

Monday, December 28

7:00 AM - 8:00 PM ADORATION

9:00 AM Al & Debbie Rolbiecki - Living Intention

Tuesday, December 29

9:00 AM NO MASS

Wednesday, December 30

9:00 AM Dave McKenzie Family - Living & Deceased

Thursday, December 31 NEW YEARS EVE

6:00 PM Darrell Peterson +

Friday, January 1 NEW YEARS DAY

9:00 AM SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH

Saturday, January 2

5:00 PM Sean McElmury +

Sunday, January 3

10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's & St. Patrick's

December 31

6:00 PM Volunteer

January 2 & 3

5:00 PM Dolores Berg

10:00 AM Dorothy Arendt

January 9 & 10

5:00 PM Valerie Cunningham

10:00 AM Volunteer



PARISH SUPPORT December 20, 2020

ADULT CHURCH SUPPORT	\$5,340.00
OFFERTORY	188.00
CANDLES	66.50
RETIREMENT FUND	910.00
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	110.00
CHRISTMAS DONATION	710.00
DONATION	25.00
BUILDING FUND	675.00

DECEMBER DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR CHURCH SUPPORT (41 Families) \$3,524.00

DECEMBER DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR BLDG. FUND (11 Families) \$614.00

THANK YOU! Grateful: Thank you everybody for all the Christmas and birthday cards and gifts you have given me. I also want to thank all the people who have helped with the Christmas events; musicians, lectors, decorators, people who donated and people who helped in other ways. I feel blessed to be Pastor of such wonderful parishes! - Fr. Fasnacht

Thank you to Schleicher Funeral Home for the 2021 calendars. We very much appreciate your gift.

Michael Arendt Jim Arendt
Augie Schleicher



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

"God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother. My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins — a house raised in justice to you." Sir 3:2-6, 12-14

A couple weeks ago Pope Francis declared this coming year as "The Year of St. Joseph." The Holy Father proclaimed the year in his new Apostolic Letter, *Patris corde*, "With a Father's Heart." The letter marks the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St. Joseph as Patron Saint of the Universal Church.

I think the timing is wonderful. We need a shot in the arm and help from St. Joseph during these difficult times. There is clearly a spiritual attack on husbands, fathers and marriage from the Devil and the culture we live in. There is a lot of confusion in our society on the role and identity of men. Men need to look to St. Joseph as an example and guide. We can learn a lot from him on what it means to be a man, a father and a husband. It was St. Joseph who taught Our Lord how to be a man and what that meant. So let us turn to St. Joseph for learning and help this year. He loves us and he will work hard to help us and protect us. God bless, Fr. Fasnacht

Rectory update: The St. Mary's Pastoral and Finance Councils with the help of an architect recently finished and approved the blue prints for the new rectory that will be built where the old rectory used to be on the church property. Now the blue prints will be sent to the Diocesan College of Consulters for approval.

Thanks YOU Thank you to everyone who sent me cards & gifts for my 90th birthday! It was so good to hear from all of you. I received well over 400 cards! I'm trying to acknowledge them but it's taking time.

Your messages brought back so many memories & I'm grateful for your generosity.. Have a Merry Christmas filled with the love of the Christ Child, the Prince of Peace. Father Jim McCauley



General Safety Reminders:

When coming forward for Holy Communion, please keep a 6 foot distance between each person & parishioners are asked to receive in the hand. If someone still wishes to receive on the tongue, they should be near the end of the communion line.

People are asked to not shake hands or greet each other by touching.

The Diocesan Safety Regulations advise that those who are 65 or older or have health issues to stay home but each person should make their own decision.

Please wash your hands often, use hand sanitizer and sneeze or cough into your elbow.

Due to Governor's face mask law, Minnesotan's must wear a face mask in indoor public settings unless you have an exemption or are under 5 years old. Some of our staff have a health exemption. Thank you.

FATHER FASNACHT'S 10:00 AM SUNDAY MASS can be viewed livestream or the recorded version on Father Fasnacht's Youtube Channel. At this time we are unable to stream on Facebook but go to Parish Website to watch.



WEEKDAY LECTOR.....

Looking for a lector for Thursday's during February and March. Call the office if you could help out.

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Come, Holy Spirit,

Spirit of the Risen Christ, be with us today and always.
Be our Light, our Guide, and our Comforter.
Be our Strength, our Courage, and our Sanctifier.
May this new year be a time of deep spiritual growth for us,
A time of welcoming your graces and gifts,
A time for forgiving freely and unconditionally,
A time for growing in virtue and goodness.

Come, Holy Spirit,
Be with us today and always.
Amen.



December 30th NO CLASSES

January 6th Grade 5 - 8

FAITH FORMATION January 13 Grades 1 - 4



Sani-Wipe Team: we will be making Sani-Wipes every Wednesday after the 9 AM Mass. We will make less at a time so they don't dry out. Thank you!

Would you like to deepen your relationship with the Holy Spirit? Would you like to learn about and identify the Gifts of the Holy Spirit that you have been given? Join us for a (free) Life In The Spirit seminar, using "The Wild Goose" series by Father Dave Pivonka, starting Wednesday January 6th and ending February 17th, 2021. We will meet online via Zoom at 7:00pm CST, sponsored by The Breath of God Zoom prayer group. Zoom login information will be sent upon registration. Contact Joshua for more information and to register: [\(218\) 349-9660](tel:2183499660) or jjj3279@aol.com



The next KC Meeting will be held on January 12, starting with the Rosary at 6:20 PM in church. Meeting will follow.

CCW will not have a meeting in January.

A huge thank you to those who recently donated to the Catholic Ministries Appeal!! We have now received **\$23,865** which is more than **74%** of our Parish Goal. If you haven't already contributed, please prayerfully discern how you can support the CMA. Envelopes are available on the tables at the church entrances or you may give online at www.catholicismn.org/Appeal. Thank you for your generosity!

