



St. Patrick/St. Clement Parish
West Albany
 419 W Lyon Ave
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February 21, 2021 – 1st Sunday in Lent



Father Matthew Fasnacht Office: (651) 345-4134 Rectory: (651) 448 8541 Email: frfasnacht@acegroup.cc	Deacon David Dose Home: (651) 345-2439	Mass Schedule <u>St. Patrick - West Albany</u> Sunday - 8:00 a.m. Confessions – 7:30 a.m. <u>St. Mary of the Lake - Lake City</u> Saturday - 5:00 p.m. Sunday - 10:00 a.m. Confession available before weekday Masses at St Mary's 8:20 – 8:50 am Web Site: stpatrickswestalbany.org Facebook Page: stpatrickswestalbany
Kendra Walker: Director of Faith Formation Hall/Office: (507) 753-2424 Cell: (651) 448-0177 Email: kendrawalker.faithformation@gmail.com	MISSION STATEMENT: <i>To use our resources, wisdom, and energy to empower and encourage parish families and surrounding communities so that people see Christ in our works and commitment to make our parishes thrive and grow and to share our faith with others.</i>	
Bulletin Items Contact: Becky Lukes 30436 Hwy 60, Millville MN 55957 Cell: 507-990-6657 – please leave a message Email: westalbanybulletin@gmail.com		

1. Please send any bulletin items to westalbanybulletin@gmail.com by **10 am Thursday**.
2. All Document bulletin items need to be in Word format so it can be copy/cut and paste into the bulletin. No photo copies of items, please. Typed content in the body of an email is OK, just so it can be copied/pasted into the bulletin.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Parishioners who are homebound and who wish to receive a pastoral visit should contact Father. Persons who are seriously ill or who are anticipating surgery should make arrangements for the Sacrament of Anointing.

Baptism Preparation

Parents requesting the sacrament of Baptism should call the St. Mary Parish office -651-345-4134

Marriage Preparation

Couples should contact the priest at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date to discuss the marriage preparation program.

New Parishioner Signup

If you are interested in becoming a member or would like more information about our St Patrick's Parish Family, please see Dennis Makoutz at church or contact him at 507-798-2518 or email address makoutz.dennis@gmail.com

R.C.I.A.

Individuals who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith are invited to consider our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program. You are welcome to contact Dave and Ann Marie Dose at (651) 345-2439.

Prayer Chain

To add a request to the prayer chain please contact Kim Stelling at stelling.kimberly@mayo.edu

Hall Rent

Hall rental not available at this time due to pandemic protocol.

Sharing Sunshine

Please contact Louann Fieck, 507-259-5824, if you know of any parish member or person in the community that would benefit from a get-well wish, some encouraging words, or even just a simple personal note from the parish.
No more cards needed at this time.

FATHER FASNACHT'S 10:00 AM SUNDAY MASS WILL BE LIVE STREAMED ON HIS YOUTUBE CHANNEL.

Stations of the Cross
 St. Mary's of the Lake Fridays during Lent at 5:30 p.m.

St Patrick's Wednesday during Lent at 5:30 p.m.
February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24

Catholics at the Capitol
 April 15, 2021 visit catholicsatthecapitol.org
 Catholics at the Capitol is back, and the need for Minnesota Catholics to speak up for life and dignity is greater now than ever. So, join Catholics from across the state on mission for life and dignity. This day of prayer, education, and advocacy will form you in our faith by celebrating Mass and hearing from inspiring speakers, inform you on the most critical issues facing our state, and send you on mission from the cathedral of St. Paul to the State Capitol during a Eucharistic Procession before meeting with your legislators to advocate for life & dignity! *from Feb 21 issue The Courier

St Patrick's Financial Updates

Collections 2/14/21	
Plate	\$ 20
Envelope	\$ 395
Total	\$ 415

Thanks for Your Support!

Shoe Drive Fundraiser Goal: 2500 pairs in 60 days-\$1000.00 for St. Patrick's parish.

- Fliers are in the back of church. Please take some to distribute to local businesses and add your name and contact info on the bottom to help with collections.
- We are collecting new and **Gently worn** shoes from infant to adult and all seasons This includes slippers, rain and snow boots, work boots, farm boots and sports shoes. (no ice or roller skates or roller blades) The shoes need to be in good to fair shape with intact soles, no tears or holes in the material.
- Shoes will be collected in the church hall **main entry** before or after church, or contact someone to open for you if you do not have a key.
- Before bagging, all shoes will need to be paired. They can be tied together if laced shoes, or rubber banded for others. We will be provided with heavy rubber bands for this. If possible, please tie shoes or band them before drop off.
- At some point there will be a bagging sessions to bag 25 pairs to a bag and tie shut. This will be done several times throughout the collection to assess where we are in the goal, and will need volunteers to help. We will keep you informed when this happens
- A truck will pick up the shoes to take to Florida to weigh and send a check to St. Patrick's within 30-45 days after the collection is complete. Volunteers will be needed to help with this also.
- Cash donations to purchase shoes accepted.

This is a new venture for us and we hope it will be successful!!!
 Meg Sprick 651-345-4804

MILLVILLE GRACE UCC QUILT RAFFLE

A regular-sized quilt was started by Nancy Wilking, Helen Myers put some of her touch in it, and then Margaret Loos finished the project:) **BEAUTIFUL!! (Posted on church bulletin board)**

- * A RAFFLE is going to take place: February 12 - March 12
 - * Tickets are \$5 each, please send the number of tickets you would like along with the money to: Cris Wadley 5502 105th Ave N.E. Elgin, MN 55932.
 - * Drawing will take place on 3/13 winner announced Sunday 3/14
- Thank You ladies for the work and thank you in advance for your contribution to the raffle



Pastor's Corner

"Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus inside the praetorium and gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped off his clothes and threw a scarlet military cloak about him. Weaving a crown out of thorns, they placed it on his head, and a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spat upon him and took the reed and kept striking him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him off to crucify him."
Mt 27:27-31

Meditating on the Lord's passion and death is a very important thing in the spiritual life of the Christian. It is very difficult for us to appreciate and understand what Jesus did for us if we do not take the time to reflect on the event of his suffering and death.

We take it for granted too much and too easily. At least I do. When we take the time to consider and reflect on Jesus' passion, God helps us to appreciate and taste the greatest act of love that anyone has ever done for us.

This is why it is so important to do the Stations of the Cross, especially during lent. When we pray and meditate upon the Stations, we walk the road to Calvary with Christ. The Holy Spirit will help us to enter into the scene. Eventually we will taste it in a real way in our heart. This is one great way God opens our heart up to receive his love. I invite you all to walk the Stations of the Cross this lent. Walk it with Jesus. Be with him. Taste his love for you as you reflect on what he did to save you out of love.

God bless, Fr. Fasnacht

Lent fasting and abstinence: Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting for Catholics. That means that we are required to skip at least one full meal and we are not to eat meat on Ash Wednesday nor Fridays of Lent.

Please pick up your Rice Bowls and Little Black Books for Lent at the entrance to church. Extras are available for family and friends as well.

Bulletin Prayer Requests

If there is anyone you would like us to pray for and put in the bulletin, please call Becky Lukes at 507-990-6657 or send her an email.

Courier Subscriptions: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, hard copies of the Courier are currently not available in our churches. However, in addition to being available online, hard copies are being mailed to those on our home delivery list. You can be added to the subscription list by sending your name and address to Nick Reller at nreller@dowr.org or Diocese of Winona-Rochester, The Courier, 55 W Sanborn St., Winona, MN 55987.

Scam warning: Please be aware that scam artists are texting and emailing people in our parishes using my name to ask for money. Never give money to someone via email or text. I have spoken to multiple other Pastors and they say the same thing is happening to them. Thank you, Fr. Fasnacht

CONCECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

Lenten Journey for Men

Do you desire to become a better man, husband, father, grandfather and friend? Join us as we look at the characteristics and life of St. Joseph and how we can learn from his witness. This will be a 33 day walk with scripture, reflection (15 minutes a day) and group interaction via zoom once a week. This program will conclude with a consecration to St. Joseph.

All are welcome, please contact Deacon John Hust via phone, text or email. Once you are registered you will receive additional information.

Blessings Deacon John 651-564-0551 deaconjohn@felixagnes.org

St. Patrick's Covid-19 Procedures

- The obligation to attend Sunday Mass is removed until further notice. The Diocesan Safety Regulations advise that those who are 65 or older or have health issues stay home but each person should make their own decision.
- **Face Mask Law:** to comply with Minnesota's face mask law, everyone must wear a face mask in indoor public settings unless you have a medical exemption or are under 5 years old.
- When you enter church, please use hand sanitizer.
- Please place your church support in the box at the church entrance.
- Please pick up a bag with a sanitizing wipe – wipe down your seat and any surfaces you have come in contact with... after Mass.
- Please do not remove ropes on the pews designed to maintain physical distancing.
- Please keep a 6-foot distance between yourself and others not from your household; especially during Communion and after Mass.
- If needed, extra chairs can be set up in the back of church.
- If you need to cough or sneeze, please cough or sneeze into your elbow/arm – then sanitize your hands.
- Process to Communion using side aisles, one side at a time, again maintaining good physical distancing.
- Please do not shake hands or greet one another by touching.
- Be safe, be well.

Mass Schedule:

Sunday February 21 8:00 a.m. – William & Jeanette Ryan +

Sunday February 28 8:00 a.m. – Richard Krier +

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Tuesday 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Church

HOOR OF MERCY PRAYER, ROSARY, CHAPLET, STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Thursday from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Lector

February 21 – Lea Sexton

February 28 – Jane Timm