



Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 31, 2017

8:00 a.m. For St. Patrick Parishioners and



+ Maria Gartner

Tuesday, January 2, 2018

8:30 a.m. **NO Mass**

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. **NO Adoration**

Sunday, January 7, 2018

8:00 a.m. For St. Patrick Parishioners and



+ Jenna Foellmi

Stipends for Mass Intentions are needed for Sunday's and Tuesday's in 2018. Please send to St. Patrick's Parish Office at 604 Adams Street. Thank you

Liturgical Roles – January 7th

Announcer/Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick

Ushers: Greg Foellmi & Dan Boser

Eucharistic Ministers: Hosts: Ann Fitzpatrick
Al Graf & Mary Mell

Gift Bearers: Nicole & Brent Carlson Family

Servers: Sam Barthel & Vincent Colsch

Rosary: Joe Blahnik

Counters: Bill Fitzpatrick & Ben Spagi

Children's Lectionary: Heidi Grams

Church Support

	December 24, 2017	December 25, 2017
Adults:	\$ 1,375.00	\$ 155.00
Offertory:	\$ 199.00	\$ 279.58
Christmas:	\$ 60.00	\$ 865.00
Mass Stipends:	\$ 10.00	
Special:	\$ 10.00	
Cemetery Donation:	\$ 110.00	
Votives:	\$ 13.36	
CCW Dues:	\$ 25.00	
VFW Donation:	\$ 150.00	
Christmas Flowers:	\$ 337.00	\$ 20.00
TOTAL:	\$ 1,952.36	\$ 1,319.58

Servant Leadership

Pastor: Rev. Greg Havel

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Deacon: Rev. Mr. Robert Yerhot

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Contacts:

St. Patrick's Parish Office: 507-482-6818

Crucifixion Parish Office: 507-895-4720

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

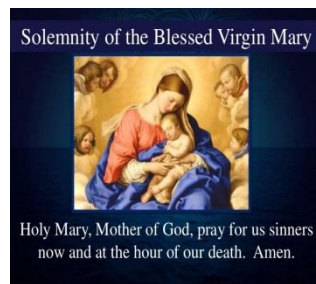
Announcements

- **No Tuesday Mass** on the First Tuesday of every month. Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration that will be held on those Tuesday's from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.
- **Tuesday, January 2nd** – there will be **NO MASS or Eucharistic Adoration.**
- **Sunday, January 7th** -- Roll Sunday following Mass
- **Monday, January 15th** – CCW Spring Fling meeting at 6:30 pm. Please come to share your talents in preparations for St. Patrick's only fundraiser! Spring Fling 2018 will be on Sunday, April 15th



The Holy Family feast is a good time to remember the family unit and pray for our human and spiritual families. We also may take this feast to reflect on the value and sanctity of the family unit, and to evaluate our own family life. What ways may it be improved? What would Jesus, Mary, and Joseph do? Finally, we can use this feast to ask ourselves what are we doing to promote the family within our own cultures, neighborhoods, and communities.

January 1st is a celebration feast of Mary's motherhood of Jesus. The title "Mother of God" is a western derivation from the Greek Theotokos, which means "God-bearer". On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation. Through the Holy Spirit, God the Father prepared Mary to be the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men. Christ's birth was made possible by Mary's fiat, or sanctioning of God's plan with her words, "Be it done to me according to thy word". Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honor we can give to her. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace", the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace". New Year's Day is also designated as the "World Day of Peace", further acknowledging the role of Mary in our hearts and in our world.



This Feast Day is not a Holy Day of Obligation; however, Crucifixion Church will have Mass at 9:00 a.m. on January 1st.

Year-end Contributions

Financial statements for 2017 will be mailed by the end of January 2018.

Parishioners are asked to pick up their 2018 offering box, which can be found on the table in the Hall. Thank you!



Presentation on Refugees & Immigrants

Have you wondered how your congregation might help refugees and immigrants? The Refugee Response Committee at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in La Crescent has an opportunity for you. We are bringing in presenters from Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota to share with us the "Circle of Welcome" program. Join us to learn more about this program on Tuesday, January 16, 6:30-8:30PM, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 21 North Hill Street, La Crescent.



❖ **Catholic Moms Group**

Come to the Fitzgerald Center (1380 Lancer Blvd) at 6pm on Mon., January 15th for the next session. For more information, contact Jalane Schramm at [507-459-3886](tel:507-459-3886).

❖ **Bible & A Beer - Men's Group**

What does the Church teach about non-Catholics going to heaven? Find out at our next men's group on **Tues., Jan. 2nd** at The Sports Hub in downtown La Crescent from 7-8pm for time to socialize with men of the parish, learn about the Catholic Faith and discuss the Bible. For more information, contact Mike Schramm at [507-895-2700](tel:507-895-2700).

❖ **Adult Bible Study**

Our next session will explore the question of salvation and will be on Thurs., Jan. 4th at 10am in the Fitzgerald Center (1380 Lancer Blvd).



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St. Patrick's Parish
Brownsville, MN

December 31, 2017

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. It is a wonderful reminder to us all that, like Jesus, we are born into a family. Thank God for the gift of family. Like the Holy Family, we are called to live in mutual respect and love for each other. It is this love and respect that makes us holy and we are called by God to be holy; not perfect.

Sometimes I think we want our families to be perfect. Then when someone doesn't live up to our expectations, we become disappointed in them and in our family. Live in joyful hope and strive for holiness. If Jesus, Mary and Joseph were not called the perfect family, then ours probably won't be perfect either. Love and respect were at the heart of the Holy Family. May they also be the virtues that define our family relationships.

God bless,

Fr. Greg Havel

Bulletin Announcements

Persons interested in placing information in the St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin and/or you would like the Lector to announce in church can send their request to Jean Meyer at jeanm@acegroup.cc or call at 507-482-6720. Announcements submitted by Thursday at 4:00 p.m. will be included in the Sunday Bulletin, based on space.

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.

Stipends for Mass Intentions 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. Provide with stipend; if the intention is for a deceased family or friend or a special event, to whom the intention is for and if you have a special date that you would like the intention to fall on or close to. Mass Intentions are assigned on a first come basis for either Sunday or Tuesday.

Requests for the Prayer Network may be called in to Carmen Moriarty at 507.482.6737 or emailed to her at moriarty@acegroup.cc

Reconciliation is available **each Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** Confessions are taken in the back of the church on the right, in a small room. A light will be turned on when Father is hearing a confession.