



St. Patrick/St. Clement Parish

West Albany

419 W Lyon Ave

Lake City, MN 55041

February 14 – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



<p>Father Matthew Fasnacht Office: (651) 345-4134 Rectory: (651) 448 8541 Email: frfasnacht@acegroup.cc</p>	<p>Deacon David Dose Home: (651) 345-2439</p>	<p>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</p>
<p>Kendra Walker: Director of Faith Formation Hall/Office: (507) 753-2424 Cell: (651) 448-0177 Email: kendrawalker.faithformation@gmail.com</p>	<p>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></p>	
<p>Bulletin Items Contact: Becky Lukes 30436 Hwy 60, Millville MN 55957 Cell: 507-990-6657 – please leave a message Email: westalbanybulletin@gmail.com</p>		

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

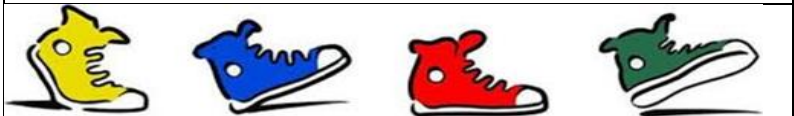
Fridays during Lent
5:30 pm at St. Mary's of the Lake

Ash Wednesday Mass Times

St Mary's 6:00 pm
St Patrick's 7:30 pm

Lent begins Wednesday February 17.

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.



Covid Fundraising Goal Achieved!

Goal set \$12,000 Total amount received **\$13,038!!!**

Thank you to all who have given so generously to achieve this goal during the COVID pandemic. Your sacrifice to help recover the budget shortfall is a blessing to the St. Patrick's parish and is very much appreciated.

PVT & CCW will be working on a **shoe drive fundraiser** this winter. We want to collect new and gently used shoes of all sizes and seasons. Please watch for further information on this coming soon.

St Patrick's Financial Updates

Collections 2/7/21

Plate	\$ 7
Envelope	\$ 495
Religious Ed	\$ 60
Building Fund	\$ 55
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 20

Thanks for Your Support!

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

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.

<p style="text-align: center;">Pastor's Corner</p> <p>The testimonial below is from a book entitled "The Warning." This passage is from a private revelation to a mystic, Alan Ames, in which St. Teresa of Avila appeared to him and spoke to him about prayer. I am sharing this with you all because it helped me in my prayer life. God bless, Fr. Fasnacht</p> <p><i>"I asked Saint Teresa. "When I see other people praying, they often have long faces and look miserable, as if they were forced to pray. Yet this is really joyful, wonderful stuff. Don't other people experience what I'm experiencing in prayer?"</i></p> <p><i>"Well, often they don't," she answered, "because so often when they pray, they're thinking about themselves. They're focusing on their lives, their problems, their concerns. When you focus on self, God gets pushed aside. When God comes second, and self is first, your heart actually starts to close to God and stops his grace from filling you.</i></p> <p><i>"However, when you focus on God in your prayers and look past yourself, past the world, that is when your soul opens. God pours his grace in abundance deep inside you."</i> She said to tell people that when they begin to pray, the first thing they should do is turn to the Holy Spirit and say:</p> <p><i>"Lord, I can't pray properly. I'm weak. I'm human. I'm fragile. I'm easily distracted, taken in thoughts of myself and the world. But you, Lord, Lead me past that. Help me to pray properly. Help me to focus on the Father, the Son, and you the Holy Spirit, so that my soul can be opened, and I can receive the grace that is there for everyone in prayer."</i></p> <p><i>She continued, "Once you do that, once you seek God's help in prayer and in all you do, you can start to experience what prayer is meant to be: a joyful gift of God's love. If prayer is a burden, a chore, a duty, this is often because prayer is self-centered and not God-centered. Remember, in all things God must come first. Look to God in everything, and then you will receive His joy in all you do."</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Covid 19 corner - Reminders</p> <p>Remember the 3 W's: 1. <i>Wear a mask</i> 2. Watch distancing - at least 6 feet. Hint: if you stretch out your arm and the other person does too and your fingers touch, you are too close. 3. Wash hands often for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer. Hint: reverently whispering the Our Father takes about 20 seconds. Above all - be safe, be well.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bulletin Prayer Requests</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONCECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH Lenten Journey for Men</p> <p>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</p>
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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 14 8:00 a.m. – Joseph Kohn +

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

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

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

Lector

February 14 – Dianne Johnson

February 17, Ash Wednesday – Dwaine Sexton

February 21 – Lea Sexton

February 28 – Jane Timm