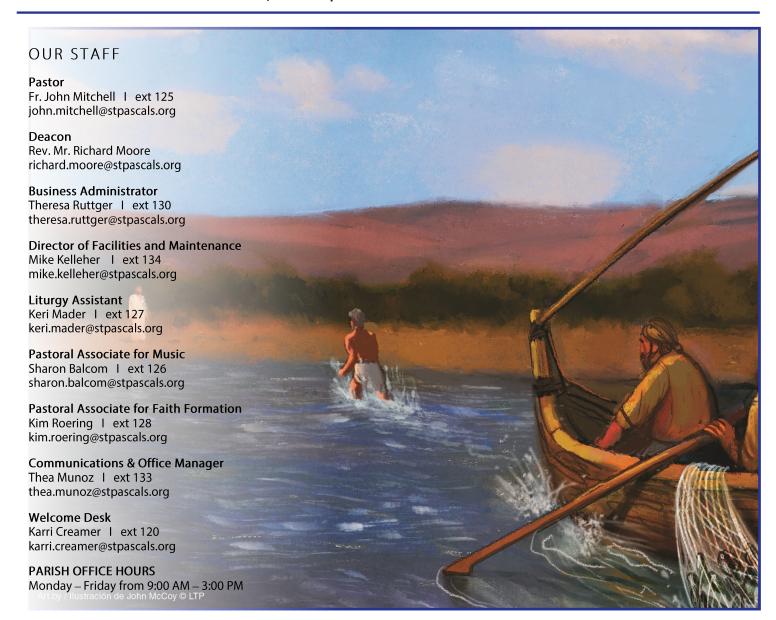


CELEBRATING 75 YEARS | 1946-2021

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.

MAY 1, 2022 | THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

School Masses open to parishioners and visitors. From May 4 – June 8, St. Pascal Regional Catholic School Masses on Wednesdays at 9:30 AM are open to parishioners, visitors and friends. Visitors are asked to sit in the pews in the back half of church because the students and teachers sit in the front half.

Our 75th Parish Anniversary Dinner last Saturday, April 23 was a lot of fun. Thank you to our generous sponsors, to everyone who worked on the event, and to all who attended and made the evening so wonderful.

A passage in the Gospel reading last Sunday caught my attention: "On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst..." (John 20:19). As I mentioned in my homily last weekend, I wish to caution us against the implication from the phrase "for fear of the Jews" that there is something to be feared about Jewish people. We have nothing to fear from our Jewish brothers and sisters. In fact, in her "Declaration on the Relation of the Church to Non-Christian Religions" (Nostrae Aetate) published on October 28, 1965 during the Second Vatican Council, the Catholic Church stated: "the Church acknowledges that, according to God's saving design, the beginnings of her faith and her election are found already among the Patriarchs, Moses and the prophets... The Church, therefore, cannot forget that she received the revelation of the Old Testament through the Jewish people with whom God entered the Ancient Covenant... the Apostles, as well as most of the early disciples who proclaimed Christ's Gospel to the world, sprang from the Jewish people... Since the spiritual history common to Christians and Jews is thus so great, the Church wants to foster and recommend that mutual understanding and respect which is the fruit, above all, of biblical and theological studies as well as of fraternal dialogues... What happened in the Passion and death of Jesus cannot be charged against all the Jews, without distinction, then alive, nor against the Jews of today... Jewish people should not be presented as rejected or accursed by God. Furthermore, in her rejection of every persecution against any person, the Church, mindful of the tradition she shares with the Jewish people, decries hatred, persecutions, displays of anti-Semitism, directed against Jews at any time and by anyone. The Church reproves, as foreign to the mind of Christ, any discrimination against people or harassment of them because of their race, color, condition of life, or religion" (Nostrae Aetate, paragraphs 4 and 5).

Looking ahead:

May 7-8: Mother's Day Weekend

May 14-15: First Eucharist Weekend

May 21-22: Anointing of the Sick at all weekend Masses

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for May 2022: Faith-Filled Young People.

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

Fund-a-Need Update: We are grateful for your incredible response to this need! Thanks to your generosity and a magnificent matching gift of \$50,000, the total raised for the 2022 Fund-a-Need is \$118,108. The steeple, sanctuary, main worship space, and baptismal area roofs will be replaced, ensuring a water-tight building for many years to come. Contracts are signed and demolition of the existing four roofs will begin Thursday, May 5. Weather permitting, Anchor Roofing will complete the project in less than a week. Our roofers need a staging/dumpster area, so our parking lot capacity will be less for the May 7/8 weekend Masses.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING

Step 8 of our JustFaith Journey

"Preferential option for the poor" refers to a trend throughout the Bible of preference being given to the well-being of the poor and powerless of society in the teachings and commands of God. It is a term often used by Pope Francis. Catholic Social Teaching calls each of us to care for the vulnerable and marginalized by providing such things as food, clothing, housing, health care, and job assistance. This is charity. We are also called to work to change the systems that perpetuate poverty. This is called systemic change. Charity comes easily to many of us. Systemic change requires more effort. In our last session of Faith and Poverty: A Justice Response we will be discussing ways in which we can individually and collectively work for systemic change. Please pray that God will guide us to make wise decisions and give us the grace to act upon them. Questions? Contact Ann Karner akarner24@gmail.com.

JustFaith is sponsored by the Social Justice and Caring Committee and the Adult Faith Committee.

May Collection: Brittany's Place

In May, the following 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.

NEW CLOTHING (Sizing: Women's SM-LG)

- Plain white or black t-shirts
- Socks, Boxers
- Sweatshirts and sweatpants
- Pajama pants/sets
- Slippers & fuzzy socks (size 5-12)

TOILETRIES & PERSONAL CARE

- Bathroom caddies/loofahs
- Towels and wash cloths
- Body wash/lotion
- Toothpaste
- Hairbrushes/combs/picks
- Hair ties/headbands/clips

SHELTER SUPPLIES

Twin sheet sets/blankets/pillows (New)

Baptized in Christ -

We welcome into our community of faith

Alexander Kamuga Ngocho child of Anthony and Wendy Sophia Elizabeth Charland child of Joseph and Christina

who were recently Baptized in our church. May God bless this household of faith.

REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

Pam Campbell to be Honored at Our School Mass

Wednesday, May 4 at 9:30 AM

All parishioners are welcome to attend the May 4 School Mass when Pam Campbell will be honored for her 39 years of teaching. After Mass, join us for a reception for Pam with donuts and beverages in Brioschi Hall.

"A heartfelt farewell to St. Pascal's family. After 39 years of teaching, I am closing my lesson plan book and beginning a new phase of my life. I am so grateful to the St. Pascal's community for allowing me to be a part of this school for 39 years. I was baptized at St. Pascals, attended school here, and my daughter followed in the St. Pascal tradition. This church and school have truly been a significant part of my life for years. I thank all my colleagues and students for supporting me throughout my career. I am blessed to have gained many true friends. I will not be gone for good; I hope to be back in the Fall to help out subbing, volunteering and tutoring."

--Pam Campbell

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"Thanks Mom, for Life!" Mother's Day Flower Sale

May 7 & 8 at the table in the Gathering Space Honor your mom or another special person in your life with a corsage, African violet or Birthright long-stemmed rose. Flowers will be available before and after all Masses on Mother's Day weekend (May 7 & 8).

> Orchid Corsage: \$8.00 African Violet: \$7.00 Long-stemmed Rose: \$5.00

Proceeds from the sale will benefit MCCL (Minnesota Citizen Concerned for Life), Options for Women East and Birthright.

FAITH FORMATION

Pre-baptism Session

Monday, May 16 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.

Faith Formation Registration NOW OPEN for 2022-2023

Wednesday Evening Faith Formation

Open to all children of St. Pascal's who attend public schools.

Forms are available on the parish website. Note that there are 3 forms to be completed:

- 1. FAMILY INFORMATION FORM (1 per family)
- 2. INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM (1 per child enrolling)
- SOCIAL MEDIA AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION PERMISSION (1 per child enrolling)

Registrations are due August 1st! Please register early to help us allocate appropriate space and materials for each group. Fees will not be collected until after August 1.

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

Children in grade 2 and older during the 2022-23 school year whose families belong to St. Pascal's are welcome to prepare for and celebrate First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Registration forms and information are now available on the parish website. Registrations are due by August 1st. For more information contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

Fall Festival: September 2022

After a two year hiatus, we are exploring options and possibilities for a Fall Festival celebration in September. If you'd like to add your good energy to the effort, please contact Theresa in the parish office.

St. Pascal's Kickoff to Summer: Saturday, May 28 from 5:30-8:30 PM

Join us for a casual evening of food, music, and games as we celebrate the beginning of summer! There is no cost to the event, but registration is requested. Please call the parish office or use the SignUp Genius link on the parish website so we can plan for food. A freewill offering will be taken. *Sponsored by Parish Life and Activities Committee*.

Learn more about the newly formed Parish Life and Activites Committee in future bulletins. This is a new endeavor of the parish council, whose purpose is to provide opportunities for community-building. If you are interested in joining the group or sharing ideas with the committee, contact Kim Roering.

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 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

Mass Announcements

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

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Mass Times & Intentions	Readings May 01, 2022
Tuesday, May 03	Sunday:
8:00 AM Joseph Robinette	3rd Sunday of Easter Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41
Wednesday, May 04	Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
8:00 AM The people of the parish	Rv 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19
Thursday, May 05	Monday:
8:00 AM The people of the parish	Acts 6:8-15
Friday, May 06	Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29
8:00 AM Men's Club	Tuesday:
Saturday, May 07	1 Cor 15:1-8
4:30 PM The people of the parish	Ps 19:2-5 Jn 14:6-14
Sunday, May 08	Wednesday:
8:45 AM + Edward Graw	Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a
10:30 AM + Generosa Limbag	Jn 6:35-40
St. Pascal's Women's Book Club Have you ever thought about coming to the St. Pascal's Women's	Thursday: Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51
Book Club? We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM	Friday: Acts 9:1-20

Have you ever thought about coming to the St. Pascal's Women's Book Club? We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Staff Lounge, located near the Conway entrance. You can come as often as your schedule allows. On May 9 we will discuss *Tess of the D'Urbervilles* by Thomas Hardy; and on June 13 we'll share our thoughts about *Chasing Fireflies: A novel of Discovery* by Charles Martin.

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

—Annie Dillard

Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc-2 Jn 6:52-59

Saturday:

Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-17 Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday:

4th Sunday of Easter
Acts 13:14, 43-52
Ps 100:1-3, 5
Rv 7:9, 14b-17
Jn 10:27-30

Stewardship of Giving

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

March 2022

Sunday Giving

Monthly Giving	\$ 58,139.94	YTD Giving	\$ 583,541.67
Budgeted	\$ 63,764.58	Budgeted	\$ 583,418.26
Deficit	\$ - 5,624.64	Surplus	\$ 123.41

Mortgage Reduction (as of 03.31.2022)

Loan Balance:	\$ 3	3,077,499.97
Principal:	\$	13,102.40
Interest:	\$	9,358.65
Monthly Payment:	\$	22,461.05
YTD Collected Donations	\$	204,619.44
YTD Payment:	\$	202,149.45
Surplus:	\$	2,469.99
Reserve Account Balance:	\$	213,176.05
# of payments from Reserve	e:	9

Thank you for your support!

THE WEEKS AHEAD -

Sunday, May 1

11:45am Baptism (Peterson family): Church 12:00pm Confirmation I: Staff Lounge

Monday, May 2

1:00pm Bloodmobile: Brioschi Hall

6:30pm JustFaith: Zoom

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Staff Lounge

Tuesday, May 3

11:00am Funeral for Marcie Ellis: Gathering Space, Church

6:30pm Pastoral Council: Zoom

Wednesday, May 4

9:30am SPRCS Mass: Church

10:15am Reception for Pam Campbell: Brioschi Hall

11:15am Rosary: Church 6:30pm Choir: Church

7:30pm Men's Club Softball: Brioschi Hall

Thursday, May 5 - Saturday, May 7 7:00am Roof work: Flandrau Lot

Thursday, May 5

8:00am Mass in Chapel 6:30pm Spirit Song: Church 6:30pm SJCC: Zoom

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

Friday, May 6

8:30am First Friday Fellowship

Saturday, May 7

After Mass Mother's Day Flower Sale: Gathering Space

Sunday, May 8—Mother's Day

Mind the roofing equipment in Flandrau Lot

After Masses Mother's Day Flower Sale: Gathering Space

Monday, May 9 - Wednesday, May 11 7:00am Roof work: Flandrau Lot

Monday, May 9

6:30pm JustFaith: Zoom

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

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, May 10

8:00am Mass in chapel

6:30pm 1st Eucharist Rehearsal: Church

Wednesday, May 11

9:30am SPRCS Mass: Church 11:15am Rosary: Church 6:30pm Choir: Church

7:30pm Men's Club Softball: Brioschi Hall

Thursday, May 12

6:30pm Spirit Song: Church

Friday, May 13

6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal (Karuganda/Gaju)

Saturday, May 14—1st Eucharist Weekend

8:00am Women's Club Spring Plant delivery: Brioschi Hall

2:00pm Wedding (Karuganda/Gaju) After Mass Fellowship: Brioschi Hall

After Mass Women's Club Spring Plant pickup: Brioschi Hall

Sunday, May 15—1st Eucharist Weekend

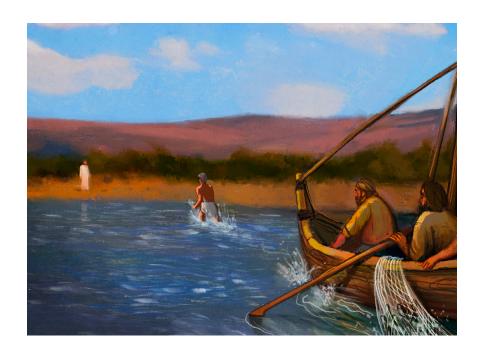
After Masses Fellowship: Brioschi Hall

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

11:45am Baptism (Vougrilaithoug Family): Church

12:00pm Baptism (Bjork Family): Church

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



To Be Faithful Witnesses

Almighty God, you reveal yourself in the ordinary moments of our day. Help us to open our eyes and our hearts to your presence that we may lead others to you. May we boldly and joyfully proclaim our love for you, in our words and actions.

Grant us the grace and the wisdom to be your faithful witnesses, unafraid to be called disciples.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, May 1, 2022 Do You Love Me?

Today's readings; Acts 5:27–32, 40b–41; Psalm 30:2, 4, 5–6, 11–12, 1; Revelation 5:11.–14; John 21:1–19. In the post-resurrection stories, Jesus shows up in ordinary places. Encountering his disciples and friends at routine tasks, he draws them into an extraordinary event and often breaks bread with them, opening their eyes to God in their midst. Today, in John's account of the Gospel, Jesus watches from the shore while the disciples fish. When he directs them where to cast their net, their catch is overwhelming. Immediately, the beloved disciple recognized Jesus, responding to the abundance by saying, "It is the Lord."

Jesus invites the disciples to breakfast and afterward quizzes Peter. Three times Jesus asks, "Simon, son of John,

do you love me more than these?" And to Peter's reply, Jesus says, "Feed my sheep." Peter was unsure why Jesus asked the same query thrice. Jesus, however, wanted to be sure that this apostle who had denied him three times was sure of his love.

Christ comes to us in the Scriptures and the Eucharist; he also shows up in the routines of our lives. He is found in kind words and actions of others, in prayer, and during unguarded moments of the day. He asks us the same question, "Do you love me?" Our response is found in the way we treat members of our family, neighbors, coworkers, and the marginalized.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, May 2 The Gift of Time

"Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life." Jesus' words invite us to consider whether our efforts are spent on what is lasting or whether time is devoted only to earthly pursuits. Where do you devote your time? How might you use it to serve and lift someone else up? *Today's readings: Acts 6:8–15; Psalm 119:23–24, 26–27, 29–30; John 6:22–29.*

Tuesday, May 3

Become What You Receive

When the crowd seeks a sign, Jesus replies, "I am the bread of life." The gift of the Eucharist, the Bread of Life, sustains and nourishes, while joining us to Christ and each other. St. Augustine directed Christians that, in receiving the Eucharist, "become what you are: the Body of Christ." This week when you receive the Eucharist, consider how you are joined with other members of the Body of Christ. Today's readings: 1 Corinthians 15:1–8; Psalm 19:2–3, 4–5; John 14:6–14.

Wednesday, May 4 Slow Down

Jesus tells the crowds, "I will not reject anyone who comes to me." Can you say the same thing? Consider the people who seek your attention during the day. Do you take time for them or are you in a hurry to get on to the next thing in your life? In our need to accomplish tasks, it can be easy to miss the opportunity to take in the gifts another offers. This week slow down to appreciate the people that God sends on your path. Be open to the chance to allow another to enrich your life. Say a prayer of gratitude for the people who have accepted and made time for you. *Today's readings: Acts* 8:1b-8; Psalm 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; John 6:35-40.

Thursday, May 5 The Gift of Baptism

In today's reading from Acts, first an angel of the Lord speaks to Philip, and then the Spirit directs him. With these prompts, Philip explains the Scriptures to an individual and then baptizes him. Have you ever felt nudged to do something? That may have occurred when you had an urge to contact a person. God continues to prompt his followers. In baptism, we are claimed by God and called to serve. Pray for the grace to be open to the opportunity that may come your way today. *Today's readings: Acts 8:26–40; Psalm 66:8–9, 16–17, 20; John 6:44–51.*

Friday, May 6 Real Presence

Faith is mysterious. The gift of faith is apparent in Ananias, who knows that Saul has persecuted Christians. This gift is apparent too in Saul, who regained his sight after Ananias laid hands on him. And this gift of faith allows us to believe that the real presence of Christ is in the Eucharist. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, as the priest says the Eucharistic Prayer, the substance of the bread and wine changes and becomes the Body and Blood of Christ. While participating at Mass, listen carefully to the words of consecration. *Today's readings: Acts 9:1–20; Psalm 117:1bc. 2; John 6:52–59.*

Saturday, May 7

What Would You Do?

When Jesus asks, "Do you also want to leave," Simon Peter responds, "Master, to whom shall we go?" Many of the disciples had found Jesus' teachings hard to accept and did not believe. Today also people struggle with belief. What is your response to Jesus' query, "Do you also want to go?" Do you acknowledge the Spirit and life in Jesus' words? *Today's readings: Acts 9:31–42; Psalm 116:12–13, 14–1, 16–17; John 6:60–69.*



