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. Please join us in Brioschi Hall after Mass for hospitality and to find out more.

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FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

I will be on vacation from January 12-23. Next weekend, January 18-19, Father Bob Hazel will be visiting our parish to preside at the weekend Masses and speak on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Father Hazel was ordained in 1966 as a priest of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. Before his retirement in 2006, his ministry included parish work, chaplaincy at the University of Minnesota, and extended foreign mission service in India and Venezuela. He also works with Retrouvaille, a ministry dedicated to helping troubled marriages and for those who are hurting and in need of counseling.

Father Mike Byron and Father Charlie Lachowitzer will preside at School Masses while I am on vacation. Father Mike will celebrate Mass at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, January 15, and Father Charlie will celebrate Mass at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, January 22. All are welcome.

The Baby Bottle Fundraiser for Options for Women East continues through January 26. Options for Women East LifeCare Center is located at 891 White Bear Avenue, St. Paul. Phone: 651.776.2328; Email: optionsforwomeneast.com. At the display in our Gathering Space, there are plastic baby bottles that you can take home and fill with cash or a check. Bring the bottle back to church and deposit the bottle into the large receptacle in the Gathering Space. If you prefer electronic giving, the donor website for Options for Women East is ofwepartners.com. Options for Women East offers services and resources at no cost to women who are unexpectedly pregnant.

Parish Survey in February. Our parish and all parishes in the Archdiocese are invited to participate in a survey called the “Disciple Maker Index” that was developed by the Catholic Leadership Institute. The Archdiocesan Synod Planning Team and Archbishop Hebda thought the Disciple Maker Index survey would give a good snapshot of our Archdiocesan community’s faith life and helpful data to augment the Prayer and Listening Sessions that are part of the Synod preparation process. The Disciple Maker Index survey can be taken on your computer, tablet, cell phone or in printed form. The survey asks about your growth in faith, your journey as a Christian disciple, and your participation in the life of the Church. There is no cost to our parish for participating in the survey. Therefore, from February 1-29, please take 10-15 minutes to complete the survey online at www.disciplemakerindex.com. If you prefer to fill out a paper copy of the survey, you can pick up a copy at church in February or contact Kim Roering, our Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation, at 651.432.4958 or kim.roering@stpascals.org. We will receive our parish results of the survey this spring, and we will share with you what we have learned.

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for January: Promotion of World Peace. We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

God Bless You,
Father John Mitchell

A Note from Deacon Richard
The two books mentioned in my Holy Family homily concerning migrants and refugees are:

Enrique’s Journey, by Sonia Nazario
A Stranger and You Welcomed Me, by Pope Francis

Both are highly recommended reading!

Angel Tree 2019
From the St. Pascal’s Social Justice and Caring Committee—thank you to all who supported the Angel Tree Ministry this Christmas season. You provided gifts for two families: The Angel Tree family of four children who live near us on the East Side and the St. Pascal’s family of five children who are in transitional housing since suffering a devastating house fire. Your generosity and care were greatly appreciated by the families. If you have any feedback or questions, please contact Mary Weyandt at mulweyandt@mac.com or Bonnie Steele bonnie.steele@stpascals.org.

Listening House
St. Pascal’s supports the Eastside-Listening House—dubbed the living room of the homeless—by donating men’s and women’s socks, underwear and tee-shirts. Men’s jeans and sweatpants are also needed. Please, no mugs! Place these items in the marked boxes in the donation closet. This is an ongoing ministry of the Women's Club.

Thank You
We wish to acknowledge the many expressions of concern and compassion from our friends at St. Pascal’s and to thank those who worked so diligently in difficult circumstances to provide a beautiful Funeral Mass and luncheon. We thank especially the Women’s Club and the many volunteers who contributed their time and wonderful food, and Fr. John and the staff who braved the storm. You have given us such strength during this difficult time.

Sincerely,
The James Stach Family

Women’s Book Club
January 13 at 6:30 PM in the Founders Room
Join the St. Pascal Women’s Book Club. We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month. Come as often as your schedule allows. In January, we will discuss Fatal Throne: The Wives of Henry VIII by seven authors. On February 10 we will share our thoughts on The Chilbury Ladies’ Choir by Jennifer Ryan. Contact Toni Baker at toni@bakers.us or 651.731.7763 for a list of the twelve 2020 selections or for more information.

In Christ We Live Forever

Please remember in your prayers…

James Spranger
James Omodt

who were recently buried from our church. We extend our sincere sympathy to their family and friends, and pray for their souls’ eternal peace.
VIRTUS SESSION

VIRTUS: Protecting God’s Children
Volunteer Training Session
Saturday, February 29, from 9:00 AM-Noon in Brioschi Hall
The Archdiocesan Office for the Protection of Children and Youth (OPCY) requires that adults working with children and youth or vulnerable adults fulfill the Essential 3 requirements (for new volunteers) or the Enhanced Essential 3 (for current volunteers).

All NEW volunteers are required to complete the following:
1. VIRTUS Safe Environment Training—Live Session AND Mandated Reporting Training (online). If you need to attend a live VIRTUS session, one will be held at St. Pascal’s on Saturday, February 29 from 9:00 AM-12 Noon. You can create a VIRTUS account and register to attend this session, or one on a date/time more convenient to you, at www.virtusonline.org.
2. Background Check (complete online)
3. Sign 2016 Code of Conduct (complete online)

PLEASE NOTE: It is best to plan to complete E3 requirements at least one month before you plan to volunteer.

Complete instructions for both new and current volunteers are available by going to wwwstpascals.org/safe-environment or contact Kim Roering in the parish office at 651.432.4958 or kim.roering@stpascals.org.

Volunteers Needed—Ramsey Family Service Center Meal Services
Starting in March of 1983, St. Pascal volunteers have served meals to those who often go without. First it was done at the Neighborhood House on St. Paul’s Westside; then it moved to the Lowry Family Shelter in downtown St. Paul; now it is up at the Ramsey Family Service Center, located near Aldrich arena. Some volunteers serve an evening weekday meal (on 3rd, 4th or 5th Mondays, 2nd Wednesday) from 5:00-7:00 PM; others go on Mondays for lunch. All assignments are every other month—just six times a year.

We have various openings, but our greatest need is for dinner service on the 3rd Monday of odd numbered months from 5:15 – 7:00 PM. We are looking for one or two people. Singles, couples, parent and teen, friends—anyone!

Contact Toni Baker at 651.731.7763 or toni@bakers.us for more information, to volunteer, to change your service time, etc.

JustFaith Catholic Phase Two—"Journey to Justice"
Beginning at the end of January
Through its focus on the U.S. criminal justice system and income inequality, Phase Two challenges participants to revisit how our faith informs our responsibility to each other. One can join Phase Two even if they did not participate in Phase One. Sessions are offered on Tuesdays from 6:30-9:00 PM AND Wednesdays from 1:00-3:30 PM.

JustFaith Catholic at St. Pascal’s is sponsored by the Social Justice and Caring Committee and the Adult Faith Formation Committee. Registration forms are now available in the kiosks and on the parish website and are due by January 17. For more information contact Ann Karner at 651.330.0024.
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Sunday, January 12, 2020—Baptism of the Lord
After Masses Men’s Club Donut sales: BH
After Masses New Member Registration: BH
12:00pm Confirmation 1: OC

Monday, January 13
6:30pm Boy Scouts 294: SL
6:30pm Women’s Book Club: FR

Tuesday, January 14
NO MASS
9:00am Environment & Art Winter decorating: CH

Wednesday, January 15
9:00am Rosary: CH
9:25am Regional School Mass—All are welcome!
6:30pm Choir: CR
6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus

Thursday, January 16
NO MASS
6:30pm Cub Scout Pack meeting: OC

Friday, January 17
NO MASS
No scheduled events

Saturday, January 18
Baby Bottle Campaign through January 19: GS
10:00am Eucharistic Minister Formation: BH

Sunday, January 19
No scheduled events

Visit us at www.stpascals.org for more information on upcoming events.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mass Times & Intentions

Monday, January 13
06:30 PM + A deceased member of the parish

Tuesday, January 14
NO MASS

Wednesday, January 15
09:25 AM +

Thursday, January 16
NO MASS

Friday, January 17

Saturday, January 18
04:30 PM + Bette Donlin

Sunday, January 19
08:45 AM + Jim Brown
10:30 AM The people of the parish

Heart Questions

Pleasing to God

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

Isaiah 42:1

Adults: How does your own baptism provide you with a “call to serve others?” In what ways do you serve?

Kids: When has the Holy Spirit helped you treat someone fairly?

Sunday:
Is 42:1-4, 6-7
Ps 29:1-4, 9-10
Acts 10:34-38
Mt 3:13-17

Monday:
1 Sm 1:1-8
Ps 116:12-19
Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday:
1 Sm 1:9-20
(Ps) 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd
Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday:
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20
Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10
Mk 1:29-39

Thursday:
1 Sm 4:1-11
Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25
Mk 1:40-45

Friday:
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a
Ps 89:16-19
Mk 2:1-12

Saturday:
1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a
Ps 21:2-7
Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday:
Is 49:3, 5-6
Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10
1 Cor 1:1-3
Jn 1:29-34

MEETING LOCATION KEY:
BH: Brioschi Hall, CH: Church, CR: Choir Room, FR: Founders Room, GS: Gathering Space, OC: Old Church, SL: Staff Lounge

St. Pascal’s Legacy Society
Please make St Pascal’s an important part of your legacy by remembering St. Pascal’s in your estate plan. If you want more information on St Pascal’s Legacy Society, please call Theresa Ruttger in the parish office at 651.774.1585 or talk to a member of the Legacy Committee—Ellen and Mike Aeling, Susan Hommes, Joe Sullivan, and Brigid O’Malley.

Upcoming St. Pascal Events

Our 10th Taste of St. Pascal Potluck Dinner
Sunday, February 23 from 4:00-6:00 PM in Brioschi Hall
Can you help with our fabulous all-parish multi-cultural potluck dinner?
★ Find us some fun entertainment
★ Take sign ups after Masses the weekends of February 8-9, and/or February 15-16
★ Help with set up at 3:00 PM
★ Greet Guests
★ Help in the kitchen before and/or during the dinner service
★ Help to clean up…. hopefully done by 7:00 PM!
Contact Toni Baker at 651.731.7763 or toni@bakers.us if you can help with any of these tasks

Friends and Family Event: 2nd Running of “Off to the Races”
Saturday, April 18 at 5:30 PM in Brioschi Hall
If you would like to help in the planning or help on the day of the event (and have a blast doing it), please let us know. We can use donations of gift cards for prizes and games.
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