



**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.

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**MARCH 28, 2021 | PALM SUNDAY**

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*Let us enter into the mysteries of these holy days.*

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**Mass Times**

Saturday 4:30 PM | Sunday 8:45 & 10:30 AM (ASL) | Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

**Holy Week begins today. *Palm Sunday*** commemorates the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Soon the mood changes from triumph to death, and we hear the Passion narrative tell of Jesus' arrest, crucifixion and death. We reflect on the momentous events in Jesus' life, and we enter into the mystery of his passion, death and resurrection. I invite you to join us this week in person or virtually through our YouTube broadcast of the liturgies on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. On ***Holy Thursday*** we celebrate the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. We have the Washing of the Feet which allows us to remember the loving service Jesus did for his disciples as he washed their feet. We also celebrate the institution of the Eucharist by Jesus at the Last Supper. The ***Good Friday Liturgy of the Lord's Passion*** celebrates the Passion of our Lord. It is a solemn liturgy which carries great emotion as we remember the suffering and death of Jesus. ***The Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday*** is the "mother of all vigils". The Church throughout the world keeps watch. We celebrate the resurrection of Christ in the sacraments and await his return in glory. ***Easter Sunday*** brings us the joy of the risen Christ which fills our heart, mind and soul. We now have fifty days of the Easter Season to prolong the joy of the resurrection. Christ is risen, he is truly risen!

**Job Opening for Pastoral Associate for Liturgy at St. Pascal Baylon Church.** Starting date: June 1, 2021. Application deadline: April 21. How to apply: Please email resume and cover letter to [theresa.ruttger@stpascals.org](mailto:theresa.ruttger@stpascals.org). Job description: Coordinate and train liturgical ministers, be present for most weekend Masses, work with Music Director to coordinate American Sign Language (ASL) ministers, work with Faith Formation Director on liturgical sacramental celebrations, meet with those preparing for marriage, help plan and be present for funeral liturgies, oversee seasonal ritual celebrations, promote liturgical education for the entire community, plan and oversee seasonal environment, monitor and order liturgical supplies, prepare weekly presider sheets, prepare funeral worship aids using Microsoft Publisher software. Job Qualifications: BA in Theology or equivalent experience, proficiency in Microsoft software, must be a practicing Catholic, experience required.

**Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for March 2021: *Sacrament of Reconciliation*.** Let us pray that we may experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

**Prayer Intention for April 2021: *Fundamental Rights*.** We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

## Friends & Family 2021—An Evening at the Horse Races!

Join us for a virtual Friends & Family Event on April 17 at 6:00 PM.

Spring is in the air and the horses and jockeys are in training! There will be horse races and Plinko. This event is a great community builder for our parish, a fun, fantastic event, and free to participate in games! Our Fund-a-Need this year is the installation of rain gutters and other water remediation solutions on the church building. This Fund-a-Need is vital because we are experiencing water damage to our church building. Watch for more information and an in-home mailing in the coming weeks.

## Spring Booya—Drive-thru only!

Sunday, April 11 in the church parking lot from 10:00 AM until gone.

St. Pascal's Men's Club is hosting a spring booya drive-thru—no dine-in or personal containers. 48 oz. containers (one size) are \$17. We accept cash, check, or card. *Come early—it goes fast.* Proceeds towards equipment/supplies for the K-8 Phy Ed program and other regional school/parish needs. PLEASE NOTE: *Parking for Masses in the Flandrau lot will be limited on April 11.*

## Holy Week Liturgies—Please Sign Up!

Everyone is invited to join us for these holiest of days in our Church. Because we need to know how many people to expect, we ask that you sign up in advance through the parish website. Overflow seating will be available in Brioschi Hall. Priority seating in the church will be given to those who sign up in advance.

### Holy Thursday, April 1:

Morning Prayer, 8:00 AM

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 PM

### Good Friday, April 2:

Morning Prayer, 8:00 AM

Service of the Lord's Passion, 7:00 PM

### Holy Saturday, April 3:

Morning Prayer, 8:00 AM

The Vigil of Easter, 8:00 PM

### Easter Sunday, April 4:

Easter Masses, 8:45 & 10:30 AM

## Palms Available for Pick-up

On the weekend of March 27/28, palms will be distributed at all Palm Sunday Masses. For those who are unable to attend Mass at this time, palms will be available for drive-by pick-up at the main church entry doors on Sunday, March 28, from 11:45 AM -12:00 PM.

## Healing Our City—Prayer Opportunity

During the course of the Derek Chauvin trial, the grassroots organization "Healing Our City" ([www.healingourcity.org](http://www.healingourcity.org)) is offering an online community prayer tent. Prayer takes place at 8:00 AM and lasts about 20 minutes. Each day there is a reflection from a spiritual leader, with a variety of faiths represented. For more information and the link to the Zoom and/or Facebook page livestream, go to [www.healingourcity.org](http://www.healingourcity.org).

## Bring It Home Minnesota—Housing Stability For All Minnesotans

Did you know a group of St. Pascal's Parishioners have become involved with Bring It Home Minnesota? Bring It Home Minnesota, is a coalition, lead by Beacon Interfaith Housing Cooperative, that is providing housing stability for all Minnesotans who need it. Interested? Contact Ann Karner at 651.330.0024 or [akarner24@gmail.com](mailto:akarner24@gmail.com), or Julie Moore at 0109jmm@gmail.com or 651.247.9129.

## — In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

Catherine Olson

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.

— REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS —

### Science Fair at St. Pascal Regional Catholic School

We are happy to announce the successful completion of our Science Fair in the middle school. Students in 5th through 8th grade worked diligently during Science class and at home to design, execute, and present an experiment of their choosing. They then displayed their projects in the Old Church from March 17th through March 25th for a panel of judges to evaluate their work and parents and other students to see the completed projects during conferences. First place ribbons were awarded to the following students: *Kevin Cervantes* (8th), *Uriel Gonzalez-Barragan* (8th), *Carrick Kenney* (8th), *Tara Matter* (8th), *Will Oliver* (7th), *Connor Florek* (6th), *Trenton Patzwald* (6th), *Ehizode Busayo* (5th), and *Nicolas Crist* (5th).

We are very proud of everything that the middle school students have accomplished and want to thank our science teachers, Mrs. Allen and Ms. Young, for all of their hard work in making the Science Fair a success. Please check out Facebook and Instagram for pictures from the fair.

### Spring/Transitional Clothing Needed

*Friday, April 16 from 10:00-11:00 AM only!* Items may be dropped off at Progressive Baptist Church, 1505 Burns Avenue—just blocks from St. Pascal's.

Getting ready to do spring cleaning and go through your closets? As we transition into spring, people who lack appropriate housing are in need of sweatshirts, T-shirts, spring jackets/rain coats, etc. Respecting the dignity of others, please donate only clean items you yourself would wear. Thank you for your generosity.

ABSOLUTELY NO DONATIONS TO BE LEFT AT ST. PASCAL'S.

### Lent Rice Bowls—Supporting Catholic Relief Services

**SERVING THE SUFFERING CHRIST** As we enter Holy Week and celebrate Palm Sunday, let's reflect on how our Lord suffered from our indifference: those who proclaimed him king of Jerusalem were the same who called to crucify him. We recognize we are all one human family. Are we contributing to the suffering of our sisters and brothers with our indifference to their realities? How does our faith inspire us to care for them and share the gifts that God has bestowed on us? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

**Wondering how to turn in your donations to Rice Bowl? Here are 3 options:**

1. Bring your CRS Rice Bowl to St. Pascal's during Holy Week or Easter Week.
2. Convert your Rice Bowl gifts to a check made out to St. Pascal Baylon. Be sure to note it is for CRS Rice Bowl and then drop it off or mail to the parish.
3. Donate directly to Catholic Relief Services online at [crsricebowl.org/give](http://crsricebowl.org/give)

— ARCHDIOCESAN SYNOD —

### Seeking Facilitators and Scribes for Parish Small Groups

This fall our parish, along with all the parishes of the Archdiocese, will be hosting Synod small groups as part of the Parish Consultation Process. The small groups will meet for 6 sessions/weeks on Monday evenings and Tuesday mornings between September 20 and October 27. The Archdiocese will provide the materials which will allow small group members to dig deeper into the focus areas by considering Scripture, Church teaching, and today's cultural context, along with discussion and feedback to the Archdiocese. We will need facilitators and scribes for each small group. If you are willing and able, or know someone who might be good for this kind of work, please contact Kim Roering in the parish office. The expectations for facilitators and scribes are noted below.

#### Small Group Facilitator and Scribe Expectations

- **Attend Fall Training:** Attend 1 training. Trainings will be offered by the Archdiocese late August and early September, 2021, and will cover (i) Synod Small Group material use and reporting feedback, and (ii) facilitator and scribe training.
- **Faithful:** Be a faithful practicing Catholic who desires to help others grow in their faith through the Synod small group process.
- **Prepare:** Be prepared for the weekly lessons. Arrive on time and welcome members.
- **(Facilitators) Encourage:** Encourage and joyfully support the members as you guide the discussion. Let them know you care about them and value their input. Be a good listener.
- **(Scribes) Document:** Be attentive to the discussion and document the group's feedback on the focus

## C O N T A C T U S

### Parish Office

Phone 651.774.1585  
Email [church@stpascals.org](mailto:church@stpascals.org)  
*For after-hours pastoral emergency (death, dying or anointing): Call the parish office.*

### Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
*Holidays as announced*

### Parish Councils

#### Parish Pastoral Council

Meetings 1st Tuesday at 6:30 PM  
*Mary Weyandt, Chair*

#### Parish Finance Council

Meetings 4th Thursday at 6:30 PM  
*Mike Aeling, Chair*

### St. Pascal Regional Catholic School

Phone 651.776.0092  
Email [icollierpaske@stpascalschool.org](mailto:icollierpaske@stpascalschool.org)

### School Office Hours

Mon-Fri 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM

### Sacramental Information

#### Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00-4:25 PM  
or contact Fr. John in the parish office  
*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

Due 3:00 PM Monday  
[thea.munoz@stpascals.org](mailto:thea.munoz@stpascals.org)

#### Mass Announcements

Due 3:00 PM Tuesday  
[keri.mader@stpascals.org](mailto:keri.mader@stpascals.org)

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## Mass Times & Intentions

## Readings

March 28, 2021

### Tuesday, March 30

8:00 AM + Gregory Arko

### Wednesday, March 31

8:00 AM The people of the parish

### Thursday, April 01

Holy Thursday

8:00 AM The people of the parish

### Friday, April 02

Good Friday

8:00 AM The people of the parish

### Saturday, April 03

Holy Saturday

4:30 PM The people of the parish

### Sunday, April 04

Easter Sunday

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM The people of the parish

## St. Pascal's Women's Club Gertens Spring Plant Sale

Women's Club members will be taking plant orders after all Masses on April 10 & 11 and 17 & 18.

All orders are due with payment by April 19.

Spring plants will be available for pick up on May 15 and 16 in Brioschi Hall.

Our Spring Fundraiser will be selling Gertens plants and plant cards. Lots of hanging flower baskets, patio containers, bedding flowers, vegetables and perennials will be available. We will also collect donations to buy plants for the residents of the Marian Center!

Order forms and plant brochures are on the Parish News page at [stpascals.org](http://stpascals.org) or use the convenient link in *Pascal's Pulse*, the weekly e-newsletter. Download the forms, fill them out and deliver to the parish office with payment. Please address to the Women's Club.

If ordering using the forms on the parish website or placing your order on April 10 & 11 and 17 & 18 does not work for you, contact Ellen Aeling and other arrangements can be made.

Any questions please contact Ellen Aeling at [ellenoaeling@gmail.com](mailto:ellenoaeling@gmail.com) or 651.307.8241.

### Sunday:

Mk 11:1-10

Is 50:4-7

Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

Phil 2:6-11

Mk 14:1—15:47

### Monday:

Is 42:1-7

Ps 27:1-3, 13-14

Jn 12:1-11

### Tuesday:

Is 49:1-6

Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6b, 15, 17

Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

### Wednesday:

Is 50:4-9a

Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34

Mt 26:14-25

### Thursday:

*The Mass of the Lord's Supper*

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14

Ps 116:12-13, 15-16c,  
17-18

1 Cor 11:23-26

Jn 13:1-15

### Friday:

*The Passion of the Lord*

Is 52:13—53:12

Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16,  
17, 25

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9

Jn 18:1—19:42

### Saturday:

*The Great Vigil of Easter*

Gn 1:1—2:2

Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14,  
24, 35

Ex 14:15—15:1

Ex 15:1-6, 17-18

Is 55:1-11

Is 12:2-6

Rom 6:3-11

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Mk 16:1-7

### Next Sunday:

*Easter Sunday*

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Col 3:1-4

Jn 20:1-9

*"It is foolish to think that we will enter heaven without entering into ourselves."*

—St. Teresa of Avila

## 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](http://www.stpascals.org) for more information and for the status of upcoming parish meetings and events.

### Sunday, March 28—Palm Sunday

No scheduled events

### Monday, March 29

11:00am E&A Holy Week decorating: Church

6:00pm Bell rehearsal: Church, Choir Room

### Tuesday, March 30

No scheduled events

### Wednesday, March 31

11:15am Rosary: Church

### Thursday, April 1—HOLY THURSDAY

8:00am Morning Prayer: Chapel

8:30am E&A Holy Thursday setup: Church

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper: Church

9:00pm Night Prayer: Church

### Friday, April 2—GOOD FRIDAY

Parish office closed

8:00am Morning Prayer: Chapel

8:30am E&A Good Friday setup: Church

5:45pm Good Friday Liturgy Practice: Church

7:00pm The Lord's Passion: Church

### Saturday, April 3—HOLY SATURDAY

8:00am Morning Prayer: Chapel

8:30am E&A Easter decorating: Church

8:00pm The Great Vigil of Easter: Church

### Sunday, April 4—EASTER SUNDAY

8:45am Mass: Church

10:30am Mass: Church

12:00pm Baptism (Ujuagu family): Church

*"Christian life is a commitment to love, to give birth to God in one's own life and to become midwives of divinity in this evolving cosmos. We are to be wholenakers of love in a world of change."*

—Sr. Ilia Delio, *Oneing*, vol. 1, no. 1 (Center for Action and Contemplation: 2013): 21-22. No longer in print.

## Stewardship of Giving

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

	February	Year to Date
Sunday Giving	\$ 48,582.87	\$ 522,012.04
Budget	\$ <u>65,697.92</u>	\$ <u>525,583.32</u>
Deficit	\$ -17,115.05	\$ -3,571.28

## Mortgage Reduction

Mortgage Balance (as of March 7) \$ 3,273,197.44

### Year to Date

Collected Donations \$ 180,289.43

Payment \$ 195,118.72

Deficit \$ -14,829.29

**Many thanks for your overwhelming financial generosity.  
We look forward to the day you all return to worship.**

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



## Make Us a Gift

Father,  
through the gift of your Son,  
you have continued the work begun  
at creation,  
drawing all you have made to yourself,  
redeeming the world,  
bringing all into the light of your love  
through your own self gift.  
Help us to enter into the mysteries of these  
holy days.

Give us the strength to follow where  
the Shepherd leads,  
embracing our cross,  
relinquishing all that is not love,  
offering all we have received back to you,  
that we might participate in the world's  
re-creation.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Sunday, March 28, 2021**  
**Seeing Ourselves in the Story**



*Today's readings: Procession: Mark 11:1–10 or John 12:12–16; Mass: Isaiah 50:4–7; Psalm 22:8–9, 17–18, 19–20, 23–24; Philemon 2:6–11; Mark 14:1–15:47.* As Holy Week begins, we herald Jesus as he triumphantly enters Jerusalem. We cry, “Hosanna!” The excitement of his coming reaches us across time and space. Jesus is the one for whom Israel has been waiting. He will bring about the longed-for kingdom of justice and peace.

From jubilant welcome, the mood shifts quickly, and before long the crowd shouts again, this time not “Hosanna,” but “Crucify him!”

One way that we can reflect upon the events of Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection is to imagine ourselves in the

story. If you were part of the crowd, what might have made you excited about Jesus as he entered? What might you have felt as public opinion changed, and people became fearful of him? Are you one of the disciples? How do you feel in the garden as Jesus prays? What is it like when he is arrested? Another perspective you might take is that of the women. They had come with Jesus to Jerusalem and were witnesses to all that had happened. What would it be like to see the passion through their eyes?

Entering into Holy Week, make space for silence, prayer, and reflection. Prepare yourself to celebrate the greatest of all mysteries, the moment that redeemed all of history: the resurrection.





## THIS WEEK AT HOME

### Monday, March 29 Perfumed Oil

Jesus uses Mary's actions, anointing his feet, to again discuss his burial; like the grain of wheat, his death will bring about much fruit. Everything in Jesus' life at this time is pointing toward the laying down of his life. Look online for paintings of Mary anointing Jesus' feet and use them to enrich your reflection today. *Today's readings: Isaiah 42:1-7; Psalm 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; John 12:1-11.*

### Tuesday, March 30 Light to the Nations

In Isaiah we hear about the servant whose role is to restore Israel and be a light to the nations. This was the great hope of the people. Even those closest to the one we recognize as that servant reject him. Judas begins the work of his betrayal, and Jesus predicts Peter's denial. Because he was fully human, Jesus knew the sting of rejection. He models the kingdom of peace and justice that he inaugurates. *Today's readings: Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; John 13:21-33, 36-38.*

### Wednesday, March 31 Betrayed

Jesus knew Judas would betray him but did not seek to protect himself. Isaiah's servant gives his back to those who beat him and his cheeks to those who pluck his beard, trusting that God will vindicate him. Throughout the passion, Jesus accepts what is coming because of this same trust. The evil and injustice in the world are disturbing. Jesus recognizes the brokenness and does not struggle against those who hurt him. But the entirety of his life is bringing about the kingdom of justice and peace, doing the work that will heal the world of its brokenness. How can we follow in this path? *Today's readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Matthew 26:14-25.*

### Thursday, April 1 I Have Given You a Model to Follow

Time and again, Jesus upended the expectations of the people around him. "You call me 'teacher' and 'master,' and rightly so, for indeed I am," he says. Those words convey power and authority. What does the master and teacher do? He empties himself of all that the world values. At the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the priest washes feet. If you do not usually attend this Mass, try to do so. The beauty of this moment strikes even young children. *Today's readings: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15.*

### Friday, April 2 By His Wounds We Were Healed

Because Jesus was fully human, he knew all aspects of the human experience, including rejection, suffering, and death. If we jump from this moment to the resurrection, we fail to appreciate that Jesus is with us in our darkest times, waiting with us while we hope in God's ability to transform even those moments. Take time in quiet prayer, reflecting on the cross and Jesus' merciful love. *Today's readings: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42.*

### Saturday, April 3

At the Easter Vigil, the readings take us through salvation history, from creation to the discovery of the empty tomb. We see how God prepared the world for its redemption. *Today's readings: Genesis 1:1-2:2; Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Psalm 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22; Genesis 22:1-18; Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Exodus 14:15-15:1; Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Isaiah 54:5-14; Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Isaiah 55:1-11; Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ezra 3:6-17a, 18-28; Psalm 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Psalm 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Romans 6:3-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mark 16:1-7.*

