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.

NOVEMBER 19, 2017  |  33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master’s joy.’”

-Mt 25:20b-21

Dear Friends:

Last week I experienced a very moving gathering at the University of Minnesota called "Service of Gratitude." It's probably not what you are thinking. Among our parishioners who died this past year were two who chose to donate their bodies to the University for use in teaching students in medical, dental, occupational therapy, physical therapy, pharmacy and mortuary science schools. After their usefulness in the labs, the remains are cremated and returned to the loved ones of the deceased. I was invited to accompany the family of our late parishioners as they honored their lives and the lives of all who had made the same donation during this past year. I had no idea what to expect, as this was a first for me, but I imagined that it would be a fairly small gathering. Wrong. Northrop Auditorium was full, with over 2000 people present to honor more than 600 dead who had donated their remains. And it was a beautiful evening of music, poetry, dance, and personal testimonies from (mostly first-year) students in one of those schools. Also included were projected photographs of almost every single one of those donors. It was not specifically a religious service but it was profoundly holy and very moving. The U of M holds these gatherings annually. What struck me particularly was the tone of reverence that was expressed for the deceased. One of the students described her experience of encountering the body of a woman whose name and life story were unknown to her but who had a face and hands and who had been somebody's child, parent, grandparent, friend. "This is a human being," she said, and she went on to refer to that person as "my first teacher" with humble awe and gratitude. If we are concerned with upholding the dignity of and respect for life, here was ground zero. It was an honor to be part of it. It also spoke volumes about the character of the students, which was a very uplifting thing to experience and to know about, especially at a secular university. On a less somber note, but in keeping with the theme of gratitude, I hope that many of us can join together again for our annual ecumenical East Side Thanksgiving service on the eve of the holiday. This is a "moveable feast" that will take place at Grace Lutheran Church this year, just up the street from St. Pascal's. There will be a combined choir, a dance group, hymn singing, scriptural reflections, and of course, food afterward. This is one of the only times all year that we gather as a community of Lutherans, Baptists and Catholics in order to share our common faith in Christ, but I can tell you that it is deeply appreciated by our partnering parishes and their pastors. They tell me so. As we move in to holiday mode, and into the beautiful season of Advent, let us do so with hearts that are not only grateful for what has been, and for the graces we savor each day, but also for the promises of glorious life to come and the full dawning of the Savior.

Fr. Mike Byron

Thank you for supporting St. Pascal’s Scouting

Pancake Breakfast—St. Pascal’s Cub Scout Pack 294
Sunday, December 3 after both Masses
$8/Adults and $5/kids (12 and under)
Includes all-you-can-eat pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee & juice. Proceeds help fund scout camps, pack activities, achievement awards and community service. Bring your appetite and support Cub Scout Pack 294!

Christmas Wreaths—St. Pascal’s Boy Scout Troop 294
Sunday, November 26 and Sunday, December 3 after both Masses

We will have many different types of wreaths available. Profits from the sale will help our Scouts with costs associated with the camping and high adventure trips we take each year. If you have any specific questions, please contact Mike Aeling at 307.8237.

Thank you for your support!

Parish Advent Reconciliation
Tuesday, December 5 at 6:30 PM

Plan to join us on this evening as we celebrate God’s love and forgiveness. There will be about 16 children celebrating the sacrament for the first time. This is an opportunity for the community to embrace these children and lead them to the sacrament by your example. A number of priests will be present to hear individual confessions. A social will follow in Brioschi Hall.

The Search is On
For generous people willing to visit parishioners who are unable to come to Mass. Just one person per week during the day. Day and time flexible. Take Communion and the bulletin. Stay for a short visit. The need is great. If you can help with one person call Ann Karner 330.0024.

In Unity There Is Strength
Join us in the church every Wednesday at 9:00 AM when we will pray the rosary together. Stay for the School Mass at 9:30. You will love the beautiful liturgy as only children can provide. Please join us when you are able. Questions? Contact Betty Hensel at 714.8958 or bjhen@q.com.

Christmas Tree Sales
November 24 - December 3 or until sold out
• Monday - Friday from 3:00 to 9:00 PM
• Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM

The St. Pascal’s Men’s Club Christmas Tree Lot soon will be open for business! Their usual excellent selection of Fraser fir, Balsam fir, Scotch pine, and White pine will be available as well as wreaths and swags.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
The Women’s Club would like to thank EVERYONE who participated in the Fall Pie Bake Sale. We made $1,191. Everything sold!! Thank you for a successful event!

Baptized in Christ

We welcome into our community of faith
Jackson Phillip James Sauser
child of Tyler and Brittany
and
Benjamin Robert Conley
child of Timothy and Amy
who were recently Baptized in our church. May God bless these households of faith.

In Christ We Live Forever

Please remember in your prayers…

David Picard
who was recently buried from our church. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family and friends, and pray for his soul’s eternal peace.
From the Principal Jennrich
Sharing our Gifts Every Day. November is a
time when we naturally think of
Thanksgiving, and it seems a perfect time
to renew our commitment to living gratefully
and generously. One of the ways we are
installing a spirit of giving is through
donations to our “Smash for Cash” Advent
Drive. There will be information coming
soon! All the funds collected will be used to
purchase gift cards to help several of our
school families. Thank you for considering
to help support this important outreach to
our school families!

Upcoming Fun Events
The Plaza Family Movie Night
November 22 at 6:00 PM
Every 4th Wednesday, The Plaza Movie
Theater will give St. Pascal’s School $2.00 of
the $3.00 admission for tickets purchased for
the 6:00 PM show! (Entry not permitted after
6:20 PM). Bring your friends! Tell your
neighbors! Let’s go to the movies!

Culver’s Night at the Sun Ray Culver’s
November 27 from 5:00-7:00 PM
St. Pascal School receives 10% of the sales
during this time AND proceeds go towards
the Washington D.C. trip for our 7th and 8th
grade students! Come out and enjoy a
delicious dinner served to you by our 7th and
8th grade students!

Cookies in a Jar: Back again this year!
The popular Cookies in a Jar will be on sale in
December after Masses. These make great
gifts and/or can be brilliant time savers for
your own holiday baking. Look for more
information in the coming weeks.

Advent Reflection with Fr. Mike Byron: Where is Jesus in the Old Testament?
Tuesday, December 12 in Brioschi Hall from 10:00 AM -12 Noon OR 7:00 - 9:00 PM
Two options! Choose the best for you.

Christians claim that the Word of God, Jesus Christ, existed before time began (John 1). And yet we also claim that he was born of Mary in a specific moment in history, in Israel about 2,000 years ago (Luke 1). It raises an interesting question as to who, how, and where this Jesus-Christ-
Word was in the meantime. As part of our Advent reflection, we will explore some of the ways
that the Church has tried to come to grips with this deep Mystery, and how we have come to
recognize him in some of the literature of the Hebrew Bible.

Please contact the parish office by Monday, December 11 if you plan to attend so we can
prepare appropriately for hospitality. You can also sign up online from the parish website or go
to stpascals.weshareonline.org.

Mission Trip Fundraiser: Davanni’s Night!
Eastside Davanni’s (310 White Bear Ave.)
Monday, December 11 from 4:00 - 8:00 PM
A group of youth and adults from St. Pascal’s
and Blessed Sacrament will be travelling to
Nashville for a mission trip through Catholic
Heart Workcamp in July 2018.

Come enjoy dinner out and help us get to
Nashville! With a ticket, 20% of your total
order (before tax) will go to support our
youth and adult participants. Dinner tickets
will be in the December 10 bulletin, and
available at the welcome desk, parish kiosks,
and on the parish website. For more
information about the fundraiser or the
mission trip, contact Kim Roering in the
parish office.

Young at Heart Mass and Luncheon
Thursday, November 30 at 11:00 AM
Attention, Friends 55 Plus…our next meeting
is the Thursday after Thanksgiving. Fr. Mike
will celebrate the Eucharist with us at 11:00
and, following a short meeting, we will have
a catered Chicken Marsala meal from
Magnolia’s for which we ask a $10.00
donation payable on the day of the meeting.
Recall the homily we heard a couple of weeks
gone about the titles used in our Church—and
with that in mind, our speaker will be the
Reverend J. Michael Byron, affectionately called
“our Fr. Mike”! The topic might still be “in the
mind of God” at the time of this notice, but
you won’t want to miss it. All are welcome—
we would love to have you join us! Please
RSVP by November 27 to Betty Hensel at
714.8958 or bjhen@q.com or call Barb Kendle
at 738.3799.

Thanksgiving Worship Schedule
Thanksgiving Eve Eumcnetical Prayer Service: Wednesday, November 22 at 7:00 PM
Grace Lutheran Church, 1730 Old Hudson Road
Join together with six East Side congregations in this wonderful time of prayer with our
neighborhood. Let us give thanks to God for our many blessings.

St. Pascal’s Mass Times
Thursday, November 24 at 9:00 AM  Friday, November 25—No Mass
We are grateful for you—have a beautiful Thanksgiving holiday!
Mass Times & Intentions

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Readings November 19, 2017

**Sunday:**
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Ps 128:1-5
1 Thes 5:1-6
Mt 25:14-30

**Monday:**
1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,
Ps 119:53, 61, 134,
150, 155, 158
Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday:**
2 Mc 6:18-31
Ps 3:2-8
Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday:**
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31
Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15
Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday:**
Thanksgiving
Sir 50:20-24
Ps 138:1-5
1 Cor 1:3-9
Lk 17:11-19

**Friday:**
1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59
1 Chr 29:10-12
Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday:**
1 Mc 6:1-13
Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19
Lk 20:27-40

**Next Sunday:**
Ez 34:11-12, 15-17
Ps 23:1-3, 5-6
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28
Mt 25:31-46

Heart Questions

[The servant said,] “Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.” His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.”

Matthew 25:20b–21

Adult: What gift have you not developed as you had hoped? What could you still do?

Child: What gift has God given you? What do you want to do with it?

Stewardship of Treasure

Financial Gifts – July-September, 2017
For fiscal year July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

**Parish (July - September)**
- Mortgage Reduction: $ 84,073.25
- Income (includes collections): $272,178.46
- Total Parish Income: $356,251.71
- Parish Expenses: $291,702.89
- (Parish expenses do not include school support)

**School (July-September)**
- Income: $169,083.34
- Parish Support: $138,281.86
  (total FY support of $251,000)
- Total Expenses: $307,365.20

I hope this new format of reporting our financials will help clarify our financial position. Thank you so much for your continued support. Questions? Please let me know.

—Theresa Rutger, Parish Administrator

The Week Ahead

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

**Sunday, November 19—Stewardship Weekend**

*Catholic Campaign for Human Development*
- After Masses: Women’s Club Christmas Party Ticket Sales: CM
- 12:00pm: Confirmation II (w/sponsors): CF
- 12:00pm: Spaghetti Dinner: BH, Kit

**Monday, November 20**
- 9:30am: Nia: OC
- 7:00pm: Boy Scouts 294: CF, Gym & 108

**Tuesday, November 21**
- 6:30pm: Finance Council: FR
- 7:00pm: Spirituality Book Club: LB

**Wednesday, November 22**

*NO SCHOOL-Thanksgiving Break*
- 9:00am: Rosary: CH
- 9:30am: Daily Mass (Not a School Mass)
- 6:00pm: Family Movie Night: The Plaza Theater
- 7:00pm: Choir: CR

**Thursday, November 23—Happy Thanksgiving!**
- What are you grateful for?
- 9:00am: Mass

**Friday, November 24**
- Parish and School offices closed
- 3:00pm: Men’s Club Christmas Tree Lot: Conway Lot

**Saturday, November 25**
- 9:00am: Men’s Club Christmas Tree Lot: Conway Lot
- 4:30pm – 5:30pm: RCIA Rite of Acceptance TBD

**Sunday, November 26**
- 9:00am: Men’s Club Christmas Tree Lot: Conway Lot
- After Masses: New Member Registration: Brioschi Hall
- Boy Scout Wreath Sales: Church doors

Meeting Location Key:

Santa Shop for St. Pascal’s School Students
Tuesday – Thursday, December 5, 6, & 7
The Santa Shop gives students the opportunity to do their Christmas shopping for their families and surprise family members with gifts that they have selected on their own. Gifts are wrapped in the Santa Shop and sent home with the students ready to go under the tree. They love the fun of having a secret gift to share!

*We need volunteers* to help students shop, help with check out, and wrap the presents the students buy. We especially need wrappers. Any amount of time you would like to spend helping is greatly appreciated.

The Santa Shop will be open for shoppers on:
- Tuesday, December 5 from 12:30 - 3:30 PM
- Wednesday, December 6 from 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM
- Thursday, December 7 from 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Unable to Volunteer But Still Want to Help?
The Santa Shop welcomes the following items: Wrapping Paper (new or partial rolls) • Scotch tape • Tissue Paper • Christmas gift bags • Ribbon • Large brown grocery bags. *Please send donations to the school office.*

For more information or to sign up, please contact Barb Odhiambo (1st Grade teacher) at barb.odhiambo@stpascals.org or Sarah Mathis at the Welcome Desk at sarah.mathis@stpascals.org or 776.0092.
THE CHURCH OF SAINT PASCAL BAYLON

Keeping Advent 2017
DECEMBER 3 ...

ADVENT DATES TO NOTE
1st Sunday of Advent December 03
Feast of St. Nicholas December 06
Immaculate Conception December 08
2nd Sunday of Advent December 10
Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12
3rd Sunday of Advent December 17
4th Sunday of Advent December 24
Mass at 4:30 PM Saturday, December 23 & 10:00 AM Sunday, December 24

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION
Tuesday, December 05 at 6:30 PM
Parish & First Reconciliation—All are welcome
(ASL Upon Request)

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (Holy day of obligation)
Friday, December 08
9:30 AM & 6:30 PM

ADVENT REFLECTION with Fr. Mike Byron
Tuesday, December 12 at 10:00 AM and again at 7:00 PM
"Where is Jesus in the Old Testament?"

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION
Friday, December 15 at 9:30 AM
School & Parish—All are welcome

INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION
Saturdays at 4:00 PM & by appointment

Prepare our hearts and lives…
For each of us is God’s home!

Keeping Christmas 2017
... TO JANUARY 8, 2018

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT: Weekend Mass
Saturday, December 23 at 4:30 PM
Sunday, December 24 at 10:00 AM

CHRISTMAS MASSES
Sunday, December 24
4:00 PM Lessons & Carols Begin
4:30 PM Liturgy
Contemporary Ensemble
10:00 PM Carols begin
10:30 PM Liturgy
Choir & Brass

Monday, December 25
9:45 AM Carols begin
10:00 AM Liturgy (ASL)
Choir, Brass & Organ

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY
Sunday, December 31
Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
Monday, January 1, 2018
No Mass—Not a holy day of obligation in 2018

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
Sunday, January 7, 2018
Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
Monday, January 8—we transition to Ordinary Time
No Mass

The Incarnation of God…
The Word made flesh among us!

REGULAR LITURGY SCHEDULE
No weekday Mass on Monday
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:30 AM
Wednesday (School Mass) 9:30 AM
Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:45 AM & 10:30 AM (ASL)
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:30 AM
Wednesday (School Mass) 9:30 AM