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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.

OCTOBER 7, 2018 | TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Faith

Jesus said,
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you, whoever
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the kingdom of
God as a little
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enter it."

Mark 10:15

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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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

2018 Mass Of The Holy Spirit.



On Wednesday, October 10, our St. Pascal School 4th - 8th grade students will travel to U.S. Bank Stadium in downtown Minneapolis to join with over 12,000 students from the 79 Catholic elementary schools in the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis for the Mass of the Holy Spirit. I will be there to concelebrate the Mass along with Archbishop Hebda and priests from around the Archdiocese. The event will include live music from the Christian rock band, Sonar, and Christian rapper, Connor Flanagan. This Mass shows students from rural, suburban and urban communities that they are part of a broad, diverse community and that they all attend Catholic schools with very similar missions. The Catholic Schools Center of Excellence (CSCOE) organizes this Mass in partnership with the Archdiocese. For more information, please visit MassoftheHolySpirit.org.

The first Culver's Restaurant Night of the school year will be *Monday, October 15.* Saint Pascal Baylon School will receive 10% of all sales at Culver's Restaurant located in Sun Ray Shopping Center (2065 Old Hudson Road) between 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there!

In our Gospel reading this weekend, Jesus says "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Mark 10:14). To become like a child in our relationship with Jesus means that we trust him, love him and open our hearts to him. Children remind us to approach our Lord just as we are and not to be afraid to show Jesus our true self with all of our problems and imperfections. A wonderful example of this type of spirituality is Saint Therese of Lisieux (1873-1897) also known as the Little Flower. Her feast day is October 1. Saint Therese was born in Alencon, France, and she entered the Carmelite convent at age 15. Through sickness and dark nights of doubt and fear, she remained close to God. After a long struggle with tuberculosis, she died at the age of 24. The world came to know Therese through her autobiography, "The Story of a Soul". She described her life as a little way of spiritual childhood. She wrote, "What matters in life is not great deeds but great love." Therese saw herself as a "little flower of Jesus" who gave glory to God by just being her beautiful little self among all the other flowers in God's garden. Saint Therese was canonized in 1925, and Pope Saint John Paul II declared her a Doctor of the Church in 1997 in tribute to the powerful way her spirituality has influenced people all over the world. (www.littleflower.org/therese/)

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

8th Annual Rosary Rally: Saturday, October 13 at 12:00 PM, Battle Creek Park

Join parishioners, friends and neighbors to offer up prayers for the world we live in. Our prayers are needed now more than ever! We'll be at the park entrance on the south side of Upper Afton Road—just east of McKnight Road. Please bring a chair. Grilled hot dogs, refreshments and great company provided! For more information, please contact Larry May at 612.940.2694 or lawrencemay@comcast.net.

Booya! Sunday, October 14 from 10:00 AM until pots are empty

The St. Pascal's Men's Club much-anticipated annual Booya is right around the corner. Containers are available or bring your own. Individual servings are available in the school cafeteria. Come early, it goes fast!

Proceeds will purchase equipment/supplies for St. Pascal's K-8 School's Phy. Ed. program, uniforms for extra-curricular sports activities, and additional parish/school needs.

Are You Called to Proclaim the Word of God?

Do you have the gift of proclamation? Are you a lover of Scripture? If so, you are invited to our upcoming training for proclaimers. This ministry involves proclaiming the first and second readings from Scripture during Mass or reading the general intercessions. Training takes place in two parts:

Pt 1: Tuesday, October 9, 7:00-8:15 PM

Pt 2: Sunday, October 14, 11:45 AM-1:00 PM

To register for this ministry, please contact Keri Mader at keri.mader@stpascals.org or 651.432.4957 or by Monday, October 8.

Veterans Day

Prayer Service & Ceremonial Dinner

Sunday, November 11 in Brioschi Hall

Prayer Service begins at 4:30 PM and is free to anyone. Dinner immediately follows. Dinner tickets are available for sale after any weekend Mass or by contacting one of the chairs. Dinner includes salad, main meal, beverage (punch, beer, wine) and dessert.

Dinner: All veterans are free. If you are a veteran and haven't received a voucher in the mail, please see us at the back table after Mass and we will get you a ticket.

Non-Veteran tickets cost \$15. All are welcome! You do not need to be a veteran or be with a veteran to enjoy this event.

Sponsor Cards: Please consider sponsoring a veteran's meal. We have options for general sponsors as well as options to sponsor in memory or in honor of someone. Sponsor Cards cost \$10

Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers for various duties. Please see us at the back table after Mass or contact Vicky Westenhofer at 651.249.8010.

Keynote Speaker: We would like to have a veteran from our community talk about their service for approximately 15 minutes. Please let us know if this interests you.

Questions: Please contact one of our chairs, Vicky Westenhofer at 651.249.8010 or Jackie Friesen at 651.295.8717.

Nursery Closed on Sunday Mornings

The nursery will be closed until Sunday, October 21 while our nursery coordinator recovers from foot surgery.

— In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

Lorraine Ekstrom

who was recently buried from our church. We extend our sincere sympathy to her family and friends, and pray for her souls' eternal peace.

— ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE —

This is the second part in a three-part series.

After a year serving St. Pascal's, I want to update you on changes we've made over the past months. There's a lot that happens during the week that parishioners don't see and this week I'll share some more of the items that we are working on.

Repair Update: Part of the risk management program involves developing a long-range building plan. With the help of Judy Whitacre, a longtime St. Pascal's parishioner and former Business Administrator, we are starting the process of tracking every part of our building. Roof, HVAC, floor finishes, windows, down to each light bulb, an accounting will be made of item, date of install, date of maintenance, etc. From that accounting, we will be able to see what areas need attention and possible repair/replacement cost estimates. This will be important moving forward since we have aging facilities that will continue to drain valuable financial resources from parish coffers.

We are waiting on estimates from our HVAC vendor on installation of a computerized temperature controller system for the air handler units. Currently our electric bills during the summer air conditioning months top \$5,000/month and the old controllers are not easy to reprogram for funerals and special events. There are generous rebates available and cooling space only when needed is better use of precious donor dollars. We will assess if we can pay for this through the budget or fund-raise for this special project.

Currently, we are dealing with a classroom filled with black mold. Caused by both ground water seeping in at the foundation level and cracked window caulk from above, the room is out of use until the foundation is exposed and sealed. Further inspection of the tuck pointing above the leaking has revealed a wall that is not attached to the building and is held in place with mortar alone. It is critical that the work be done in the near future and early estimates are coming in around \$50,000.00 for the work. Please watch for more information as we learn more.

Safety and Security: Our buildings were built before the advent of modern day security concerns for school children. Coupled with fire code issues, maintaining a secure, separate school area has been a difficult challenge for us. We are

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— FAITH FORMATION —

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Starting Soon! Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 8:45 am and 10:30 am Masses on Sundays is tentatively scheduled to begin October 28. Thank you for your patience as we have been seeking out more leaders for this ministry. If you have questions, contact Kim in the parish office.

— ADULT FAITH FORMATION —

The Art of Accompaniment

with Matt Reichert

Tuesday, October 23

7:00-9:00 PM in Brioschi Hall

In his exhortation *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis notes that "the Church must look more closely and sympathetically at others whenever necessary. In our world, ordained ministers and other pastoral workers can make present the fragrance of Christ's closeness and his personal gaze...the Church will have to initiate everyone—priests, religious and laity—into this 'art of accompaniment' which teaches us to remove our sandals before the sacred ground of the other" (*The Joy of the Gospel*, 169). Join us as Matt Reichert helps us explore what it might mean to truly live out Pope Francis' call to listen and to lead others to an encounter with Christ.

Please contact the parish office or sign up online via the parish website by October 22 if you plan to attend so we can prepare appropriately for hospitality.

Women's Retreat

Recognizing and Respecting the Giftedness of Women (Brioschi Hall)

Thursday, November 8 from 5:30-9:00 PM

This evening of reflection with Susan Stabile will be about recognizing and celebrating the gifts we bring to the world as women. It will also invite us to get in touch with those things that sometimes inhibit our ability to celebrate that giftedness.

Reservations are required so we can plan appropriately. Please call the parish office or sign up online via the parish website by November 5 if you plan to join us.

Women's Book Club: Join Us!

We meet in the Founders Room at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Monday of each month. You can come as often as your schedule allows. On October 8, we'll discuss *Take me with You* by Catherine Ryan Hyde and next month, November 12, we'll share thoughts about *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman.

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For after-hours pastoral emergency (death, dying or anointing): Call the parish office.

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Mon-Fri 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Holidays as announced

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School Office Hours

Mon-Fri 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Parish Councils

Parish Pastoral Council

Meetings 1st Tuesday at 6:30 PM
Ann Karner, Chair

Parish Finance Council

Meetings 4th Thursday at 6:30 PM
Cindy Reisdorf, Chair

Sacramental Information

Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00 and by appointment
Communal celebrations as announced

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

Email notices by 3:00 PM Monday to thea.munoz@stpascals.org.

Mass Announcements

Please direct to Keri Mader at keri.mader@stpascals.org by 3:00 PM on Wednesday.

Mass Times & Intentions

Readings

October 7, 2018

Tuesday, October 09

7:30 AM The People of the Parish

Wednesday, October 10

9:30 AM NO MASS

Thursday, October 11

7:30 AM + Leona Rosenberger

Friday, October 12

7:30 AM + Rosemary Quayle

Saturday, October 13

4:30 PM Jim & Evelyn Lecher

Sunday, October 14

8:45 AM The People of the Parish

10:30 AM + Noe & Annette Bibeau

Heart Questions

Childlike Faith

Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it."

Mark 10:15

Adults: What could keep you from embracing the kingdom of God like a little child?

Kids: How do you feel when you hear the wonderful stories of God's love for you?

Sunday:

Gn 2:18-24

Ps 128:1-6

Heb 2:9-11

Mk 10:2-16

Monday:

Gal 1:6-12

Ps 111:1-2, 7-10

Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday:

Gal 1:13-24

Ps 139:1-3, 13-15

Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday:

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14

Ps 117:1-2

Lk 11:1-4

Thursday:

Gal 3:1-5

(Ps) Lk 1:69-75

Lk 11:5-13

Friday:

Gal 3:7-14

Ps 111:1-6

Lk 11:15-26

Saturday:

Gal 3:22-29

Ps 105:2-7

Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday:

Wis 7:7-11

Ps 90:12-17

Heb 4:12-13

Mk 10:17-30

THE WEEK AHEAD

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

Sunday, October 7

After Masses Cub Scouts 294 Popcorn Sales: CM

8:25am Greeter Training: CH, CM

10:10am Usher Trainer: CH

11:45am Women's Club Board Meeting: FR

12:00pm Confirmation II: OC

12:00pm Blessing of the Animals: Outside Church Doors

Monday, October 8

6:30pm Boy Scouts 294: CF, Gym

7:00pm Women's Book Club: FR

Tuesday, October 9

8:15am Bible Study: PC

7:00pm Bible Study: PC

7:00pm Liturgical Ministers meeting: BH

Wednesday, October 10

9:00am Rosary: CH

9:30am No Mass

10:30am Peaceful Presence Prayer Group: Chapel

11:00am Mass of the Holy Spirit (Fr. John & grades 3-8 are attending): U.S. Bank Stadium

6:30pm Faith Formation: LB, OC, 101, 105

7:00pm Choir: CR

Thursday, October 11

9:30am Bible Study: PC

7:00pm Men's Club Membership Meeting: CF

Friday, October 12

No scheduled events

Saturday, October 13—Hurricane Florence 2nd Collection

6:00am Men's Club Booya prep: CF

5:30pm Getting to Know You Dinner: SL

Sunday, October 14—Hurricane Florence 2nd Collection

After Masses New Member Registration: BH

10:30am Booya Sales

11:45am Proclaimer Training: CH

12:00pm Confirmation II: CH

MEETING LOCATION KEY:

BH: Brioschi Hall, CF: Cafeteria, CH: Church, CM: Commons, CR: Choir Room, FR: Founders Room, LB: Library, OC: Old Church, PC: Parish Conference Room, SL: Staff Lounge

Hurricane Florence/2018 Disaster Relief Collection

Saturday & Sunday, October 13 & 14

Please join in support of those whose lives have been so adversely affected by Hurricane Florence. Funds collected next weekend will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities, USA/Catholic Relief Services—the official relief agencies of the U.S. Catholic Church—for water, food, shelter, medical care and long-term rebuilding following the hurricane and other 2018 disasters. Please be as generous as you can to help our brothers and sisters struggling to recover from these disasters.

2018-2019 Metro Dining Club Cards

A box of 166 cards are just \$25. St. Pascal's receives \$10 for every box of cards sold!

Metro Dining Club cards offer you and your family great deals at 166 area restaurants for an entire year! *Cards are valid through October 31, 2019.*

Boxes of cards are for sale in the parish office Mon-Fri from 8:00-4:00.

...Administrator's Update continued

seeking outside help in assessing what we can change so we can ensure safety during funerals and other public events taking place in the building during school hours. The Department of Homeland Security has a school safety assessment team who will visit our parish in early October and work with us on this assessment. In addition to this effort, we have received estimates for high resolution security cameras and more computer-controlled doors. Hopefully some of these improvements can be handled in our day to day operations expenditures. Other, more expensive expenditures may have to be fund-raised and installed at a later date.

Exterior doors are now controlled using a security lock system with a tightly controlled key log and few people with key access. Automatic door controls have been installed in two doors and both regular users and short-term users are given fobs instead of keys. We would like to install two more doors on this fob system and are assessing if we can afford installation in our general operating budget or will need to be fund-raised.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions and watch for Part III of this three-part series in next week's bulletin.

Blessings,

Theresa Ruttger, St. Pascal's Business Administrator