



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.

NOVEMBER 26, 2023 | OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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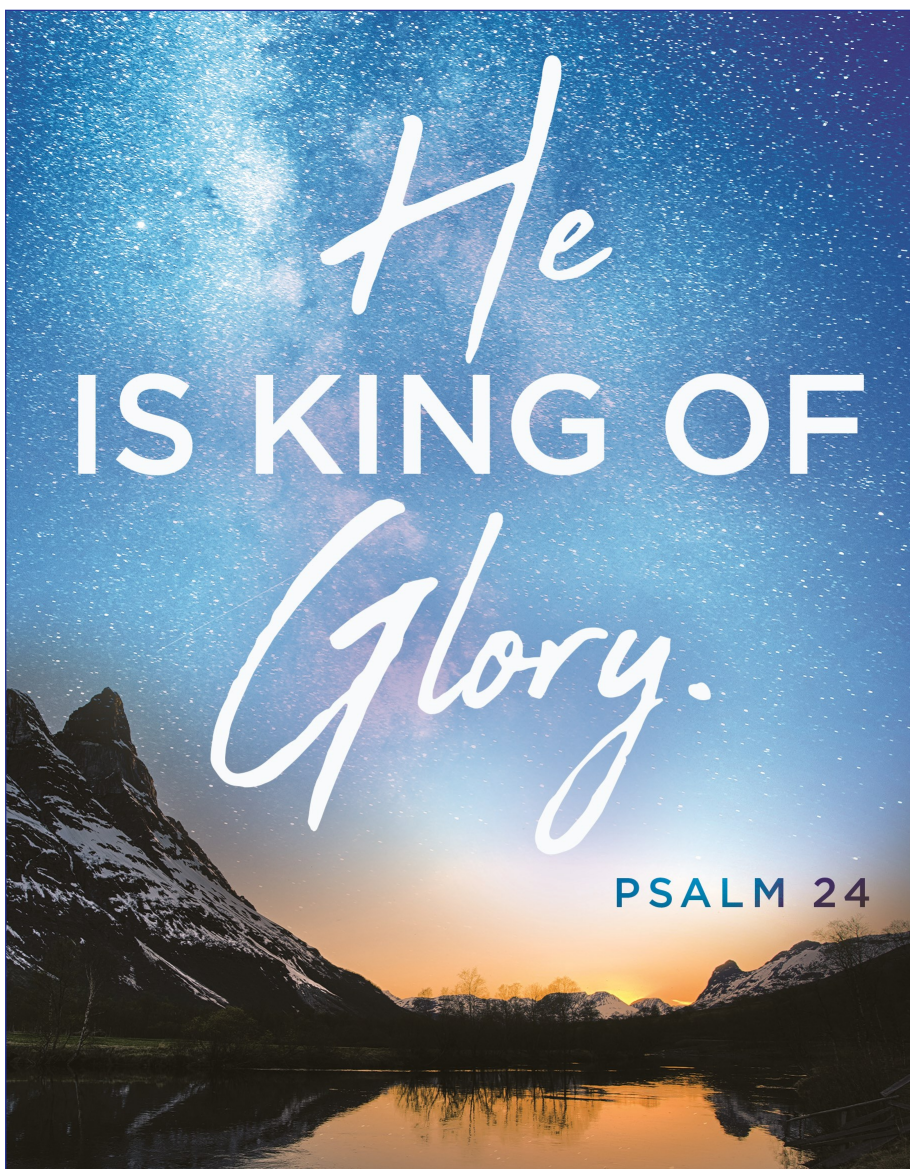
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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:

From the 2016 Homily of Pope Francis for the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

"The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is the crown of the liturgical year... His kingship is paradoxical: his throne is the cross; his crown is made of thorns; he has no scepter, but a reed is put into his hand; he does not have luxurious clothing but is stripped of his tunic; he wears no shiny rings on his fingers, but his hands are pierced with nails; he has no treasure but is sold for thirty pieces of silver. Jesus' reign is truly not of this world... for the grandeur of his kingdom is not power as defined by this world, but the love of God, a love capable of encountering and healing all things. Christ lowered himself to us out of this love, he lived our human misery, he suffered the lowest point of our human condition: injustice, betrayal, abandonment... and so our King went to the ends of the universe in order to embrace and save every living being. He did not condemn us, nor did he conquer us, and he never disregarded our freedom, but he paved the way with a humble love that forgives all things, hopes all things, sustains all things. This love alone overcame and continues to overcome our worst enemies: sin, death, fear... Dear brothers and sisters, today we proclaim this singular victory, by which Jesus became the King of every age, the Lord of history: with the sole power of love, which is the nature of God, his very life, and which has no end. We joyfully share the splendor of having Jesus as our King: his rule of love transforms sin into grace, death into resurrection, fear into trust."

Purchasing Christmas gifts for people in need. Starting next weekend, our parish will participate in two projects to help people in need at Christmas time:

Catholic Charities Annual Giving Tree is a program that provides essential items such as clothing, housewares and self-care items to children and adults. We will have folded flyers on a Christmas tree in the Gathering Space from December 2 - December 25 which list the gift items being collected by Catholic Charities. Take a flyer, purchase your gift(s), and then place the gift(s) in the bin located in the Gathering Space. More information will be in next weekend's bulletin.

Angel Tree, a Program of Prison Fellowship provides Christmas gifts for children whose parent(s) are incarcerated. Angel Tree tags listing suggested gift items will be placed on the Giving Tree in the Gathering Space. Take a tag, purchase a gift, wrap it, and then place it in the Angel Tree box that will be set up in the Gathering Space.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for November 2023: For the Pope. We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

Grief Tips for Managing Holidays #3

Allow for tears, no matter who you are. Look for joy amidst the pain. As the holiday season unfolds, along with the heartache of memories there are also wonderful moments to remember of your loved one's life. Recall the gifts of joy, laughter, affection, companionship. For additional grief information find the blue sheets in the kiosk or contact Barb Uschold Anderson, Pastoral Care Associate at 651.432.4959.

Anointing or Pastoral Visit?

If you or someone you know would like to be anointed or have a pastoral visit please contact Barb Uschold Anderson at barb.ua@stpascals.org or 651.432.4959 and we'll set up a time.

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

Faith in Action: Thank you

As we think of the many things for which we are personally thankful this Thanksgiving, let us also be thankful for the many members of our parish who respond to those challenged by homelessness, food insecurity, and other of life's challenges. Responding to the message, "What you do for the least of my people that you do unto Me," many of our parishioners have put their faith into action in both formal programs or individually. Gratefully we say thank you and God bless you. May we be guided by their generous example through the holiday season ahead to reach out to help others, either through gifts of time or material sharing.

December Donation Closet

In December items will be collected for both Catholic Charities Giving Tree and Angel Tree.

Catholic Charities Giving Tree ensures that children and adults have access to essential items such as clothing, housewares, and self-care items. Folded flyers which list the items being collected is now available on a Christmas Tree in the Gathering Space.

Take a flyer, purchase your gift(s), and then place the UNWRAPPED gift(s) in the bin located in the Gathering Space by **Monday, December 25.**

Angel Tree, a program of Prison Fellowship, provides Christmas gifts to children on behalf of an incarcerated parent. This year St. Pascal's will provide gifts to 18 children. Angel Tree tags listing suggested gift items will be placed on the Giving Tree in the Gathering Space.

Take a tag, purchase the noted gift, wrap it, and then place it in the Angel Tree box in the Gathering Space. Angel Tree gifts are to be WRAPPED and returned to the parish by **Sunday, December 17** with the tag attached to ensure the gifts get to the children by Christmas.

So long... but not farewell

Words do not adequately express my gratitude for the way I have been welcomed by the community of St. Pascal's as I filled in for Fr. John. So many, many familiar faces from my previous parishes and lots of new friends as well! I will continue to pray for the entire parish as I return to being somewhat "retired." Thank you kindly for your cards and gifts that I received at the end of my time here. And BTW, the priest friend who concelebrated at the 4:30 on the 11th was Fr. Dennis Miller. I guess I forgot to mention his name...

Fr. Bob

REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

Online Scholastic Book Fair

Now through Thursday, November 30
Christmas is just around the corner!

Browse at your leisure and select a book or two for your child, grandchild or to donate a book to the school at:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/stpascalregional>

WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Women's Club Christmas Party!

Saturday, December 9 from 10:30 AM-1:00 PM
in Brioschi Hall

All women of the parish are invited!

Join us for mimosas, a catered brunch, games and prizes. Reservations for the party will be on sale in the Gathering Space now through Sunday, December 3. *All reservations must be prepaid.* Cost of the brunch is \$25. Please contact Sharon Scanlon at 651.492.0477 with any questions.

The Ever-popular Women's Club Christmas Bake Sale Is BACK!

December 16 & 17 after all Masses

Everyone put this on your calendar—there will be a fantastic array of Christmas goodies to purchase!

Needed: Baked goodies! Calling all bakers to start planning their favorite Christmas treat to donate. Drop your bake sale donation off at these times/locations:

Friday, December 15

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM at the parish office

Saturday, December 16

9:00 AM - Noon and 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM
in Brioschi Hall

Sunday, December 17

before Masses in the kitchen

Questions? Please Call Ellen Aeling at 651.307.8241.

St. Pascal's Legacy Society

Tax Efficient Legacy of Faith. Gifts of life insurance policies to St. Pascal's can yield substantial tax savings to you while maximizing your Legacy gift. Consult with your tax adviser. If you want more information on St. Pascal's Legacy Society, please call Theresa Ruttger in the parish office at 651.432.4960 or talk to a member of the Legacy Committee:

Ellen and Mike Aeling, Susan Hommes, Joe Sullivan, and Brigid O'Malley.

COLD WEATHER

Maybe we don't want to think about winter just yet... but you know it's going to happen!

Winter Weather Policy:

Cancellation of Events & Building Closure

The parish office will close and all activities and meetings will be cancelled at the discretion of the pastor or business administrator. Weekday Mass will be offered on weather-related days assuming that the pastor/presider can get to the church and there is someone to unlock the building.

As We Enter Into the Winter Season:

For Your Consideration

You probably have heard reports of rising COVID infections at this time. Out of concern for the health and wellbeing of all of our parishioners and visitors, we urge you to be vigilant about your personal health and hygiene. If you have flu-like symptoms (cold, running nose or temperature) it may be best to stay home and watch the Mass on YouTube. And, as always, masks are welcome at all gatherings and meetings at St. Pascal's.

Year-End Financial Gifts

As this calendar year quickly comes to a close, consider a special year-end financial gift to the parish in support of our many ministries and/or to support our mortgage reduction efforts. Last year, we received many year-end gifts of cash or stock. These gifts are greatly appreciated and certainly encouraged! *Remember, all gifts must be received or postmarked by December 31, 2023 to be considered for the 2023 tax year.* Stock transfers and sales do take some time so please take that into consideration as you consider a gift to St. Pascal's.

Please call Theresa at 651.432.4960 if you are planning to make a gift of stocks to the parish.

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

Ann Karner, Chair (akarner24@gmail.com)

Parish Finance Council

Meetings 4th Thursday at 4:30 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

St. Pascal's Men's Club Christmas Tree Lot

Friday, November 24 at 4:00 PM through December 23 or until sold out

St. Pascal's Men's Club is entering its 54th year of selling Christmas Trees. Come visit us in the Conway Street parking lot and check out our excellent selection of Fraser, Canaan, and balsam firs, as well as Scotch and white pine trees. Wreaths and swags from the Boy Scouts are also available. Tree Lot sale hours are:

Monday through Friday from 4:00 - 8:00 PM | Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Mass Times & Intentions	Readings November 26, 2023
Tuesday, November 28 8:00 AM + Maurenn Kelly	Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 Ps 23:1-3, 5-6 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 Mt 25:31-46
Wednesday, November 29 9:30 AM + Nan Connor	Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20 Dn 3:52-56 Lk 21:1-4
Thursday, November 30 8:00 AM The people of the parish	Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45 (Ps) Dn 3:57-61 Lk 21:5-11
Friday, December 01 8:00 AM Men's Club	Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 (Ps) Dn 3:62-67 Lk 21:12-19
Saturday, December 02 4:30 PM + Jim Nelson	Thursday: Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 4:18-22
Sunday, December 03 <i>1st Sunday of Advent</i> 8:45 AM The people of the parish 10:30 AM + Carlos & Emilia Calubayan	Friday: Dn 7:2-14 (Ps) Dn 3:75-81 Lk 21:29-33

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!



Stewardship of Giving			
Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024			
October 2023			
<u>Sunday Giving</u>			
Giving	\$ 57,516.17	YTD Giving	\$ 228,446.12
Budgeted	\$ <u>63,905.58</u>	YTD Budgeted	\$ <u>256,214.36</u>
Deficit	\$ -6,389.41	YTD Deficit	\$ -27,768.24
<u>Mortgage Reduction</u> (as of 10.31.2023)			
Loan Balance:	\$ 2,732,705.44		
Principal:	\$ 14,190.40		
Interest:	\$ <u>8,270.65</u>		
Monthly Payment	\$ 22,461.05		
YTD Collected Donations	\$ 78,473.41		
YTD Payment:	\$ <u>89,844.20</u>		
Deficit	\$ -11,370.79		
Reserve Account Balance:	\$ 164,447.68		
# of payments from Reserve: 7			
Thank you for your support!			

THE WEEK AHEAD	
Sunday, November 26 9:00am Men's Club Tree Lot: Conway Lot After Masses Scout Wreath Sale: Main Church Doors After Masses Women's Club Xmas Party RSVPs: Gathering Space	
Monday, November 27 - Friday, December 1 4:00pm Men's Club Tree Sales: Conway Lot	
Monday, November 27 1:00pm Merrick Set Up: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen 3:30pm Merrick Food Distribution: Flandrau Lot 6:30pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall	
Tuesday, November 28 4:30pm Finance Council: Staff Lounge	
Wednesday, November 29 9:00am Rosary: Church 9:30am School Mass: Church 10:30am ECT/Synod Meeting: Parish office 6:30pm Choir: Church 6:30pm RCIA: Founders Room 6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus	
Thursday, November 30 10:00am Advent Reflection: Brioschi Hall 6:30pm Advent Reflection: Brioschi Hall 7:00pm Spirit Song: Church	
Friday, December 1 No scheduled events	
Saturday, December 2 - Sunday, December 3 9:00am Men's Club Tree Sales: Conway Lot	
Saturday, December 2 9:00am SET Small Group Planning Day: Brioschi Hall 10:00am Advent Decorating: Church After Mass Scout Wreath Sale: Main Church Doors After Mass Women's Club Xmas Party RSVPs: Gathering Space	
Sunday, December 3—1st Sunday of Advent After Masses Cub Scout Pancake Breakfast: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen After Masses Scout Wreath Sale: Main Church Doors After Masses Women's Club Xmas Party RSVPs: Gathering Space 11:30am Confirmation II: Staff Lounge 11:30am Women's Club Board Meeting: Founders Room	

REMEMBER SOMEONE IN A SPECIAL WAY
THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON

Make a donation (any amount) in memory of a family member or loved one, or in honor of 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 December 20. 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:

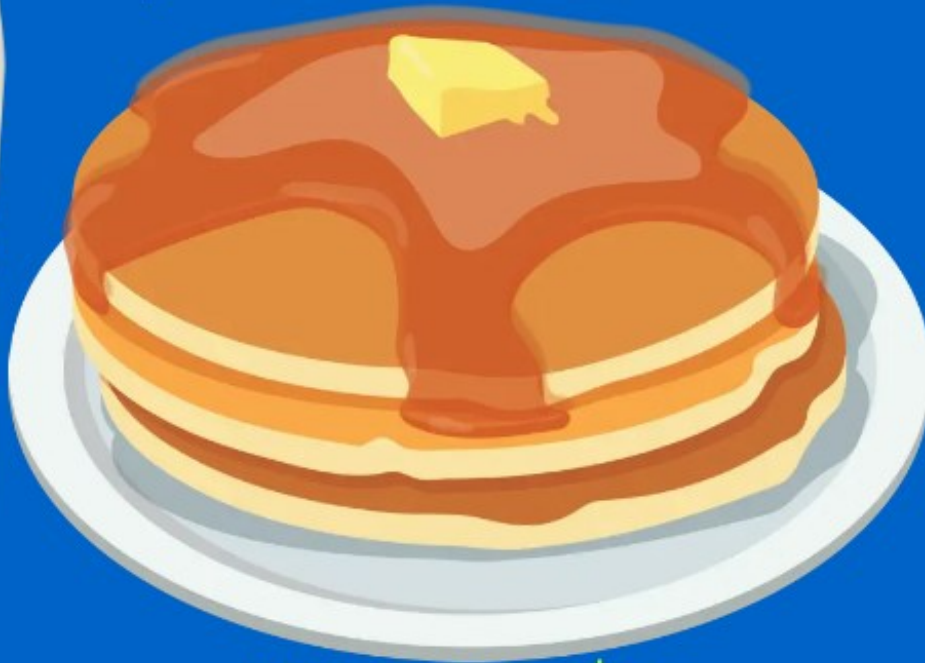
Thank you for your generosity and care!

Please note: Memorials/Honorariums received in the parish office after December 20 will not appear on the Christmas Flowers bulletin insert on December 25.

Cub Scout Pack 294

ALL YOU CAN EAT
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUN, DEC 3RD 9:30AM - 12:30PM



ADULTS: \$12
KIDS AND SENIORS: \$6
NEW FAMILY PACK: \$30



PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, EGGS, COFFEE, AND JUICE