

St. Patrick's Church Hallock, MN & Holy Rosary Mission Lancaster, MN

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PASTOR'S PEN

Greetings in Christ Jesus!

As children we were told always to wash our hands before meals. Nowadays we are much more conscious of the need for cleanliness to avoid spreading diseases. Cleanliness is a matter of practical common sense, simple hygiene.

The Jews expressed this sense of unworthiness by laws about washing. We Catholics do the same thing at Mass, at the 'Lavabo,' when the priest says, "Lord, wash away my iniquity and cleanse me of my sin." These laws about washing were not a question of removing physical dirt but ritual uncleanness.

We Catholics value traditions and customs, which give us a recognizable identity. When you see someone making the sign of the cross you can be pretty certain he is a Catholic. He will do that before competing in a sport. We are encouraged to say grace before meals, even when dining out.

This gesture expresses our dependence on God and our gratitude for His gifts. These customs are important in reminding ourselves and other people of our religious identity. If we lose our traditions, we can lose our identity.

Jesus wanted to get back to basics. He revealed the whole purpose of God's Law. This was to protect and foster love for God and each other. Good law should provide a framework in which love can grow.

Jesus provoked this confrontation to provide Him with an opportunity to get a true understanding of the kind of cleanliness that is necessary for us to have a true relationship with God, the kind of uncleanness that damages that relationship.

Inner purity is far more important than outward cleanliness. What really matters is the way we think, our inmost desires and longings. These lead to the way we behave. With dirty hands we can have a good relationship with God, but not with a dirty mind.

In today's Gospel Jesus helps us to understand the kind of cleanliness that is essential to our having a good relationship with God. That's inner, not external purity. Only in this sense is cleanliness next to godliness.

Fr.Maschio.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Father Maschio will be conducting training for all the current and new altar servers on Saturday, September 11th at 10 am at St. Patrick's. Anyone who has received their First Communion is eligible to be an altar server.

LADIES GUILD BAZAAR

The Bazaar will be held on Thursday, September 16th from 4-6 p.m. on the lawn of St. Patrick's. All women of the parish are invited to donate baked goods, home-canned goods, and garden produce to the bazaar. Please price all items. Pricing suggestions are available on the table in the entry of the church. There is also a sign-up sheet in the entry of the church for individuals who want to help with the bazaar. Items can be dropped off in the entry of the church after 8 a.m. on Thursday, September 16th.

SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

We are restarting our weekly Sunday coffee hour on Sunday, September 12th after Sunday mass. The Guild will purchase donuts, juice and coffee that can be used each week. We request that lunch be limited to meat/cheese, crackers and muffins/coffee cake. We would like 2 or more families to help host each weekend. Your responsibilities will be to make the coffee and juice, set-up table with paper products, provide the food and serve coffee hour and clean-up following. We would like 8-10 serving groups so each group would serve every 2-3 months. There is a sign-up sheet in the entry of the church if you are able to help with coffee hour.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HAITI SEPT 4/5

Once again, the nation of Haiti, with the recent devastating earthquake, has suffered an incredible natural disaster.

The destruction of the earthquake is compounded as it comes in the aftermath of a presidential assassination, ongoing economic and political turmoil, the coronavirus pandemic and an active storm season so often a target of this poor nation.

Bishop Richard has asked that a special collection be taken up for the Haitian people in the Churches of the Diocese of Crookston on September 4/5.

Rarely has there been such desperate need.

Please be generous in responding to the survival of our brothers and sisters in Haiti by brining a separate envelope marked "Haiti".

ADORATION CHANGES

Beginning on September 1st, adoration will start right after morning Mass at 8:30 am and continue until noon. We will have half hour time slots available during these hours. Please consider spending some time adoring our Lord.

GROUPING

The men and women will meet separately at 6:00 pm at St. Patrick's parish on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

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| SATURDAY | August 28th | NO MASS |
| SUNDAY | August 29th | PARISH DAY |
| Holy Mass | 5:00 PM Hallock | Pro Populo |
| Holy Mass | 11:00 AM Lancaster | Marilyn Nordling |
| MONDAY | August 30th | |
| Holy Mass | 8:00 AM Hallock | Heather Schlenker |
| TUESDAY | August 31st | |
| Holy Mass | 8:00 AM Hallock | Asher Olsonawski |
| WEDNESDAY | September 1st | |
| Holy Mass | 8:00 AM Hallock | Jack Schlenker |
| THURSDAY | September 2nd | |
| Holy Mass | 8:00 AM Hallock | Kyra Hagen |
| FRIDAY | September 3rd | |
| Holy Mass | 8:00 AM Hallock | Christine Dziengel |
| Holy Mass | 10:00 AM Nursing Home | Lawrence & Arlyne Neuschwander |
| SATURDAY | September 4th | |
| Holy Mass | 5:00 PM Hallock | Sophie Gubbels |
| SUNDAY | September 5th | |
| Holy Mass | 9:00 AM Hallock | Pro Populo |
| Holy Mass | 11:00 AM Lancaster | Helen Potrament |

Masses can be requested from the parish at anytime, for the living or the dead, or for any good intention. A \$5 offering is customary for each request.

PRAYER LIST

Those who are Sick, Struggling, Recovering

Sophie Olsonawski
 Eleanor Kraska
 Cathy Cleem
 Iver Cleem
 Janet Olsonawski
 Dion Turgeon
 Jeanette Forfang
 Kim Short
 LeRoy Vonasek
 Renee Stewart
 Robb Brown
 Ruth Hennen
 Dorothy Barber
 Dave Fertig
 Gloria Dziengel
 Charlie Anderson
 Kayla (Sjostrand) Thompson

Deceased Loved Ones

Elmer Hungate
 Paul Olsonawski
 Bonita Hanson
 Wayne Stewart
 Luella Quiner
 Eileen Totleben
 Catherine Klegstad
 MaryAnn Schmiedeberg
 Leona Chalaturnyk
 Helen Potrament
 Irene Kiesow
 Rosemary Cooney
 Don DeLorme
 Mark Rocznik
 Betty Lockman

Email the parish office with those you would like listed above for prayer each month.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY LIST

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| Saturday | September 4th 5:00 PM | St. Patrick |
| Ministers: | Volunteers | |
| Sunday | September 5th 9:00 AM | St. Patrick |
| Sacristan: | Erick Gubbels | |
| Servers: | Avery Wiese & Noah Olson | |
| Commentator: | Danelle Miller | |
| Lector: | Terry Kent | |
| Usher: | Phil Muir & Dean Bergeron | |
| Money Counters: | Keith Urbankiak & Ron Anderson | |

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| Sunday | September 5th 11:00 AM | Holy Rosary |
| Ministers: | Volunteers | |

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school will begin Sunday, September 12th right after Mass. As of now, there will be NO preschool Sunday school.

7th - 12th GRADE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The 7th - 12th grade students will begin religious education immediately after Mass on Sundays beginning September 12th.

RCIA AFTER SATURDAY MASS BEGINNING 9-11-21

Rock Bakken will be offering RCIA classes beginning immediately after Saturday Mass on September 11th and running each Saturday after Mass through Easter. These classes will be for anyone who either wishes to become a Catholic or just learn more about the Catholic faith.

BULLETIN BITS-22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Be doers of the word and not hearers only..."
JAMES 1:22

It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship - living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

CURSILLO IS BACK

The women's weekend is September 23-26.
 The men's weekend is October 28-31.
 Applications can be printed at crookstoncursillo.weebly.com

ST. PATRICK'S MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION REPORT

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| 2021 Charitable Contributions: | | |
| | <u>JULY</u> | <u>JUNE</u> |
| In-Church Contributions: | \$4,959.68 | \$4,603.00 |
| On-Line Contributions: | \$1,596.60 | \$1,918.75 |

HOLY ROSARY MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION REPORT

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| | <u>JULY</u> | <u>JUNE</u> |
| In-Church Contributions: | \$1,419.00 | \$2,082.00 |