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.

APRIL 28, 2019  |  SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

Thank you for the Fish Fry Dinners in Lent. I extend my thanks to the Men’s Club, the women volunteers, the St. Pascal’s School students, the school staff, the parish staff, those people who donated desserts, the Women’s Club and helpers for selling the desserts, and to everyone who worked, planned, organized and conducted our Fish Fry Dinners. The meal was delicious, and the hospitality was very welcoming. I enjoyed seeing our parishioners and visitors at the Fish Fry dinners. I talked with many people who told me that St. Pascal’s Fish Fry is the best, and I agree!

On this Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy) we are invited to celebrate God’s mercy given to us through Jesus. We hear in the Gospel reading (John 20:19-31) at Mass today that the Apostle Thomas was not in the Upper Room when Jesus appeared to the disciples on the evening of the first day of the week. Thomas refused to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead until Thomas saw and touched Jesus. Our Lord granted Thomas’ request one week later when he appeared to Thomas and the disciples in the Upper Room. Jesus said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe” (John 20:27). Jesus went an extra distance with divine mercy to help Thomas believe. God’s mercy goes whatever distance is necessary to reach us in our individual situation, place and time through Jesus’s love and the saving acts of his life, death and resurrection.

In 2000, Pope John Paul II helped the world to learn more about God’s mercy by canonizing St. Faustina Kowalska (1905-38), a Polish nun who received private revelations of Jesus. As with all private revelations that are recognized by the Church, Catholics are not required to believe the private revelations or messages that were received, but they may believe them if they choose to do so. As stated in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 67, “Throughout the ages, there have been so-called private revelations, some of which have been recognized by the authority of the Church. They do not belong, however, to the deposit of faith. It is not their role to improve or complete Christ’s definitive revelation, but to help live more fully by it in a certain period of history.”

According to St. Faustina’s private revelations, Jesus asked her to have a feast of Divine Mercy established on the first Sunday after Easter so that people could take refuge in Him and His mercy. In addition, Faustina reported that Jesus appeared to her with two rays emanating from his heart, one red and the other pale. As she gazed on the image, Jesus said, “Paint an image according to the pattern you see with the signature: Jesus, I Trust in You.” This image is known as the Divine Mercy Image. Jesus also gave a prayer to St. Faustina called the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which is prayed on rosary beads, and Jesus encouraged Faustina to invite people to pray the Chaplet.

Personally, I find that the Divine Mercy devotion has enriched my faith life. It helps me to appreciate God’s mercy in my life. As recipients of God’s mercy, let us be generous in sharing God’s mercy with each other through our love, patience, mutual respect and forgiveness.

God Bless You,
Father John Mitchell

Leadership Discernment Process— Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils
Nominations are open through May 5
Please take time to consider prayerfully those you feel possess the gifts to serve as leaders in our parish, including yourself. Nomination forms will be in the pews April 28 - May 5. Return your completed nomination form in the collection basket. You can also drop it by the parish office or e-mail your nomination to church@stpascals.org with LEADERSHIP NOMINATION in the subject line. For more information, please call Ann Karner, Parish Council Chairperson, at 651.330.0024.

St. Pascal’s Women’s Club
Women’s Club disbursement requests are due for consideration by May 1. Copies of the application can be found in the kiosks or download a copy of the application from www.stpascals.org/women-s-club. You may also request a disbursement form by emailing Women's Club Co-President Sue Korf at suedesign77@yahoo.com.

MCCL Flower Sale
Thanks Mom for Life
Honor your mother or another important person in your life by giving a flower to her on Mother’s Day. Flowers will be on sale before and after all Masses on Mother’s Day weekend, May 11 and 12. Proceeds from the sale will go to MCCL—Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life—and to nearby pregnancy resource centers Birthright and Options for Women East. Flowers for sale:
- Orchid Corsage $8.00
- African Violet $7.00
- Long Stemmed Carnation $3.00
- Birthright Rose $5.00

If you would like to help with the sale, call or email Michelle at 651.714.4413 or mmmkilo@ymail.com.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Rolls
Sunday, May 5 after both Masses
For 50 years the Knights of Columbus have been financially supporting the Special Olympics and other programs that help people with intellectual and physical disabilities. To date, donations exceed $600 million. This year the Father Finley Council of the Knights of Columbus will be once again handing out Tootsie Rolls after Masses. Please help the Knights help others with your generous donation.

Listening House
St. Pascal’s Women’s Club supports the Eastside-Listening House—known as “the living room of the homeless”—by donating socks, underwear & coffee cups. Please place these items in the marked boxes in the donation closet.

Candle Cup Cleaners Needed
Can you help clean the candle cups used during our Easter Vigil liturgy? This is a simple, but very helpful ministry you can do in your home. Instructions are provided. Please contact Keri Mader if you can help: 651.431.4957 or keri.mader@stpascals.org.
**OUR SCHOOL**

**Builder Needed:** St. Pascal School is looking for someone that is able to build some inexpensive custom shelving for the School Store. If you or someone you know would be interested in helping make this project happen please give the school office a call or contact Ms. Odhiambo, at barb.odhiambo@stpascals.org.

**Culver’s Night**

Monday, January 28 from 5:00-7:00 PM at the Sun Ray Culver's.
Proceeds go for the 7/8 Grade trip to Washington D.C. Thank you for your continued support!

**Food Shelf Volunteers**

*Merrick Community Services*

We are currently looking for volunteers at Gustavus Adolphus and Woodland Hills. Help with this work that is so important to those who are battling hunger and poverty on the East Side. Contact Sierra Bethea at sbethea@merrickcs.org. We also have other volunteer opportunities from drivers, to interns, to office staff. It is a great way to meet people and help our community.

**Volunteer Opportunity with the Ignation Volunteer Corps!**

The IGNATION VOLUNTEER CORPS (IVC) is offering an opportunity for semi-retired or retired men and women to share their skills, wisdom and life experience in direct service to those who are poor—IVC volunteers help to improve their communities and create a more just society. In return for a commitment of 1-2 days a week with a local service site, the IVC provides guidance for personal reflection and prayerful conversation with other IVC volunteers monthly. Together, we hope to see God in all things and grow in our faith.

For more information, please call Kathleen Groh at 651.777.0991 or e-mail kgroh@ivcusa.org. Check out our national website at www.ivcusa.org.

**First Wednesday Mass & Dessert**

*Marian Center St. Paul—200 Earl Street*

Wednesday, May 1 at 1:30 PM

We share free desserts with our St. Pascal friends after the 1:00 PM Mass. Come and enjoy time with some of your parish friends. Invite anyone who might be interested in visiting with folks from St. Pascal’s. *Mass is celebrated at 1:00 PM each day at Marian Center.*

**Vacation Bible School 2019**

**ROAR! Life is wild-God is good**

June 24-28 from 9:00 AM - Noon

$40/child or $100/family by May 31
$50/child or $130/family after May 31
- For children ages 4 (by 9/1/19) through Grade 5
- Youth in grades 6-12 and adults are welcome as leaders and assistants

Registration forms are available in the kiosks, from the parish office, and online at www.stpascals.org.

**Make plans now to join us for VBS 2019.**

At ROAR kids discover that God is good through all of life’s challenges. Life is wild for kids—full of ups and downs and twists and turns. It can often feel chaotic and out of control. At ROAR kids experience the solid foundation of God’s goodness—something they can stand on, cling to, hold, and remember when the wild side of life doesn’t feel so fun or adventurous.

**Help will be needed in all areas!** Contact Kim Roering in the parish office if you are interested.

**Friends & Family Event: Saturday, May 4 at 5:30 PM in Brioschi Hall**

*“Doing Great Things Together—Celebrating Diversity”*

**The last day to buy tickets for our Friends and Family Event is Monday April 29!**

Come and join in the fun! This event is our BIG spring fundraiser. Dinner tickets are available after all Masses, in the parish office or at www.stpascals.org/parish-news. Tickets are $30.

STOP BY OUR TABLE AFTER MASS—BUY A DINNER TICKET and check out the raffles!

Fund-A-Need: This year we will be collecting donations to update the environmental controls (heating and air conditioning) in the church, social hall, gathering space, parish office and the old church. This will make the space more comfortable and reduce the heating and cooling costs for years to come. Even if you cannot attend, please help out with a donation to complete this needed project!

Questions? Ask Mike Aeling at 651.307.8237 or contact the parish office.

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Email church@stpascals.org

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

**Parish Office Hours**

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

**Early Learning Center**

**ELC Office Hours**

Mon-Fri 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

**School Office**

Phone 651.776.0092
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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 3:45 PM 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

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CRS Rice Bowls

Our parish changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU!

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we continue to celebrate Easter joy! Our journey to Easter with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us to bring the hope of Resurrection to a world in need.

Remember to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl in the gathering space before or after Mass or drop off in the parish office.

HealthEast Hospice Grief Support Services

Coffee & Conversation for the Newly Bereaved

Monday, May 6 from 10:00 – 11:30 AM
Watson Education Center, Room #1—St. John’s Campus, Maplewood

This is a time for you to talk about what is on your mind with others who understand. Grief education and ideas about how to cope with loss will be discussed.

Restorative Writing

Tuesdays, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 1:30 – 3:00 PM
St. Michael’s Lutheran Church, 1660 County Road B West, Roseville

Grief Support Group (open to all who are grieving a loss)

2nd and 4th Tuesday (twice per month) from 5:00 – 6:30 PM
Woodwinds Hospital, Conference Room B, Woodbury

If you have experienced the loss of a loved one, it is often helpful to seek the support of others. This ongoing group will allow members to reflect on grief and loss and receive grief education and support.

Classes are free but space is limited. To register, call our office at 651.232.3543 or email griefsupportservices@healtheast.org.

THE WEEKS AHEAD

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

Sunday, April 28—Easter 2
Catholic Home Missions
After Masses  Friends & Family Dinner ticket sales: CM
After Masses  New Member Registration: BH
10:30am  Baptisms (Wasmundt & Moijueh Families)
12:00pm  Confirmation I: OC

Monday, April 29
5:00pm  Culvers Night: Sun Ray Culvers
6:30pm  Boy Scouts 294: CF, Gym, 108

Tuesday, April 30
No scheduled events

Wednesday, May 1
8:15am  Grandparents/Special Persons Day (School): BH, Kit
9:00am  Rosary: CH
9:30am  School Mass—All are welcome!
1:00pm  Marian Center Mass & Dessert: Marian Ctr of St Paul
6:30pm  Choir: CR
6:30pm  Faith Formation: 101, 105, 108, LB
7:30pm  Men’s Club Softball: CF

Thursday, May 2
7:00pm  Men’s Club Board Meeting: CF
7:00pm  Social Justice & Caring Committee: FR

Friday, May 3
12:00pm  Friends & Family setup: BH, Kit

Saturday, May 4
8:00am  Friends & Family setup: BH, Kit
5:30pm  Friends & Family Dinner

Sunday, May 5—Easter 3
10:30am  Baptism (Peterson Family)
12:00pm  Confirmation I: OC

Monday, May 6
6:30pm  Boy Scouts 294: CF, Gym, 108

Tuesday, May 7
6:30pm  Pastoral Council: SL

Wednesday, May 8
9:00am  Rosary: CH
9:30am  School Mass—All are welcome!
6:30pm  Catechist Meeting: SL
7:00pm  Choir: CR
7:30pm  Men’s Club Softball: CF

Thursday, May 9
2:00pm  Spring Band Concert: OC
6:00pm  Spring Band Concert: OC

Friday, May 10
1:00pm  Men’s Club Volunteer Social setup: BH, Kit
5:30pm  Men’s Club Volunteer Social: BH, Kit

Saturday, May 11
No scheduled events

Sunday, May 12—Easter 4
Mother’s Day
After Masses  MCCL Flower Sale: CM
After Masses  New Member Registration: BH

MEETING LOCATION KEY:

BH: Brioschi Hall, CF: Cafeteria, CH: Church, CM: Commons, CR: Choir Room, FR: Founders Room, LB: Library, OC: Old Church, SL: Staff Lounge
Peace Be with You

Lord Jesus,
you come to us,
offering peace,
despite the locked doors
of our hearts.
Help us to join with Thomas
in saying, “my Lord and my God.”
May we live out our faith
through words and deeds
so that others will know
that you live in us.
You live and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Sunday, April 28, 2019
From Doubt to Faith


Have you ever heard a story that seemed too good to be true? Often people respond to those stories with skepticism and disbelief. Today’s Gospel offers two appearances of the Risen Christ. Thomas is not present for the first appearance, and when he returns, he doubts the account told by the other disciples. A week later, Jesus again comes to the disciples, including Thomas. Jesus invites Thomas to touch his hands and side, and Thomas is healed of his disbelief.

But Thomas’ doubt leads him to make a declaration of faith, “My Lord and my God!” Just as Jesus met Thomas in this moment of disbelief, so he encounters us in our times of fear and doubts. In the locked room, Jesus offers his wounded body for Thomas’ examination. At the liturgy, Christ’s Body and Blood are offered to believers. Through them, we can be healed and transformed. In a culture where wounds are equated with weakness, the sacrifice of Jesus strengthens and nourishes believers.

Thomas can be looked to as a model of faith. May we seek to overcome our doubts to embrace belief. How will you proclaim the healing peace of Jesus Christ to those in your family and community this week?
**THIS WEEK AT HOME**

**Monday, April 29**  
**St. Catherine of Siena**  
Even as a young woman, St. Catherine of Siena was known for her holiness. She was a mystic, a spiritual writer, and one of the four women declared a doctor of the Church. This woman of prayer was a mediator and peacemaker for the Church. She settled family disputes and arguments among Italian city-states. She was instrumental in bringing the papacy back to Rome from France. Pray to St. Catherine this week for help in restoring peace in our homes and our world.  

**Tuesday, April 30**  
**One Heart and One Mind**  
The community of believers were of one heart and one mind. None of them claimed possessions, but instead they held their belongings in common. Today’s First Reading from Acts provides a beautiful image of people laying their donations at the feet of the Apostles. This is a total surrender, giving all they have for the Church. Is there anything you can do in your home to live a simpler lifestyle? *Today’s Readings: Acts 4:32–37; Psalm 93:1, 1–2, 5; John 3:7–15.*

**Wednesday, May 1**  
**St. Joseph the Worker**  
The Church honors St. Joseph on March 19 for his role as Mary’s spouse and today for his role as a worker. No words are attributed to St. Joseph in Scripture, yet his silent witness serves as a model for all who labor. This week honor St. Joseph by embracing a chore that you do not enjoy. You might also write a thank-you note to someone in your house for doing a chore that makes your life easier. *Today’s Readings: Genesis 1:26—2:3 or Colossians 3:14–15, 17, 23–24; Psalm 90:2, 3–4, 12–13, 14, 16; Matthew 13:54–58.*

**Thursday, May 2**  
**The Name of Jesus**  
In the First Reading, we hear that the Apostles paid no heed to the admonition not to teach in Jesus’ name. During an interrogation, they proclaimed that they needed to obey God and testify to Jesus’ being raised from the dead. It can be challenging for us today to witness to the Risen Lord in our lives. How do you live the Gospel in a world that turns a deaf ear to Christ? *Today’s Readings: Acts 5:27–33; Psalm 34:2, 9, 17–18, 19–20; John 3:31–36.*

**Friday, May 3**  
**Sts. Philip and James, Apostles**  
Sts. Philip and James share a feast day not only because they are both Apostles of our Lord but because both of their relics were brought to Rome together on the same day in early May. Philip and James were commissioned by Jesus to preach, heal, and baptize. They lived and died proclaiming that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. Would anyone know of the Risen Christ from the witness of your life? How is Jesus asking you to follow him this week? *Today’s Readings: 1 Corinthians 15:1–8; Psalm 19:2–3, 4–5; John 14:6–14.*

**Saturday, May 4**  
**Walking on Water**  
The winds are blowing on the Sea of Galilee, but that does not stop the disciples from stepping into a boat and attempting to cross toward Capernaum. It is dark and the winds are increasing. They see Jesus coming toward their boat, walking upon the water. Jesus calms their fears by revealing, “It is I; do not be afraid.” There are many circumstances in our lives that cause us to be afraid. Where do you go when you feel worried or anxious? Do you place your trust in the One who can get us safely ashore? *Today’s Readings: Acts 6:1–7; Psalm 33:1–2, 4–5, 18–19; John 6:16–21.*
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Nominations are NOW OPEN
for our parish
LEADERSHIP DISCERNMENT

You're invited to share the names of parishioners, including yourself, who show leadership qualities and may be willing to share those gifts and talents with our parish community.

HOW IT WORKS:
Nomination forms will be available through the weekend of May 4/5. Return your completed nomination form by placing it in the collection basket or drop it by the parish office.

You may also e-mail your nomination to church@stpascals.org with LEADERSHIP NOMINATION in the subject line.

Be sure to indicate the gifts/talents you see in your nominee that would make him/her a valuable parish leader in the body of your e-mail.

Nominations will remain open through Monday, May 6.
Nomination for St. Pascal Baylon Parish Leadership 2019-2020

_I wish to nominate (you may nominate yourself):_ ________________________________

to be considered for the position of:

( ) Pastoral Council   ( ) Finance Council

( ) I am uncertain in which area his/her gifts would be the most valuable to St. Pascal’s.

This nominee will serve St. Pascal’s parish community as a Council member using the following gifts/talents:

Please complete this form and drop in the collection basket or return to the parish office by May 6.