



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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March 29, 2026

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, March 29, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Bill Howes

Tuesday, March 31, 2026

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Jim Gavin
Announcer/Lector: Butch Shuda

Sunday, April 5, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Carol Gavin

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, March 29

Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick **Voice:** Karen Colsch
Ushers: Mike Moriarty & Nick Serres
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Al Christian
Choir: Trece Robson **Precious Blood:** Andrew Robson & Ann Fitzpatrick
Gift Bearers: Colette & Gery Bruening
Servers: Ryan Riederer & Justin Riederer
Rosary: Frank Dvorak
Children's Lectionary: Summer Colsch
Counters: Dave Ammann & Karen Kohlmeyer

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, April 5

Announcer/Lector: Karen Colsch
Ushers: Mike Moriarty & Nick Serres
Eucharistic Ministers: **Host:** Bill Fitzpatrick
Choir: Adeline Colsch **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes & Hope Flannery
Gift Bearers: Teresa & Steve Colsch Family
Servers: John Carlon
Rosary: Frank Dvorak
Children's Lectionary: Aleigha Burg
Counters: Dave Ammann & Karen Kohlmeyer

Church Support: March 22, 2026

Adults:	\$ 1,395.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$ 125.00
Offertory:	\$ 68.00
Catholic Relief Services:	\$ 170.00
Rice Bowl:	\$ 35.00
CCP Spring Fling:	\$ 1,055.00
Soup Supper Donation:	\$ 40.00
Votives:	\$ 14.00
CCP Annual Dues:	\$ 25.00
TOTAL:	\$ 2,927.00

Servant Leadership

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Announcements

- ☩ **Tuesday, March 31st – Lenten Stations of the Cross at 6pm and Dine-in Soup Supper at 6:30pm. Final Night.**
- ☩ **Good Friday, April 3rd: Veneration Service at 7:00 pm.**
- ☩ **NO Roll Sunday on April 5th** since it falls on Easter Sunday this year. We will be back on May 3rd
- ☩ **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!

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Sometimes it flashes across my mind that the people of the Bible are stupid. Case one. The Israelites in the Book of Exodus. After they have escaped slavery in Egypt, the Egyptians come after them. God saves them by parting the Red Sea and then has the water come back over Pharaoh's army. After this, a pattern emerges. First they complain that they are going to die of hunger. God miraculously gives them little flakes of bread to eat. Then they complain about only have bread to eat. So God miraculously gives them birds to eat. Then they complain about not having any water. So God miraculously gives them water from a rock. You would think at some point they would start trusting that God's got this.

Case two. The people of Jerusalem in the time of Jesus. On Palm Sunday, Jesus rides into Jerusalem with much fanfare. He rides into town on a donkey. People can't get enough of Him. They are laying down their cloaks and palm branches before Him. This is like the red carpet at the Oscars. This is celebrity treatment. They shout out, "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest" as Jesus passes by. The title Son of David is a reference to the Messiah. Jesus is hailed as the awaited Messiah. There is no greater title that could be given to Jesus. And they are correct. Jesus is the Messiah. This person who has been doing miracles all over the place has finally come to Jerusalem, the center of Jewish worship. However, just days later, days later Jesus is arrested at the request of the Jewish religious leaders. At the instigation of these religious leaders, the people yell for some criminal Barabbas to be released and for Jesus to be crucified. How could the people of Jerusalem be so stupid? How could they see so clearly that Jesus is the Messiah and then days later lose the sight of the truth and ask for Jesus' crucifixion?

However, truth be told, I'm not much smarter than the people in the Bible. I have witnessed and experienced many times the love, mercy, and forgiveness of Jesus in my life. God has performed miracles in my life. Sometimes even daily. And yet, so many times I turn my back on Him and crucify Him by my sins. So many times, I fail to trust that God's way is the best way and try to do it my way. It was not the stupidity of the

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Brownsville Fire & Rescue Fundraiser

Cabin Fever Reliever: Chicken Q \$15 each (tickets available only until 3.30) Live Music. Raffles. Bake Sale.

Saturday, April 11th at 4 pm at Community Center.



Where We Serve

While our office locations are limited to Winona, Rochester, and Mankato, our programs and services reach all 20 counties of Southern Minnesota.

Whether it is our monthly diaper distribution in Worthington, a SAIL exercise class in Hayfield, or providing guardianship services to a client in Mabel, our staff and volunteers work hard to ensure that people get the help they need, no matter where they live in Southern Minnesota. Check out our website to see what services we offer in your community!

Learn more at
ccsommn.org



Marriage Encounter Spring is a sign of new growth, begin tremendous new growth in your marriage by attending the April 18-19 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Retreat Center in Farmington. Register at: www.marriages.org. A "perfect marriage" is simply two imperfect people who refuse to give up on each other!

If you have any questions, please call Mary Jackson at: 651.454.3238.

Pope's Prayer Intentions 2026

APRIL For Priests In Crisis

Let us pray for Priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

MAY That Everyone Might Have Food

Let us pray that everyone from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

JUNE For the Values of Sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

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.

Guest speaker will be Jay Tolleson and his wife, Allison, who give a Civil War enactment performance in authentic clothing from that time period. Following the program, Cheers Big Band from the La Crosse area will provide a variety of music for dancing and listening pleasure.

This event is planned and carried out by a committee of volunteers from American Legion Posts in the local area. Newcomers are encouraged and welcome to attend. For more information, contact Gary Buxengard at 507-498-3461 or email janleebuxengard@gmail.com.



Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Disease Research Center in collaboration with Houston County Public Health and Human Services Present:

Brain Health, Aging, and Dementia

A three part series for those interested in learning more

You are invited to join our team from the Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Disease Research Center to learn about brain health, memory loss, and current research. There will be plenty of time for conversation and questions.

The following events and topics will be discussed. Please attend the events that work best for you.

Session 1: Building a Better Brain

Featuring **Angela Lunde, MA (1:00pm-3:00pm)**

- Understanding memory as we age
- Reducing dementia risk
- Everyday strategies for optimizing memory

Session 2: When Does Forgetfulness Signal Dementia

Featuring **Stuart McCarter, MD (1:00pm-3:00pm)**

- Memory concerns - when to see your doctor & the value of early diagnosis
- Understanding dementia
- Genetics, managing the disease, and new treatments

Session 3: Demystifying Aging & Dementia Research

Featuring **Tasha Loftin, MA (1:00pm-3:00pm)**

- Overview the types of research that are conducted at Mayo Clinic
- Understand what it means to participate in a research study
- What to consider when thinking about research participation



Thursday, April 9
Thursday, April 16
Thursday, April 23



Cost
Free



LOCATION
Houston County Criminal Justice Center Conference Room
306 South Marshall Street
Caledonia, MN 55921

To register, call 507.725.5810 ext. 2254, scan the QR code or copy this hyperlink: <https://qrco.de/Caledonia2026>

