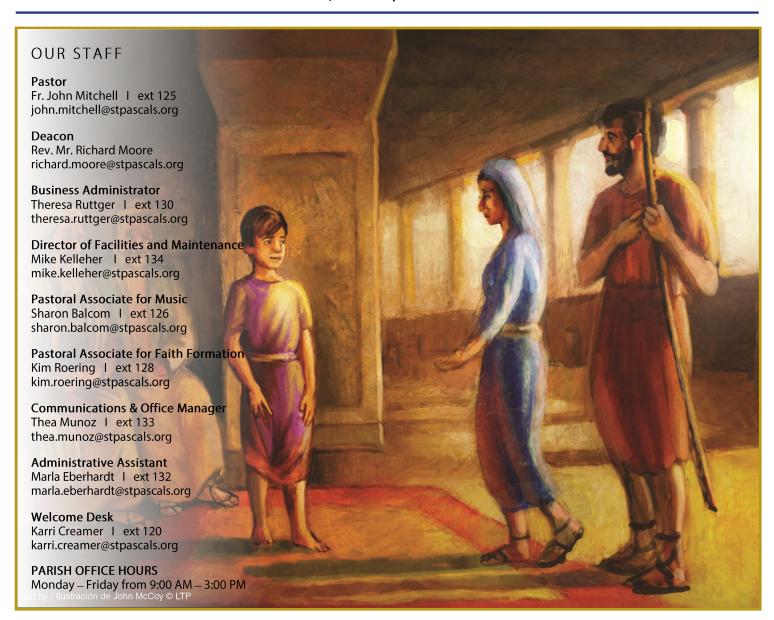


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God's love knows no barriers. St. Pascal's...where all people matter.

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.

DECEMBER 26, 2021 | THE HOLY FAMILY



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 Lumionous—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.

REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

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.

FAITH FORMATION

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, 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.

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.

Parish 75th Anniversary Celebration—AKA St. Pascal's Friends and Family Save the Date: April 23, 2022

Please be sure to mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend. We will be celebrating St. Pascal's 75th Anniversary with a night of fun and games (new ones as well as returning favorites) and a fantastic catered dinner from Tinnucci's.

Do you have St. Pascal's memorabilia? We are planning to create a display from our archives and parishioners! Further details about the event will be announced in February.

CONTACT US

Parish Office

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 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

Mass Announcements

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

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came to Nazareth and was obedient to them.

Luke 2:51a

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

Adults: How would you have reacted if you were Mary and Joseph finding Jesus in the Temple?

Kids: What do you think it was like for Jesus to be in the Temple for three days without his parents?

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

Funeral & Luncheon for Mary Ash: Church, Hall 10:30am

THE WEEKS AHEAD -

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

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

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 Rosary: Church 11:15am

Catechist Meeting: Staff Lounge 6:30pm

Thursday, January 6, 2022 Spirit Song: Church 6:30pm

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 Confirmation II: Staff Lounge 12:00pm

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 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.

St. Pascal's Legacy Society

Planned Giving—Options for leaving a legacy to St Pascal's. One particularly tax-efficient way to make a bequest is to donate part or all of your regular individual retirement account to charity by designating a charity as a beneficiary. Leave a legacy of faith. Consult with your tax advisor. If you want more information on St. Pascal's Legacy Society, please call Theresa Ruttger at the parish office at 651.774.1585 or theresa.ruttger@stpascals.org, or talk to a member of the Legacy Committee—Ellen and Mike Aeling, Susan Hommes, Joe Sullivan, and Brigid O'Malley.

Stewardship of Giving

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

November 2021

Sunday Giving Sunday Giving \$ 69.186.06 **Budgeted** \$ 63,764.58 Surplus \$ 5,421.48 \$ 284,712.45 YTD Sunday Giving Budgeted \$ <u>318,822.94</u>

Deficit \$ -34,110.49

Mortgage Reduction (as of 11.30.21)

Loan Balance: \$ 3,129.818.08 YTD Collected Donations 97,294.22 YTD Mortgage Pmt: 112,305.25 Deficit \$ - 15,011.03 Reserve Account Balance: \$ 190,528.69

Thank you for your support!

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



Help Us to Grow

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.

Sunday, December 26, 2021 All Families Are Made Holy



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.



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 28The 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'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
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Dedicated by:

Henry Chavez

Cheryl Anderson

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John & Linda Vukelich, Kathleen Buraglio

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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 Krupich Family

Jack Kubiak

Glenn & Patricia Kurtz

Grandparents Michael Leier Nick Leis

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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

