



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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August 23, 2026

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, August 23, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Bill Howes

Tuesday, August 25, 2026

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Richard Reinhart
Lector: Mary Mell

Sunday, August 30, 2026

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Bill Puent

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, August 23

Announcer/Lector: Kent Bezdicek
Ushers: Mike Moriarty & Nick Serres
Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Mary Mell
Choir: Ann Fitzpatrick **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes & Jean Meyer
Gift Bearers: Martha & John Meyer
Servers: Brynn Waters & Thea Waters
Rosary: Dan Hurley
Children's Lectionary: Debi Shuda
Counters: Carmen Barthel & Marilyn Rose

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, August 30

Announcer/Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick
Ushers: Mike Moriarty & Nick Serres
Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Karen Colsch
Choir: Trece Robson **Precious Blood:** Al Christian & Andrew Robson
Gift Bearers: Colette & Gery Bruening
Servers: Ryan Riederer & Justin Riederer
Rosary: Virginia Albert
Children's Lectionary: Heidi Grams
Counters: Linda Neeman & Dave Ammann

Church Support: August 16, 2026

Adults:	\$ 1,185.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$ 175.00
Offertory:	\$ 110.00
Help A Student:	\$ 200.00
Assumption Offering:	\$ 200.00
Cemetery Donations:	\$ 10.00
Catholic Home Missions:	\$ 20.00
Votives:	\$ 11.00

TOTAL: \$ 1,911.00

Servant Leadership

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Vogel
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Podcast: Musings of a One-eared Catholic Priest

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announcements

- ☩ Please remember **St. Patrick's Cemetery** in providing for continuing care and upkeep. Your support is important.
- ☩ **Second Collection on August 23rd for Catholic Home Missions and Black and Native American.**
- ☩ Please remember the upkeep needs for **St. Nicolus Cemetery in Freeburg.** Many of our fellow parishioners have family at St. Nicolus. Donations can be put in an envelope marked "St. Nicolus Cemetery". A second collection will be on September 6th.
- ☩ **Roll Sunday on September 6th.** Please join us following Mass. Great treats. Great Conversations.
- ☩ **No Tuesday Mass on September 8th.**

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

I'll start by saying the same thing as everyone else: where did the summer go? Probably the wildest part of my summer was driving back and forth to Ames when the missionary priest did not arrive in time to say the weekend Masses. Again, our youth were amazing at the Steubenville youth conference and Camp Summit. Thank you to our youth, chaperones, and parents for making these events special.

This week we have Jesus declaring Peter as the first pope. Jesus asks the Apostles what other people are saying about Him. They report that some say He is John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah, or one of the other prophets from the Old Testament. Then Jesus asks the most important question: "Who do you say that I am?" Peter responds, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus then makes the pronouncement that has characterized the last 2000 years and will characterize all of eternity. Jesus says to Peter, "...you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church..." Things to realize. Peter comes from the Greek word "petros" which means rock. There were a temple and cave dedicated to the Greek god Pan. The cave is carved out of huge rock face. So, in front of this temple dedicated to a false god, Peter declares Jesus the Son of God, the Christ. Again, in front of this temple, Jesus tells Peter He is going to build His church upon Peter. Jesus says Peter will be given the keys to the Kingdom.

This ties into the first reading because Shebna was the master of the palace, the king's home. However, God pulled down Shebna and gave his office to Eliakim. Eliakim, even though he is not the king, has great authority in the house of Judah. Eliakim is second in command. He makes the decisions when the king is away. Peter, once Jesus ascended into heaven, has been the head of Christ's church on earth. Peter's successors, the popes have continued this office, this authority as the head of the church ever since.

I pray you have a blessed week, *Father Vogel*

Altar Flower Donations:

August 23rd: *In memory of deceased members of Walker, Cordes, Lorenz Families.* By Marg Cordes



Semcac Food Shelf

Needed items at this time are: crackers (saltines or other), cookies, hamburger helper or tuna helper (generic is fine), Ramen noodles (beef, roast beef, creamy chicken) Especially any pasta noodles! All other items are welcomed as well.

GENERATIONS OF FAITH 2026-2027

Our new season of Generations of Faith will begin soon! We will come together again as a parish, for all-ages faith formation, to grow in our understanding and love of Faith. We will gather one Wednesday evening per month beginning September 23! All are welcome! Come alone, come with your family, or bring a friend. We look forward to some engaging presenters to inspire our faith life. It will be a great year of faith, food and fellowship!



Seniors Connect by Staying Active

Catholic Charities offers twice weekly exercise classes for seniors in 45 communities throughout Southern MN. Here is what a recent Winona participant shared about her experience: "I am 83 years old and have never been one to attend an exercise class until now! I attend three times a week! Learning strength training, balance, aerobics, and more! We are all encouraged to work at our own pace. The instructor, Barb, is particularly fun and encouraging. Being in this church (St. Casimir's) holds a special memory as well. My grandfather was a contractor and built many Catholic Churches in the area. My job each summer was to drive him to all the sites. Thank you so very much for all you do."

Dive into the Life of Jesus with us!

View episodes of "The Chosen" series. Tuesday evenings from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. No commitment. Just come when you can. All adults and high schoolers are welcome. Popcorn and lemonade will be available!

Dates: August 25, September 1, 8, 15

Please note: There will be no viewing on August 11 or 18



It's Time for a New Parish Directory!

Our Church directory will not be complete without you! Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album. **Photography Dates will be on Tuesday, September 29th and 30th, from 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm at St. Patrick's Hall.** Every sitting photographed will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory. We need 100% participation to create memories! Schedule your professional photography session at the sign-up table in the Hall or simply go online at www.ucdir.com, click on **church code mn679**, with **password 679mem**. Follow the directions given and you should then see your name on the list of appointments. We will be organizing **committee** (parish choir, Servers, counters, council, etc.) **photo's following Mass throughout August.** Announcements will be made for parishioners to stay after Mass for group photos!

12 Days Marian Shrines & Barcelona Trip

If you are interested in joining Fr. Matthew Wagner, St. Mary's Spiritual Director on **May 16 through 27, 2027** to tour sacred encounters – Walking with Our Blessed Mother Mary – in Portugal and Barcelona sign up can be completed by mail (Brochures at each entrance) or online at www.nativitypilgrimage.com/msh-bar-5909

Bishop Barron to Celebrate Mass at St. Patrick's

We invite all our parishioners, family, and friends to join us for a very special Mass on Sunday, September 20, at 8:00 a.m. as we welcome Bishop Barron to St. Patrick's. Following Mass, please join Bishop Barron and fellow parishioners for breakfast. Having our Bishop celebrate Mass with us is a special and meaningful occasion that does not happen often. We encourage everyone to come, show your support, and help make this a wonderful experience for our parish community.



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Catholic Ministries Appeal 2026

This year's theme, "I Will Make You Fishers of Men," reminds us that Christ calls each of us to share in His mission. Through our generosity, we help support the diocesan programs and services made possible through the CMA.

St. Patrick's Parish 2026 goal:	\$ 6,944.00
Support Pledged:	\$ 4,280.00 (62%)
Number of Donors:	13

Brochures and envelopes are located at church entrances. Please prayerfully consider helping our Parish to meet our goal in this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal!

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. Mass Intentions are \$10 per Mass. 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.