

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.

AUGUST 1, 2021 | EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The Blessing of Grandparents. This past Monday, July 26, the Church celebrated the Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne. They are recognized as the patron saints of grandparents because Joachim and Anne were the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of Jesus.

The New Testament contains no specific information about the lives of the Blessed Virgin Mary's parents, but other documents outside of the Bible do provide some details. Although these writings are not considered authoritative in the same manner as the Bible, they outline some of the Church's traditional beliefs about Joachim and Anne. *The Protoevangelium of James* describes Joachim as a wealthy member of one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Joachim was deeply grieved, along with his wife Anne, by their childlessness. Joachim and Anne began to devote themselves to prayer. One day, an angel revealed to Anne that a child would be born to them, and when their daughter was born, they named her Mary. (Source: catholicnewsagency.com)

As I reflect on the blessings of having grandparents, I was blessed with loving, supportive grandparents. I have wonderful memories of visiting my maternal grandparents in Browerville and my paternal grandparents in Owatonna. Both sets of our grandparents had interesting homes, garages and yards filled with items we didn't see at home, so it was fun to explore. Our grandparents were generous towards us children, and our grandmothers would often give us a little money to buy candy at the store. Then my mother or father would say to Grandma, "Mom, you don't have to give them money for candy." And then Grandma would respond, "That's okay, I want to give it to them." My brother, sister and I would then hustle towards the door and run down to the corner store for some candy before another word was said.

Another fond memory is having lenient rules at Grandma's dining room table. For example, I was not required to finish eating all the food on my plate before Grandma allowed me to have dessert. This kind of behavior was not tolerated at home where mom and dad laid down the law. When we were at Grandma's house, there was a different set of rules that I liked very much.

On a serious note, I remember how both of my grandmothers would go to church early on Sunday to pray the Rosary before Mass. By the time us children and our parents arrived just before Mass started, we would look for Grandma sitting or kneeling in her usual spot in the pews. This prayerfulness was an inspiration to me.

To all grandparents out there: you are blessing to your grandchildren. You are example to them of faith, prayer and goodness. Your life history is a balm to their worries and sorrows because you speak with a voice of wisdom and longevity. You can assure your grandchildren that the bad days pass and the good days return. Furthermore, grandchildren are usually more open to the advice of grandparents who speak with a different tone than the authoritative voice of the child's parents.

To all grandparents: God Bless You for the love, faith and wisdom you share with your grandchildren, your family and all of us.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for August 2021: *The Church.* Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

Pre-Baptism Session

Monday, August 16 at 6:30 PM

Parents interested in having their child baptized at St. Pascal's are asked to participate in one formation session prior to baptism. Pre-registration is required. To register for a session or schedule the celebration of a baptism, contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

Social Justice and Caring Committee August Collection: *Brittany's Place*

Items will be accepted for Brittany's Place, an emergency shelter in St. Paul for girls and young women who have experienced commercial sex trafficking or are at high risk for sexual exploitation. Items most needed at this time are:

- Natural Hair Care Products (Brands: Carol's Daughter, Eco Gel, Cantu) Brittany's Place serves BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) girls and strives to provide a culturally relevant experience
- Small, black hair rubber bands
- Bras and panties
- Basketballs
- Camping Equipment

A complete list can be found at www.180degrees.org/wish-list.html and in the kiosk. Place items in the donation closet, located off the coat room, before and after weekend Masses through August 29.

We are kept from the experience of Spirit because our inner world is cluttered with past traumas... As we begin to clear away this clutter, the energy of divine light and love begins to flow through our being.

—Thomas Keating

Free Subscriptions The Catholic Spirit

If you would like to receive a FREE subscription to *The Catholic Spirit*, delivered to your home twice a month, please fill out the form below and return it to the parish office. You may also contact Marla at 651.774.1585 or marla.eberhardt@stpascals.org.

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You must be a registered parishioner of St. Pascal's to receive this offer

— REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS —

Enroll Today!

First and foremost, our families, faculty, and staff make us special! It is through our shared commitment to the mission of faith, gospel values and academic excellence that we come together to serve our students, our parish and our community. Our dedicated and caring staff work closely with parents and students to foster a lifelong love of learning, and our close-knit, familyoriented atmosphere provides a warm and lovina environment where lasting friendships are made, and our students thrive. At St. Pascal Regional Catholic School, we serve all. We place special emphasis on serving others within our school, our parish and our community. From our kindergarten students to our 8th-grade students, from our faculty and staff to our parents, we heed God's call to serve one another in a variety of ways. Visit our website to apply!

www.stpascalschool.org

St. Pascal's Women's Book Club

Monday, August 9 at 7:00 PM

The St. Pascal's Women's Book Club meets in the Staff Lounge on the 2nd Monday of each month. You can come as often as your schedule allows. This month we'll share thoughts about E. Lockhart's *We were Liars* and on September 13 we'll discuss Louise Erdrich's *The Night Watchman*.

Weekly Rosary

The gentle repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery—Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Lumionous—and to help us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells.

Join us every Wednesday at 11:15 AM in the church to pray the rosary together.

"Light is in both the broken bottle and the diamond."

—Mark Nepo

ARCHDIOCESAN SYNOD

Cuppa Joe: 10 Talks on the 10 Wonders of Saint Joseph

Cuppa Joe is a series of 10 talks by 10 theologians on the 10 wonders of Saint Joseph, taking place at 10 locations in our archdiocese entrusted to the patronage of our spiritual father. These talks premiere at 4:00 PM the first Tuesday of the month through December 2021just in time for your afternoon coffee. Find topics, speakers and more at archspm.org/ cuppajoe. These Virtual Talks are posted on Facebook, YouTube, Instagram and on the Year of Saint Joseph page at www.archspm.org/stjoseph

Upcoming Dates, Topics, Presenters and Locations

- August 3: "Savior of the Savior," Deacon Joe Michalak, Miesville
- September 7: "Adorer of Christ," Liz Kelly, Waconia
- October 5: "Silent Witness," Fr. John Floeder, Rosemount

Prayer for the Year of Saint Joseph

Heavenly Father,

Who gave St. Joseph to Jesus and Mary

As protector and guide,

Grant that our Archdiocesan Synod,

Under his protection and guidance,

May help us discern your direction for our Church.

May we listen as he listened,

Trust as he trusted,

Obey as he obeyed,

Receive as he received,

Love as he loved,

And share in his life of devotion to Jesus and Mary.

Amen.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

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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

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School Office Summer Hours

Mon-Thu 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM and by appointment.

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 Pat Kackman

651.774.3248

Parish Communication

Bulletin Notices

Due 3:00 PM Monday thea.munoz@stpascals.org

Mass Announcements

Due 3:00 PM Tuesday john.mitchell@stpascals.org

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Women's Club Book/Media/Game and Puzzle Sale

Friday, August 20 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM and Saturday, August 21 from 9:00 AM -12 Noon

We are collecting your gently used adult and children's books, games, puzzles, DVDs, and CDs. Bring items to church and place on the carts in the gathering space. We will collect items at weekend Masses through August 14/15. During the week, bring your items to the atrium near the parish office between 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM from August 2 - 19.

Helpers are needed to sort books on Thursday, August 19 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM. Helpers also are needed for Friday and Saturday during the Sale. Sit down jobs available. If you could help with any of these opportunities, please call Cindy Reisdorf at 651.734.8937 or email at jjreisdorf00@msn.com.

Mass	Times	& Ir	nten	itions

Readings August 1, 2021

Tuesday, August 3

8:00 AM + Harold Kirchoff

Wednesday, August 4

8:00 AM + George & Florence Rieschl

Thursday, August 5

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Friday, August 6

8:00 AM Men's Club

Saturday, August 7

4:30 PM + Larry Herickhoff

Sunday, August 8

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Bob & Lorraine Winkel

Heart Questions The Eyes of Faith

So they said to Jesus, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?"

John 6:30

Adults: When has your faith helped you believe without "seeing signs" from God?

Kids: Who helps you believe in things you cannot see?

Sunday:

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15 Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54 Eph 4:17, 20-24

Jn 6:24-35 **Monday:**

Nm 11:4b-15 Ps 81:12-17 Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday:

Nm 12:1-13 Ps 51:3-7, 12-13 Mt 14:22-36

Wednesday:

Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35 Ps 106:6-7b, 13-14, 21-23 Mt 15:21-28

Thursday:

Nm 20:1-13 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 Mt 16:13-23

Friday:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Pt 1:16-19 Mk 9:2-10

Saturday:

Dt 6:4-13 Ps 18: 2-4, 47, 51 Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday:

1 Kgs 19:4-8 Ps 34:2-9 Eph 4:30—5:2 Jn 6:41-51

Year-End Financials

Our fiscal year-end was June 30; we are working on year-end totals and should have FY20-21 figures soon.

Staff, Finance Council and Trustees work closely together to ensure that dollars are spent wisely and continue to focus on spending levels. The Finance Council has approved a balanced budget for next year and will continue to monitor giving patterns.

Thank you for your continued generosity during the past months.

Food Shelf Now Open

Progressive Baptist Church Parking Lot—1505 Burns Avenue If you or someone you know are in need of emergency food items, all are welcome to visit the food shelf curbside drive-up every Saturday from 10:30 AM – Noon. No residency or parish membership requirements.

"Compassion makes no distinction between friends and enemies, neighbors and outsiders, compatriots and foreigners. Compassion is the gate to human community."

—Joan D. Chittiser

THE WEEKS AHEAD -

Sunday, August 1

After Mass Women's Club Book Collection: Gathering Space

Monday, August 2

No scheduled events

Tuesday, August 3

10:00am Funeral Lunch Ministry meeting: Brioschi Hall 6:00pm National Night Out Event: Flandrau parking lot

Wednesday, August 4

11:15am Rosary: Church

7:30pm Men's Club Softball: Brioschi Hall

Thursday, August 5

6:30pm SJCC: Zoom

Friday, August 6

No scheduled events

Saturday, August 7

After Mass Women's Club Book Collection: Gathering Space

Sunday, August 8

After Masses Women's Club Book Collection: Gathering Space

Monday, August 9

7:00pm Women's Book Club: Staff Lounge

Tuesday, August 10

8:00am No Mass

6:30pm Women's Club Board: Staff Lounge

Wednesday, August 11

11:15am Rosary: Church

7:30pm Men's Club Softball: Brioschi Hall

Thursday, August 12

No scheduled events

Friday, August 13

6:30pm Trivia Night: Brioschi Hall

Saturday, August 14

After Mass Women's Club Book Collection: Gathering Space

Sunday, August 15—The Assumption

After Masses Women's Club Book Collection: Gathering Space

11:45am Baptism (Brady Family): Church

St. Pascal Legacy Society

5 Things You Can Do to Leave a Legacy

- 1. Prepare a will.
- 2. Leave a gift (called a bequest) in your will or revocable trust for the not-for-profit organizations that make a difference in your life.
- 3. Name your favorite not-for-profit as a beneficiary of your IRA or pension plan.
- 4. Name your favorite not-for-profit as the beneficiary of an existing life insurance policy.
- 5. Remember loved ones with memorial gifts.

Please make St. Pascal's an important part of your legacy by remembering St. Pascal's in your estate plan. If you want more information on The St. Pascal Legacy Society, please call Theresa Ruttger at the parish office at 651.774.1585 or talk to a member of the Legacy Committee—Ellen and Mike Aeling, Susan Hommes, Joe Sullivan, and Brigid O'Malley.



Trivia Night at St. Pascal's!

Friday, August 13 from 6:30-8:00 PM in Brioschi Hall

Join us for this fun, family-friendly social event!

FREE TO PLAY!

- ? 6 rounds of play, 10 questions per round.
- ? Up to 20 teams (3-6 players per team).

PRIZES!

- ? ONE \$60 cash prize for the top scoring team of the night.
- ? ONE \$30 random drawing cash prize (top team is ineligible for the random drawing).

GOODIES!

- ? Non-alcoholic beverages provided.
- **?** Bring snacks to share with your table.

SIGN UP!

- **?** Registration is necessary. Sign up on the parsh website at stpascals.org/ parish-news, or call the parish office (651.774.1585).
- ? Register an entire team (up to 6 members) or as individuals—our Trivia Night coordinators will assign individuals to a team.

Want to help or need more information?

→ Email Fr. John at john.mitchell@stpascals.org or call him at 651.432.4955.