



Parish Business

Church Support:

May 17, 2020

Adults:	\$	400.00
Ascension Offering:	\$	95.00
Catholic Charities:	\$	25.00
Votives:	\$	16.00

TOTAL: \$ 536.00

To stay up to date and connected,
stpatricks@brownsvillemn



THERE IS NO PRE-DETERMINED TIMELINE for how long restrictions will be in place; further developments may allow for the loosening of restrictions or call for the **tightening of restrictions.**

"I wear a mask to protect you, you wear a mask to protect me."

"A mask is meant to protect others, not yourself. "Whether or not you are feeling sick or have COVID-19 symptoms, there is evidence that if you have the virus, you may be able to transmit it to others when you speak, cough, or sneeze."

Renew Faith, Extend Mercy, Inspire Hope

2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal: As of May 26, 2020, 13 donors from St. Patrick's Parish have donated \$6360 toward the CMA, which is 93 % of our goal of \$6850. This is great news. Many thanks to all who have donated so far!



- A young adult going through tests
- An infant hospitalized and undergoing serious test

- * Mary Joyce's brother, John, who recently had open heart surgery
- * For family and friends living in the Cities and facing these extremely difficult time
- * Sympathies to parishioner, Laura Eglinton, for the death of her father, Lloyd Ogilvie. May he rest in peace

Servant Leadership

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Pentecost Sunday

Announcements

St. Patrick's Parish is slowly opening up for public Masses and social gatherings. For the month of June, parishioners will need to call the office at 482-6818, one week prior to reserve seating for the Thursday or Sunday Mass. We will continue with printing Bulletins to be left in the Hall and posting information on the website. Please be safe and stay home if you feel you are in the at risk group, showing signs of illness or have been in contact with someone with the illness or showing signs of illness.

PUBLIC CELEBRATION of the MASS at St. Patrick's

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in effect until further notice. Those over age 65 and those with underlying health conditions will be strongly encouraged not to attend.

- Face masks must be worn and social distancing of six feet must be adhered to by those attending Mass.
- Gatherings on church grounds or parking lot are not allowed before or after Mass.
- Entrance for Mass is only through the main doors of the Hall.
- Arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass, as you will be escorted by the ushers to designated seating.
- You are encouraged to carry hand sanitizer with you.
- No congregational singing because "some scientists contend that saliva may spread as far as 26 feet." (Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commission). MN State Orders for Safely Reopening: Faith-based communities, places of worship, weddings, and funerals (5/23/20) states, "Congregations should refrain from singing."
- The Sign of Peace is omitted entirely.
- "Communion should be distributed hand-to-hand, not hand-to-mouth." MN State Orders (5/23/20). This is also in the protocols from the bishops in our state.
- No one is obliged to receive communion, and that Christ is encountered in those gathered in his name, in the proclamation of the Word, and especially by joining themselves to the offering of Christ to God the Father during the Eucharistic Prayer. The benefits of Spiritual Communion should continue to be promoted.
- The faithful may consider instead attending Mass on a weekday. (5:30 p.m. Thursdays with a reservation).
- It is also recommended to use the restroom at home before coming to church.
- The Choir loft is closed due to restrictions with social distancing.
- All the faithful should continue to follow hygienic practices at home: wash hands often, avoid touching the face, cover coughs and sneezes, etc.

Sunday Televised Masses



During this difficult time of uncertainty, the one outlet we can rely on is attending Mass through our televisions. Mass can be viewed on KIMT Channel 3 (Rochester-

Austin-Mason City) Sunday at 7:30 am and MyTV 3.2 at 9:00am or WLAX/WEUX, Channel 25/48 (Winona-La Crosse-Eau Claire) Sunday at 7:30 am. View any time on the Diocese website. www.dowr.org/about/weekly-mass.html,

Spiritual resources:

<https://www.dowr.org/offices/missionary-discipleship/resources.html>

www.wordonfire.org (Bishop Barron's Daily Mass)

Daily Masses from the Vatican:

<http://www.vatican.va/content/vatican/en.html> (go to NEWS tab on the right to find link to Mass of the day)

Follow this link to the U.S. Bishop's website on COVID-19 prayer resources:

<http://www.usccb.org/about/communications/usccb-president-reflection-and-prayer-during-coronavirus.cfm>

COVID-19 Website:

The Diocese has created a special webpage devoted to information and resources surrounding COVID-19. It can be accessed from the main diocesan website, www.dowr.org by clicking on the banner across the top of the page. On this COVID-19 webpage, you can find statements from the Diocese of Winona-Rochester, USCCB, and the Vatican; a regularly updated FAQ; Spiritual Resources and more.

MASKS ARE NEEDED as we begin to prepare for the public celebration of Mass, we are in need of masks. If you are able to donate any masks, or material to make masks, please drop them off at the Parish Hall.

Cemetery Donations

Your contributions for the upkeep and maintenance of St. Patrick's Cemetery are appreciated and vital! A special envelope is in your offering box. Please consider sending in your donation. Thank you.

The Courier will only be available in an online format at www.dowr.org until parishioners are once again able to gather for public worship.

Contributions to St. Patrick's

Please consider going online to make a One-Time or Automatic Gift to St. Patrick's Parish! In addition to our goal to help keep people safe and healthy during this difficult time, we are also committed to meeting our other financial obligations. Please continue your financial support of St. Patrick's Parish. You can mail your offertory gift to the parish office at PO Box 155, Brownsville, MN 55919. You can also access online giving at <https://catholicfsmn.org/parish-donations> and select our parish on the drop down menu. Be assured that the Catholic Foundation of Southern Minnesota (CFSM) has a secure site. The CFSM will send all donations made on our behalf directly to us. If you would rather call them to make a donation, contact Monica Herman (507) 858-1276.

St. Patrick's Parish
May 24, 2020

May is the Month of Mary, pray the Rosary

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

As we celebrate Pentecost Sunday, the fulfillment of the Easter Season of 50 days and the coming of the Holy Spirit, we read in today's Scriptures, "The time for Pentecost came" ... "and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit" ... "there are different gifts but the same Spirit" ... "to each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." Take time to ponder your understanding and appreciation of the Holy Spirit, and some of the words / titles given to this Spirit of God, that enriches you (i.e. Comforter, Consoler, Paraclete, Spirit of Truth). Please remember in prayer our Confirmands who await a time when we can gather to celebrate with them, the Sacrament of Confirmation, and our First Communion Candidates as they long to come to the Table of the Lord to receive the Eucharist for the first time!

Fr. Evans

Mass offering envelopes can be mailed to St. Patrick's Parish at the address below. Support for our Parish is still needed especially during this time of crisis.

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 **by appointment only until after May 15**. Confessions are taken in the back of the church, in a small room. A red light will be turned on when Father is hearing a confession.