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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.

APRIL 30, 2023 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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

Finding faith support in a small group. In his 2022 Pastoral Letter, "You Will Be My Witnesses", Archbishop Hebda established small group ministry as the priority for Year 1 (July 2023-June 2024) of Archdiocesan Synod Implementation. In our lives as Christian disciples, we can find support in small group meetings with other Christian disciples. Small groups are a place to talk about our faith and listen to others share their faith experiences. Small group ministry is also a great way to meet other people in our parish. I will be meeting with our Synod Evangelization Team (Jaci Bush, Nicole Fisch, Rich and Julie Moore, Kim Roering, John Scanlon, and Mary Weyandt) for a Small Group Visioning Day to plan ways we can offer faith-sharing small groups in our parish. We will also plan ways to recruit potential small group leaders in our parish who can attend Small Group Leadership Training Sessions in the fall of 2023. Small group meetings will potentially begin after January 1, so stay tuned and keep our parish in your prayers as we prepare for small group ministry.

You are invited to nominate yourself, or someone else with their approval, to serve on the Parish Council or Finance Council starting July 1, 2023. We are looking for new members to replace members whose terms are ending.

Nominations are due by May 15. Please send completed forms to Fr. John at the parish office or via an email message to: john.mitchell@stpascals.org.

2023 Nomination Form for Parish Council or Finance Council

I would like to nominate myself for membership on the:

___ Parish Council ___ Finance Council

My name: _____

Email and/or Phone: _____

I, _____, nominate _____

who has approved me to nominate them for membership on the:

___ Parish Council ___ Finance Council

Parish Council Objectives: 1) To develop and promote an understanding and appreciation of parish life and foster unity; 2) To promote opportunities for spiritual and material growth within the parish community; 3) To assist and advise the pastor and the parish community in promoting and evaluating parish programs; 4) To serve as a platform for a visioning dialogue among pastor, trustees and parishioners.

Finance Council Objectives: Review and consult with the pastor and trustees regarding the financial and temporal matters of the parish. Review the annual parish budget, monthly financial reports, balance sheets, income statements and maintenance and utility costs.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

"Thanks Mom for Life" Mother's Day Flower Sale—May 13 & 14 after all Masses

Honor your Mom or another special person in your life with flowers this Mother's Day.

Orchid Corsage: \$10.00 | African violet: \$9.00 | Birthright rose: \$5.00

Proceeds from the sale will go to MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life), Options for Women East and Birthright.

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

Faith in Action

Time For Spring Housecleaning

As you "weed out" and re-organize this spring, it is a good time to think of others and protect the environment at the same time. Rather than tossing things, consider donating your items to Joseph's Coat at 1107 – 7th St. W. It's a great place to donate spring and summer clothing for men, women and children. Additional needed items include pots and pans, glassware, dishes, small electric items and bedding items. Those in need receive items at no cost. Appointments are required to drop off donations. Call 651.291.2472.

May Collection: Brittany's Place

During May, 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. Items needed at this time are:

Toiletries and Personal Care

- bathroom caddies
 - loofahs, towels and wash cloths
 - body wash, and lotion
 - toothpaste
 - hairbrushes/combs/picks
 - hair ties/headbands/clips
 - small black hair rubber bands
 - hair care products (culturally specific, such as Eco Gel, Carol's Daughter, Cantu)
- Brittany's Place serves BIPOC girls and strives to provide a culturally relevant experience.*

Crafts and Activities

- colored pencils, markers and crayons
- fidgets
- movies
- books
- board games
- activity kits (ex. Legos, puzzles)
- notebooks and journals

Shelter Supplies

- twin sheets sets, blankets and pillows
- book lamps
- tote bags
- alarm clocks/radios

Items will be collected through May 28. Thank you for your generosity

— In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

Colleen Zimpel

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

— REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS —

Coins for Copybooks Fundraiser

During Lent, the students at all four Ascension Catholic Academy schools took part in a Coins for Copybooks fundraiser, where they collected coins to raise money for students in Ghana. The money will be used to buy copybooks (notebooks) and other school supplies.

This year's fundraiser was a big success. Our scholars and their families continue to display wonderful acts of generosity. Students from St. Pascal Regional collected \$848.73. The four schools of Ascension Catholic Academy combined raised \$2,958.85. A huge thank you to everyone who helped.

St. Pascal's Women's Book Club

Monday, May 8 at 7:00 PM

Have you ever thought about coming to the St. Pascal's Women's Book Club? We meet at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Monday of each month in the Staff Lounge, located near the Conway entrance. You can come as often as your schedule allows.

On May 8 we will discuss *The Sentence*, a novel by Louise Erdrich set in Minneapolis, and next month, on June 12, we'll have a chance to visit with the author of *Seven Aunts*, Staci Lola Drouillard. Watch the bulletin and *Pascal's Pulse* for more information!

The plants are coming, the plants are coming!

Just a reminder if you ordered plant and /or plant cards from the St Pascal's Women's Club, they will be available for pick up before and after Masses on the weekend of May 13 & 14.

Friends & Family—We Have Some Fantastic Items Available!

There is still time to join the fun! We have two Community Mixers that have limited available spaces plus Twins tickets at a great, family price—don't miss out!

Community Mixers

1. *An authentic Paella Dinner.*

Enjoy an evening experiencing Spain with tapas, sangria, flan and, of course, the Paella. Paella is a traditional Spanish dish made from rice, shellfish, meat, vegetables, chorizo and saffron. The date for this fantastic dinner is *Saturday, September 30 at 5:30 PM*. There are only 2 places left and the cost is \$70 per person.

2. *An amazing glass fusing class.*

Make an awesome unique optical illusion plate. The date for this fun class is *Saturday, August 12 at 6:00 PM*. The cost for this class is \$50 per person.

Twins Tickets: *The Twins vs. the Texas Rangers on Sunday, August 27 at 1:10 PM.*

If you're a Twins fan or if you are looking for a fun way to spend an afternoon with some fellow St. Pascalites, we have a deal for you. As part of the parish's Friends & Family event, We were given a block of tickets for \$5.00 each. We have a large number of tickets, but in the past they have sold quickly.

All the money goes directly to St. Pascal's. If you are interested in the Community Mixers, email Ellen Aeling at ellenoaeling@gmail.com. For Twins tickets, email Mike Kelleher in the parish office at mike.kelleher@stpascals.org.

— FAITH FORMATION —

First Eucharist Weekend

Saturday & Sunday, May 6 & 7

16 children of our parish will be celebrating their First Eucharist next weekend. Please keep them in prayer as they prepare to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus for the first time.

Baptism Preparation

Monday, May 15 from 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Families planning to have a child baptized at St. Pascal's are asked to participate in a pre-baptism session. To sign up for this session or for more information, contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

— WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS —

Women's Club Meeting

Sunday, May 7 after the 10:30 Mass

Come for the Women's Club Officer elections and the yearly disbursements of funds. We will meet in Brioschi Hall. All women welcomed.

Spring Fling

Saturday, May 20 in Brioschi Hall

Don't miss our Spring Fling Brunch for all men and women of the parish! It will be a fun morning/early afternoon with musical entertainment and door prizes. We will be honoring Marlene Herickhoff as the 2022 Legacy Award Winner. (All fun—no business meeting!)

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 (akarner24@gmail.com)

Parish Finance Council

Meetings 4th Thursday at 5:30 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 651.342.8879

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

April 30, 2023

Tuesday, May 02

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Wednesday, May 03

9:30 AM The people of the parish

Thursday, May 04

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Friday, May 05

8:00 AM Men's Club

Saturday, May 06

4:30 PM + Georgine Misukanis

Sunday, May 07

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Generosa Limbag

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

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



Sunday:

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Ps 23:1-6

1 Pt 2:20b-25

Jn 10:1-10

Monday:

Acts 11:1-18

Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4

Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday:

Acts 11:19-26

Ps 87:1-7

Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday:

1 Cor 15:1-8

Ps 19:2-5

Jn 14:6-14

Thursday:

Acts 13:13-25

Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27

Jn 13:16-20

Friday:

Acts 13:26-33

Ps 2:6-11

Jn 14:1-6

Saturday:

Acts 13:44-52

Ps 98:1-4

Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday:

Acts 6:1-7

Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

1 Pt 2:4-9

Jn 14:1-12

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, April 30—Anointing Weekend

No scheduled events

Monday, May 1

1:00pm Bloodmobile: Brioschi Hall

6:00pm Spirit Song: Church

6:30pm Boy Scouts: Staff Lounge

Tuesday, May 2

6:30pm Pastoral Council: Staff Lounge

6:30pm 1st Eucharist Rehearsal: Church

Wednesday, May 3

8:45am Rosary: Church

9:30am School Mass: Church

6:30pm Choir: Church

6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus

7:30pm Men's Club Softball

Thursday, May 4

6:00pm Spirit Song: Church

6:30pm SJCC: Zoom

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

Friday, May 5

No scheduled events

Saturday, May 6—1st Eucharist Weekend

No scheduled events

Sunday, May 7—1st Eucharist Weekend

11:30am Women's Club Board Meeting: Brioschi Hall

2:00pm Piano Recital: Church

Adult Faith Formation: *Do This in Memory of Me*

Did you miss the April 25 presentation with Fr. Paul Feela on the Eucharist and what we do at Mass? The presentation was recorded and a link is available for a limited time by contacting Kim Roering in the parish office.

Part-time Help Wanted: Welcome Desk Receptionist *St. Pascal's is hiring for this vital role on the parish team.*

Representative duties include: Answer phones for parish offices, monitor exterior doors and allow appropriate access to those needing entry, greet and direct visitors and other parish guests, welcome funeral-goers to the building, know the parish calendar and assist parishioners in finding classes and programs, assist with bulletin stuffing and worship aids including funeral programs, assist with sacramental recording, assist with administrative duties for parish events as needed, regularly attend staff meetings, understand and respect catholic culture and traditions.

Qualifications for this position include: Attention to detail, a friendly, welcoming professional demeanor, knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite, willingness to learn the parish database program, fluency in English, understanding of ministry and the importance of welcome, commitment to the mission of St. Pascal Baylon Parish, appreciation and respect for the many and diverse people who visit and worship at our parish, respect for confidential information.

If interested, please send email cover letter and resume to: theresa.ruttger@stpascals.org by May 15.

Stewardship of Giving

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

March 2023

Sunday Giving

Giving	\$ 51,871.34	YTD Giving	\$ 565,333.60
Budgeted	\$ <u>67,168.74</u>	YTD Budgeted	\$ <u>622,538.22</u>
+ / -	\$ -15,297.40	YTD + / -	\$ -57,204.62

Mortgage Reduction (as of 03.31.2023)

Loan Balance:	\$ 2,840,032.49
Principal:	\$ 12,497.65
Interest:	\$ <u>8,963.40</u>
Monthly Payment	\$ 21,461.05

YTD Collected Donations	\$ 212,869.38
YTD Payment:	\$ <u>201,149.45</u>
+ / -	\$ 11,719.93

Reserve Account Balance:	\$ 186,753.13
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of payments from Reserve: 8

Thank you for your support!

"If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door." —Milton Berle

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



The Lord Is My Shepherd

The LORD is my shepherd;
there is nothing I lack.
In green pastures he makes me
lie down;
to still waters he leads me.
He guides me along right paths
for the sake of his name.
Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
for you are at my side with your rod
and your staff that give me courage.
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff comfort me.
—Psalm 23:1–4

Sunday, April 30, 2023
Good Shepherd Sunday

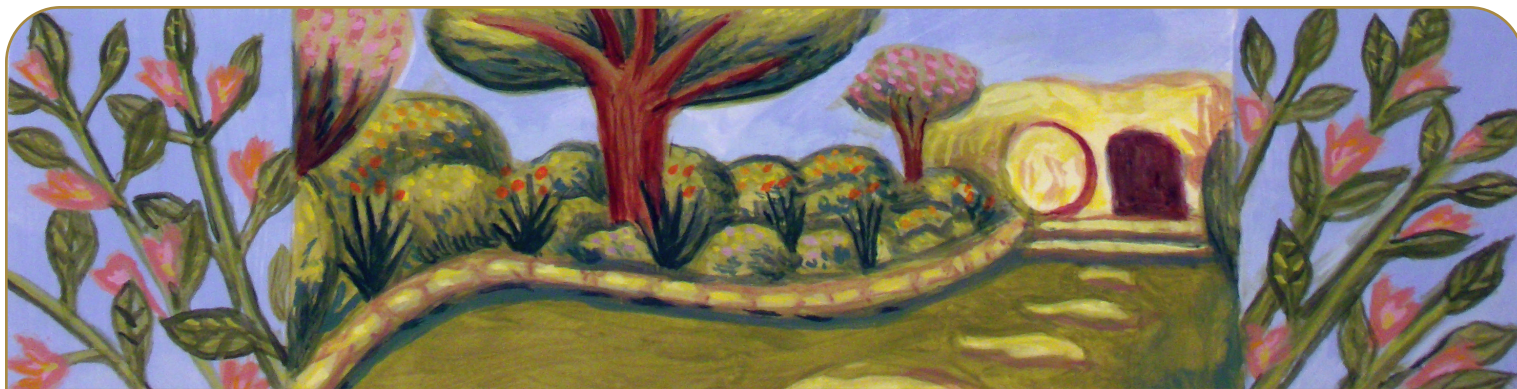


Today's readings: Acts 2:14a, 36–41; Psalm 23:1–3a, 3b–4, 5, 6 (1); 1 Peter 2:20b–25; John 10:1–10. The Fourth Sunday of Easter is often referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. As part of John 10 is proclaimed, we hear Jesus boldly claim his identity as the Good Shepherd. Since young children are especially drawn to this image of Jesus, faith formation programs explore it to help children discover the voice of God calling each of his sheep by name. This relational analogy of Jesus the Good Shepherd calling his flock by name to follow him through the sheepfold gate resonates deeply. Listeners to this reading can contemplate all the ways a shepherd cares for his sheep, provides for all their needs, protects them, seeks them out if they stray, and

guides their paths. Children easily see themselves as the sheep and intuit that Jesus' offer of love, care, and protection is for each of us.

This analogy communicates God's unceasing desire to be close to us. God entered into humanity and became one of us so that we might know and believe the possibility of true relationship with him. God knows each of us. God knows every part of us. God calls each of us by name. He leads us in right paths and stays by our side as protector and provider.

Good Shepherd Sunday offers a beautiful opportunity to place ourselves in this rich image and discover anew that we are called and beloved by Jesus, our Good Shepherd.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, May 1

St. Joseph the Worker

Today marks the second special date the Church has set aside to lift up and honor St. Joseph, the earthly father to Jesus of Nazareth. As a carpenter, Joseph serves as a model for the virtue of work and provision for his family. He did this quietly, without drawing attention away from his spouse, Mary, or his son, Jesus. His steadfast faithfulness led him eventually to be named the patron of the universal Church. St. Joseph the Worker, pray for us. *Today's readings: Genesis 1:26—2:3 or Colossians 3:14–15, 17, 23–24; Psalm 90:2, 3–4, 12–13, 14 and 16; Matthew 13:54–58.*

Tuesday, May 2

The Father and I are One

Today's Scripture passage locates Jesus in the temple at Jerusalem, once again surrounded by his fellow Jews imploring him to explain himself. We can sense Jesus' exasperation with their lack of perception despite his many efforts to show and tell them his true identity. He concludes boldly, "The Father and I are one" (John 10:30). Take this essential truth to prayer today. Can you empathize with his contemporaries and their struggle to comprehend? *Today's readings: Acts 11:19–26; Psalm 87:1b–3, 4–5, 6–7; John 10:22–30.*

Wednesday, May 3

Feast of Sts. Philip and James

Jesus is the way, the truth, and the path to life. Our key link to God the Father, Jesus came to show the way to experience a relationship with the One who desires to be with us. Through following Jesus to the Father, we also become key links in the relationship chain. The apostles Philip and James were some of the first links in this unbroken chain of those who call themselves disciples of Jesus. *Today's readings: 1 Corinthians 15:1–8; Psalm 19:2–3, 4–5; John 14:6–14.*

Thursday, May 4

The Panoramic View

The pairing of today's first reading and Gospel offers the aerial view of the plan of salvation. Paul paints the broad strokes of God's covenant with the people of Israel leading to Jesus. Jesus echoes his divine role when he claims that his purpose is the fulfillment of Scripture (John 13:18). Step back and take in the panoramic view to contemplate God's plan and our role in it as disciples in this time and place. *Today's readings: Acts 13:13–25; Psalm 89:2–3, 21–22, 25 and 27; John 13:16–20.*

Friday, May 5

In My Father's House

Chapter 14 of John's Gospel is often chosen for proclamation at the Mass of Christian Burial. The words of consolation, encouragement in faith, and promise of a place of rest with God for all of eternity are just the words many need to hear when grief is fresh and there is wonder about the care of our souls after death consumes our hearts. Jesus' assurance to his beloved disciples speaks to us today. Light a candle in remembrance of departed loved ones. Sit in prayer with this passage from John's Gospel. Allow it to sink in and comfort you today. *Today's readings: Acts 13:26–33; Psalm 2:6–7, 8–9, 10–11ab; John 14:1–6.*

Saturday, May 6

Filled with Joy

Luke paints a picture of the disciples Paul and Barnabas as active evangelizers, "The disciples could not but be filled with joy and the Holy Spirit" (Acts 13:52). Pope Francis calls us to follow their example as missionary disciples. The most effective approach is exuding the contagious joy of our life in God. Practice joy today. Attend to how you radiate joy in your words, actions, and gestures. *Today's readings: Acts 13:44–52; Psalm 98:1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4; John 14:7–14.*

