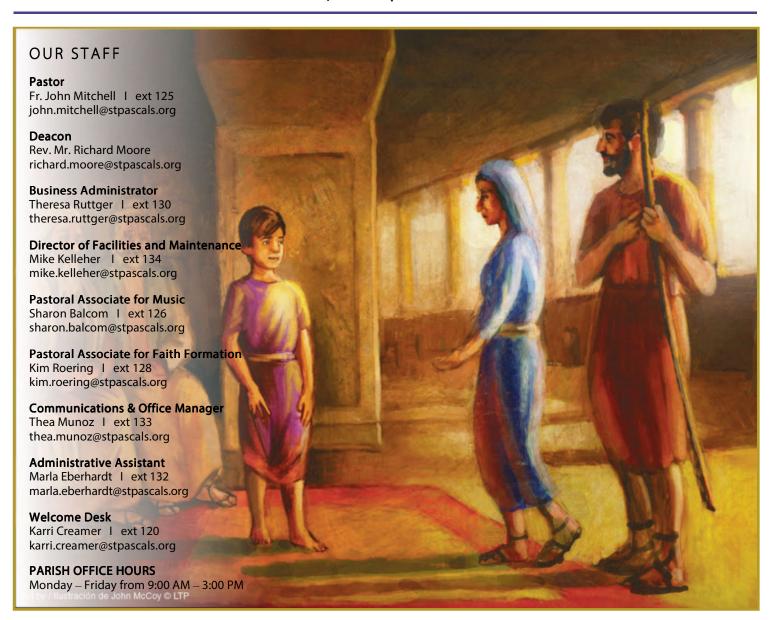


## God's love knows no barriers. St. Pascal's...where all people matter.

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.

#### DECEMBER 26, 2021 | THE HOLY FAMILY



#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

On behalf of all of us here at St. Pascal Baylon Parish, I wish you a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year 2022. Jesus was born long ago in Bethlehem. He entered our world because of His love for us. Each day Jesus is present in our lives and in our world. I pray that you will experience the love of Jesus Christ during the Christmas Season and in the New Year

Our parish has hired Keri Mader to work 5 hours per week in the position of Liturgy Assistant starting January 4, 2022. She will work with Sunday Mass preparation, liturgy planning, and coordinating the seasonal church environment. Keri retired from working at our parish in May 2021. She was working here 24 hours/week as our Pastoral Associate for Liturgy. After she retired, we were unable to find a suitable person to fill the job opening for a Pastoral Associate for Liturgy. I am grateful to have Keri back with us for 5 hours/week.

Would you like to be notified via email about funerals at St. Pascal's? We send out email notifications about upcoming funerals at St. Pascal Baylon Church. To subscribe, go to: stpascals.org/e-newsletters and click on "Funeral notices" and fill in your contact information.

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**Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for December 2021:** *Catechists.* Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for January 2022: For true human fraternity. We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

#### **CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS TIMES**

Mary, Mother of God—Friday, December 31, 2021

Not a holy day of obligation in 2022 4:00 PM Anticipatory Mass In 2021, this will be the only Mass for Mary, Mother of God.

The Epiphany of the Lord—Saturday, January 1, 2022 4:30 PM Anticipatory Mass for January 2

Sunday, January 2, 2022

#### **Regular Sunday Mass Schedule**

The Baptism of the Lord—Saturday & Sunday, January 8 & 9, 2022 Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

#### Join us weekly to pray the Rosary together

Every Wednesday at 11:15 AM in the church

The gentle repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery—Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Lumionous—and to help us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells.

#### — SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING –

#### January Collection: Brittany's Place

During the month of January, items will be accepted in the parish donation closet for Brittany's Place, an emergency shelter in St. Paul for girls and young women who have experienced commercial sex trafficking or are at high risk for sexual exploitation. Brittany's Place serves BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, (and) People of Color) girls and strives to provide a culturally relevant experience.

#### Items most needed at this time are:

- Hygiene/Cosmetic Products: body wash, facemasks, paddle and bristle brushes, nail polish and remover, hair binders, Eco Gel, Shea Moisture shampoo/conditioner/leave-in conditioner, Cetaphil face wash and moisturizer
- Clothing: Hoodies, sweatpants, pajamas, socks, bras/sports bras, winter coats, boots, hats, mittens/gloves —all sizes
- Art Supplies: canvases, acrylic paints, colored pencils, markers, crayons, meditative coloring books
- Miscellaneous: board games (Monopoly, Banana Grams, Bop-It, Simon), young adult chapter books, fidgets, gift cards (Caribou, Starbucks, Target, Walmart), large stuffed animals

Items can be placed in the donation closet, located off the coat room, before and after weekend Masses through January 30.

**Thank you** to all who so generously donated to Catholic Charities Giving Tree and Angel Tree Ministries during December.

#### **Canned Goods Needed**

The Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry, staffed by parishioners of St. Pascal's and Progressive Baptist Church, needs canned FRUITS AND VEGETABLES. Please place your donation in the container in the coat room before New Year's. Any amount helps. For questions contact Ann Karner at akarner24@gmail.com or 651.330.0024.

### **Beacon Leadership Team Update**

Our team participated in *Joyful Urgency: A Beacon Convening* on December 9. This night brought together all the current and new Beacon members to encourage us in our one shared vision: HOME! The strong support of congregations across the metro area was inspiring and encouraging. We invite anyone who is interested in seeing how we put words into action to register for the January 5th *Rent is Due* at 8:30 AM. Go to stpascals.org/social-justice-and-caring-committee for a registration link.

#### REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

# Merry Christmas from St. Pascal Regional Catholic School!

May Jesus Christ's love surround you and your loved ones all throughout the Christmas season!

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped work the Santa Shop this year. They did hours of wrapping and the students were so excited to shop and bring home wrapped gifts. We couldn't run the Santa Shop without so many helpful hands. Please keep us in mind for next year; we'd love to have the help again. Also, if you happen to be out shopping the after Christmas sales and see some good bargains, we are now accepting donations to our 2022 Santa Shop. Donations can be brought to the school office in January. Thanks for thinking of us and supporting our school!

## It's Time to Make a New Year's Resolution to Read More!

Join the St. Pascal Women's Book Club!

We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. During January and February, we use Zoom. You can join us as often as your schedule allows. On January 10, we will discuss *The Bishop's Wife* by Mette Ivie Harrison. Contact Toni Baker toni@bakers.us or 651.731.7763 for a list of the twelve 2022 selections, Zoom information, etc.

#### **Updated Facility Usage Policy**

As of January 1, 2022, we are unable to offer our facility's space(s) for non-parish or private meetings and events. Like many organizations and businesses, we are limited in the resources needed to adequately oversee the safety and security of building guests. This policy may be updated at the discretion of the pastor, trustees and finance council.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

#### **Pre-Baptism Session**

Monday, January 24, 2022 at 6:30 PM
Parents interested in having their child baptized at St. Pascal's are asked to participate in one formation session prior to baptism. Pre-registration is required.

To register for a session or schedule the celebration of a baptism, contact Kim Roering in the parish office at 651.774.1585 ext 128 or kim.roering@stpascals.org.

#### Seeking Dismissal Leaders for RCIA

This year we have a person preparing to celebrate baptism, Eucharist, confirmation at the Easter Vigil. Beginning sometime in January and up through Holy Thursday, we need dismissal leaders at various Masses. Following the homily, the dismissal leader and our catechumen (person to be baptized) will be dismissed and go to reflect on the Scripture readings of the day. If you are able to help with this important ministry or would like more information, contact Kim Roering in the parish office at 651.774.1585 ext 128 or kim.roering@stpascals.org.

#### **Living Faith Booklets**

A limited number of Living Faith booklets for January - March 2022 are available in the parish office. The suggested donation is \$1.25/book. Contact Kim Roering in the parish office if you would like one.

#### **Parish Office Holiday Hours**

The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 27 for the Christmas holiday and on Friday, December 31 for New Year's Day.

May you have many blessings, much happiness and more love this Christmas season.

#### Winter weather cancellation of events and building closure

When St. Paul Public School District closes city schools due to weather, St. Pascal Regional School closes as well. When this happens, the parish office will also close and all activities and meetings will be cancelled. *Weekday Mass will not be offered when the Regional School and parish offices are closed due to weather.* 

The building may also be closed at the discretion of the pastor or business administrator.

## Parish 75th Anniversary Celebration—*AKA St. Pascal's Friends and Family* Save the Date: *April 23, 2022*

Please be sure to mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend. We will be celebrating St. Pascal's 75th Anniversary with a night of fun and games (new ones as well as returning favorites) and a fantastic catered dinner from Tinnucci's.

Do you have St. Pascal's memorabilia? We are planning to create a display from our archives and parishioners! Further details about the event will be announced in February.

## CONTACT US

#### **Parish Office**

Phone 651.774.1585 Email church@stpascals.org

For after-hours pastoral emergency (death, dying or anointing), call 651.774.1585 and dial 1.

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Holidays as announced

#### St. Pascal Regional Catholic School

Phone 651.776.0092 Email icollierpaske@stpascalschool.org

#### **School Office Hours**

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

#### **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 *Mike Aeling, Chair* 

#### **Sacramental Information**

#### Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00-4:25 PM or contact Fr. John in the parish office 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 Prayer Line**

8:00 - 10:00 AM 651.735.0004 Mary Butler-Levine

4:00 - 6:00 PM Pat Kackman

651.774.3248

#### **Parish Communication**

#### **Bulletin Notices**

Due 3:00 PM Monday thea.munoz@stpascals.org

#### **Mass Announcements**

Due 3:00 PM Tuesday john.mitchell@stpascals.org

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## Readings

December 26, 2021

#### Tuesday, December 28

8:00 AM Robert Cowden

#### Wednesday, December 29

8:00 AM + Nina Collins

#### Thursday, December 30

8:00 AM The people of the parish

#### Friday, December 31

8:00 AM The people of the parishAnticipatory Mass for Mary, Mother of God.4:30 PM The people of the parish

#### Saturday, January 01

Anticipatory Mass for the Epiphany:
4:30 PM The people of the parish

#### Sunday, January 02

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM The people of the parish

#### **Heart Questions Respect for Elders**

Jesus went down with them and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them.

Luke 2:51a

**Adults:** How would you have reacted if you were Mary and Joseph finding Jesus in the Temple?

**Kids:** What do you think it was like for Jesus to be in the Temple for three days without his parents?

#### Sunday:

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Ps 128:1-5 Col 3:12-21 Lk 2:41-52

#### Monday:

1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Jn 20:1a, 2-8

#### Tuesday:

1 Jn 1:5—2:2 Ps 124:2-5, 7c-8 Mt 2:13-18

#### Wednesday:

1 Jn 2:3-11 Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6 Lk 2:22-35

#### Thursday:

1 Jn 2:12-17 Ps 96:7-10 Lk 2:36-40

#### Friday:

1 Jn 2:18-21 Ps 96:1-2, 11-13 Jn 1:1-18

#### Saturday:

Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5- 6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

#### **Next Sunday:**

Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

#### **Year-End Financial Gifts**

As this calendar year quickly comes to a close, consider a special year-end financial gift to the parish in support of our many ministries and/or to support our mortgage reduction efforts. Last year, we received many special year-end gifts of cash or stock. These gifts are greatly appreciated and certainly encouraged! Remember, all gifts must be received or postmarked by December 31 to be considered for the 2021 tax year. Stock transfers and sales do take some time so please take that into consideration as you consider a gift to St. Pascal's. *Thank you for your generous consideration*.

#### St. Pascal's Legacy Society

Planned Giving—Options for leaving a legacy to St Pascal's.

One particularly tax-efficient way to make a bequest is to donate part or all of your regular individual retirement account to charity by designating a charity as a beneficiary. Leave a legacy of faith. Consult with your tax advisor. If you want more information on St. Pascal's Legacy Society, please call Theresa Ruttger at the parish office at 651.774.1585 or theresa.ruttger@stpascals.org, or talk to a member of the Legacy Committee—Ellen and Mike Aeling, Susan Hommes, Joe Sullivan, and Brigid O'Malley.

#### THE WEEKS AHEAD -

#### Sunday, December 26—The Holy Family

No scheduled events

#### Monday, December 27, 2021

Parish office closed

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

#### Tuesday, December 28, 2021

9:30am Welcome Rite & Visitation for Mary Ash 10:30am Funeral & Luncheon for Mary Ash: Church, Hall

### Wednesday, December 29, 2021 11:15am Rosary: Church

6:30pm RCIA: Founders Room

#### Friday, December 31, 2021—New Year's Eve

Parish office closed

4:00pm Anticipation Holy Day Mass for Mary, Mother of God

#### Saturday, January 1, 2022—Mary, Mother of God

Not a holy day of obligation in 2021

4:30pm Anticipation Mass for the Epiphany

#### Sunday, January 2, 2022—The Epiphany

No scheduled events

#### Monday, January 3, 2022

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

#### Tuesday, January 4, 2022

6:30pm Pastoral Council: Zoom

### Wednesday, January 5, 2022

11:15am Rosary: Church

6:30pm Catechist Meeting: Staff Lounge

#### Thursday, January 6, 2022

6:30pm Spirit Song: Church

7:00pm Men's Club Board: Brioschi Hall

#### Friday, January 7, 2022

No scheduled events

#### Saturday, January 8, 2022

No scheduled events

#### Sunday, January 9, 2022—Baptism of the Lord

12:00pm Confirmation II: Staff Lounge

#### Stewardship of Giving

Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

#### November 2021

#### **Sunday Giving**

 Sunday Giving
 \$ 69,186.06

 Budgeted
 \$ 63,764.58

 Surplus
 \$ 5,421.48

 YTD Sunday Giving
 \$ 284,712.45

 Budgeted
 \$ 318,822.94

 Deficit
 \$ -34,110.49

#### Mortgage Reduction (as of 11.30.21)

 Loan Balance:
 \$ 3,129.818.08

 YTD Collected Donations
 \$ 97,294.22

 YTD Mortgage Pmt:
 \$ 112,305.25

 Deficit
 \$ - 15,011.03

 Reserve Account Balance:
 \$ 190,528.69

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