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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.

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 | TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM



Mass Times

Saturday 4:30 PM | Sunday 8:45 & 10:30 AM (ASL) | Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 AM; Wednesday 9:30 AM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Update on Tree Trench and Rain Garden Project: Tree Boxes Installed.

Thanks for your patience with our parking lot. The working crew needs the fenced off space in the parking lot for their machinery, supplies and other equipment. Eventually, we will have our parking spaces returned to us. This past week, cement tree boxes were installed in the middle of the tree trench after many truckloads of dirt were removed. There will be one tree planted in each tree box. The crews will line the tree trench area with fabric and prepare the area with drain tile. New dirt and rock will be installed in the tree trench to replace the dirt that was removed. The new dirt and rock are washed before they are installed to remove hazardous contaminants. The washed dirt and rock in the trench also allow the tree roots to have something to grow into and thrive under the parking lot. In addition to the tree trench in the middle of the parking lot, there will be a rain garden in the northwest corner of our parking lot.

Why is this project being done? The Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District approached us last Fall asking if we were open to the possibility of the RWMWD paying for and installing trees and a rain garden in our church parking lot to catch pollutants and slow the rainfall run-off from our parking lot. As the rainfall soaks into the tree trench and rain garden, this is considered the first flush of rainfall and captures the most pollutants. The tree trench and rain garden will remove phosphorus, suspended solids, and other pollutants that are in the rainwater that falls on the parking lot.

RWMWD offers stewardship grants to residents of the watershed district who are interested in installing water quality or native planting projects. Visit their website (rwmwd.org) to determine if you live within the Ramsey-Washington Watershed District and learn more about the assistance offered through the Stewardship Grant Program. You may also call 651.792.7950.

The tree trench and rain garden are two ways that our parish can cooperate with county departments such as the RWMWD to care for our common home. As Pope Francis stated in 2018:

“Dear brothers and sisters—on this Day of Prayer, I wish first to thank the Lord for the gift of our common home and for all those men and women of good will committed to protecting it. I am likewise grateful for the many projects aimed at promoting the study and the safeguarding of ecosystems, for the efforts being made to develop more sustainable agriculture and more responsible nutrition, and for the various educational, spiritual and liturgical initiatives that involve Christians throughout the world in the care of creation. It must be acknowledged that we have not succeeded in responsibly protecting creation. The environmental situation, both on the global level and in many specific places, cannot be considered satisfactory. Rightly, there is a growing sense of the need for a renewed and sound relationship between humanity and creation, and the conviction that only an authentic and integral vision of humanity will permit us to take better care of our planet for the benefit of present and future generations.” (*World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, September 1, 2018.*)

Blessing of the Animals on Saturday, October 1 at 10:00 AM. We will meet in the church parking lot near Door 3. You are invited to bring your dog, cat or other pet animal for this blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi whose feast day is October 4. Saint Francis is the patron saint of animals, ecology and merchants.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for September 2022: *For the abolition of the death penalty.* We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

St. Pascal's-Merrick Food Distribution

Monday, September 26 from 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Curbside pickup in the main church parking lot (Third Street/Flandrau Avenue). Monthly food distributions are on the 4th Monday of the month. *No residency or parish membership requirements.*

We welcome any new volunteers to join our group of dynamic folks! We can use help for the following tasks: Unload the food from Merrick at 1:30, pack food bags at 2:00, distribute food curbside at Door 4 at 3:30. To learn more or volunteer, please contact Mary Weyandt at mary.weyandt@mac.com.

Thank you for donating paper and plastic grocery bags, and we have a great supply. *We need cloth grocery bags for visitors who come on foot or by scooter or bike.* Please place them in the donation closet.

Faith In Action:

Preferential Option for the Poor

What is meant by “preferential option for the poor”? To understand the term, it is helpful to see the world through the eyes of those who are truly poor. While prudence dictates caution, when was the last time any of us has taken the time to actually speak to a person who is homeless? Have you spent time with a guest at the Dorothy Day Center or at Listening House? These poorest of the poor are loved in a special way by God. We put our faith into action when we show our Christian love by engaging with those whose lives are very different from ours. Give it a try and you may find more similarities than you expect. Once we see the world through their eyes, we may be moved to action in surprising ways.

Share Your Produce Donation Table

Is your garden bursting with more produce than you can use? Bring your excess to church through Sunday, October 2 and place it on the table in the Gathering Space. Anyone longing for fresh garden produce, but not an active gardener, is welcome to take whatever can be used. Hopefully we will get lots of zucchini, cucumbers, tomatoes and the like. Not expecting any pineapples! Contact julieludden@live.com.

— In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

Donna Mae Chapp

John “Jack” Arland

who were recently buried from our church. We extend our sincere sympathy to their families and friends, and pray for their souls’ eternal peace.

— REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS —

We Believe, Learn, Love and Connect

We are in our second year of striving to live out our four pillars of BELIEVE, LEARN, LOVE, and CONNECT. We developed these four pillars to communicate, celebrate, and continue to foster all the amazing work that happens at St. Pascal Regional every day. Over the next four weeks, the staff and students will be learning about (or revisiting) each pillar with a series of activities and events. Last week, students learned about the BELIEVE pillar and all the ways that St. Pascal Regional is working to instill a strong Catholic identity in our students. Last week's highlights were the new middle school students received blessed bibles at Mass, families enjoyed a pizza night and bake sale on Thursday and we ended the week with a prayer circle attended by the whole school. Stay tuned for more information about the other three pillars in the coming weeks.

St. Pascal's Women's Club 2022 Poinsettias (and more) Fundraiser

Our store is open! Now through 10:00 PM on Thursday, October 20.

To place your order, go to gertensfundraising.com and enter our **Store ID #447**. Place your order early for best selection! Some items have limited quantities and do sell out. *No orders can be accepted after the site has closed.*

Buying online is convenient—but if you want assistance with your order, Women's Club members will be available to help after all Masses on *October 1-2 and 15-16*. Flowers will be available for pick up on *November 19-20* at all Masses. For questions or assistance, please contact Ellen Aeling at 651.307.8241.

Parish Finance Council: Join Us!

The purpose of the Finance Council is to help review the monthly financial reports of the parish with the pastor and business administrator and to help manage the physical assets of the parish. We compare the monthly reports to the budget and to the same period the previous year. We ask questions and give advice about anything new or unexpected. It is a good way to gain a deeper understanding of the finances for the parish community.

We are looking for several new members. We meet on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM via Zoom. Meetings go about 1-1 ½ hours, so there is not a huge time commitment. Please consider helping the parish with this important function. Financial expertise is not required. Basic training on how to read financial reports will be provided upon request.

Please contact Mike Aeling at mjaeling@gmail.com or 651.307.8237 to learn more or to discuss your possible participation. You can also contact Theresa or Fr. John in the parish office at 651.774.1585.

Men's Club Fall Booya Drive-Thru—Sunday, October 16 10:00 AM until gone

Come early—it goes fast! The cost is \$18.00 per 4-scoop container (48 oz.)

To help ease the crowd at the drive-thru, this year we will be PRE-SELLING tickets to parishioners for the 4-scoop containers of booya—you don't need to wait in line or worry about the booya running out.

Buy your tickets on the weekend of October 8-9 in the Gathering Space, then pick up your booya near the Founders Room any time after 10:00 AM on October 16 without having to wait in the line outside. *If you want to pick up inside, you must pre-order.*

The drive-thru event is also open to the public and anyone who does not pre-purchase their booya.

— ADULT FAITH FORMATION —

Fall Bible Studies Are On!

We are moving forward with Fall Bible studies ***beginning the week of October 9***. These will be in person.

The study is *Living for a Just Society* from the Six Weeks with the Bible series published by Loyola Press. It is described as follows: "God is always working to bring about social justice in the world, and He invites us to join him. Living for a just society encourages each of us to take a more active role in social justice, across the street and around the world."

Groups/times available are:

Tuesdays, 8:45 - 10:15 AM OR 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Thursdays, 9:30 - 11:00 AM

If you would like to join one of the groups, ***please register by October 5***. Suggested fee is \$15/person. Forms are available in the kiosks, or contact Kim Roering at 651.432.4958 or kim.roering@stpascals.org.

C O N T A C T U S

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

Ann Karner, 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

One pre-baptismal session is required.
To register for a pre-baptismal session 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 5:00 PM Monday
thea.munoz@stpascals.org

Mass Announcements

Due 12:00 PM Tuesday
keri.mader@stpascals.org

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Mass Times & Intentions

Readings September 25, 2022

Tuesday, September 27

8:00 AM + Gerry Kilroy

Wednesday, September 28

9:30 AM + George Leier

Thursday, September 29

8:00 AM + Jack Arland

Friday, September 30

8:00 AM + Fr. Mike Byron

Saturday, October 1

4:30 PM + Catherine Stuhl

Sunday, October 2

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Don Hensel

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:

Am 6:1a, 4-7

Ps 146:7-10

1 Tm 6:11-16

Lk 16:19-31

Monday:

Jb 1:6-22

Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7

Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday:

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23

Ps 88:2-8

Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday:

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16

Ps 88:10bc-15

Lk 9:57-62

Thursday:

Dan 7:9-10, 13-14

Ps 138:1-5

Jn 1:47-51

Friday:

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5

Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14b

Lk 10:13-16

Saturday:

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17

Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91,
125, 130

Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday:

Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Ps 95:1-2, 6-9

2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

Lk 17:5-10

Stewardship of Giving

Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

August 2022

Sunday Giving

Giving	\$ 42,200.88	YTD Giving	\$ 95,647.73
Budgeted	\$ <u>69,458.30</u>	YTD Budgeted	\$ <u>138,916.64</u>
Deficit	\$ -27,257.42	YTD Deficit	\$ -43,268.91

Mortgage Reduction (as of 08.31.2022)

Loan Balance:	\$ 2,982,378.11
Principal:	\$ 12,248.02
Interest:	\$ <u>10,213.03</u>
Monthly Payment	\$ 22,461.05
YTD Collected Donations	\$ 36,284.07
YTD Payment:	\$ <u>44,922.10</u>
Deficit	\$ -8,638.03

Reserve Account Balance: \$ 214,196.02

of payments from Reserve: 10

Thank you for your support!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, September 25

No scheduled events

Monday, September 26

1:00pm Merrick Setup: Brioschi Hall

3:30pm Merrick Food Distribution: Flandrau lot

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, September 27

No scheduled events

Wednesday, September 28

9:00am Rosary: Church

9:30am School Mass: Church

6:30pm Choir: Church

6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus

Thursday, September 29

6:00pm Spirit Song: Church

Friday, September 30

No scheduled events

Saturday, October 1

10:00am Blessing of the Animals: Flandrau Lot

After Mass Cub Scout Popcorn Sale: Gathering Space

After Mass Veteran's Dinner Ticket Sales: Gathering Space

After Mass Women's Club Poinsettia Order asst.: Brioschi Hall

Sunday, October 2

After Masses Cub Scout Popcorn Sale: Gathering Space

After Masses Veteran's Dinner Ticket Sales: Gathering Space

After Masses Women's Club Poinsettia Order asst.: Brioschi Hall

11:45am Baptism (Yarbrough family): Church

12:00pm Confirmation II: Staff Lounge

Pumpkin Bingo

Save the Date: Friday, October 21 at 6:30 PM in Brioschi Hall

Bring the family for a fun FREE evening of Bingo with pumpkin and fall themed prizes. Snacks and beverages will be provided. Come in a family/church-friendly costume for the costume contest with child and adult winners! Watch the *Pulse* and bulletin for more details in the coming weeks.

Sponsored by the Parish Life and Activities Committee

October Collection: Merrick Community Services

Merrick Community Services supports individuals and families to navigate life transitions, find health and stability, and promotes independence. The items that they are needing are:

Bath soap/Body wash
Shampoo/Conditioner
Lotion
Hand Sanitizers
Masks
Tissues
Paper towels
Sponges/Wash clothes
Dish detergent
Laundry soap
Household cleaning items/disinfectant spray
Oyster sauce
Sweet chili sauce
Rambutan
Rice noodles
Pink net bean thread noodles

Monthly Donation Closet Collections are sponsored by the Social Justice and Caring Committee. Thank you for your generosity.



St. Pascal Baylon Fall Festival

Sunday October 9

11:30 am - 4:00 pm

Featuring:

- Sweepstakes Raffle
- Chicken Dinner
- Pie Shop
- Theme Baskets
- Craft Room
- Jewelry Boutique
- FREE Kid's Activities

Giant Sweepstakes Raffle

Turn in your raffle tickets next weekend or at the festival.

1st Prize: \$1,500 2nd Prize: \$500 Five prizes of \$100 each

Drawing will be at 4:00, but you don't need to be present to win.

Jewelry Boutique

At the festival, shop for beautiful necklaces, bracelets and earrings donated by members of the Women's Club.

Pie Shop

Your donation of a homemade or store-bought pie can be dropped off in the kitchen before any mass on Festival weekend. At the festival, stop in for a piece of pie (\$3) & free coffee!

Roxi Cocchiarella @
651.387.6302

Chicken Dinner

Dine in or take out a delicious catered dinner from Tinucci's, featuring chicken, roasted potatoes, raw veggies, coleslaw, homemade roll & beverages.

Adults \$12, Kids 12 & under \$8.

RSVP via the Sign-up Genius on the parish website or call the parish office at 651.774.1585.

Want to help in the Dining Room? Sign up on the Festival Board or contact Margaret Malec @ 651.735.4701 or Cindy Reisdorf @ 734.8937

Craft Room

At the festival, shop for new, hand-crafted items donated by parishioners.

Sue Kubiak @
651-771.9085

****FREE****

Kid's Activities

Stop in the Nursery to:

- Play Plinko
- Spin the Prize Wheel
- Get a Tattoo
- Build Giant Jenga
- Make a Button

Can you help? We need an adult supervisor and 4 student assistants to make this happen. Sign up on the Fall Festival Board or call the parish office @ 651.774.1585 to volunteer!

Theme Baskets

Bring your basket to the parish office anytime this week, or to any of the masses next weekend.

Baskets will be on display in the gathering space next weekend. Tickets (\$1 each) can be purchased next weekend, but check back as new baskets will be added on festival weekend.

Cala Hibbison @ 651-900-3180

We Need YOU!

Check out the Fall Festival Board in the Gathering Space and sign up for a shift to help make the festival a success!



A Road Map for 2024: Strategic Plan for the Church of St. Pascal Baylon, St. Paul, MN

Background: During 2021-22, the Parish Pastoral Council updated the Strategic Plan that was created by the Parish Council in 2016 and then updated in 2020. The title of the updated Strategic Plan is “A Road Map for 2024”.

What’s next? In the coming weeks, a series of bulletin inserts will present the focus areas of the Strategic Plan. The full 10-page document can be found the kiosk in the Gathering Space and also on the Parish website at stpascals.org/parish-news.

What are we asking you to do? Please read the Strategic Plan and discuss it with other parishioners and the committees where you serve in our parish. We ask our parish committees and staff members to read the Plan and discuss ways it can be incorporated into their ministry areas.

The 8 Focus Areas of A Road Map for 2024

1. Worship and Spirituality; **2. Hospitality and Community-Building**; 3. Faith Formation; 4. Pastoral Care; 5. Stewardship; 6. Social Justice and Caring; 7. Communication; 8. Facilities and Maintenance

Hospitality and Community-Building - to provide a parish environment/atmosphere in which each member feels that St. Pascal’s is their “church home”; to welcome new members and visitors and assure that they feel at home; and to encourage all to help build community through the support and participation in parish and community activities.

Goals:

- Provide a welcoming environment with the parish. Encourage parishioners to reach out to others and invite them to parish involvement. Provide written expectations for hospitality ministers and train these ministers periodically.
- Involve parishioners in parish ministries and community activities, beginning with personal invitations from parish leaders, staff and ministry chairs. Set expectations that parish leaders, parish staff and chairs will personally invite parishioners. Communicate parish volunteer needs appropriately.
- Assign responsibility for volunteer coordination to paid staff (current staff or new hire).
 - Establish a process for inviting/welcoming parishioners.
 - Develop a tactical plan and communicate to all ministry and activity heads; encourage all parishioners to perform at least one act of parish service (time/talent) annually.

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- Require that staff identify ministry needs; communicate throughout the parish.
 - Conduct annual 'time and talent' surveys of parishioners; develop a database of parishioner interests and match parishioner interests with needs.
 - Provide a 'point of contact' for those interested in volunteering.
- Cultivate a young adult community of faith and service; consider events, trips, recreation, social and service opportunities. Evaluate recommendations from the Archdiocesan Synod in 2022 and then develop a parish plan.
- Provide opportunities to connect with neighbors who are not parishioners.
- Welcome neighbors to existing events (e.g., Vacation Bible School, Fish Fries, Festivals, National Night Out, Women's Club, Men's Club – Christmas Tree Lot) and identify new/additional opportunities to be present in our space.
- Create and maintain a culture of ongoing assessment of parish activities.

Leadership: Pastor and Staff (to set expectations; Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation; Volunteer Coordinator; Parish Council, hospitality ministers/trainers; lead volunteer ministers.

Next week's bulletin insert: Focus Area 3 – Faith Formation