under – Free. Enjoy Basket Raffles, Silent Auction, Quilt Raffle, and Big Ticket Raffle from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, with drawings at 1:00 pm.

Bake Sale: Baked goods will be available for sale from 9:00 am until sold out. So many delicious items for you to take home and enjoy! Bring the kids and join the fun with children’s games available from 9:00 am – noon. When one adult per family purchases a meal ticket, you will receive 6 free children game tickets. Additional tickets to participate in the children’s games will be available for purchase.

CCW Caledonia Area Quarterly Meeting

Our next Quarterly meeting will be Sunday, April 26 after 10 am mass at Crucifixion. At this time, we will meet at the parish office in the convent building. This meeting was originally scheduled for April 19th, but St. Patrick’s has their Spring Fling that day. Our speaker was also able to come on the 26th. Joanie Betzinger, Vice President of W-RDCCW, will speak on "Women in Waiting", women who are waiting for sainthood.

Hope to see you on the 26th.



The APRIL edition of The Courier is available at the Church entrances.

Please pick one up today!



A record 178 pounds of food was delivered to **Semcac Food Shelf** during the month of March!

Many thanks to all St. Patrick’s parishioners who continue to fill the grocery cart and provide food for those in need. Suggested items at this time are: crackers, ramen noodles, spaghetti, raisin bran, and boxed cereal. All other items are appreciated as well!

PASTOR’S MESSAGE

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Remember, God loves you. God’s infinite mercy is always deeper than your sin. If we but ask, God will always forgive us.

In today’s Gospel we get Doubting Thomas. Jesus doesn’t reprimand Thomas for his doubt. For Thomas, his doubt, his questioning led to a deeper faith in Jesus Christ. If continue, not give up, on our doubts about Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith, the Holy Spirit will guide us to an even deeper understanding and love of Jesus Christ. Thomas had his doubts, but he showed up. The second time Jesus appears, he is there despite his doubt. If we show up, if don’t give up on God, He will change our hearts.

May you bask in the mercy, forgiveness, and joy of the Resurrection during this week, *Fr. Vogel*

19th Annual Military Ball

The 19th annual Military Ball is scheduled for Saturday, April 25, 2026, at the Fest Building in Spring Grove, MN. The event is for all military service members and veterans, their spouses and families, and is also open to the public. The Military Ball includes dinner, ceremony, displays, photo portraits, dancing and more. Attire for the ball is Sunday best, semi-formal or formal, with many wearing their military uniform or the uniform of a veteran’s organization. Organizers request no casual street clothes. Cost for the evening is \$20 per person. Attendance is by RSVP only. Cocktails and photos begin at 4:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:45 p.m. The dinner plate includes roast beef and chicken.

Newcomers are encouraged and welcome to attend. For more information, contact Gary Buxengard at 507-498-3461 or email janleebuxengard@gmail.com.

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Creating awareness is critical for the fruition of the Choose Life Minnesota license plate. Once passed, funds raised will be used to support non-profit, life-affirming organizations which assist women in crisis pregnancies who choose to make an adoption plan for their unborn baby.

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.