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.

MARCH 15, 2020 | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

Save the Date for the St. Pascal’s Parish Picnic!

Where: Walton Park, 15th Street and Hadley Avenue North, Oakdale
What: Food, beverages, games, and fun for all ages. Bring equipment for softball, basketball, soccer and frisbee if you’d like to start a game. There is plenty of room for activities, sitting and visiting. Let’s have an informal Talent Show. Bring your talent for joke-telling, poetry, music, singing, dancing, juggling, magic, a family skit, or whatever your talent is. No judges or prizes, just the joy in sharing your talent and hearing the applause from the crowd.

Free Kindle e-readers for check out. An anonymous donor gave our parish three Kindle e-readers and an Amazon gift card for me to purchase e-books for St. Pascal’s parishioners and friends to read. Here are the e-books that I have purchased for the Kindles so far:

1. The Bible, New American translation
4. The Other Einstein (Marie Benedict); the St. Pascal’s Women’s Book Club book for March 2020
5. The Catholic Table, Finding Joy Where Faith & Food Meet (Emily Stimpson Chapman)
6. Walking with Mary (Ed Sri)

If you would like to check out a Kindle e-reader, please contact me. You can keep the Kindle for as long as you wish until someone else requests to use it, and then the limit will be three weeks. Questions? Curious? Contact me at john.mitchell@stpascals.org or call me at the office (direct phone 651.432.4955).

Spouse Loss Grief Support Group offered by HealthEast Hospice Grief Support Services, Tuesdays, April 14, 21, 28, May 5 & 12 from 12:00 - 1:30 PM at Path of Grace United Methodist Church, 759 County Rd B East, Maplewood, MN. When you are on the journey of grief, it is often helpful to seek the support of others. This group is intended for people who are grieving the death of their spouse or significant other. Group members will have opportunities to reflect on grief and loss and receive relevant grief education materials. To register, call 651.232.3543 or send an email to griefsupportservices@healtheast.org.

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for March: Catholics in China. We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

God Bless You,
Father John Mitchell

Your Donations Make a Difference!

Compassion Kit Items for the Unsheltered: During the Season of Lent, we are collecting items for Compassion Kits for those in need. A full list of items needed is available in the kiosk in the gathering space. You may drop off the items at the collection bin in the coat room or during Friday Fish Fry Dinners at the collection bin in the gathering space.

Listening House—“The Living Room of the Homeless”: St. Pascal’s collects men’s and women’s socks, underwear and tee-shirts. Men’s jeans and sweatpants are also needed. Please, no mugs! Please place these items in the marked boxes in the donation closet. This is an ongoing ministry of the Women’s Club.

RCIA: A Note on the Scrutiny Rites

During the 3rd, 4th, and 5th weekends of Lent, we will celebrate the Scrutiny Rites with our catechumen, Abby, who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. The scrutinies have a dual purpose, “to uncover, and heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect and to bring out, then strengthen, all that is upright, strong, and good” (RCIA). The scrutinizing does not affect the catechumens alone—this close examination is a communal task of looking at how evil affects all our lives and how we can be liberated from it by Christ’s grace. The scrutinies are a prayer asking for deliverance for the elect—and all of us—from the effects of sins which are named. At the same time, we ask to be strengthened in grace and virtues. The Litany of Deliverance accomplishes all of this over the course of the three Sunday Scrutiny Rites. Let us pray enthusiastically for our catechumen, Abby, and for our faith community.

Bowl Tenders Needed for Holy Thursday

Can you help with our foot washing ritual on Holy Thursday, April 9? This is one of the most prominent and important ritual actions for this liturgy, as it helps to demonstrate what it means for us to serve one another. As in past years, everyone in the pews will be invited to participate, and 10 individuals are needed to assist those who take part. A practice will be held on Saturday, April 4, at 9:30 AM. Please contact Keri Mader if you are willing to help at 651.432.4957 or keri.mader@stpascals.org.

Join in a Lenten Food Waste Fast

Brought to you by JustFaith and the Social Justice and Caring Committee

Third Sunday of Lent:
Meal Planning

Did you know— eliminating food waste is considered one of the most effective ways to curb climate change? This Lent, put Pope Francis’s “Laudato Si’” into action. The Lenten food waste fast will offer ample opportunities for reflection, prayer, and forming lasting habit changes to care for creation.

Learn: The average family spends $1,500 on waste food each year. (USDA)
Pray: God, we pray for the wisdom to be good stewards of our environmental and financial resources. May we use the abundance of gifts you have provided to us wisely, especially the gift of food.
Act: Before you shop this week, survey your kitchen to see what you already have, and use Meal Prep Mate to help you plan your meals. igsol.net/mealprep.
During this holy Lenten season, we take time to reflect on our Lenten devotions and the mercy of God.

I am sharing with you some suggestions for making this season of Lent meaningful for your children.

- **Prayer Time:** As a busy parent, scheduling prayer can be difficult, but Lent is the perfect way to begin. Learning how to pray with your children is rewarding and can be a habit you keep throughout the year.

- **Read the Bible:** Children’s Bibles deliver God’s Word in an interesting way so children can understand it. Don’t let your Children’s Bible be a book that remains unread.

- **Cook Together:** Lent has a rich, long tradition and history, and there are several favorite recipes to be made including hot cross buns and pretzels. Fish is traditionally cooked on Fridays in Lent and has been for centuries. This is an especially fun way to educate and encourage kids in their Lenten devotions.

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**Confirmation: Rite of Sending**

This weekend at the 10:30 AM Mass, we celebrate the Rite of Sending with our candidates who will be confirmed at the Cathedral of St. Paul on Sunday, March 22 at 2:00 PM. It is an opportunity for our parish community to recognize these young people, as well as their sponsors and parents, and offer our blessing and support. Please hold our candidates in prayer this week. Come, Holy Spirit!

**2020 Friends and Family Event**

**The 2nd Running of “Off to the Races”**

*Saturday, April 18 in Brioschi Hall*

Don’t miss this fun parish fundraiser—we would love to see everyone there to make this a success.

We need your help to run all the games, dessert auction, registration, selling tickets and more.

We use lots of gift cards for prizes and for the games. Consider picking some up the next time you’re out shopping. For more information or if you’d like to help, please contact:

Mike Aeling at 651.307.8237 or mjaeling@gmail.com

Ellen Aeling at 651.307.8241 or ellenaoaeling@gmail.com

**Young at Heart Mass and Luncheon—Thursday, March 26 at 11:00 AM**

Attention Friends 55 Plus—Fr. John will celebrate the Eucharist with us and then, after a short meeting, we will have our delicious meal: Chicken ala King served over two freshly baked vegetables, au gratin and seasoned fried potatoes, mac & cheese, rolls, chocolate or vanilla pudding, and coffee/water. Milk, bottled water, pop and take-out available.

**Women’s Club Friday Bake Sales—February 28 – March 27**

Thank you to the choir and all those who generously baked these past two weeks for the bake sale. Special thanks to the families in the Pre-K and Kindergarten of St. Pascal’s Regional School for their delicious treats. If you would like to donate to the weekly bake sale, drop your items off near the parish office on Friday or at the Fish Fry. Soon, the Women’s Club will be accepting applications for the yearly disbursements of their funds.

**Please note:** There will not be a bake sale at the April 3rd Fish Fry as previously announced. Instead join us for our annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale after all the Masses!

**Men’s Club Lenten Fish Fry: All Fridays of Lent through April 3**

4:30 to 7:00 PM in Brioschi Hall (Please use the Flandreau St. entrance)

Our classic Fish Fry menu includes fried and baked cod, coleslaw, mixed steamed vegetables, au gratin and seasoned fried potatoes, mac & cheese, rolls, chocolate or vanilla pudding, and coffee/water. Milk, bottled water, pop and take-out available.

Adults (12 and up): $13.00  |  Children (6-11): $6.00  |  Children 5 and under: FREE

Proceeds go to purchase equipment, uniforms, and supplies for St. Pascal Regional Catholic School’s Physical Education program and other parish/school needs.

**Parish Office**

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Email  church@stpascals.org
For after-hours pastoral emergency (death, dying or anointing): Call the parish office.

**Parish Office Hours**

*September 3, 2019—June 5, 2020*

Mon-Fri  8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Holidays as announced

**Parish Councils**

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Meetings  1st Tuesday at 6:30 PM
Mary Weyandt, Chair

**Parish Finance Council**

Meetings  4th Thursday at 6:30 PM
Cindy Reisdorf, Chair

**St. Pascal Regional Catholic School**

Phone  651.776.0092
Email  icollierpaske@stpascalschool.org

**School Office Hours**

*September 3, 2019—June 5, 2020*

Mon-Fri  7:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Sacramental Information**

**Reconciliation**

Saturday at 3:45 PM (and by appointment)
Communal celebrations as announced

**Baptism**

Pre-baptismal classes are required.
To register for classes or to schedule a celebration, call the parish office.

**Marriage**

Arrangements must be made with the pastor at least six months in advance of the desired date.

**Parish Office**

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**Parish Communication**

**Bulletin Notices**

Due 3:00 PM Monday
Thea Munoz

**Mass Announcements**

Due 3:00 PM Tuesday
Keri Mader

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St. Pascal Baylon Catholic Church
Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday, March 17
8:00 AM  + Kathleen Bauer

Wednesday, March 18
9:25 AM  + A deceased member of the parish

Thursday, March 19
8:00 AM  + Jim Stach

Friday, March 20
8:00 AM  + Kathleen Minder

Saturday, March 21
4:30 PM  The people of the parish

Sunday, March 22
8:45 AM  + A deceased member of the parish
10:30 AM  + Tom Bertini

Readings
March 15, 2020

Sunday:
Ex 17:3-7
Ps 95:1-2, 6-9
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8
Jn 4:5-42

Monday:
2 Kgs 5:1-15b
Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4
Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday:
Dn 3:25, 34-43
Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9
Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday:
Dt 4:1, 5-9
Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday:
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Friday:
Hos 14:2-10
Ps 81:6c-11b, 14, 17
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday:
Hos 6:1-6
Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b
Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday:
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Ps 23:1-6
Eph 5:8-14
Jn 9:1-41

Operation Rice Bowl
Stories of Hope

Third Week of Lent: Meet Yvone
Meet Yvone from Kenya. She learned proper nutrition and hygiene practices to help keep her healthy and in school. Yvone now has a chance to dream and the strength to follow those dreams. How can you help to ensure that young people in your community receive proper nutrition? Visit crsricebowl.org for more Stories of Hope, reflections, recipes, ways to help and more.

Stewardship of Giving
Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

February 2020
Sunday Giving  $ 58,706.09
Budget  $ 68,337.51
Variance  ($11,631.51)

Year to Date
Sunday Giving  $538,287.62
Budget  $546,699.96
Variance  ($8,412.34)

Mortgage (Loan Balance as of 03.07.2020: $3,410,376.35)
March payment  $24,389.84
Principal  $12,670.65
Interest  $11,719.19***

***We are now paying more principal than interest—THIS IS GOOD NEWS!!!

Thank you for your support!
**THE WEEK AHEAD**

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

**Sunday, March 15—3rd Sunday of Lent**
Rice Bowls Lenten Project
10:30am  Rite of Sending (Confirmation)
12:00pm  Confirmation 2 Lunch: BH
1:00pm   Confirmation 2 Reconciliation—All are welcome!

**Monday, March 16**
7:30am    Regional School Honor Roll Breakfast: BH
5:00pm    Culver’s Night: Sun Ray Culver’s
6:30pm    Boy Scouts 294: SL

**Tuesday, March 17—St. Patrick’s Day**
8:45am    Bible Study: PC
6:30pm    JustFaith: FR

**Wednesday, March 18**
9:00am    Rosary
9:25am    Regional School Mass—All are welcome!
6:30pm    Choir: CR
6:30 pm   1st Eucharist Parent/Child meeting: BH
6:30pm    Faith Formation: Campus

**Thursday, March 19**
7:30am    School Board Finance Committee: FR
9:30am    Bible Study: PC

**Friday, March 20**
8:30am    Church cleaning: CH
9:25am    School Lent Reconciliation: CH
4:00pm    Women’s Club Bake Sale: GS
4:30pm    Men’s Club Fish Fry: BH
7:00pm    Stations of the Cross: CH

**Saturday, March 21**
Rice Bowls Lenten Project
9:30am    Cub Scout Pinewood Derby: OC

**Sunday, March 22—4th Sunday of Lent**
Global Solidarity Sunday
Rice Bowls Lenten Project
After Masses  New Member Registration
2:00pm    Confirmation: Cathedral of Saint Paul

**MEETING LOCATION KEY:**
BH: Briosci Hall, CH: Church, CR: Choir Room, FR: Founders Room, GS: Gathering Space, OC: Old Church, PC: Parish Conference Room, SL: Staff Lounge

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**Culver’s Night—Monday, March 16, 5:00-7:00 PM**
*Sun Ray Culver’s, Old Hudson Road*
Take a break from cooking and help the Regional School’s 7-8 grade students raise funds for Washington D.C. this spring. They receive 10% of ALL sales between 5:00-7:00 PM!

**Pascal’s Pulse: The Parish’s New Weekly E-Newlsetter**
Thank you to all of the subscribers to the new e-newsletter! We hope you are enjoying the latest news and event reminders delivered every Friday to your inbox. If you don’t see it in your inbox, remember to check your spam/junk folder and be sure to tag church@stpascals.org as a safe sender. Haven’t subscribed yet but would like to? It’s easy! Just go to www.stpascals.org/in-the-loop and chose the communications you would like to receive.

**St. Mary’s Mission Gala: Catch the Dream**
*Friday, April 24 at 6:00 PM in Briosci Hall*
We welcome back our friends from the Red Lake Indian Reservation for their gala evening benefitting St. Mary’s Mission School. Watch for details soon in the bulletin and Pascal’s Pulse newsletter.
Join St. Pascal’s Men’s & Women’s Clubs
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