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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.

AUGUST 27, 2023 | TWENTY-FIRST 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 through Friday at 8:00 AM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Off to Rome. This is my last weekend at St. Pascal's before leaving for my 11-week sabbatical. I will be in Rome, Italy from September 2 - November 20, 2023. While I am gone, Father Bob Hart will be here to cover the weekday and weekend Masses, funerals, anointings and other sacramental duties. He has served at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Transfiguration Parish in Oakdale and St. Patrick Parish in Inver Grove Heights before his retirement in 2018. I am grateful for his help here. I will return to our parish on Tuesday, November 21. I will miss you, and you will be in my thoughts and prayers.

My sabbatical plans. I will attend the Institute of Continuing Theological Education at the Pontifical North American College in Rome. The campus is located on the Janiculum Hill overlooking the Vatican. There will be 30-40 other priests from the United States and other English-speaking countries attending the program with me. We will visit churches, museums and historic sites throughout Rome. We will listen to presentations and engage in dialogue on various theological, pastoral and scriptural topics. One topic I will learn about is "Scriptural Theology of Mary" which includes a 6-day pilgrimage to Marian shrines in Italy. Another topic is "Preaching about Mary" which includes a 13-day pilgrimage following the route of the Holy Family in Egypt. I will have free time for sightseeing, travelling, and enjoying Italian culture and ambiance. I will also visit the island of Malta, and take a 10-day bus tour to visit Fatima (Portugal), Lourdes (France), and Santiago de Compostela and Barcelona (Spain). I am looking forward to all of this time for travel, study, prayer, exercise, reading and reflection.

Why am I taking a sabbatical? A sabbatical is a time of paid leave when an employee takes an extended break from work. People take sabbaticals to work on a project, to travel, and to experience renewal. The Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis allows priests to take a sabbatical every seven years. This is my first sabbatical. I look forward to serving the Church for the rest of my life as a priest, and I believe a sabbatical will help me grow in health of body, mind and soul so that I can continue to live as a happy and holy priest and person. I will miss all of you while I am gone, but you are in good hands here. Our parish staff team members are experienced, ready and willing to serve your needs in my absence, and Father Hart will be a wonderful presence here as well. I'll see you in November. Arrivaderci!

Archdiocesan Synod Update: Year 1 (July 2023 - June 2024). In November last year, Archbishop Hebda published his Post-Synodal Pastoral Letter, "You Will Be My Witnesses," to the people of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis in which he shared his thoughts about the Synod process and how to begin the work of Synod implementation. To that end, the Archbishop asked pastors to form a Synod Evangelization Team (SET) for their parish to foster the implementation of Synod Priorities for the parish going forward. Our SET members are: Jaci Bush, Nicole Fisch, Julie Moore, Deacon Rich Moore, Kim Roering, John Scanlon and Mary Weyandt. The Synod Priority for Year 1 is Small Groups with the purpose of creating and growing small group ministry at every parish that fosters personal relationships, builds community, and provides formation to help parishioners grow as disciples of Christ. Starting small group ministry in our parish is a great opportunity for us to extend and deepen the community of our parish and foster the relationships that we know make St. Pascal's such a special community. Small groups of 6-10 members will meet weekly during Lent 2024 and be facilitated by small group leaders from our parish. Over the summer, our SET members are inviting parishioners to invite them to be small group leaders. If you would like to volunteer to be a small group leader, please contact Kim Roering at the parish office for more information (kim.roering@stpascals.org; 651.774.1585).

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

Faith in Action

Book Sale: Good for the Environment

Our Women's Club recently collected books for their annual sale, keeping them in use and out of landfills. This helped people who know that downsizing is in their future! Others looking for books bought them. The unsold books will be sent to Better World Books, a for-profit, socially conscious business and a global online bookseller that collects and sells new and used books online, matching each purchase with a book donation. Each sale generates funds for literacy and education initiatives in the U.S. and around the world. Since its launch in 2003, Better World Books has raised \$33 million for libraries and literacy, donated over 32 million books, and reused or recycled more than 397 million books. Check out betterworldbooks.com before you buy your next book and save any unwanted books you buy for the next Women's Club book sale. This is putting faith into action.

Merrick/St. Pascal's

Monthly Food Distribution

Monday, August 28

Please email Mary Weyandt at mlweyandt@mac.com if you'd like to join the team to help with this month's food distribution. We meet in Brioschi Hall in two groups. The first shift meets at 1:15 PM to pack the grocery bags and the second shift meets at 3:15 PM to meet and greet folks as food is distributed curbside out of Door 4. All are welcome, and we always serve with great joy. Come join us!

Labor Day Office Hours

The parish office will be closed Monday, September 5 in observance of Labor Day. You have earned a big celebration for getting the job done every time—have a fun and safe holiday!

— Baptized in Christ —

We welcome into our community of faith...

Caz Francisco Kurysh
child of Michael and Victoria

who was recently baptized in our church.
May God bless this household of faith.

— In Christ We Live Forever —

Please remember in your prayers...

Evan Albert Franzwa

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 —

A Heartfelt Thank You

—from St. Pascal Regional Catholic School

We'd like to thank all of the wonderful St. Pascal parishioners who donated to our back-to-school school supply drive. Your generosity and kindness are greatly appreciated by our families who may not be able to buy new, fresh school supplies for their young students this fall. Please accept our heartfelt thanks. God bless you!

Join Our Preschool Team

St. Pascal's Preschool is looking for an energetic, dynamic teacher to join our professional preschool team. We are looking for a full-time teacher who will embrace our philosophy of play based education and hands-on learning. Our unique program is a part of the St. Pascal Regional Catholic preschool-grade 8 school and is blessed with many resources such as a library, gym and a beautiful outdoor space.

Questions can be directed to Kay Hannon at khannon@acamn.org or 612.424.6217.

Maui Disaster Relief

We can only imagine the distress and heartache that many are currently experiencing from the destructive wildfires on Maui, and our thoughts and prayers are with everyone impacted.

You can help today by making a donation to Catholic Charities Hawai'i.

www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/maui-relief/

Only One Month Until Our Fall Festival!

Sunday, September 24 from 11:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Dinner (Dine in or Take out): A delicious homemade Lasagna dinner will be available for only \$12.00 and homemade pie will be sold for dessert. RSVPs and pre-payment required. Reserve your spot using the **SignUp Genius** link on the Parish News page at stpascals.org or call the parish office at 651.774.1585.

Want to help make the lasagna on Saturday, September 23 or help in the kitchen during the festival? Contact Ellen Aeling at ellenoaeling@gmail.com (651.307.8241) or sign up on the Festival Board in the Gathering Space.

Children's Activities: High School students are needed to help supervise the Children's Activities. Call the parish office at 651.774.1585 to volunteer for a 2 ½ hour shift or sign up on the Festival Board in the Gathering Space.

Giant Sweepstakes Raffle: Watch your mail! Tickets will be mailed to all parishioners beginning next week.

Jewelry Boutique: Get a "Sneak Peek" at the best of the Jewelry Boutique after all Masses this weekend. Beautiful necklaces, bracelets, pins and earrings donated by members of the Women's Club will be available for sale. All proceeds go to the festival.

Theme Baskets: You can start bringing in your Theme Baskets next weekend! Want to help sell Theme Basket tickets? Sign up for a 2-hour shift on the Festival Board in the Gathering Space.

Questions? Contact Carla Hibbison at carla.hibbison@gmail.com (651.900.3180).

Craft Room: You can start bringing in your hand-made items next weekend! Leave them in the Donation Closet or drop them off at the parish office.

Contact Sue Kubiak at suekubiak@gmail.com (651.771.9085) for more information.

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

September Collection:

Listening House of St. Paul

Items are being accepted in September for Listening House, a day shelter and community center. It provides hospitality, practical assistance, and counsel to people who are unsheltered or in need. This includes offering light food, clothing, help for those looking for employment and/or housing, and veterans' assistance. Staff and volunteers aspire to create a sense of community and connection by promoting respect for all and to help guests make changes to improve their condition. Items needed include:

- Men's jeans, waist 34 and above
- Men's & women's NEW underwear (L, XL)
- Men's & women's shoes (all sizes)
- Men's & women's hoodies (M, L, XL, XXL)
- Men's sweatshirts (L, XL)
- Women's shirts (all sizes)
- Socks
- Belts (all sizes)
- Backpacks & duffle bags with WORKING zippers

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 AN ASCENSION CATHOLIC ACADEMY SCHOOL

Phone 651.776.0092

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School Office Summer Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM-2:00 PM

Friday 8:30 AM-12:30 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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St. Pascal Baylon Catholic Church

Mass Times & Intentions

Readings August 27, 2023

Tuesday, August 29

8:00 AM + Daniel W Loonstra

Wednesday, August 30

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Thursday, August 31

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Friday, September 01

8:00 AM + Men's Club

Saturday, September 02

4:30 PM The people of the parish

Sunday, September 03

8:45 AM + Susan Calubayan

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 and follow the prompts.
3. Thank you!



Sunday:

Is 22:19-23
Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8
Rom 11:33-36
Mt 16:13-20

Monday:

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10
Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b
Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday:

1 Thes 2:1-8
Ps 139:1-6
Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday:

1 Thes 2:9-13
Ps 139:7-12b
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday:

1 Thes 3:7-13
Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17
Mt 24:42-51

Friday:

1 Thes 4:1-8
Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12
Mt 25:1-13

Saturday:

1 Thes 4:9-11
Ps 98:1, 7-9
Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday:

Jer 20:7-9
Ps 63:2-6, 8-9
Rom 12:1-2
Mt 16:21-27

THE WEEKS AHEAD

Sunday, August 27

After Masses Jewelry Sneak Peek: Gathering Space

Monday, August 28

1:00 pm Merrick Set Up: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen
3:30pm Merrick Food Distribution: Flandrau Lot

Tuesday, August 29

10:30am Team meeting & lunch: Staff Lounge
1:30pm SET Meeting: Founders Room (TBD)

Wednesday, August 30

8:30am Rosary: Church

Thursday, August 31

No scheduled events

Friday, September 1

No scheduled events

Saturday, September 2

After Mass Theme Basket Preview: Gathering Space

Sunday, September 3

After Masses Theme Basket Preview: Gathering Space

Monday, September 4—Labor Day

Parish Office Closed—Have a fun and safe holiday!

Tuesday, September 5

6:30pm Pastoral Council: Staff Lounge

Wednesday, September 6

9:00am Rosary (NEW time!): Church
9:30am Opening School Mass: Church
6:30pm Choir: Church

Thursday, September 7

6:30pm SJCC: Zoom
7:00pm Men's Club Board Meeting: Brioschi Hall
7:00pm Spirit Song: Church

Friday, September 8

No scheduled events

Saturday, September 9—SET Kick-off Weekend

After Mass Raffle Ticket Sales: Gathering Space
After Mass Theme Basket Preview: Gathering Space

Sunday, September 10—SET Kick-off Weekend

After Masses Raffle Ticket Sales: Gathering Space
After Masses Theme Basket Preview: Gathering Space

Facebook Users: Join the St. Pascal's Prayer Network!

You are invited to join the newly-formed private Facebook group page, St. Pascal's Prayer Network (MN), to pray and support the prayer intentions of our parishioners and the greater community. Join other parishioners in our caring community of believers to commit to praying in confidence for the need that is posted.

To join this group, search St. Pascal's Prayer Network (MN) on Facebook and request to join. To make a prayer request, please contact Barb Uschold Anderson, Pastoral Associate for Pastoral Care at 651.432.4959 (barb.ua@stpascals.org) or message on FB.

This group is in addition to the St. Pascal's Parish Prayer Line—a group of committed individuals who pray for the needs of parishioners via telephone (see the "Contact Us" section of bulletin).

"If one completes the journey to one's own heart, one will find oneself in the heart of everyone else."

—Thomas Keating

Stewardship of Giving

Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

Month Year

Sunday Giving

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| Giving | \$ 71,409.67 | YTD Giving | \$ 71,409.67 |
| Budgeted | \$ <u>61,939.62</u> | YTD Budgeted | \$ <u>61,939.62</u> |
| Surplus | \$ 9,470.05 | YTD Surplus | \$ 9,470.05 |

Mortgage Reduction (as of 07.31.2023)

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| Loan Balance: | \$ 2,774,680.73 |
| Principal: | \$ 14,065.09 |
| Interest: | \$ <u>8,395.96</u> |
| Monthly Payment | \$ 22,461.05 |
| YTD Collected Donations | \$ 23,104.12 |
| YTD Payment: | \$ <u>22,461.05</u> |
| Surplus | \$ 643.07 |
| Reserve Account Balance: | \$ 176,727.26 |

of payments from Reserve: 8

Thank you for your support!