



CELEBRATING 75 YEARS | 1946-2021

**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.

**NOVEMBER 28, 2021 | FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

## OUR STAFF

### Pastor

Fr. John Mitchell | ext 125  
john.mitchell@stpascals.org

### Deacon

Rev. Mr. Richard Moore  
richard.moore@stpascals.org

### Business Administrator

Theresa Ruttger | ext 130  
theresa.ruttger@stpascals.org

### Director of Facilities and Maintenance

Mike Kelleher | ext 134  
mike.kelleher@stpascals.org

### Pastoral Associate for Music

Sharon Balcom | ext 126  
sharon.balcom@stpascals.org

### Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation

Kim Roering | ext 128  
kim.roering@stpascals.org

### Communications & Office Manager

Thea Munoz | ext 133  
thea.munoz@stpascals.org

### Administrative Assistant

Marla Eberhardt | ext 132  
marla.eberhardt@stpascals.org

### Welcome Desk

Karri Creamer | ext 120  
karri.creamer@stpascals.org

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Illustration by John McCoy © LTP



## Mass Times

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

1757 Conway Street | Saint Paul, Minnesota 55106 | 651.774.1585

website: [www.stpascals.org](http://www.stpascals.org) | email: [church@stpascals.org](mailto:church@stpascals.org)

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

**Giving Tree.** We are participating in Catholic Charities Giving Tree to ensure children and adults have access to essential items such as clothing, housewares, self-care items and toys. Take a tag from the Giving Tree in the Gathering Space or go to [www.cctwincities.org/our-organization/events/giving-tree/](http://www.cctwincities.org/our-organization/events/giving-tree/).

**Step 1:** Select an item(s) from the Giving Tree list.

**Step 2:** Shop for your selected gift(s) online or at your favorite store.

**Step 3:** Drop off your unwrapped gift at one of the locations listed below:

MALL OF AMERICA, CATHOLIC CHARITIES WARMING HOUSE

North parking lot, 60 E. Broadway, Bloomington, MN 55425;  
Friday, December 10 - Saturday, December 11 (4:00 - 8:00 PM)

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DISTRIBUTION CENTER

341 Chester St., Saint Paul, MN 55107  
Monday - Friday (9:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

ST. PASCAL BAYLON CHURCH, (before December 25)

1757 Conway St., Saint Paul, MN 55106 The Giving Tree bin is located inside the Main Church doors (Door #3).

SHIP YOUR GIFT DIRECTLY TO CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Purchase your gift online and ship it directly to the Catholic Charities Distribution Center, 341 Chester Street, St. Paul, MN 55107.

**Angel Tree.** In addition to the Catholic Charities Giving Tree project, St. Pascal Baylon Church's Social Justice and Caring Committee will once again partner with Angel Tree ministries to provide gifts to five children on behalf of an incarcerated parent. Angel Tree tags will be placed on the Giving Tree in the Gathering Space. You will recognize the Angel Tree tags since they are angel-shaped. Angel Tree gifts can be returned to church and placed in the Angel Tree box. Please note: the deadline for Angel Tree gifts is Sunday, December 19 to ensure that the gifts get to the children by Christmas. Please email Mary Weyandt at [mlweyandt@mac.com](mailto:mlweyandt@mac.com) if you would like additional information or to assist with the Angel Tree project.

**Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for November 2021: *People Who Suffer from Depression.*** We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

**Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for December 2021: *Catechists.*** Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

## Parish Advent Reconciliation

**Tuesday, November 30 at 6:30 PM**

Plan to join us on this evening as we celebrate God's love and forgiveness. Several children will be celebrating this sacrament for the first time. This is an opportunity for the community to embrace these children, leading them to the sacrament by your example. A number of priests will be available to hear individual confessions. A social follows in Brioschi Hall. Immaculate Conception

## The Immaculate Conception

*A holy day of obligation*

Celebrate the Immaculate Conception of the Holy Virgin Mary with us on Wednesday, December 8 at 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM.

## First Sunday of Advent:

### *The Light We Let In*

*"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars."*

—Luke 21:25

Driving east at Dawn, the sunrise is awe-inspiring. Initially. But before long, you're reaching for sunglasses, lowering the visor, and squinting your eyes at the bright morning star clears the horizon.

As finite beings, we are overwhelmed by the Creator's full magnificence. God's brilliance is mind-blowing. Fortunately, we are continuously gifted with flashes of divine warmth, joy, mercy, kindness, and unrelenting love. They are given to us in the giggle of the child, the comfort of hot chocolate on a cold day, the opening of a flower, the smile of a stranger, and the hug of a grandmother.

This creation and everything in it, as noted in our Genesis story, is good. It is the artwork of the loving Creator. When journeyed well, Advent opens our eyes, our ears, our minds, and our hearts to it. By seeing God in the sun, the moon, and the stars, we prepare ourselves to bask in the full warmth of Christ.

*Be someone's sunrise today. With a smile in your eyes and joy on your face, make a call, send a not or write a post that simply says, "I see Christ alive through you!"*

—S. James Meyer

## Advent Evening of Reflection

**Thursday, December 16 at 6:30 PM**

Parishioners and guests are welcome to join us in the worship space for this evening of prayer and reflection. The service will also be livestreamed.

## Christmas Masses

**Friday, December 24**

4:00 PM Liturgy (no incense)  
*Carols 20 minutes before Mass*  
10:00 PM Liturgy  
*Carols 20 minutes before Mass*

**Saturday, December 25**

10:00 AM Liturgy  
*Carols 15 minutes before Mass*

Please note: There is no 4:30 PM Anticipatory Mass for December 26 (Feast of the Holy Family).

## — In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

*June Fremont*

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 —

**Advent: A Season of Hope and Waiting**

The season of Advent is a special time in Catholic schools. We, as a school community, are able to teach students how they can prepare for the coming of Jesus into our world and help them to understand that the real reason for our expectant joy leading up to Christmas is not the hope of the presents under the tree, but rather the hope and gift of Jesus Christ. When asked what the students are looking forward to this Advent season, we got lots of responses. Some of the highlights include the lighting of the Advent wreath, hearing songs like 'O Come, O Come, Emmanuel' at Mass, learning about the stories that announce the coming of Jesus, and making a Jesse Tree. Be sure to check out our social media pages in the coming weeks to see students taking part in some of these activities. Blessings on all this Advent season!

**Financial Update**

**Year-End Financial Gifts:** As this calendar year quickly comes to a close, consider a special year-end financial gift to the parish in support of our many ministries and/or to support our mortgage reduction efforts. Last year, we received over many special year-end gifts of cash or stock. These gifts are greatly appreciated and certainly encouraged! Remember, all gifts must be received or postmarked by December 31 to be considered for the 2021 tax year. Stock transfers and sales do take some time so please take that into consideration as you consider a gift to St. Pascal's.

Thank you for your generous consideration.

**Emergency Food Help**

*Progressive Baptist Church Parking Lot  
1505 Burns Avenue*

If you or someone you know is in need of emergency food items, all are welcome to visit the food shelf curbside drive-up every Saturday from 10:30 AM – Noon.

**St. Pascal's Men's Club Christmas Tree Lot**

*Friday, November 26 at 3:00 PM through December 23 or until sold out*

St. Pascal's Men's Club is entering its 52nd year of selling Christmas Trees. Come visit us in the Conway Street parking lot and check out our excellent selection of Fraser fir, balsam fir, Scotch pine, and white pine trees. Wreaths and swags also available. Tree Lot sale hours are:

Monday through Friday from 3:00-9:00 PM  
Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM

## — PARISH FUN —

**St. Pascal's Women's Club Christmas Party Lunch**

*Saturday, December 11 in Brioschi Hall  
11:30 AM Social | 12:00 Noon Lunch*

Inviting all women of St. Pascal's and your friends to join us for a fun-filled Christmas Party—complete with PRIZES and SINGING! Kane's Catering will be serving up a feel-good menu of soup, sandwiches, salads & dessert. The Women's Club to host Mimosas or just champagne—if you prefer.

Tickets are \$21 per person—buy yours after all weekend Masses. RSVPs must be made by Monday, December 6.

For more information and a ticket order form, pick up a flyer from the kiosk or download one at [stpascals.org/parish-news](http://stpascals.org/parish-news). Then drop off your registration form with payment after all Masses or to the parish office by December 3.

If this is not convenient, please send your check to: Sharon Scanlon at 75 Upper Afton Terrace, St. Paul, MN 55106. Questions? Contact Sharon Scanlon at 651.492.0477 or [safscanlon@gmail.com](mailto:safscanlon@gmail.com).

*In the spirit of Christmas giving, we will be collecting donations for Mater Dei Africa.*

**Young at Heart****Attention Seniors 55 Plus!**

Although we were unable to meet in November and plan to wait until February 2022 to have our next meeting, the St. Pascal's Women's Club has invited us to join them in Brioschi Hall on *Saturday, December 11 at 11:30 AM*, for their annual Christmas Party Lunch. This promises to be a very enjoyable holiday celebration. Please see the details for this event above. We hope to have many of you join us there. If you have any questions, call Betty Hensel at 651.714.8958.

**Mark Your Calendar**

**Sunday, December 5 after both Masses  
Cub Scout Pancake Breakfast**

Includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee & juice. Bring your appetite and support our local Cub Scouts!

## 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*

**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

**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*

**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  
[john.mitchell@stpascals.org](mailto:john.mitchell@stpascals.org)

Like, follow & share us on Facebook:  
*St. Pascal Baylon Catholic Church*

## Mass Times & Intentions

## Readings November 28, 2021

### Tuesday, November 30

8:00 AM + Caleb Herrera Shanley

### Wednesday, December 01

8:00 AM Robert Cowden

### Thursday, December 02

8:00 AM + Fr. Ralph Huar

### Friday, December 03

8:00 AM Men's Club

### Saturday, December 04

4:30 PM + Jim Stach

### Sunday, December 05

*Second Sunday of Advent*

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Carlos & Emilia Calubayan

### Heart Questions

#### *The Habit of Prayer*

*Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.*

Luke 21:36

**Adults:** What have been the strengths of your prayer life? What habit of prayer could you strengthen during this Advent season?

**Kids:** What prayers will you say each day and each week during Advent?

### Sunday:

*1st Sunday of Advent*

Jer 33:14-16

1 Thes 3:12—4:2

Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14

Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

### Monday:

Is 2:1-5

Ps 122:1-9

Mt 8:5-11

### Tuesday:

Rom 10:9-18

Ps 19:8-11

Mt 4:18-22

### Wednesday:

Is 25:6-10a

Ps 23:1-6

Mt 15:29-37

### Thursday:

Is 26:1-6

Ps 118:1, 8-9,

19-21, 25-27a

Mt 7:21, 24-27

### Friday:

Is 29:17-24

Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14

Mt 9:27-31

### Saturday:

Is 30:19-21, 23-26

Ps 147:1-6

Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

### Next Sunday:

*2nd Sunday of Advent*

Bar 5:1-9

Ps 126:1-6

Phil 1:4-6, 8-11

Lk 3:1-6

## Stewardship of Giving

*Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022*

### October 2021

#### Sunday Giving

Sunday Giving \$ 60,278.16

Budgeted \$ 63,764.58

Deficit \$ -3,486.42

YTD Sunday Giving \$ 215,526.41

Budgeted \$ 255,058.36

Deficit \$ -39,531.95

#### Mortgage Reduction (as of 10.31.21)

Loan Balance: \$ 3,141,862.98

YTD Collected Donations \$ 71,477.93

YTD Mortgage Pmt: \$ 89,844.20

Deficit \$ -18,366.27

Reserve Account Balance: \$ 180,999.24

**Thank you for your support!**

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday, November 28—1st Sunday of Advent

9:00am Men's Club Christmas Tree Sales: Conway Lot

After Masses Boy Scout Wreath Sales: Outside Main Church Doors

### Monday, November 29

3:00pm Men's Club Christmas Tree Sales: Conway Lot

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

### Tuesday, November 30

3:00pm Men's Club Christmas Tree Sales: Conway Lot

6:30pm Advent Parish & 1st Reconciliation: Church

### Wednesday, December 1

11:15am Rosary: Church

3:00pm Men's Club Christmas Tree Sales: Conway Lot

6:30pm Choir: Church

6:30pm RCIA: Founders Room

6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus

### Thursday, December 2

3:00pm Men's Club Christmas Tree Sales: Conway Lot

6:30pm Spirit Song: Church

6:30pm SJCC: Zoom

7:00pm Men's Club Board: Brioschi Hall

### Friday, December 3

3:00pm Men's Club Christmas Tree Sales: Conway Lot

No scheduled events

### Saturday, December 4

3:00pm Men's Club Christmas Tree Sales: Conway Lot

No scheduled events

### Sunday, December 5—2nd Sunday of Advent

9:00am Men's Club Christmas Tree Sales: Conway Lot

9:30am Cub Scout Pancake Breakfast: Brioschi Hall

12:00pm Confirmation II: Staff Lounge

2:00pm Piano Recital: Church

*"In the beginning all creatures were green and vital. They flourished amidst flowers."*

—Hildegard of Bingen

## REMEMBER SOMEONE IN A SPECIAL WAY THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON

Make a donation (any amount) in memory of (or in honor of) a family member, loved one or someone who is ill or homebound. Please complete the form below and return it to the parish office or place it in the collection basket at Mass on or before December 20. Suggested donation is \$10. *Memorials fund flowers & worship space needs.*

*I would like to make a donation (circle one)*

In Honor of / In Memory of

From:

*Thank you for your generosity and care!*

*Please note: Memorials/Honorariums received after December 20 will not appear on the Christmas Flowers bulletin insert on December 26 (Holy Family).*



Pack 294  
**Pancake  
Breakfast** BRIOSCHI  
HALL

SUNDAY DEC. 5TH

9:30 AM - 12 NOON

All-you-can-eat

Pancakes,  
Sausage, Eggs,  
Coffee, Tea, Juice



Thank you for supporting  
the Cub Scouts



**\$8 ADULTS**  
**\$5 CHILDREN**

Made with PosterMyWall.com

Dine-in or To-Go available