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.

JANUARY 17, 2021  |  SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**
Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

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Even in a world that’s being shipwrecked,
remain brave and strong.
—HILDEGARD VON BINGEN

**Mass Times**
Saturday  4:30 PM  I  Sunday  8:45 & 10:30 AM (ASL)  I  Tuesday - Friday  8:00 AM
1757 Conway Street  I  Saint Paul, Minnesota 55106  I  651.774.1585
website: www.stpascals.org  I  email: church@stpascals.org
FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK:
Please welcome Father Scott Steinkerchner, O.P to St. Pascal Baylon Church this weekend to celebrate all of the weekend Masses and to speak on behalf of Food for the Poor which is an ecumenical Christian nonprofit organization that provides food, medicine and shelter to the poor in Latin America and the Caribbean. Father Steinkerchner was ordained for The Order of Preachers (O.P.), the Dominicans, in 1998 and is a member of the Chicago Province. He has preached on behalf of Food for the Poor since 2001. He earned a PhD in theology in 2005 and has taught at the high school, undergraduate and seminary levels.

While I am on vacation from January 11-21:
1. For an emergency Anointing of the Sick, you may call the parish office (651.774.1585), and you will be connected to the on-call priest by the parish receptionist, or if you reach the recorded greeting after office hours, you can select option #1 to be connected to the priest.
2. There will be no weekday Mass here Tuesday-Thursday (January 19-21). In my absence, I invite you to celebrate weekday Mass at one of our neighboring parishes.
3. Please keep me in your prayers, and I will pray for you.

God Bless You,
Father John Mitchell

Open Wide Our Hearts
Upcoming Opportunity to Study the Bishops’ Pastoral Letter on Racism
Sponsored by Social Justice and Caring Committee and the Adult Faith Formation Team
In November 2018 the Catholic bishops of the United States released a Pastoral Letter Against Racism called, Open Wide Our Hearts. The letter is a powerful invitation for all the people of God to “face courageously the vice of racism, ... reach out generously to the victims of this evil, to assist the conversion needed in those who still harbor racism, and to begin to change policies and structures that allow racism to persist.”
Beginning February 23, a series of four small group sessions will be hosted on Zoom to study the pastoral letter. In anticipation of that, the bulletins over the next several weeks will include an insert exploring an aspect of institutional or systemic racism. Details about how to register for the group study will be coming out in early February. For more information contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

Hope in the Cross—A Retreat To Boost Your Mind and Spirit For Lent
Monday, February 8 and Tuesday, February 9 from 6:30-8:00 PM via ZOOM
Plan to join us for a pre-Lenten retreat focusing on the virtue of hope, the way that hope makes us more resilient, compassionate, and faithful, and how the Cross is a symbol of hope for us. Hope is something we can actively exercise to be happier, grounded and successful people.
It is the one virtue that both faith and scientific research agree is key to overcoming life’s challenges. There is a reason hope is called the anchor for the soul. We’ll explore this together in the context of preparing for the Lenten season.
The link to sign up for this retreat can be found at www.stpascals.org/parish-news.
For more information, contact Kim Roering in the parish office at 651.432.4958 or kim.roering@stpascals.org.

FREE Virtual Picture Trivia Night!—Celebrate the Winter Carnival
Friday, January 29 from 7:00 - 8:00 PM via Zoom
Add fun to your winter evening by joining us for five games of Picture Trivia via Zoom, free of charge. Register with a convenient link on the Parish News page at stpascals.org. You can also register by calling our parish office at 651.774.1585 by January 28. Maximum number of players is 100. Detailed instructions will be given on the night of the game. You do need a computer, tablet or smart phone.
Call the parish office for more details. All ages can play. Win a fun prize and see your parish friends on the Zoom screen. Prizes include gift cards, beverages and more! Deadline to register is THURSDAY January 28.
January 17, 2021 | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times & Intentions

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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, January 17
No scheduled events

Monday, January 18—Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Parish office closed
6:00 pm Bell rehearsal: Choir Room/Church

Tuesday, January 19
No weekday Mass
No scheduled events

Wednesday, January 20
No weekday Mass
No scheduled events

Friday, January 22
No weekday Mass
No scheduled events

Saturday, January 23
No scheduled events

Sunday, January 24
12:00 pm Confirmation I: Brioschi Hall

Heart Questions

The First Disciples

*They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day.*

John 1:38b-39

Adults: What qualities do you have that would cause others to recognize you as a disciple of Jesus?

Kids: What does it take to be a follower of Jesus?

Year-End Statements

This has been quite a year for our parish community. Through all the hard times, you have remained generous in your financial support, which has allowed us to keep the lights on and the doors open. Giving statements will be generated within the next few weeks and sent via email if we have your address on record. All others will be sent via US Mail.

We don't know what lies ahead in the coming months, but thanks to your support, St. Pascal's will remain a place of worship on the East Side. We are blessed.

—Theresa

St. Pascal Regional Catholic School News

Enrollment Grants for the 2021-22 school year

We are excited to announce that we are offering enrollment grants to kindergarten students starting next fall. These grants are for $150 off of tuition for any NEW kindergarteners who register by January 31, 2021 for the next school year. No other necessary steps are required to receive this grant. Enrollment for preschool (33 months) -8th grade is also open for next year. For more information on the enrollment process, please call 651.776.0092, email us at advancement@stpascalschool.org, or stop by the school office.

Stewardship of Giving

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

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Mortgage Reduction

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(taken from Mortgage Reserve)

Thank you for your generosity!

Young at Heart—Pray the Rosary!

Thursday, January 21 at 12:00 PM

On Thursday, January 21 and on the 4th Thursday of the coming months, we encourage you pray the rosary at noon wherever you are. This will unite us in spirit. With Our Blessed Mother on our side, we will eventually meet in person for our Young at Heart meetings. Until then, let us be united in prayer on the 4th Thursday in the coming months. For more information, please contact Betty Hensel at bjhensel@comcast.net or 651.714.8958.
What is Systemic Racism?

Today, racism continues to exist in our communities and in our parishes. Racism is what makes us see the "other" with suspicion or to attribute negative characteristics to an entire group of people. This evil manifests itself in our individual thoughts, and also in the workings of our society itself. Today's continuing inequalities in education, housing, employment, wealth, and representation in leadership positions are rooted in our country's shameful history of slavery and systemic racism.

Systemic Racism

Discrimination based on race and ethnicity takes many forms. The United States has made progress in eliminating some of the institutional, legalized racial discrimination of years past such as slavery, Jim Crow laws, “separate but equal” schools, and prohibitions on voting or owning land. These hard-fought victories deserve to be remembered and celebrated.

Still, these advances are incomplete. Data on social and economic welfare show disparities between many persons of color and their white counterparts.

- Unemployment rates for Africans Americans, Latinos, and Native Americans are considerably higher than the national average. Growing income inequality increasingly affects minorities.
- In the United States, median wealth for white households is ten times greater than for black households, and eight times greater than for Hispanic households.
- Minority homeownership rates lag behind their white counterparts, and yet research shows that minorities face extra hurdles in getting approved for mortgages.
- African Americans, Latinos, and Native Americans are disproportionately affected through every stage of the criminal justice system, despite the evidence that different racial and ethnic groups commit crimes at roughly the same rates.
Racism’s Impact in our Communities

America remains a deeply divided place in many ways. Many Americans of all racial and ethnic backgrounds live in neighborhoods that are homogenous. This often limits the opportunity to learn from, interact with, and befriend people who are racially and ethnically different. Yet, having experiences living near those with different experiences and backgrounds can strengthen communities and the Body of Christ.

Many people of color living in low-income areas experience low or no upward economic mobility due to limited access to quality schools, safe neighborhoods, reliable transportation, or higher-paying jobs. Laws and practices in more affluent communities, such as refusing rent assistance vouchers, can prevent low income persons from moving into these communities. As a result, dialogue and encounter with others with diverse backgrounds, experiences, and opinions can be limited or non-existent. In Evangelii Gaudium (no. 59), Pope Francis noted that exclusion and inequality create the climate for discord. Recent violence in communities across the country and the hurtful rhetoric that mark conversations about refugees and migrants indicate that there is still much work to do.

As Christians, we are constantly called to examine our own hearts and consciences for how we might

“Racism can only end if we contend with the policies and institutional barriers that perpetuate and preserve the inequality—economic and social—that we still see all around us. With renewed vigor, we call on members of the Body of Christ to join others in advocating and promoting policies at all levels that will combat racism and its effects in our civic and social institutions.”

– U.S. bishops, Open Wide Our Hearts

contribute to or break down racial divisions, intolerance, and discrimination. The failure to act to end systemic racism hurts those who are victimized and denies all of us the opportunity to benefit from the gifts of diversity.

This handout is excerpted from the Creating on the Margins Contest Packet. Visit usccb.org/youthcontest or usccb.org/concurso-juvenil to learn more about Creating on the Margins, a contest for youth in grades 7-12 that educates youth about poverty in the U.S. and our Catholic response. The 2018-2019 theme is “A Time to Heal Racism.” The contest is sponsored by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.
Thank you to all who donated money for flowers and enhancements for our worship space during this holy season.
Let us hold the following in our hearts.

**Dedicated in the Name of:**
Mr. John Acosta
Evelyn & Walter Aleski
Arceno & Stralstrom Parents
El Arceno
Greg J Arko
Deceased Family Members
Derek A. Bachmeier
Mary & John Ballis
The Bannick Family
Mary & Edmund Barnes
Our Parents
Elsie Bilotta
Evvy Bocklund
Leon Bushard-Father
Our Deceased Loved Ones
Mrs. Patte Chavez
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Chavez
Mr. Nick Chavez
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Chavez
Mr. & Mrs. Leo Chavez
Mr. David Chavez
Mr. William Chavez
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Chavez
Mary Louise Coburn
Stephanie Darling
The Donofri Family
Husband, Son & Daughter
Thomas Fontaine
Gee & Williams Families
Andrew Gerbozy
Donald & Delia Girling
Miss Becky Glebus
Vince & Margaret Graupmann
Edward B. Graw
Kathy Greer
Kenneth Greiner
Denny Groess
Larry Hall

**Dedicated by:**
Henry Chavez
Christine Aleski
Vincent & Leona Arceno
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Martha Arko
Jack & Mary Arland
Ralph & Alexis Bachmeier
Pauline & Ted Anderson
Jeanne Hess
Margie & Joe Fernlund
Tom & Joann Bertini
Joe Bilotta
Bocklund Family
The Thoms Family
Rene & Zonia Calubayan
Henry Chavez
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Henry Chavez
The Crocher Family
Audrey Darling
Virgina Donofri
Laverne Fleishhacker
Ken & Kathy Jarosh
Barbara Gee
Darlene Gerbozy
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Henry Chavez
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Your Family
Jim & Pat Greer
Jim & Marian Greiner
Yolanda Groess
Rosemary Hall
Dedicated in the Name of:
Rosemary Hall
Deceased Family Members
Jim & Greg Hawkins
All my loved ones in Eternity
Schwieters & Herrickhoff Families
Mr. & Mrs. Max Holland
Bernard & Bernice Jarosch
Mr. & Mrs. William Juelich
Matilda & Mark Jurkovich
Ed & Ann Kramlinger
The Kuprich Family & Special Friends
Jack Kubiak
Mr. & Mrs. Lowell Larson
Kevin & Danny Lasnetske
Michael Leier
Nick Leis
Terry Lemke
Ralph & Jackie Logan
Larry May
My Parents & Grandparents
Our Deceased Loved Ones
Jim Milbrandt
John & Mary Nechrebecki
The Norton & Grausnick Families
Beverly O'Brien
Bill Olsen
Joseph Quinn
Matthew David Rapacz
Jack & Phyllis Redlund
Peter Rosengren
Family & Friends
Jerome Schneider
Afton Shepard
Clarence Simonowicz
James Stach
Johanna & Merrill Stenzel
All children lost to abortion
Miss Kaylynn Veseth
Ralf Westenhofer
Theodore Wilkes

Dedicated by:
Anonymous
Joan & Bob Hauri
Mary Hawkins
Betty Hensel
Larry & Marlene Herrickhoff
Dave Larson & Family
Ken & Kathy Jarosch
Judy Juelich
Martha Arko
Larry Kramlinger
Marlene Krupich
Sue & Lisa Kubiak
Dave Larson & Family
Jim & Pat Greer
Lois Leier & Family
Diane Leis
Ann Lemke
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Wife-Ro May
John McKenzie
Ralph & Phyllis Mergen
Family
Dave & Sue Nechrebecki
Dan & Pam Norton
Husband-Patrick O'Brien
Dode Olsen
Irene Quinn
David & Diane Rapacz
The Redlund Family
Rosengren-Creamer Family
Carol Rueb
Dave & Sue Nechrebecki
Her Godmother
Nancy Simonowicz
Nancy Simonowicz
John & Shirley Hanson
The Thoms Family
Henry Chavez
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Ken & Kathy Jarosch

Lord Jesus,
You have come to us as a small child,
but you have brought us the greatest of all gifts,
the gift of eternal love.
St. Bernard of Clairvaux