



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin



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January 18, 2026

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, January 18, 2026

8:00 a.m. + Tim, Ellen, & Lloyd Ogilvie

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

5:30 p.m. For Healing of Don Zoubek

Sunday, January 25, 2026

8:00 a.m. + Jamie Conniff

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, January 18

Announcer/Lector: Kent Bezdicek

Ushers: Mike Moriarty & Dan Boser

Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Al Christian

Choir: Karen Colsch **Precious Blood:** Jan Howes & Mary Mell

Gift Bearers: Jessica & Ray Waters Family

Servers: Walker Kohlmeyer & Brynn Waters

Rosary: Mary Lou Graf

Children's Lectionary: Teresa Colsch

Counters: Mary Lou Graf & Gery Bruening

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, January 25

Announcer/Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick

Ushers: Gracie & Isaac Bruggeman

Eucharistic Ministers: Host: Bill Fitzpatrick

Choir: Adeline Colsch **Precious Blood:** Jean Meyer & Ann Fitzpatrick

Gift Bearers: Martha & John Meyer

Servers: John Carlon &

Rosary: Dan Hurley

Children's Lectionary: Joan Reining

Counters: Carmen Barthel & Marilyn Rose

Church Support: January 11, 2026

Adults:	\$ 945.00
Adult Online Giving:	\$ 300.00
Offertory:	\$ 77.00
Help A Student:	\$ 10.00
First Offering:	\$ 25.00
Mass Stipends:	\$ 20.00
Votives:	\$ 8.00
CCP Annual Dues:	\$ 155.00

TOTAL \$ 1,540.00

Servant Leadership

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announcements

- † Mass Intentions for a loved one living or deceased and for special occasions are needed for Tuesdays in 2026. There are several Sunday's still open as well.
- † January 25th Second Collection for Latin American and Catholic Communications.
- † February 1st Roll Sunday following Mass. Come join in great conversations, rolls, fruit and beverages!
- † February 15th following Mass - 2026 Spring Fling Meeting. Your are truly wanted to participate in Event!

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Salvete,

Hello (in Latin). This Sunday (January 18), we have Praise and Worship at 4 PM at St. Mary's. Please join Amber and others as we praise God with song. There will also be Adoration and Confessions available. There are so many different types of music. Some music is appropriate for Mass. Some music is not. There are some types of music that don't belong in Mass but are still very prayerful and help lift our souls to God. A lot of praise and worship music fall into this category. In my college years, praise and worship played a big part in growing my relationship with Jesus. In fact, I went to many, many Christian music concerts in my college days and early adulthood. I can't count the number of times I saw Newsboys. I also have seen Michael W. Smith, Point of Grace, Stephen Curtis Chapman, Audio Adrenaline, Jars of Clay, and many others in concert. If you know any of these people or bands, you get a gold star for the day. Sometimes it is helpful to listen to music that speaks to our current situation. However, I would encourage you to find music that draws you closer to Christ, that lifts you up from where you are. It doesn't have to be Christian music. However, music can be so powerful. After you listen to a song, do you feel more at peace? Do you feel closer to God and/or others? Do you feel more on fire to make the world a better place? Or do you feel more anger and bitter? Are you thinking lustful thoughts? The artist I currently bingeing on is Lucy Thomas. She is kind of unknown and hails from Wigan, Lancashire, England. Wow! This paragraph ended up a lot longer than I planned. Sorry, not sorry for the music rant.

Today, in the Gospel, we see John, the Baptist, give witness to Jesus Christ. "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." This is almost exactly what we say at Mass. Jesus is the Lamb that was slaughtered for our sake. He was the Lamb who was sacrificed so that we may receive mercy instead of justice. John also makes it clear that even though Jesus was younger than him, Jesus, as God the Son, existed before him: "A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me." John, here and elsewhere, shows that he knows he is not the main

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GENERATIONS OF FAITH
The Commandments & Life in Christ
"LIVING FAITHFULLY"
Wednesday, January 28
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Come join us as we take a deeper look at the 4th, 6th and 9th Commandments. These three Commandments are about our relationships with other people. We are going to focus on enriching the quality of our family relationships through faithful living. Our special guest will be Peter Martin, Director of Life, Marriage, and Family, for the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. Also, some of our Parish members will speak about their experiences of growing up in a faithful Christian family and what they learned about faithful living. We will begin with a delicious complimentary meal of "loaded hot dogs" with all the fixings, salad and dessert, from 5:30-6:00 pm. There will be special learning activities for youth. Please mark your calendars and join us, as we come together to learn from each other and strengthen our faith! This is faith formation for all ages. There is no fee to attend. Everyone is welcome!

Thank you!

Dear St. Patrick's Prayer Group,
 Thank you for all the prayers, cards, food and treats after my procedure. Bless you all! Sheryl Bissen

CCW Caledonia Area Quarterly Meeting

The Caledonia CCW Area quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's Parish following the 8:00 am Mass on January 18th. Coffee and treats will be served. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

Marriage Encounter A "perfect marriage" is simply two imperfect people who learn to celebrate their differences! A perfect Valentine gift is making time for each other! Plan to attend the February 14-15 Marriage Encounter to deepen your love. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Retreat Center in Farmington. Register at: www.marriages.org Questions, call Mary at: 651.454.3238

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event. Instead, his role is to prepare others to be ready for the main event. John's whole life is about pointing to Jesus. Our lives should do the same. Our lives should be about pointing people to Jesus.

I received an email recently from the diocese saying that Mass attendance is up in our diocese year over year. This follows what is going on nationwide and even internationally. However, at least in our diocese, we are not back to pre-COVID levels (of Mass attendance). So, it is still very much on Bishop Barron's heart, and mine, that we strive to invite others to come back to Mass. If we want to grow our parish community, this is the low hanging fruit. These are the ones who still love Jesus and the Catholic faith, but they have just gotten into the habit of not coming to Sunday Mass. All they may need is a gentle nudge or reminder. So, I'm encouraging all of you to think of one to three people you could gently invite to come back to Mass. Maybe invite them to sit with you and your family.

Have a blessed week, Fr. Vogel

Oh, the Places We'll Go!
 See what St. Mary's has to offer your child and family.
Preschool & Kindergarten Open House
Wednesday, Jan. 28 • 5-6pm
 in St. Mary's Preschool & Kindergarten Rooms

3 years of age by Sept. 1, 2026
 3-4 year old group meet all day Tues. and Thurs.
4 years of age by Sept. 1, 2026
 4-5 year old group meet all day Mon., Wed., and Fri.
5 years of age by Sept. 1, 2026
 Kindergarten is an all day, every day program

St. Mary's School • Caledonia, Mn
 507-725-3355 • www.churchofstmary.net
 In case of school cancellation, Open House will be rescheduled to Wednesday, February 4th.

 

Knights of Columbus
PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Sunday, January 25, 2026 - 9AM-12PM
\$12 for Adults, \$5 for Children (8 and Under)
Holy Family Hall - Church of St. Mary

Pancakes. Egg Bake. Cheesy Potatoes. Sausages. Fruit Cups. Beverages.

All proceeds go to St. Mary's School

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.