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.
FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

On behalf of all of us here at St. Pascal Baylon Parish, I wish you a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year 2022. Jesus was born long ago in Bethlehem. He entered our world because of His love for us. Each day Jesus is present in our lives and in our world. I pray that you will experience the love of Jesus Christ during the Christmas Season and in the New Year.

Our parish has hired Keri Mader to work 5 hours per week in the position of Liturgy Assistant starting January 4, 2022. She will work with Sunday Mass preparation, liturgy planning, and coordinating the seasonal church environment. Keri retired from working at our parish in May 2021. She was working here 24 hours/week as our Pastoral Associate for Liturgy. After she retired, we were unable to find a suitable person to fill the job opening for a Pastoral Associate for Liturgy. I am grateful to have Keri back with us for 5 hours/week.

Would you like to be notified via email about funerals at St. Pascal's? We send out email notifications about upcoming funerals at St. Pascal Baylon Church. To subscribe, go to: stpascals.org/e-newsletters and click on “Funeral notices” and fill in your contact information.

Would you like to receive our Pascal’s Pulse Weekly E-newsletter? Get the latest news and event reminders (exclusive content, too!) delivered every Thursday to your inbox. We will never share your email address, and you may unsubscribe at any time. To subscribe, go to: stpascals.org/e-newsletters and click on “E-newsletters” and fill in your contact information. You can also call the parish office (651.774.1585) for more information.

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.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for January 2022: For true human fraternity. We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

God Bless You,
Father John Mitchell

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS TIMES

Mary, Mother of God—Friday, December 31, 2021
Not a Holy day of obligation in 2022
4:00 PM Anticipatory Mass

In 2021, this will be the only Mass for Mary, Mother of God.

The Epiphany of the Lord—Saturday, January 1, 2022
4:30 PM Anticipatory Mass for January 2
Sunday, January 2, 2022

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule
The Baptism of the Lord—Saturday & Sunday, January 8 & 9, 2022
Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

Join us weekly to pray the Rosary together
Every Wednesday at 11:15 AM in the church
The gentle repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery—Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous—and to help us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ’s spirit dwells.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING

January Collection: Brittany’s Place
During the month of January, items will be accepted in the parish donation closet 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. Brittany’s Place serves BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color) girls and strives to provide a culturally relevant experience.

Items most needed at this time are:

- Hygiene/Cosmetic Products: body wash, facemasks, paddle and bristle brushes, nail polish and remover, hair binders, Eco Gel, Shea Moisture shampoo/conditioner/leave-in conditioner, Cetaphil face wash and moisturizer
- Clothing: Hoodies, sweatpants, pajamas, socks, bras/sports bras, winter coats, boots, hats, mittens/gloves—all sizes
- Art Supplies: canvases, acrylic paints, colored pencils, markers, crayons, meditative coloring books
- Miscellaneous: board games (Monopoly, Banana Grams, Bop-it, Simon), young adult chapter books, fidgets, gift cards (Caribou, Starbucks, Target, Walmart), large stuffed animals

Items can be placed in the donation closet, located off the coat room, before and after weekend Masses through January 30.

Thank you to all who so generously donated to Catholic Charities Giving Tree and Angel Tree Ministries during December.

Canned Goods Needed
The Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry, staffed by parishioners of St. Pascal’s and Progressive Baptist Church, needs canned FRUITS AND VEGETABLES. Please place your donation in the container in the coat room before New Year’s. Any amount helps. For questions contact Ann Karner at akarner24@gmail.com or 651.330.0024.

Beacon Leadership Team Update
Our team participated in Joyful Urgency: A Beacon Convening on December 9. This night brought together all the current and new Beacon members to encourage us in our one shared vision: HOME! The strong support of congregations across the metro area was inspiring and encouraging. We invite anyone who is interested in seeing how we put words into action to register for the January 5th Rent is Due at 8:30 AM. Go to stpascals.org/social-justice-and-caring-committee for a registration link.
Merry Christmas from St. Pascal Regional Catholic School!
May Jesus Christ’s love surround you and your loved ones all throughout the Christmas season!
Thank you to all the volunteers who helped work the Santa Shop this year. They did hours of wrapping and the students were so excited to shop and bring home wrapped gifts. We couldn’t run the Santa Shop without so many helpful hands. Please keep us in mind for next year; we’d love to have the help again. Also, if you happen to be out shopping the after Christmas sales and see some good bargains, we are now accepting donations to our 2022 Santa Shop. Donations can be brought to the school office in January. Thanks for thinking of us and supporting our school!

It’s Time to Make a New Year’s Resolution to Read More!
Join the St. Pascal Women’s Book Club!
We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. During January and February, we use Zoom. You can join us as often as your schedule allows. On January 10, we will discuss The Bishop’s Wife by Mette Ivie Harrison. Contact Toni Baker toni@bakers.us or 651.731.7763 for a list of the twelve 2022 selections, Zoom information, etc.

Updated Facility Usage Policy
As of January 1, 2022, we are unable to offer our facility’s space(s) for non-parish or private meetings and events. Like many organizations and businesses, we are limited in the resources needed to adequately oversee the safety and security of building guests. This policy may be updated at the discretion of the pastor, trustees and finance council.

Winter weather cancellation of events and building closure
When St. Paul Public School District closes city schools due to weather, St. Pascal Regional School closes as well. When this happens, the parish office will also close and all activities and meetings will be cancelled. Weekday Mass will not be offered when the Regional School and parish offices are closed due to weather.
The building may also be closed at the discretion of the pastor or business administrator.

Pre-Baptism Session
Monday, January 24, 2022 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 at 651.774.1585 ext 128 or kim.roering@stpascals.org.

Seeking Dismissal Leaders for RCIA
This year we have a person preparing to celebrate baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation at the Easter Vigil. Beginning sometime in January and up through Holy Thursday, we need dismissal leaders at various Masses. Following the homily, the dismissal leader and our catechumen (person to be baptized) will be dismissed and go to reflect on the Scripture readings of the day. If you are able to help with this important ministry or would like more information, contact Kim Roering in the parish office at 651.774.1585 ext 128 or kim.roering@stpascals.org.

Living Faith Booklets
A limited number of Living Faith booklets for January - March 2022 are available in the parish office. The suggested donation is $1.25/book. Contact Kim Roering in the parish office if you would like one.

Parish Office Holiday Hours
The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 27 for the Christmas holiday and on Friday, December 31 for New Year’s Day. May you have many blessings, much happiness and more love this Christmas season.

Contact Us
Phone 651.774.1585
Email church@stpascals.org
For after-hours pastoral emergency (death, dying or anointing), call 651.774.1585 and dial 1.

Parish Office Hours
Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Holidays as announced

St. Pascal Regional Catholic School
Phone 651.776.0092
Email icollarpaske@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-baptism 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

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

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### Mass Times & Intentions

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### Readings

**December 26, 2021**

**Sunday:**
- Sir 3:2-6, 12-14
- Ps 128:1-5
- Col 3:12-21
- Lk 2:41-52

**Monday:**
- 1 Jn 1:1-4
- Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12
- Jn 20:1a, 2-8

**Tuesday:**
- 1 Jn 1:5—2:2
- Ps 124:2-5, 7c-8
- Mt 2:13-18

**Wednesday:**
- 1 Jn 2:3-11
- Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6
- Lk 2:22-35

**Thursday:**
- 1 Jn 2:12-17
- Ps 96:7-10
- Lk 2:36-40

**Friday:**
- 1 Jn 2:18-21
- Ps 96:1-2, 11-13
- Jn 1:1-18

**Saturday:**
- Nm 6:22-27
- Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8
- Gal 4:4-7
- Lk 2:16-21

**Next Sunday:**
- Is 60:1-6
- Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
- Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
- Mt 2:1-12

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### THE WEEKS AHEAD

**Sunday, December 26—The Holy Family**

No scheduled events

**Monday, December 27, 2021**
- Parish office closed
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

**Tuesday, December 28, 2021**
- 9:30am Welcome Rite & Visitation for Mary Ash
- 10:30am Funeral & Luncheon for Mary Ash: Church, Hall

**Wednesday, December 29, 2021**
- 11:15am Rosary: Church
- 6:30pm RCIA: Founders Room

**Friday, December 31, 2021—New Year’s Eve**
- Parish office closed
- 4:00pm Anticipation Holy Day Mass for Mary, Mother of God

**Saturday, January 1, 2022—Mary, Mother of God**
- Not a holy day of obligation in 2021
- 4:30pm Anticipation Mass for the Epiphany

**Sunday, January 2, 2022—The Epiphany**

No scheduled events

**Monday, January 3, 2022**
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

**Tuesday, January 4, 2022**
- 6:30pm Pastoral Council: Zoom

**Wednesday, January 5, 2022**
- 11:15am Rosary: Church
- 6:30pm Catechist Meeting: Staff Lounge

**Thursday, January 6, 2022**
- 6:30pm Spirit Song: Church
- 7:00pm Men's Club Board: Brioschi Hall

**Friday, January 7, 2022**

No scheduled events

**Saturday, January 8, 2022**

No scheduled events

**Sunday, January 9, 2022—Baptism of the Lord**

12:00pm Confirmation II: Staff Lounge

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### Stewardship of Giving

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

**November 2021**

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**Reserve Account Balance:** $190,528.69

**Thank you for your support!**
Today’s readings: Sirach 3:2–6, 12–14; Psalm 128: 1–2, 3, 4–5; Colossians 3:12–21 or 3:12–17; Luke 2:41–52 or 1 Samuel 1:20–22, 24–28; Psalm 84:2–3, 5–6, 9–10; 1 John 3:1–2, 21–24; Luke 2:41–52. Little is known about the life Jesus, Mary, and Joseph lived in Nazareth. From the time they returned from Egypt until the beginning of Jesus’ public ministry, the only story that appears in Scripture about the family is the founding of Jesus in the temple. A close reading of this text shows that they were observant Jews and they went to Jerusalem each year for Passover. It also can be seen that they traveled with their extended family, so they had other significant relationships in their lives. They had regular family struggles. Mary asks, “Why have you done this to us?” She sounds like many mothers who are raising adolescents. Their family life is a model for ours, but it must have been very ordinary indeed.

Imagine what that can mean for us. Jesus knows our hearts and our struggles because he lived them too. God entered into a family and set the family apart as a place of sanctification. The holy family makes all families holy. The family is an ordinary place filled with ordinary love, peace, mercy, justice, and forgiveness. It is a place to grow in holiness. This week, as you go about your routine, imagine how you are connected to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, across time and space, to their home in Nazareth. If you are preparing a meal or folding the laundry, you are doing holy work, just as they did.

Sunday, December 26, 2021
All Families Are Made Holy

Father, through the holy family, you have made all families holy. You have given them as a model for us as we walk through life together. Help us to be ever more merciful.

Help us to forgive one another and to do small things with great love. Help us to grow together in holiness. Give us the wisdom to imitate Mary, holding all great mysteries in our hearts. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.
This Week at Home

Monday, December 27
St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
Today the Church celebrates the Feast of St. John, apostle and evangelist. He and his brother were early disciples of Jesus and witnesses to the resurrection. He traveled to Ephesus, where he composed his Gospel and letters, and later wrote the Book of Revelation from the island of Patmos. It is traditional to bless wine and cider on the Feast of St. John. Today’s readings: 1 John 1:1–4; Psalm 97:1–2, 5–6, 11–12; John 20:1a, 2–8.

Tuesday, December 28
The Holy Innocents
When Herod massacred all baby boys under two years of age, he sought to eliminate the threat the messiah posed to his power. His horrific, violent act epitomizes a truth we know even today: those who benefit most from the world’s brokenness and injustice will always oppose the transformation God has promised. The infant Jesus needed protection, protection God provided in the person of St. Joseph. The deaths of the children were profound violations of the law of God. God is the God of life. God raised the infants to be saints, that the profound injustice of their deaths might be transformed: from death to life, that is the way of our God. Today’s readings: 1 John 1:5—2:2; Psalm 124:2–3, 4–5, 7b–8; Matthew 2:13–18.

Wednesday, December 29
Simeon: Waiting in Hope
God had promised Simeon that he would not see death until he had seen the salvation of Israel. The child Jesus, not yet six weeks old, is brought to the temple to be dedicated to the Lord. What must it have been like for him to feel the fulfillment of the promise? What desires of your heart are you awaiting God to fulfill? Today’s readings: 1 John 2:3–11; Psalm 96:1–2a, 2b–3, 5b–6; Luke 2:22–35.

Thursday, December 30
Anna the Prophetess
Anna the prophetess “spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Israel.” The hope that she has held onto has been realized before her eyes, and she cannot keep it to herself. She goes out into the world to be the bringer of the Good News, to bring hope. When we celebrate Christmas, we are making present the incarnation through which God continues to bring about a renewed world. Christians are to testify about our hope, just as Anna did. How can you share your hope today? Today’s readings: 1 John 2:12–17; Psalm 96:7–8a, 8b–9, 10; Luke 2:36–40.

Friday, December 31
Word Made Flesh
“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.” The evangelist John tells us the cosmic significance of the birth of Jesus. Because John uses the language of philosophy and poetry, it can be hard to grasp what he means. But because he uses these elevated ways of speaking, it is possible to approach the inexplicable mystery that is contained in the incarnation. Read today’s Gospel. What word or phrase sticks out to you most? Copy it and meditate on it as you pray this week. Today’s readings: 1 John 2:18–21; Psalm 96:1–2, 11–12, 13; John 1:1–18.

Saturday, January 1
Mary, the Holy Mother of God
“Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.” Mary’s central place in this great mystery of God dwelling among us led her to a place of contemplation. Though she was the one chosen to bring Jesus into the world, she did not have all the answers. Praying the Rosary, we have the opportunity to contemplate like Mary, deepening our reflection while our words proclaim the memorized prayers. Pray the Rosary today and ask Mary to help you to hold all these things in your heart. Today’s readings: Numbers 6:22–27; Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; Galatians 4: 4–7; Luke 2:16–21.
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…

In Memory of:
Mr. John Acosta
Irene & Richard Anderson
Loved Ones
Greg Arko
The Bannick Family
Tom Bertini
Elsie Bilotta
Evvy Bocklund
Robert Bozarth & Kris Schneider
Carl Buraglio
Susan Calubayan
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
Ronald J. Clarke
Lee & Mary Louise Coburn
Richard Czaplewski
Len Demers
Deceased Family Members
Fleishhacker Family
Steve Flottmeyer
Andy Gerbozy
Donald & Della Girling
Miss Becky Glebus
Vince & Margaret Graupmann
Edward Graw
Kenneth Greiner
Joseph & Patricia Grill
Denny Groess
Helie & Hauri Families
Jim & Greg Hawkins

Dedicated by:
Henry Chavez
Cheryl Anderson
Vincent & Leona Arceno
Martha Arko
Jeanne Hess
Joann Bertini
Joe Bilotta
Bocklund Family
Dave & Sue Nechrebecki
John & Linda Vukelich, Kathleen Buraglio
Rene & Zonia Calubayan
Henry Chavez
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Olivia E. Clarke
The Croucher Family
Mike & Shellie Czaplewski
John & Linda Vukelich, Kathleen Buraglio
Bill & Ora Dorgan
Laverne Fleishhacker
Ann Flottmeyer
Darlene Gerbozy
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Henry Chavez
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Your Family
Jim & Marian Greiner
Mike & Terri Grill
Yolanda Groess
Joan & Bob Hauri
Mary Hawkins
In Memory of:
Don & all my loved ones in Eternity
Schwieter & Herrickhoff Families
Larry Herrickhoff
Marko Jurkovich & Matilda Jurkovich
In honor of Allen Karner
Don Kordosky
Susie Korf
Ed & Ann Kramlinger
Jackie Kramlinger
All the Kruich Family
Jack Kubiak
Glenn & Patricia Kurtz
Grandparents
Michael Leier
Nick Leis
Terrence Lemke
Ralph & Jackie Logan
Eileen McKenna
My Parents & Grandparents
The Norton, Grausnick & Cockriel Families
Beverly O'Brien
Carol Hogan O'Keefe
Joseph Quinn
Matthew David Rapacz
Jack & Phyllis Redlund
Peter Rosengren
Family & Friends
Carol Rueckert
Carl & Phyllis Schmidt
Larry Senger
Kathleen Marie Smyth
Fr. Leo Stelten
Mrs. Stephanie Stump
Miss Kaylynn Veseth
John & Savina Vukelic
Ralf Westenhofer
Betty Worner

Dedicated by:
Betty Hensel
Larry & Marlene Herrickhoff
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Martha Arko
Ann Karner
Ione Kordosky
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Larry Kramlinger
Joe Kramlinger
Marlene Kruich
Sue & Lisa Kubiak
Mike & Shellie Czaplewski
Dave Larson Family
Lois Leier & Family
Diane Leis
Ann Lemke
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Mary Rice
John McKenzie
Dan & Pam Norton
Pat & Our 4 Boys
Mary Rice
Irene Quinn
David & Diane Rapacz and Family
Kathy Redlund
Creamer & Rosengren Families
Carol Rueb
Marge Arney
Mary Huettl
Effie Senger
Creamer & Rosengren Families
Dode Olsen
Henry Chavez
Henry Chavez
John & Linda Vukelic, Kathleen Buraglio
Girling, Friesen & Westenhofer Family
Dode Olsen

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