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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.

**MARCH 13, 2022 | SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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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

### Making Plans to Hire a Pastoral Care Minister

Over the last few weeks, I have consulted with our parish staff, the parish finance council and the parish pastoral council about the idea of hiring a full-time pastoral care minister at our church. I heard strong support for this idea from the staff and advisory councils. I think it is the right time for us to hire a pastoral care minister. We have needs in our parish for ministry to the sick, the homebound, the elderly, the dying and families at the time of a funeral. A pastoral care minister would also be a resource to individuals and families who experience daily struggles and life changes. As I look ahead to my sabbatical plans for Fall 2023 and being in Italy from September - November 2023, it would be very helpful to have a pastoral care minister on our staff who would take the lead in planning funerals and organizing pastoral care for our families. During my sabbatical, there will be a substitute priest assigned to our parish to celebrate Masses, funerals and the other sacraments, but the priest will not be here full-time, and having a pastoral care minister on staff would be very helpful. I will be putting together a job description for the pastoral care minister and assembling an interview team to help me review applications and conduct interviews. I will keep you updated as the process moves along. Please keep us in your prayers.

**As I am putting together my plans for a 3-month sabbatical** during Fall 2023, I am applying for a parish grant from the Lilly Endowment for Clergy Renewal to help pay for my sabbatical fees, travel expenses and activities for you while I am gone so that you are renewed while I am being renewed. If we receive the grant, all of our activities will be paid for by the Lilly Endowment. What a great opportunity! The theme for my sabbatical is "Being healthy in spirit, mind and body". While I am focusing on this theme in Italy and during my travels, here are my initial ideas for the grant proposal for you to do while I am on sabbatical:

- read the book "7 Keys to Spiritual Wellness" by Joe Paprocki, published by Loyola Press. Free copies will be available to pick up at church;
- participate in a free painting class for up to 100 people in Brioschi Hall; the class will be taught by an instructor from Cheers Pablo (cheerspablo.com) who will lead the group through the painting of a picture. The goal is to inspire creativity, reduce stress and try something fun. People of all artistic levels can participate in this step-by-step painting class;
- possibly have an outdoor event at a local park where people can enjoy physical activity, free food, beverages and fun. Stay tuned. I will keep you updated.

**Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for March 2022: *A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges.*** We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

### Young At Heart Mass & Luncheon—Thursday, March 24 at 11:00 AM

Attention, Seniors 55 plus! We begin with the Eucharist at 11:00 with Father John. After a short meeting we will have a Lasagna meal catered by Tinucci's. We suggest a \$12.00 donation to help defray the cost of the meal, payable on the day of the meeting. Our entertainment for the day will be the Minneapolis Southside Singers, a group of twenty-some seniors who entertain in the Twin Cities area.

Once a year we ask for a \$10.00 membership donation to help defray the cost of the various entertainment we enjoy during the year. We will begin collecting this at the March meeting.

*Registration for the March 24 meeting is due by Friday, March 18.* Please contact Betty Hensel at 651.714.8958 or bjhensel@comcast.net or Linda Spence 651.730.9061.

## — SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

### Beacon Update

Our Beacon group, here at St. Pascal's has met with 4 legislators in the past 2 weeks, to see if we could get their support for the Bring it Home MN bill. Visits went very well and they are all in support of rental subsidies and housing infrastructure bonds for low-income Minnesotans. Want more information? Contact Ann Karner at Annakarner24@gmail.com and/or Julie Moore at 0109jmm@gmail.com.

### Step 1 of our JustFaith Journey

This week our JustFaith group learned about collective sin which involves the actions of multiple individuals acting collectively to hurt or oppress other humans, providing benefits for individuals and groups as a result. Social sin is collective blindness as to how actions of some groups affect the lives of others resulting in unlivable wages, hunger/food insecurity, and substandard housing. We ask that you pray for us as we continue on this journey. Questions: Contact Annakarner24@gmail.com.

### March Collection:

#### *Merrick Community Services*

Merrick's mission is to support individuals and families to navigate life transitions, find health and stability, and promote independence. Merrick upholds their Mission by providing services through their Food Shelf, Meals on Wheels, Employment and Family Services and more. The most needed items listed below can be dropped off in the donation closet before and after Masses through March 27.

- Bath soap
- Dish detergent
- Laundry soap
- Tissue
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Paper towels
- Sponges/Wash clothes
- Household cleaning items
- Disinfecting spray
- Hand sanitizers
- Masks
- Body Soap
- Lotion

## — In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

Vincent A. Arceno

who was recently buried from our church. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family and friends, and pray for his soul's eternal peace.

## — REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS —

### Preschool Open House at St. Pascal Regional Catholic School

Thursday, March 24 from 4:00-6:00 PM

Join us for an open house in the preschool. At the open house, you can tour the classrooms, see the course offerings, and meet with the teachers, administrators, and other staff. We offer flexible scheduling for our summer and fall programs. Enrollment is for children 33 months to entering kindergarten. To RSVP, call the school office at 651.776.0092 or send an email to [admissions@stpascalschool.org](mailto:admissions@stpascalschool.org). Please sign up by Wednesday, March 23.

### Living Faith Booklets

Living Faith booklets for April-June 2022 are available in the parish office. If you would like one mailed to you, please contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

*The body is often referred to as a temple of God but our soul is also a wondrous residence. This hidden part of us, in union with divinity, is where our abundant goodness (our God-ness) exists.*

—Joyce Rupp

### St. Pascal's Women's Club

**Crafter's Morning Out—Saturday, March 12 from 9:00 AM-12 Noon**

**Wanted: Knitters, Quilters, Crafters of All Sorts.** Join us for a morning of fellowship in Brioschi Hall. Bring a project you are working on and enjoy some time to share with other crafters. Coffee and treats provided. Come and stay for the full three hours or as much time as you'd like. In addition, we will have a free craft garage sale. Bring any craft items that need a new home. We will start collecting the week of February 26. A large bin will be in the Gathering Space. Open to all women and men of the parish.

### Gertens Spring Plant sale has begun!

The St. Pascal's Women's Club will be selling Gertens plants and plant cards online. Go to the Gertens fundraising site at [www.gertensfundraising.com](http://www.gertensfundraising.com) and enter the Women's Club store number 447. There you will find over 90 beautiful choices of Gertens plant cards, hanging flower baskets, patio containers, bedding flowers, vegetables, and perennials for sale. All of this from the comfort of your own home. We will also help to facilitate your orders after all Masses on March 26 – 27 and April 2-3. **Ordering closes on Thursday, April 7.** Your orders will be available for pick up after all Masses on May 14 and 15. If you have any questions, please contact Ellen Aeling at [ellenoaeling@gmail.com](mailto:ellenoaeling@gmail.com) or 651.307.8241.

### The Men's Club Lenten Fish Fry

All Fridays of Lent from March 4 through April 8 in Brioschi Hall from 4:30 to 7:00 PM. (Please use the Flandrau Street entrance.)

The "All-You-Care-To-Eat" buffet will offer fried and baked cod, coleslaw, mixed steamed vegetables, au gratin and seasoned fried potatoes, mac-n-cheese, dinner roll, and coffee/water. Milk, bottled water, and pop are available for purchase.

Adults (12 and up): \$14.00 | Children (6-11): \$7.00 | 5 and under: Free

Cash, check, or card accepted. Due to room capacity restrictions, please limit dining time to 45 minutes. Takeout is available if the hall is full or the wait is too long. Masks required except when dining.

*Proceeds benefit the SPRCS K-8 PhyEd program and other parish/school needs.*

## — FAITH FORMATION —

### Pre-Baptism Session

Monday, March 21, 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.

### St. Pascal's Women's Book Club

If you have ever thought about coming to the Women's Book Club, do it this month! We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Staff Lounge—come as often as your schedule allows. This month, March 14, we will discuss Brian Freeman's *Deep Deep Snow*. Brian is a Minnesota resident and a Carlton College graduate.

Next month, we'll meet one week later for a special "Evening with an Author." On, April 18, Lorna Landvik will come to discuss her *Chronicals of a Radical Hag*. Lorna, too, is a Minnesota resident. Bring a friend if you like! Please call the parish office at 651.774.1585 or email [toni@bakers.us](mailto:toni@bakers.us) to RSVP and to help the Book Club members prepare for the event.

## C O N T A C T U S

### Parish Office

Phone 651.774.1585  
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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  
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### 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 3:45-4:15 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)

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## Mass Times & Intentions

## Readings March 13, 2022

### Tuesday, March 15

8:00 AM + Eva Mailloux

### Wednesday, March 16

8:00 AM + Fr. William Paron

### Thursday, March 17

8:00 AM + Pierre Mailloux

### Friday, March 18

8:00 AM The people of the parish

### Saturday, March 19

4:30 PM + Georgine Misukanis

### Sunday, March 20

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Bob & Lorraine Winkel

### Use Your Smartphone to Make a Donation to St. Pascal's!

1. Scan this QR code with your phone.
2. Open the secure link.
3. Follow the prompts.
4. Thank you!



### Sunday:

2nd Sunday of Lent

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18

Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14

Phil 3:17-4:1

Lk 9:28b-36

### Monday:

Dn 9:4b-10

Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13

Lk 6:36-38

### Tuesday:

Is 1:10, 16-20

Ps 50:8-9, 16b-17, 21, 23

Mt 23:1-12

### Wednesday:

Jer 18:18-20

Ps 31:5-6, 14-16

Mt 20:17-28

### Thursday:

Jer 17:5-10

Ps 1:1-4, 6

Lk 16:19-31

### Friday:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a

Ps 105:16-21

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

### Saturday:

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

### Next Sunday:

3rd Sunday of Lent

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15

Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11

1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12

Lk 13:1-9

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday, March 13—Lent 2

No scheduled events

### Monday, March 14

6:30pm JustFaith: Zoom

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

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

### Tuesday, March 15

6:30pm Parish Lent Reconciliation: Church

### Wednesday, March 16

11:15am Rosary: Church

6:30pm Choir: Church

6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus

### Thursday, March 17—St. Patrick's Day

6:00pm Cub Scouts: Old Church

6:30pm Spirit Song: Church

### Friday, March 18

9:00am Fish Fry Setup: Brioschi Hall

4:30pm Men's Club Fish Fry: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen

7:00pm Stations of the Cross: Church

### Saturday, March 19

After Mass Fellowship: Brioschi Hall

### Sunday, March 20—Lent 3

After Masses Fellowship: Brioschi Hall

12:00pm Confirmation I: Staff Lounge

### Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl 2022

**Perseverance To Succeed.** Raúl and Lilian have faced many challenges while trying to provide for their family and pursue their dreams in Guatemala. With support from Catholic Relief Services, they have been able to overcome these obstacles and grow their business while helping their community along the way. In what ways are you being challenged to serve others this Lent? Visit [www.crs.org/](http://www.crs.org/) to donate and learn more.

### REMEMBER SOMEONE IN A SPECIAL WAY THIS EASTER 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 April 11. 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 April 11 will not appear on the Easter Flowers bulletin insert on April 17 (Easter Sunday).*

### Stewardship of Giving

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

#### January 2022

#### Sunday Giving

Sunday Giving \$ 94,433.10

Budgeted \$ 63,431.25

Surplus \$ 31,001.85

YTD Sunday Giving \$ 461,381.05

Budgeted \$ 453,618.75

Surplus \$ 7,762.30

#### Mortgage Reduction (as of 01.31.2022)

Loan Balance: \$ 3,104,143.57

YTD Collected Donations \$ 157,407.10

YTD Mortgage Pmt: \$ 157,227.35

Surplus \$ 179.75

Reserve Account Balance: \$ 210,989.25

**Thank you for your support!**



# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



## The Glory of God

God of our ancestors,  
your glory shines through  
all generations,  
and brings forth life.  
You offer us salvation in your Son,  
our Lord Jesus;  
in you we shall not fear.  
Strengthen our resolve to imitate  
your Son,  
speak of the power of your love,  
and share the good news.  
Help us stand firm  
and shine your light and love  
to all we encounter.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Deep and Real Prayer



*Today's readings: Genesis 15:5–12, 17–18; Psalm 27:1, 7–8, 8–9, 13–14; Philippians 3:17–4:1; Luke 9:28b–36.* In Luke's account of the Transfiguration, we hear these words: "Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray." The sole focus of the climb of the mountain was prayer.

What a stunning and revelatory moment it was for Peter, John, and James to experience Jesus praying deeply, changing in appearance, and even his clothes turning dazzling white. Seeing Jesus in his fullness, the apostles witnessed their friend's divinity. They were speechless when they heard God say, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him."

As we begin the second week of Lent, consider how Jesus prioritized prayer and the place it holds in your life.

Do you set aside time for prayer? Do you allow space to be silent before God? Examine your schedule to determine a time for prayer.

St. Paul tells us in the second reading that "our citizenship is in heaven." There, Christ will change our bodies to "conform with his glorified body." But he tells them first that they need to imitate the holy life that he has set before them, changing their focus from earthly things. Help yourself focus this week on heavenly things by praying the psalm from today and contemplating the refrain, "The Lord is my light and my salvation."



## THIS WEEK AT HOME

### Monday, March 14

#### Share Mercy

Today's Gospel calls us to "be merciful." Merciful actions beget mercy. "The measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you," Jesus tells the disciples. Act on one of the seven corporal works of mercy: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, visit the imprisoned, bury the dead, give alms to the poor. *Today's readings: Daniel 9:4b–10; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11; Luke 6:36–38.*

### Tuesday, March 15

#### Truly Humble

People often tout their accomplishments and their status. Jesus' message today is contrary to such behavior. He tells us that the greatest among us must be a servant, and that those who are humble will be exalted. Seek to be conscious of whether you are boastful. When we act as the person God created us to be, there is no need to boast, for each one of us is made in God's image and likeness. *Today's readings: Isaiah 1:10, 16–20; Psalm 50:8–9, 16bc–17, 21, and 23; Matthew 23:1–12.*

### Wednesday, March 16

#### Service

Jeremiah was a young prophet. When first called by God, he didn't want the job. He knew it would be tough to challenge people who were not following God's ways. Christians today can be wary of taking on their call as disciples. Jesus asks us to serve without seeking favor. For many of us such service is difficult. How will you follow Jesus today by serving others? *Today's readings: Jeremiah 18:18–20; Psalm 31:5–6, 14, 15–16; Matthew 20:17–28.*

### Thursday, March 17

#### Priorities

Lying at the rich man's door, Lazarus would have liked to receive any bit of food. The rich man did not heed the poor any more than he was attentive to Moses and the prophets. Many things vie for our attention. Where do you put your focus: on Christian teachings and Scripture or on more earthly things? Make a list today of your top ten priorities. Where does God fall on the list? *Today's readings: Jeremiah 17:5–10; Psalm 1:1–2, 3, 4, and 6; Luke 16:19–31.*

### Friday, March 18

#### Faith during Adversity

Jealousy, hatred, vengeful feelings are strong human emotions that can be at the root of poor choices. Cyril of Jerusalem, whose feast day is today, was treated unjustly by his contemporaries but remained faithful. He was the bishop of Jerusalem and later named a doctor of the church. He is known for his homilies that prepared catechumens for initiation into the Church. *Today's readings: Genesis 37:3–4, 12–13a, 17b–28a; Psalm 105:16–17, 18–19, 20–21; Matthew 21:33–43, 45–46.*

### Saturday, March 19

#### St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary

As we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we hear in the Gospel that Joseph is "a righteous man" unwilling to expose Mary to shame. When an angel visited Joseph in a dream, he showed great trust and confidence in God's plan for him and Mary. Joseph is the patron of the universal Church. Pray through the intercession of St. Joseph today, mindful of his example of faith. *Today's readings: 2 Samuel 7:4–5a, 12–14a, 16; Psalm 89:2–3, 4–5, 27, and 29; Romans 4:13, 16–18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18–21, 24a.*

