God’s love knows no barriers. St. Pascal’s…where all people matter.
Welcome! We hope you enjoy your time with us. Whether you are just visiting, looking for a parish home or already part of our faith community, it’s great to have you with us. Whatever your life circumstances, wherever you have been or whatever has happened in your life, you are welcome here. Please join us after Sunday Mass for hospitality and to find out more.

AUGUST 20, 2017 | 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS TIMES
Saturday - 4:30 pm
Sunday - 8:45 & 10:30 am (ASL)
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 7:30 am
Wednesday - 9:30 am

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Dear Friends:

Last Monday on my day off I spent some time working the New York Times crossword puzzle in the Pioneer Press. Fortunately for me, Monday is also just about the only day that the puzzle isn't too hard for me to solve (they get tougher as the week goes on). As it happened, the theme of the puzzle that day was world peace, quite a contrast to everything that was on the front page that morning. It was the day after President Trump had taken quite a bit of heat for not condemning more directly the Virginia killing of an anti-racist protester, and Vice President Pence had declared that "fringe groups" ought to have "no place in the American debate." I suppose that one could debate whether the President's words were adequate, but the Vice President's words were just wrong. The rights of "fringe groups" is one of the reasons that ours is a great country. If the Vice President meant that hatred and violence and racism and intolerance have no place in the "American debate" (whatever that is), then he was correct. But that's not what he said.

Why does this matter? Because Christianity has its origins in being a "fringe group," led by a "fringe person," Jesus Christ, whom both the Roman and Jewish priestly authorities of his day regarded as an irritant and possibly a dangerous troublemaker. You don't get crucified for being a person who panders to Central Authority. And some of the most important human rights achievements in recent history have been the products of movements that governments once considered "fringy." Civil rights. Women's suffrage. Rights for gay and lesbian people. Rights for people with physical and mental disabilities. Rights for Native American Indians. And any student of American Catholic history will be quick to remind us that our church began in this country by being regarded as a "fringe group" of papal infiltrators, and our Catholic ancestors paid a price for that by being denied jobs and opportunities that the rest of the citizenry enjoyed.

I'm not sure what kind of "American debate" would even exist without "fringe groups." In biblical language, such people and movements are called "prophetic," and prophecy is exactly what calls the movers and shakers of governments and religions to account. Those movers/shakers don't like that, and that's understandable, because it can create unrest sometimes, but without it we are merely prisoners to the status quo that is dictated by those with a voice and a lot of money and influence. I hope I don't have to point out that the present status quo in our nation is not wholly good and virtuous.

One of the crossword answers in last Monday's puzzle was "Pax Romana," which is the Latin phrase for describing the time after the rise of Caesar Augustus when "the whole world was at peace." This is a very revealing description, both because it presumes that the Roman Empire was the same as "the whole world" (at least the only world that mattered to Caesar), and because the word "peace" here meant that nobody was acting up against the regime. That's because to have done so would have meant torture and death for those people. The "peace" was enforced by brutal military suppression of any "fringe groups," including the earliest Judeo-Christian communities of Palestine and elsewhere. That's not "peace." That's just forced suppression of dissent. And that's not the kind of freedom that either our religion or our nation stands for.

If Vice President Pence intended to say last week that white supremacist groups and other racists should be condemned, then I am with him one hundred percent. If he was signaling that intentional killing of innocents is an outrage, then I agree wholeheartedly. But again, that's not what he said. If he meant that any person or group who agitates against a government is automatically to be silenced, then I couldn't disagree more. That opinion comes from my Christian disposition, not just from my temperament or political views.

There has always been, and should always be, an aspect to our Catholic faith that is seen by some in authority to be "fringy." It's when there isn't such a thing that we ought to be the most self-reflective.

Fr. Mike Byron

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**Attention: Girls, Boys, Women & Men**

**We Are in Need of More Altar Servers For Weekend Masses**

- We need youth grade 4 and up
- We need families: parent and child; grade 4 and up shared-family ministry
- We need teens: siblings/friends
- We need adults: couples/friends

Training for new altar servers will be Sunday, September 17 at 11:45 OR Tuesday, September 19 at 3:45 in the church. Please come to one session only. Each session is approximately 1½ hours. The fall schedule will be drawn up later this month. If you are considering this ministry please call Sharon Balcom in the parish office at 774.1585 to indicate your interest and which session you could attend.

**Thank You**

The Kirchoff family would like to extend our sincere thanks to all the men and women who helped prepare and serve the funeral luncheon for Harold Kirchoff. All of our guests commented on how well the luncheon was served and how delicious the salads and desserts were. Thanks again for your help during this difficult time for our family.

**Woodbury Area Residents**

There are elderly parishioners living in Woodbury who are no longer able to come to church. They would appreciate a friendly visit from a parishioner who would bring a bulletin and stay for a visit. Just one person to visit once every week or so. If you are available and interested call Ann Karner at 330.0024.

**St. Pascal's Fun Bowling Mixer**

League is looking for regular season bowlers and subs for the 2017-2018 season. This is a non-sanctioned league of couples, bowling at 6:30 PM every other Sunday at Sun Ray Lanes, starting August 27. For more information or to sign-up, please contact Richard Hoffman at 651.774.0892 (h), 612.535.6579 (c), or rjhoffman43@msn.com. It's a good time, join us!!

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**Baptized in Christ**

We welcome into our community of faith

Margot Rae Atchison, child of Mackenzie and Thomas

who was recently Baptized in our church. May God bless this household of faith.
OUR SCHOOL

ENROLL TODAY!
The highly qualified faculty and staff members are dedicated to our education mission and our families are active participants in the education of their children. St. Pascal Baylon Catholic School nurtures the body, mind, and soul of each child. We develop morally responsible leaders through rigorous, innovative academics in a welcoming and faith-filled Catholic community.

Our faith is the key to our success as we work to develop at atmosphere of respect. Through this, we develop a wonderful environment for teaching and learning. And... St. Pascal's is a FUN place to be! I never cease to be amazed at the energy our students, faculty/staff and parents put into making our programs (of all kinds) fun and exciting.

To schedule a tour, please contact Jackie Nordman, Admissions Director at jackie.nordman@stpascals.org or 776.0092 ext. 112.

You will soon discover that...THIS IS WHAT YOU WANT FOR YOUR CHILD!

St. Catherine Choral Society Auditions
August 10-25 at St. Catherine University
Area singers are invited to audition for membership in preparation for the 2017-2018 season. Repertoire for the year includes works by Schubert, Rutter and Bernstein, in honor of that composer's centenary. Rehearsals begin September 7. Contact director Patricia Connors at 690.6688 to schedule an appointment. Visit http://stk.at.es/2ui4J4V for more information.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Registration
Online registration for faith formation for 2017-2018 is taking place now!

Wednesday Evenings: Grades 1-8, 6:30-7:45 PM (for children/youth attending public schools).

Sacrament Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist: for children in grades 2 and up (whether in public school or attending St. Pascal's). Families need to be registered parishioners of St. Pascals.

Registration forms are available in the kiosks and on the parish website at www.stpascals.org/Faith. For more information contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

Please register for faith formation and/or sacrament preparation by September 13 so materials can be ordered. Thank you!

Leaders Needed
Children's Liturgy of The Word 2017-18
Sunday mornings during the 8:45 and 10:30 Masses beginning in October. Leaders reflect on the Sunday Scripture readings with children in grades K-4, and are normally scheduled one Sunday per month. Training and support are provided. For more information, contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

On the Look-out
We are missing quite a few long, lightweight tables. If you have borrowed tables from the parish over the past months, please return them as soon as possible or let Theresa know they are on the way home to the parish store room. Thanks.

Thanks for a Great SummerFest
SummerFest was a wonderful day of fun and community building and there are numerous “thank yous” that I would like to send out.

1. The various activity chair persons. All of them did an outstanding job in organizing and running their events and made my job much easier.
2. The staff of St. Pascal Baylon parish and school. They provided immeasurable assistance and resources. Special thanks to the St. Pascal's maintenance staff for all their help.
3. Most importantly, the members of the St. Pascal Baylon parish community. I cannot say enough about the generosity of our parish. Thanks and blessings to those who made donations of money or merchandise, those who volunteered their time and talent and those who supported the event in any way.

A full report on SummerFest will be made once all the numbers are available. Thank you and God bless all of you.

Mike Kelleher, Festival Chair.

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Parish Office Summer Hours
Mon-Fri 8:00 - 3:00 PM
Holidays as announced

School Contact Information
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School Office Summer Hours
August Mon - Fri 8:00 - 4:00 PM

Parish Councils
Parish Pastoral Council
Ann Karner, Chair
Meetings - 1ST Tuesday at 6:30 PM

Parish Finance Council
Chair TBD
Meetings - 4TH Thursday at 6:30 PM

Sacramental Information
Reconciliation
Saturday at 4:00 and by appointment

Baptism
Pre-baptismal classes are required.
To register for classes or to schedule a celebration, call the parish office.

Marriage
Arrangements must be made with the Pastor at least six months in advance of the desired date.

Parish Prayer Line
8:00 - 10:00 AM 651.735.0004
Mary Butler-Levine
4:00 - 6:00 PM 651.774.3248
Pat Kackman

Parish Communication
Bulletin Notices
Please email notices to the parish office by 3:00 PM Monday—hard copy notices must be in by 2:00 PM.
Email to thea.munoz@stpascals.org.
Bulletin inserts are limited to 3 inserts per weekend and are included at the discretion of the pastor.

Mass Announcements
Direct to Sharon Balcom by 3:00 PM on Wednesday.
Mass Times & Intentions

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Readings

**Sunday, August 20, 2017**

- **Isaiah 56:1-6**
- **Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8**
- **Rom 11:13-15, 29-32**
  - Mt 15:21-24
- **Jgs 2:11-19**
- **Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44**
  - Mt 19:16-22
- **Jgs 6:11-24a**
- **Ps 85:9, 11-14**
  - Mt 19:23-30
- **Jgs 9:6-15**
- **Ps 21:2-7**
  - Mt 20:1-15
- **Rv 21:9-14b**
  - Ps 145:10-13, 17-18
  - Jn 1:45-51
- **Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22**
  - Ps 146:5-10
  - Mt 22:34-40
- **Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17**
  - Ps 128:1-5
  - Mt 23:1-12
- **Is 22:19-23**
  - Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8
  - Rom 11:33-36
  - Mt 16:13-20

Heart Questions

*For my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.*

_Isaiah 56:7*

**Adult:** The woman in this story was persistent in prayer. For what do you pray insistently?

**Child:** For what do you ask God to give you most often?

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Donating Stock to St. Pascal's

One of the best ways to give to charity is through highly appreciated stock. Here at St. Pascal's we have a number of households that make their yearly stewardship offering through the gift of stock. Here’s how it works:

Contact Theresa Ruttger in the parish office to get the wiring instructions to have the stock transferred. You will want to make sure that your brokerage firm knows that you DO NOT want to sell the stock, but are wanting to "transfer in kind" to St. Pascal's. That way, St. Pascal's can sell the stock (immediately) and use the funds for the designated purpose without having to pay any taxes on the gain.

Now, if you have a stock that has a built in loss, do not give this "in kind." Instead, you will want to sell the stock at a loss in order to take the loss on your personal tax return AND use the proceeds to give to the church (or whichever charity you select) which will go on your Schedule A as an Itemized Deduction.

Giving stock is one of the best ways to support great causes and use the tax code to your advantage!

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The Week Ahead

Visit us at www.stpascals.org for more information on upcoming events.

**Sunday, August 20**
- 12:30pm Private Event: BH, Kit

**Monday, August 21**
- 9:30am Nia: OC

**Tuesday, August 22**
- 6:30pm All Leadership Meeting: BH

**Wednesday, August 23**
- 6:30pm Cub Scout Registration: BH

**Thursday, August 24**
- 6:30pm Finance Council: FR

**Friday, August 25**
- No scheduled events

**Saturday, August 26**
- No scheduled events

**Sunday, August 27**
- 9:30am New Member Registration: BH
  - 12:00pm Private Event: BH

Meeting Location Key:

BH: Brioschi Hall, FR: Founders Room, OC: Old Church, SL: Staff Lounge

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Fall 2017 Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for these upcoming adult faith formation opportunities.

**Tuesday, September 19**
- 7:00-9:00 PM in Brioschi Hall

*Immigration: A Catholic Response*

Dr. Bernie Evans

In search of a safer, better life many immigrants and refugees hope to enter the United States. Too often that hope runs into a growing anti-immigrant sentiment. What responsibilities does our nation have toward immigrants and refugees? What should a Catholic response to immigration look like?

**Thursdays, September 28 and October 5**
- 7:00-9:00 PM in Brioschi Hall

*The Stories Jesus Left Behind: Parables in the Gospel of Luke*  
Dr. Art Zannoni

The largest number of parables are found in the Gospel of Luke. This program takes a detailed look at the parables in Luke on treating the poor, prayer and the two most famous parables of Luke’s Gospel, “The Prodigal Son” and “The Good Samaritan.” Participants are asked to bring a Bible to each session.

**6 Week Fall Bible Study, October 3-November 9**

*Jonah and Ruth: Love Crosses Boundaries*

All sessions meet in the Parish Conference Room

FEE: $15/person

Two of the most beloved Old Testament stories are the stories of Jonah and Ruth. In *Jonah/Ruth: Love Crosses Boundaries*, you'll discover how God breaks down barriers between people as you see these Old Testament Stories through new eyes.

**Group Days/Times Available**
- Tuesday, 8:15-9:45 AM starts October 3
- Tuesday, 7:00-8:30 PM starts October 3
- Thursday, 9:30-1:00 AM starts October 5

Registration Forms are available in the kiosks. You can also register online at www.stpascals.org.
SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Many families are struggling. With high unemployment, and more than 40% of our students enrolled in the free and reduced meal programs, many parents are unable to provide the basic school supplies their children need to be effective.

You can help our children in school by giving them the tools they need to succeed. Help teachers by providing students with proper tools for their classrooms so they don’t have to spend money from their own pockets. By providing school supplies, you support students, teachers and our school!

Drop off items in the collection boxes located outside of Brioschi Hall. Thank you!

Paper
- ☐ wide-lined loose-leaf paper
- ☐ wide-lined spiral notebooks
- ☐ 3-subject notebooks
- ☐ composition books
- ☐ 3x5 index cards
- ☐ colored 3x5 index cards

Pencils, Pens, Markers & Crayons
- ☐ blue or black pens
- ☐ #2 pencils
- ☐ erasable red, blue or black pens
- ☐ colored pencils
- ☐ erasers
- ☐ pencil sharpener
- ☐ pencil case or box
- ☐ wide or thin markers
- ☐ 24 count crayons
- ☐ highlighters
- ☐ dry-erase markers
- ☐ watercolor paints

General Supplies
- ☐ 3-ring 1" binders
- ☐ pocket folders
- ☐ expandable portfolio folder
- ☐ plastic folders

Classroom
- ☐ rulers
- ☐ glue
- ☐ glue sticks
- ☐ scissors
- ☐ masking tape

Things you can never have too much of
- ☐ paper towels
- ☐ tissues
- ☐ sanitizing wipes
- ☐ hand & face wipes
- ☐ Dixie cups
- ☐ snack size
- ☐ quart or gallon size baggies