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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.

NOVEMBER 1, 2020 | THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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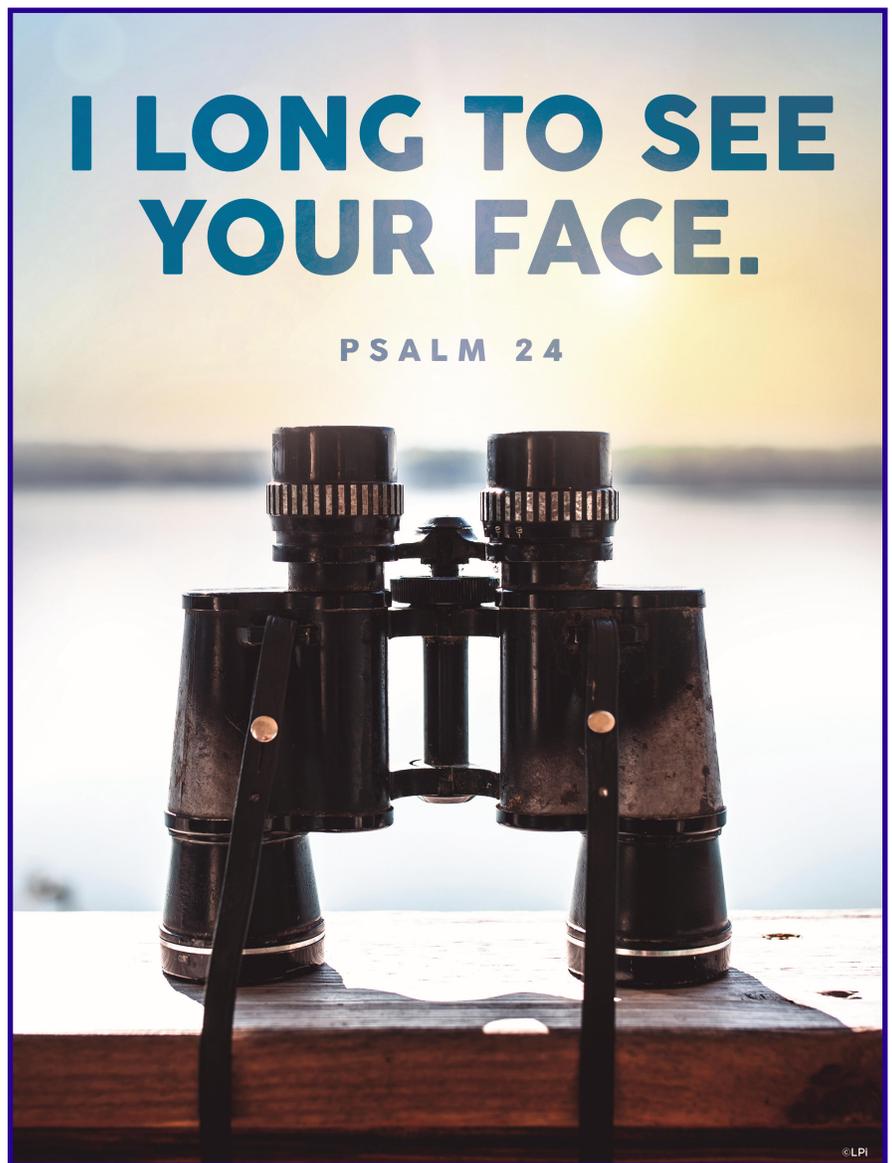
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM



Mass Times

Saturday 4:30 PM | Sunday 8:45 & 10:30 AM (ASL) | Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 AM | Wednesday 9:25 AM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Virtual
Trivia NIGHT

Virtual Trivia Night, Friday, November 13, 7:00 PM. Join us for a FREE trivia event via Zoom. I will ask trivia questions and you can use the chat feature to answer. Win prizes including turkeys and gift cards that have been generously donated by the St. Pascal's Men's Club. Assemble your Trivia Team or go it alone. Trivia categories will include entertainment, history, geography, current events, religion, and more. Sign up now at stpascals.org/parish-news!

Mass Attendance Counts in October. During the month of October, we are tracking the attendance at our weekend Masses. Here are our totals so far this October and the averages from 2018 and 2019:

2020	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8:45 AM	Sunday 10:30 AM	Total
Oct. 3/4	79	62	55	196
Oct. 10/11	68	77	50	195
Oct. 17/18	75	41	53	169
Oct. 24/25	80	66	57	203
Past Years				
October Averages	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8:45 AM	Sunday 10:30 AM	Total
2018	191	175	208	574
2019	158	224	201	582
NEW in 2020				
Online views of Mass on parish YouTube channel	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 10:30 AM	Total	
October 03/04, 2020	133	105	238	
October 10/11, 2020	146	76	222	
October 17/18, 2020	168	74	242	
October 24/25, 2020	129	51	180	
Average	144	77	221	

God bless you,
Father John Mitchell

Remembrance Masses

November is the month of All Saints and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed, during which the Church prays for all who have died. We will remember and name our beloved dead who were buried from St. Pascal's during the past year at all Masses on the weekend of November 7/8. Please join us to pray for them and for all our departed who are now seated at the heavenly banquet.

Veterans Day

Join Us for the Veterans Day Prayer Service on Wednesday, November 11 at 5:30 PM in the church. The Prayer Service will be livestreamed on our parish YouTube channel for those who cannot attend in person. Visit stpascals.org/veteran-s for a convenient link to the livestream. At the end of the Prayer Service this year, no dinner event will be held in Brioschi Hall this year due to COVID19. Thank you for your prayers for veterans and their families.

Women's Book Club

Have you ever thought about coming to the St. Pascal's Women's Book Club? In non-COVID times we meet at St. Pascal's at 6:30 PM on the 2nd Monday of each month. But for now we are ZOOMing to you in your home! Same time! Log in as often as your schedule allows. This month, November 9, we'll share thoughts Celeste Ng's *Little Fires Everywhere* and next month, on December 14, we'll discuss Wally Lamb's *Wishin and Hopin*. For information about the book club, contact Toni Baker at toni@bakers.us. She will send log in information closer to the November 9 date.

Christmas Wreath Sales

Two weekends only—25" or 36" wreaths or Door Swag

Boy Scout Troop 294 will be selling Christmas wreaths after all Masses November 28-29 and December 5-6. If you are not attending Mass in-person right now, and would like a wreath, please send an email to mjaeling@gmail.com or call 651.307.8237 (please leave a message). Include the size of the wreath you would like and your phone number and address. The order will then be assigned to one of the scouts for delivery. Payment can be made at that time. Thank You.

— FAITH FORMATION —

Pre-Baptism

Families wishing to have a child baptized at St. Pascal's are asked to participate in a pre-baptism session. Our next session will be on Monday, November 16 at 6:30 PM. Pre-registration is required. To sign up contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

— In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

Joan Lynch

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

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday, November 03

8:00 AM + Vasko/Reiners Families

Wednesday, November 04

8:00 AM + Fr. Peter Wittman

Thursday, November 05

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Friday, November 06

8:00 AM Men's Club

Saturday, November 07

4:30 PM + Florence Rieschl

Sunday, November 08

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Eleanore Arceno

Heart Questions

Sincerity of Heart

Jesus said, "Therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach."

Matthew 23:3

Adults: Is there an area of your life in which you sometimes feel like a hypocrite?

Kids: Why is it important for you to live according to how you believe?

Readings November 1, 2020

Sunday:

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14
Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6
1 Jn 3:1-3
Mt 5:1-12a

Monday:

Wis 3:1-9
Ps 23:1-6
Rom 5:5-11
Jn 6:37-40

Tuesday:

Phil 2:5-11
Ps 22:26b-32
Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday:

Phil 2:12-18
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14
Lk 14:25-33

Thursday:

Phil 3:3-8a
Ps 105:2-7
Lk 15:1-10

Friday:

Phil 3:17-4:1
Ps 122:1-5
Lk 16:1-8

Saturday:

Phil 4:10-19
Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9
Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday:

Wis 6:12-16
Ps 63:2-8
1 Thes 4:13-18
Mt 25:1-13

THE WEEK AHEAD

St. Pascal's is committed to help you to navigate through the upcoming weeks of COVID-19 safety measures. We have cutback programs and community gatherings in an effort to keep all in our community healthy and safe. Visit www.stpascals.org for more information and for the status of upcoming parish meetings and events.

Sunday, November 1—All Saints Day

Daylight Saving Time ends—Remember to turn your clocks back one hour at bedtime on Saturday!

No scheduled events

Monday, November 2

6:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal
6:30pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, November 3—Election Day

No scheduled events

Wednesday, November 4

2:30pm RCIA: Founders Room
6:30pm Faith Formation: At-home session

Thursday, November 5

6:30pm SJCC: ZOOM
7:00pm Men's Club Board meeting: Brioschi Hall

Friday, November 6

No scheduled events

Saturday, November 7—Remembrance Weekend

No scheduled events

Sunday, November 8—Remembrance Weekend

12:00pm Confirmation II: Brioschi Hall

Monday, November 9

6:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal: Church, Choir Room
6:30pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall
6:30pm Women's Book Club-ZOOM

Tuesday, November 10

6:30pm JustFaith-ZOOM
6:30pm Pastoral Council-ZOOM

Wednesday, November 11—Veterans Day

2:30pm RCIA: Founders Room
5:00pm Veterans Day Prayer Service: Church & Livestream
6:30pm Faith Formation: At home session

Friday, November 13

7:00pm Parish Virtual Trivia Night

Saturday, November 14

9:00am Men's Club Tree Shed setup: Conway Lot

Sunday, November 15

12:00pm Confirmation II: Brioschi Hall

ST. PASCAL REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

As a school, we are grateful for all the wonderful support that we receive from our school families, the parish, alumni, and the greater Eastside community. We also feel especially lucky and blessed to announce that the Minnesota Independent School Forum (MISF) has chosen St. Pascal Regional to be a part of a STEM Community Partnership with Science from Scientists (SfS). This program provides hands-on learning experiences for students (online and/or in-school) and related teacher professional development. This partnership is designed as a three-year program. The goal of this partnership is to support teachers and schools in increasing the frequency and quality of STEM learning experiences for groups traditionally underrepresented and underserved in STEM. This grant has a value of at least \$5,000, and it will benefit 4th and 5th grade students this year. We cannot wait to report back with updates on what students are working on and learning about in regards to STEM!

Stewardship of Giving

Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

September 2020

Sunday Giving	\$	82,780.27
Budget	\$	63,031.25
Surplus	\$	17,187.35

Year to Date

Sunday Giving	\$	168,334.27
Budget	\$	197,093.72
Deficit	\$	(28,759.45)

Mortgage Balance

(as of 10/7/2020)	\$	3,336,108.68
Principal Paid	\$	12,530.08
Interest Paid	\$	11,859.76
Total Payment	\$	24,389.84

Many thanks to all for helping us put a dent in the budget deficit. We are doing everything possible to watch expenses while maintaining our presence in the community; through worship, education, and outreach.

JF *Just Faith* MINISTRIES AT ST. PASCAL BAYLON CATHOLIC CHURCH

RACIAL JUSTICE

Nine weeks ago, twelve members of our parish began a journey with the JustFaith program on Faith and Racial Equity: Exploring Power and Privilege. All of us wanted to learn more and each felt that we were not racist. After all, none of us would intentionally hurt someone of color, and isn't that what racism is?

We learned a lot. We learned that racism was much more than individual hurtful acts. We learned that many of us assume that we all have the same experiences and we perceive white as "normal" and others as deviating from the norm. And, if we profess to be "color-blind", we are doing a disservice to people of color by denying who they really are. We learned about systemic racism—the ways in which black people are meant to feel "less than" every day of their lives. As white people, we have inherited privilege (advantage), and power. We have always had the power to go about our lives without ever thinking about how others live. We can choose to ignore the struggles that people of color, or people who are diverse in any other way, cannot ignore. We can walk into a store without being followed by the staff who watch us as if we might steal something. We can drive our cars, and even if we are stopped for a traffic violation or equipment failure, we don't have to worry about whether we might or might not survive in that situation. In learning about some of the fears that plague people of color, we wondered how mothers and fathers ever let their teens leave the house for fear of what might happen to them, simply because of the color of their skin.

For generations we have been able to buy homes in any neighborhood we choose without worrying about housing contracts that say we may not live there. We can go to the schools we choose, from elementary school to college, having teachers and the majority of classmates that look like us. We can study the history of our country and learn little about the history of anyone but white people. We can worship in parishes that are generally white and where the pastor may never talk about racial justice. (Luckily, we don't face that issue at St. Pascal's.)

Most of us have grown up in two-parent households with home and food security. We did not have a parent who was in prison for a crime for which a white person who committed the same

crime would get a fine or a much lighter sentence. In the U.S., African Americans are incarcerated in state prisons at a rate that is five times greater than whites. In Minnesota, the rate of disparity is more than 10 to 1. And once they have been in prison it is very difficult for them to find employment, be enrolled in a college, or to vote.

How timely our JustFaith study program has been! Once our eyes were opened, we can never go back to being oblivious to all these things. The deaths of Philando Castile, Breonna Taylor, Michael Brown, Travon Martin and George Floyd (to name just a few) haunt us and point out what we have failed to see until now. Some of us visited the site of the killing of George Floyd and will never be the same. How can these things go on in our United States of America where we are supposed to be equal and treated equally?

People of color are NOT the problem. The system that allows one people to have all of the advantages and allows those people to look down on others is the problem. It is not the job of those who suffer from racist systems to teach us about racism and its effects on their lives. They have been trying to tell us that for four centuries. It is the job of those of us who have benefitted from these advantages to read and study and learn about what we have taken for granted all of our lives.

Where do we start?

This is what we are looking at now. Our JustFaith group would love to welcome some more participants as we start a new series of *JustFaith: Faith and Racial Healing: Embracing Truth, Justice and Restoration*. There will also be another series of *JustFaith: Exploring Power and Privilege* (repeating the one that we recently completed) starting after Easter. We hope to have more interested participants. There are also many good books available to help you get started learning more about these issues. You can find lists of these online, at a bookstore or in the parish library. We would recommend: *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson, *White Fragility* by Robin DeAngelo, *Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome* by Dr. Joy DeGruy, and *I'm Still Here* by Austin Channing Brown. We would also recommend watching the movie *13th* on Netflix. In addition, we hope to start some small discussion groups in the near future. Please watch for those.

Catholic Social Teaching proclaims that we are our brothers' and sisters' keepers. We are one human family, whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. Solidarity means that "loving our neighbor" has global dimensions in an interdependent world.

"Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brethren of mine, you did for me."

MATTHEW 25:40