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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.

APRIL 03, 2022 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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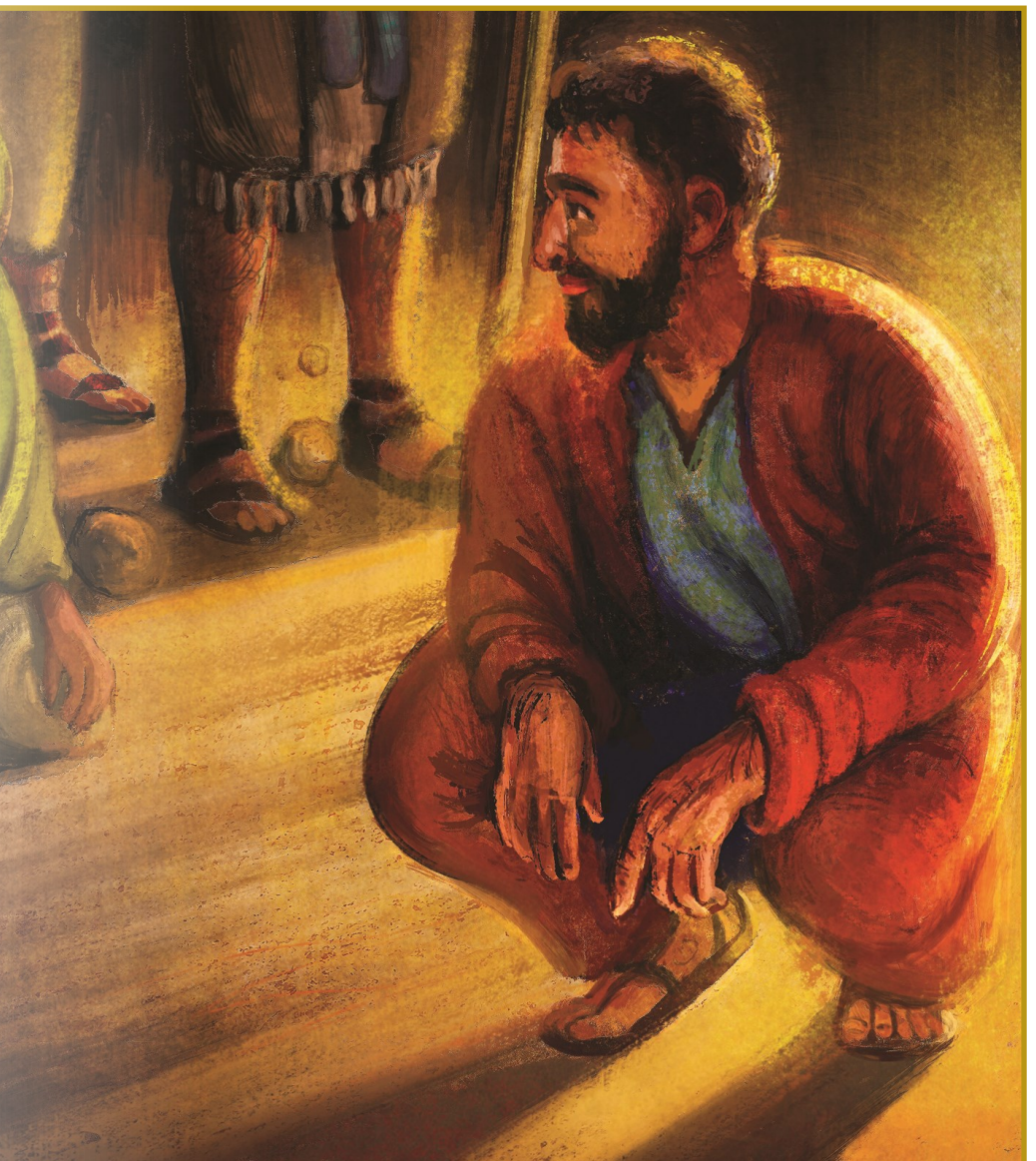
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Saturday 4:30 PM | Sunday 8:45 & 10:30 AM (ASL) | Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We hear the Year A Scripture readings at 8:45 AM Mass this weekend. The Gospel reading from John, chapter 11, tells of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. This miracle foreshadows the resurrection of Jesus and our own resurrection. As we read in Scripture, “are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection.” (Rom 6:3-5)

We hear the Year C Scripture readings at 4:30 PM and 10:30 AM Mass this weekend. The Gospel reading comes from John, chapter 8. It is the story of a woman caught in the act of adultery. According to Deuteronomy 22:22, “If a man is discovered lying with a woman who is married to another, they both shall die, the man who was lying with the woman as well as the woman.” We might ask, “Where is the man who was caught in the act of adultery with this woman? Why is he not forced to stand before Jesus, too?” Two possible answers are: a) there is a double standard here, and only the woman is seen as guilty, and the scribes and Pharisees let the man go free; b) maybe this is a false accusation against the woman, and the adultery never happened. Neither of these answers proves very satisfying. In the end, we are left with the accused woman standing before Jesus. What will Jesus do next? I found an interesting commentary by Sister Melanie Svoboda:

“The scribes and Pharisees wanted Jesus to focus on the woman, the sinner. Jesus instead focuses on them, for they are also sinners! The accusers wanted Jesus to focus on adultery. Instead, he highlights other more insidious and deadly sins: judgmentalism, self-righteousness, prejudice, deviousness, pride, gossip, conniving, and callousness. The accusers have equated the woman with her sin. But Jesus distinguishes between the sinner and the sin. He knows everyone is more than the wrong they do.”

(Sister Melannie Svoboda, Sister of Notre Dame, Sunflower Seeds, March 16, 2015; melanniesvobodasnd.org/the-woman-caught-in-adultery)

We are reminded in this Gospel reading to be self-aware of our own sins before we accuse and condemn other people for their sins. After we acknowledge our sins and receive God’s forgiveness, we can better show mercy to other people.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for April 2022: Health Care Workers. We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

St. Pascal’s Women’s Club Gertens Spring Plant Sale—Now through April 7!

In-person order assistance after all Masses April 2-3.

Need help with your order? Come find us after Mass in Brioschi Hall, place an order and get some great plants. *Payment is due at the time of order.*

You can also place your order from the comfort of your home—go to gertensfundraising.com and enter the Women’s Club store #447. *Ordering closes April 7 at 10:00 PM—no exceptions.*

We have over 90 beautiful choices—hanging flower baskets, patio containers, bedding flowers, vegetables and perennials. We will also have a donation box for plants for the Marian Center. You can pick up your order after all Masses on the weekend of May 14-15.

If you have any questions, please contact Ellen Aeling at 651.307.8241 or ellenoaeling@gmail.com. Please support the St. Pascal’s Women’s Club!

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

Step 4 of our JustFaith Journey

Immigration is a vast subject with many components. Our discussions during our JustFaith journey focused on the relationship between immigration and poverty. We are learning how poverty affects migration throughout the world and how U.S. immigration policy keeps certain individuals and families in poverty. How do we benefit when others like immigrants are not paid just wages? If you want to learn more, we suggest you research what it takes to immigrate to the U.S. and to become a citizen. It is not nearly as easy as you think. We ask that you pray for us as we continue on this journey and discern how we are being called to work for justice. Questions: Contact Ann Karner at akarner24@gmail.com. *JustFaith is sponsored by the Social Justice and Caring Committee and the Adult Faith Committee.*

April Collection: CRS Rice Bowls

For the month of April, we are taking a break from collecting material items for local charities and encourage you to donate to CRS Rice Bowls, which is our parish Lenten almsgiving opportunity:

Making a Difference. Hunger impacts millions of women, men and children around the world. Throughout Lent we have encountered communities in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda that are overcoming this problem so their members can have brighter futures. How is your community working to address hunger or other injustices locally and globally? Visit crs.org/ to donate and learn more. At the end of Lent, you can turn in your donations in one of three ways:

1. Bring your CRS Rice bowl to St. Pascal’s during Holy Week or Easter Week.
2. Convert your Rice Bowl gifts to a check made out to St. Pascal Baylon. Be sure to note it is for CRS Rice Bowl and then drop it off or mail to the parish.
3. Donate directly to Catholic Relief Services at www.crsricebowl.org/give

“No one has ever become poor by giving.”

—Anne Frank

— In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

Raymond Daniel Wosniak

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 —

Middle School Science Fair

We are happy to announce the successful completion of our Science Fair in the middle school. Students in 5th through 8th grade worked diligently during science class and at home to design, execute, and present an experiment of their choosing. Then, they displayed their projects in the Old Church from March 22 - 31 for a panel of judges to evaluate their work as well as for parents and other students to see the completed projects during conferences. The grand prize winner was Trenton Patzwald (7th). First place ribbons were awarded to the following students: Will Oliver (8th), Nicholas Crist (6th), Jakob Stuhl (6th), Joanna Velez (6th), Andrea Araujo (5th), Meredith Ryther (5th), and Jackson Schweitzer (5th). We are very proud of everything that the middle school students have accomplished and want to thank our science teachers, Ms. Allen and Ms. Young, for all of their hard work in making the Science Fair a success. Check out Facebook and Instagram for pictures from the fair.

Evening with An Author: Lorna Landvik

A St. Pascal's Women's Book Club Special Event
Monday, April 18 at 7:00 PM in Brioschi Hall
Lorna Landvik, is a Minnesota author of several novels, including the best-selling *Patty Jane's House of Curl*, *Angry Housewives Eating Bon Bons*, and the book to be discussed, *Chronicles of a Radical Hag*. This book reminds us (sometimes with a subtle touch, sometimes with gob smacking humor) of the power of words and of silence, as well as the wonder of finding in each other what we never even knew we were missing. FREE but reservations are required. To RSVP, visit stpascals.org/parish-news or call the parish office.

"She read books as one would breathe air, to fill up and live."

—Annie Dillard

The Men's Club Lenten Fish Fry: Friday, April 8 is the Final Fish Fry of 2022!

4:30 to 7:00 PM in Brioschi Hall. (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 —

Congratulations to Our Confirmandi

Congratulations to our youth being confirmed this weekend at the Cathedral of St. Paul.

Natalie Fernlund
Caitlyn Flanagan
Sean Matter
Karah Smieja
Olivia Slater

May the Holy Spirit guide and inspire them in their lives of faith.

— ADULT FAITH FORMATION —

The Koran and Interpretation in Islam with John Bellaimey

Tuesday, April 26 at 6:30 PM in Brioschi Hall

For over a billion Muslims worldwide, the Koran is their sacred book of scripture. Rev. John Bellaimey will help us understand how the Koran came to be and its development over time. We will explore a few differences between the same stories in the Old Testament and in the Koran. Also, how is the Koran read and understood by Muslims? Are there institutions and bodies of scholarly research that help guide the interpretation and study of the Koran, and what other ways does the Koran guide and affect the spirituality of Muslims? Join us for an educational and awareness-raising night.

John Bellaimey is a native Detroiter, writer, Episcopal priest, and a recently retired teacher. He taught World Religions, Biblical Literature, and Ethics at Breck School in Minneapolis from 1989 until 2021. For many years he has been on the advisory board of the Islamic Resource Group of Minnesota. John received his Master of Divinity degree in Religion and Secondary Education from Harvard. He is the author of the book The Tree of World Religions and has produced multiple TED-Ed lesson videos.

Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Committee

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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

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Bulletin Notices

Due 3:00 PM Monday
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Mass Announcements

Due 3:00 PM Tuesday
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Mass Times & Intentions

Readings April 03, 2022

Tuesday, April 05

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Wednesday, April 06

8:00 AM + Rev. Marvin Klaers

Thursday, April 07

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Friday, April 08

8:00 AM + Don Hensel

Saturday, April 09

4:30 PM + Rosemary & Thomas
Quayle

Sunday, April 10

Palm Sunday

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Carlos & Emilia Calubayan

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: *5th Sunday of Lent*

Is 43:16-21

Ps 126:1-6

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11

Monday:

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30,
33-62

Ps 23:1-6

Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday:

Nm 21:4-9

Ps 102:2-3, 16-21

Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday:

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95

(Ps) Dn 3:52-56

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday:

Gn 17:3-9

Ps 105:4-9

Jn 8:51-59

Friday:

Jer 20:10-13

Ps 18:2-7

Jn 10:31-42

Saturday:

Ez 37:21-28

(Ps) Jer 31:10-13

Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday:

Palm Sunday

Lk 19:28-40

Is 50:4-7

Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

Phil 2:6-11

Lk 22:14—23:56

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, April 3—Lent 5

After Masses Women's Club Spring Plant Sale: Brioschi Hall

11:45am Palm Sunday Proclaimer Practice: Church

Monday, April 4

6:30pm JustFaith: Zoom

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, April 5

6:30pm Pastoral Council: Zoom

Wednesday, April 6

11:15am Rosary: Church

6:30pm Choir: Church

6:30pm RCIA: Founders Room

6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus

Thursday, April 7

6:30pm Spirit Song: Church

6:30pm SJCC: Zoom

Friday, April 8

9:00am Fish Fry Setup: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen

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

7:00pm Stations of the Cross: Church

Saturday, April 9

8:00am Palm Sunday Decorating: Church

9:00am Holy Thursday Practice: Church

10:00am Easter Vigil Practice: Church

11:00am Easter Vigil Proclaimer Practice: Church

Sunday, April 10—Palm Sunday

No scheduled events

75th Anniversary Dinner and Event

Please be aware that this event is filling up fast and if you would like to attend, you need to register soon! Visit stpascals.org/parish-news or call the parish office to register. Registration is required. We cannot accommodate walk-ins.

This event is sponsored by anonymous parishioners and there is NO cost to the attendees or to the parish.

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).

Special Collections Update

Help For Ukraine

Many thanks to the parish community for your generous donations to Catholic Relief Services for Ukraine.

We raised \$3,777 over the past two weekends to benefit those in need in the Ukraine and those who help them.

If you missed our weekend special collections but would still like to help, please donate directly through their website:

support.crs.org/donate/donate-ukraine

Parish Fund-a-Need: Water Mitigation 2022

Donations as of 3/28:

\$11,945.00	Online, cash and checks
\$11,300.00	Endowment Stipend
\$23,245.00	Total to date 3/28
\$23,245.00	Matching Grant
\$46,490.00	Total Raised

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



An Inward Gaze

Loving and merciful God,
you are steadfast and unwavering
in drawing us to yourself.
Hold us in mercy
as we look within
and discover how we need to change.

Give us the courage
to eliminate all judgment from our hearts.
Grant us the grace
to continue moving toward
what lies ahead, being one with you.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, April 3, 2022 No Judgment, Know Jesus



Today's readings: Isaiah 43:16–21; Psalm 126:1–2, 2–3, 4–5, 6; Philippians 3:8–14; John 8:1–11. Jesus' lesson to the crowd early in the morning changed when a woman was brought before him. Placing the woman in the middle of the crowd, the Pharisees tested Jesus by stating the charge of adultery and the punishment: "Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?"

The few words Jesus used, along with his actions, taught the crowd about withholding judgment and showing compassion. Challenging the Pharisees to look within themselves, Jesus responded: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." To the woman, he showed compassion and support, telling her, "Neither do I

condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore." Those who tried to entrap the Lord left one by one. The woman was able to walk away with her dignity restored.

God may work in unexpected ways but always acts with justice and compassion. Even in the desert, in a difficult relationship, in the middle of struggle and distress, God can make a way for us that leads to joy and fulfillment. Jesus invites us to look within and make needed changes so that we grow in holiness and steadfast faith. As followers of Christ, we are to mirror his actions by withholding judgment and acting compassionately.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, April 4 I Know, Do You?

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "I know where I came from and where I am going." In the first reading, from Daniel, Susanna clearly knows who she is, and stands firm though she knows she will face serious consequences for her righteous decision. As you make your way through the week, notice how you claim your identity as a Christian in your words and actions. *Today's readings: Daniel 13:1–9, 15–17, 19–30, 33–62 or 13:41c–62; Psalm 23:1–3a; 3b–4, 5, 6; John 8:12–20.*

Tuesday, April 5 He Spoke

Many came to believe because of the way Jesus spoke. He taught with a new authority and he spoke with words rooted in the Father. His direct and assured manner of relating to others attracted followers looking for the truth and repelled those who wanted to remain in power. Does the way you speak attract people to Christianity? *Today's readings: Numbers 21:4–9; Psalm 102:2–3, 16–18, 19–21; John 8:21–30.*

Wednesday, April 6 Be Set Free

All of us sin, and at some points in our lives, may become slaves to sin. Jesus shares his life with us, sets us free from sin, and invites us to live in the truth. The sacrament of reconciliation allows people to begin anew in freedom each time sins are confessed. Set a time for you and your family to receive this sacrament of healing. *Today's readings: Daniel 3:14–20, 91–92, 95; Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; John 8:31–42.*

Thursday, April 7 Life in the Covenant

Over and over again, Jesus is challenged by the authorities, and, repeatedly, he shares that he is who he says he is. He is the new covenant, and in him we receive eternal life. The Lord keeps his covenant forever. Journal today about how you keep your side of the covenant with the Lord. Do you attend Mass, pray regularly, offer service, work for justice? *Today's readings: Genesis 17:3–9; Psalm 105:4–5, 6–7, 8–9; John 8:51–59.*

Friday, April 8 The Lord Is with Us

Long before Jesus gets to Jerusalem and endures his passion, leaders try to trap him and find reasons to arrest him. Jeremiah deals with similar persecution. Even in the darkness of terror and wickedness, God is present with us. Pray the stations of the cross with your parish family, or in your home today. *Today's readings: Jeremiah 20:10–13; Psalm 18:2–3a, 3bc–4, 5–6, 7; John 10:31–42.*

Saturday, April 9 Where Am I?

Holy Week begins tomorrow. The time has come for Jesus to move toward Jerusalem. Take stock of your Lent so far. Have you made any changes in your life? How is your prayer life as compared to the beginning of this season? Write down several spiritual goals as we step into the most holy of weeks in our tradition. Make plans to set aside time to participate in the services of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. *Today's readings: Ezekiel 37:21–28; Jeremiah 31:10, 11–12abcd, 13; John 11:45–56.*

