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 or looking for a parish home, 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 in Brioschi Hall after Mass for hospitality and to find out more.

He said to them in reply, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking around at those seated in the circle he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

-Mk 3:33-35
Dear Friends:

I'm sure there are many emotions as we let the news sink in regarding the huge settlement of the archdiocese with the more than four hundred victims of clerical sexual abuse. The very fact that things have come to such a place is deeply dispiriting and depressing (the abuse, not necessarily the settlement). We've been living under a cloud now for about five years, and it is time for everyone to move to a new place of healing, reconciliation, justice, and hope. There will be lots of questions about all of it, some of which I can't answer immediately. But you ought to know a few things at least.

First, there was never any allegation of abuse involving a priest who ever served at St. Pascal's. We were served with legal notice a couple of years ago about a single accusation against a priest who once served at St. John's parish, and by that time--after our merger--we had become responsible for all of the affairs of that former parish, so there was some potential liability for us in that. The allegation dated back to the late 1940s, and I never heard any more about it after the initial notification. I am assuming that last week's settlement resolves whatever exposure there may have been for us in that regard.

Second, you probably are aware that parishes will be required to provide many millions of dollars as part of the settlement, provided the agreement is approved by the judge. I don't really know how that is supposed to work, since the judge previously ruled that the assets of parishes could not be considered as part of the resources of the archdiocese in this legal proceeding. I will be learning about all this together with you.

Third, you may be aware of an effort on the part of many parishes to make a voluntary financial offering to victims of abuse as an expression of good faith, atonement and solidarity with those who have suffered so much. The victims are not just plaintiffs in the court of law; they are our brothers and sisters in the Catholic faith—or used to be. This effort began with the initiative of a few pastors of parishes where there have been multiple credible accusations of clergy sexual misconduct, and it has expanded broadly to many other parishes. The hope is to involve as many parishes as possible in an expression of support, sorrow, and encouragement to those who have been so sorely wounded by their own church. There is no set amount of money that is expected to be contributed, and that information will remain confidential. What will be made public is the number and names of those parishes who have chosen to contribute to this fund. It won't matter whether a contribution is $100 or $500,000. What matters is the statement of justice that such an initiative represents. Not one penny of this fund will go to either the archdiocese or to the lawyers. After consultation with our council leadership and our trustees here at St. Pascal's, I have decided to make an offering of some discretionary funds to support those victims. It's not much, because we don't have much, but it's something important in making good on our gospel responsibilities to help those who have suffered. We won't be taking up a special collection for this endeavor, but if you would like to make a contribution to the fund, just let me know.

Throughout this long, long ordeal I have often pondered the fact that both "sides" of the legal dispute seem to have presumed that the right amount of money will constitute "closure" or "justice" or some sort of adequate resolution to the tragedy. I don't believe that. Money doesn't fix things like this. It can help people to get the help that they need, and it can be an expression of contrition or restitution for hardship, and that is good and important. But in the end it's just money. Even in gigantic quantities, it's just money. The sooner we get past that as the imagined baseline for what we are here to be about, the sooner we will all be more gospel-focused.

Fr. Mike Byron
OUR SCHOOL

2017-18 Update

• 161 Students were enrolled
• Over $400,000 raised from a variety of funding partners for 2018-2019
• 24 Students and 12 adults participated in the Washington, DC trip
• 10 Students participated in our band and orchestra partnership with Hill-Murray
• 6 Students in Student Council organized a variety of events for all students to enjoy
• 4 Students participated in the Catholic Schools Quiz Bowl tournament
• $7,500 Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation Early Learning Scholarships for children in the Pre K program. $4,500 awarded so far for 2018-2019
• The Preschool and Pre K program is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and has a 4 Star Parent Aware Rating
• 2016-2017 grades 3-8 Proficiency in math was 37.2% and reading 44.3%. For comparison purposes; Data from 2017 MDE Minnesota Report Card Nokomis South math 26.3% and reading 41.5%. Dayton’s Bluff Elementary 15% math and 15.5% reading. Cesar Chavez Charter School math 10.9% and reading 25.3%
• 2017-2018 St. Pascal’s grades 3-8 Proficiency in math 41% (gain of 3.8%) and reading 53.9% (gain of 9.6%).
• 13 8th grade graduates. 6 attending Hill-Murray, 3 attending Cretin-Derham Hall, 2 attending North HS, 1 attending Tartan HS and 1 attend St. Croix Prep.

Congratulations to our graduates!

FAITH FORMATION

SHIPWRECKED—RESCUED BY JESUS Vacation Bible School
June 25-29, 2018
9 am—12 Noon

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, JUNE 11!
No registrations will be taken after June 11. Registration materials are available in kiosks, parish office, and online at www.stpascals.org.

Help is STILL needed!
Contact Kim in the parish office.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR VBS AND FAITH FORMATION:
Resealable quart size plastic (Ziploc) bags
Resealable gallon size plastic (Ziploc) bags
White Rice
Empty 16 oz water bottles
Foam board
Old towels (to be cut into strips)
Paper plates
Glass bottles (with mouths slightly smaller than an egg)
Bubble solution
Large sponges
Beach Towels
Beach Balls
Plastic Gallon sized jugs
Cardboard boxes—any size
Washcloths

Drop off at parish office or leave in the box marked VBS in donation closet.

Parish
Contact Information
Parish Office 651.774.1585
Fax 651.774.9152
Email church@stpascals.org
After hours emergency number (for death, dying or anointing of the sick 651.280.9239

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

School
Contact Information
School Office 651.776.0092
Fax 651.774.9152
Email: laurie.jennrich@stpascals.org

School Summer Office Hours
June
Mon - Fri 8:00 - 3:00 pm
July
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

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

Parish Finance Council
Cindy Reisdorf
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.

Author Visits Elder Readers
Mary Logue will visit with the Marian Book Club and other welcome guests, discussing her book “Frozen Stiff” on Wednesday, June 13 at 2 PM.

Logue is an award-winning author and poet; she lives in the Wisconsin bluff country, the setting for the Claire Watkins mysteries. The Marian Book Club welcomes other interested readers to join their group for this “Visit with the Author.” Cerenity, Marian of St. Paul is located in the heart of the Mounds Park community at 200 Earl Street. Mass is offered each weekday at 1 PM.
Adults: In what way could you widen the circle of your family to include someone in need?

Kids: Whom could you invite to share a happy time with your family?

Heart Questions
10th Sunday in Ordinary
Time
Love for All

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**Mortgage Update**

The Financial leaders of our parish have approved releasing additional funds from our Mortgage Reserve account to pay against principal for the next few months.

The parish support of the Mortgage Reduction fund has been strong and we are collecting more than paid out each month. All collections are deposited directly into the Mortgage Reduction account and mortgage payments are taken from those funds.

After two months of $20,000 additional principal payments, our mortgage balance is $3,761,722.85. The Mortgage Reserve fund sits at $307,308.31. We will continue with another $20,000 principal payment in July. The group will decide future pre-payments when they gather later this summer.

-Theresa

**Band Together, Fight Hunger**

*Saturday, June 16 from 6:30-9:00 PM at Guardian Angels, Oakdale*

For ages 18-39. Listen to music by David Ray out of Nashville, Chaunte Shayne who won the KQRS Battle of the Bands last year, and Diminished Faculties from Hill-Murray. Enjoy beer, pop, brats and hamburgers. All proceeds go to support local food shelves! Tickets available at www.guardian-angels.org.

Advanced Tickets are $15 general admission, or $10 for under 21. Day of Tickets are $18 general admission, or $13 for under 21.

Contact Paul Deziel at 789.3173 or Kim Roering at 774.1585, ext. 128 for more information.