



St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin




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December 3, 2017

Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 3, 2017

8:00 a.m.  For St. Patrick Parishioners and + Bobby Ryan


Tuesday, December 5, 2017

8:30 a.m. **NO MASS**
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, December 7, 2017

6:30 p.m.  + Ron Rohrer

Sunday, December 10, 2017

8:00 a.m.  For St. Patrick Parishioners and + Drew Budde

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 – December 10th

Announcer/Lector: Bill Fitzpatrick
Ushers: John & Shawn Heimer
Eucharistic Ministers: Hosts: Randy Mell
Mary Joyce & John Reining
Gift Bearers: Nicole & Brent Carlon Family
Servers: Cassie Heimer & Jenna Fitzpatrick
Rosary: Virginia Heintz
Counters: Bill Fitzpatrick & Ben Spagl
Children's Lectionary: Melissa Haupt

Church Support

November 26, 2017

Adults:	\$	860.00
Offertory:	\$	121.00
Mass Stipends:	\$	45.00
Cemetery Donation:	\$	25.00
Votives:	\$	13.60

TOTAL: \$ 1,064.60

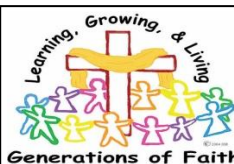
Servant Leadership

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First Sunday of Advent

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.
- **Monday, December 4th** CCW Meeting at 6:30 pm
- **December 7th 6:30 PM Mass** -- Holy Day of Obligation – Feast of Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Mary
- **December 10th** There will be a second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious and for Catholic University.
- **December 12th** Parish Reconciliation at Crucifixion at 6:30 pm. Several Priests' will be present to assist.



2017-2018 – **The Power of Prayer**
Many thanks to all who attended and helped at our gathering Wednesday evening on: **Praying Through Advent & Christmas**. We discovered what we can learn from the People of the Book about waiting for the Messiah, and how the Scriptures teach us to respond to God's call in our lives today the way that Mary did, with prayer, humility, and concern for other. It was great to see so many families making Advent wreaths to take home and remind them of the call to pray during this Holy season of Advent. May we all feel the love of Christ in our homes as we say our Advent prayers each day! There will not be a Generations of Faith gathering in December. Our next session will be Wednesday, January 24, 2018. Please save the date!

Liturgical Roles – December 7th

Announcer/Lector: Karen Colsch
Ushers: Nick Serres & Greg Foellmi
Eucharistic Ministers: Hosts: Al Graf
Jan Howes & Bill Fitzpatrick
Gift Bearers: Ken & Barb Wiese
Servers: Vincent Colsch
Rosary: Al & Jeanette Graf
Counters: Bill Fitzpatrick

Feast of Immaculate Conception



Christmas Mass Schedule Sunday, December 24

Crucifixion
5:00 p.m.
Crucifixion
9:00 p.m.

Monday, December 25 St. Patrick 8:30 a.m.



Crucifixion
10:30 a.m.

Marriage Encounter

Give the Christmas gift that gives for generations to come by attending the December 9 – 10 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt. Olivet Conference & Retreat Center in Farmington. Register at www.marriages.org or call 651-454-3238 for more information.

Christmas Flowers



Each year we ask for donations for the purchase of our Christmas flowers. Your donation allows us to adorn the altar and entrance with holiday arrangements. Parishioners will have collection baskets at each door following Mass on December 3rd, 10th and 17th.



Thank you. . .

We are in the process of updating our website and renewing our subscription. Many thanks to:

Pat & Ann Fahey

Bill & Jan Howes

Mary Joyce

Jerry & Elsie Lennartz

for providing the funding needed for our website renewal. If you haven't checked out the website, you will find many interesting tidbits!

<http://stpatrikchurchbrownsvillemn.org>

St. Patrick's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 16, 4:00-7:00 PM.

4:00 – Christmas cookie decorating

5:00 – Christmas caroling and delivering cookies to the homebound and various friends and neighbors

6:00 – Back to the Hall for barbeques, refreshments and games

If you and your family would be interested in joining us to help spread some Christmas cheer in the community please respond by December 7th by calling Debi at 482-6892 or email debishuda@msn.com.



Calling all musicians in grades 1-12!

Please join us to celebrate God's great goodness in song, as we make a joyful noise before our Christmas morning Mass on Monday, December 25.

Rehearsals will be Sunday mornings after Mass, 9:00-9:30, on December 10, 17, and 24.

No need to preregister. Just come ready to sing!



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

As we begin the season of Advent, the Lord calls us to be watchful and to be prepared for God's coming. We are called to be busy about the mission of Jesus Christ that God has entrusted to us. The building up of God's kingdom is the work given to us and it is accomplished each day as we give witness to God's loving presence in the holiness of our lives. May God use us to accomplish His plan of salvation.

As we begin a new church year, it is a wonderful time to re-examine our relationships with the Lord. Much as we do at the beginning of a new calendar year, I encourage us to make a resolution in our faith lives. How can I open myself more to the grace of God? Maybe I can spend a little more time for quiet or for prayer. Maybe I can be a little more generous with my time and talents. Little things add up and if we move a little closer to God each day, imagine who we might be as children of God when we begin Advent a year from now.

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, 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, 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.