



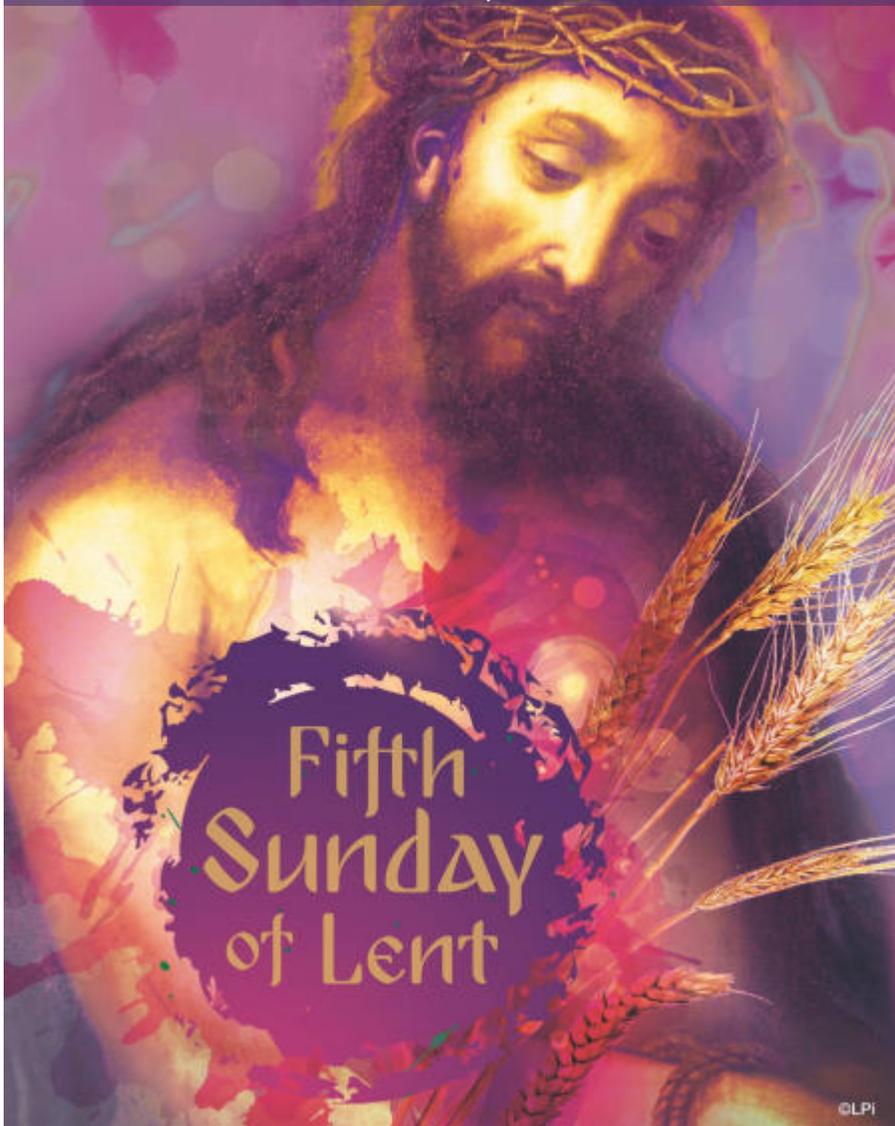
**SAINT
BONAVENTURE
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

LOVE GOD - LOVE OTHERS - MAKE DISCIPLES

Welcome

Our mission is to *Love God—Love Others—Make Disciples*. Many hands, feet, and hearts come together to make our Christian community vibrant. We invite you to join our Saint Bonaventure community in worship and fellowship.

March 21, 2021



**Fifth
Sunday
of Lent**

©LPI

Worship

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Daily Mass Times

Tuesday–Friday 8:45 a.m.

**First Saturday of each month.*

Church of Saint Bonaventure

901 East 90th Street Bloomington, MN

55420 saintbonaventure.org | 952-854-4733



Holy Thursday: April 1

*Mass: 7 p.m. with
Adoration until 10 p.m.*

Good Friday: April 2

Service: 3 p.m.

Holy Saturday/ Easter Vigil: April 3

Mass 8 p.m. (Note time change)

Mass 8 p.m. (Note time change)

Easter Sunday: April 4

8 a.m. & 10 a.m.

*Sign up to attend Each Holy Week
Liturgy: 952-854-4733,
saintbonaventure.org/lent--easter*

*Each Holy Week liturgy livestream:
[saintbonaventure.org/staying-
connected](http://saintbonaventure.org/staying-connected)*

Order of Worship

Entrance

Greeting

Penitential Act

Priest: ...And so to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries:

Deacon: Lord Jesus...Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Lord Jesus...Christ, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Lord Jesus...Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen

Collect Prayer

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Responsorial Psalm 51

Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:7-9

Gospel Reading

John 12:20-33

Homily

GOSPEL MEDITATION

March 21, 2021 - 5th Sunday of Lent

Any good teacher or parent will tell you that once a lesson is really learned it doesn't need to be taught again. When we internalize things we have learned, they become a part of who we are and influence how we perceive and interact with our world. The same is true for the law God has written upon our hearts. Once humanity learns this lesson, we will simply know it to be true and act accordingly. Sometimes, it is hard to get people to learn the lessons they need to learn. They are often distracted, disinterested, conflicted, misdirected, or just too stubborn and unable or unwilling to see what is right before their eyes. Understanding that God is in a loving and committed relationship with those fashioned and formed in God's own image, seems like such a simple lesson to learn. But history and experience has proven that it is not.

We struggle with faith, especially when that faith asks us to learn something very particular about ourselves. We must, like a grain of wheat, fall to the ground and die. Because God's DNA is at the very core of who we are, there are specific pearls of wisdom that must be acquired before we can live a full life. One very powerful lesson is that it is not the task of the world to tell us who we are and what has meaning, but God. For many, death is not an opportunity for greater life but a permanent ending to the life they have known. Jesus knew every dimension to what it means to be fully human because he was! He knows the joys, limitations, sorrows, frustrations, wonders, suffering, opportunities, and joys of the human experience. Jesus can teach us a wealth of knowledge and life's lessons from his example, especially obedience.

When we accept the law God has placed in our hearts and gain wisdom from it, then when we suffer we learn to listen more attentively to the Voice behind that law. We naturally flee to our Creator for inspiration, consolation, hope, direction, and comfort as we navigate through this time of darkness. We will not need to run from it, subdue it, fight it, or be overcome by it because we will know, having internalized this profound lesson before, that God will bring new life. God's law is love and love never fails. Even in the moments of Jesus' deepest despair, he glorified the name of his Father. What he learned allowed him to put everything in perspective and be obedient to the tender, loving Voice that echoed within. As Lent quickly winds down, may we learn the same! Then, may we gain the fortitude and wisdom to help others see what is right before their eyes.

©LPi

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God. Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*profound bow through “and became man”*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and Became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Prayer of the Faithful

Our response: **Lord, hear our prayer**

Prayer Over the Offerings

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

The people rise and reply

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name for our good and the good of all his holy church**

The priest prays the Prayer Over the Offerings, and we acclaim

All: **Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer

Priest The Lord be with you

All: **And with your spirit**

Priest Lift up your hearts

All: **We lift them up to the Lord**

priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: **It is right and just**

Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith (Memorial Acclamation)

Priest The mystery of faith.

A **We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.**

B **When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

C **Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

Lord's Prayer

Priest At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

Priest Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ

All **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever**

Sign of Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be with you always
All **And with your spirit**
Deacon Let us offer one another the sign of peace
All exchange a sign of peace with a nod or a friendly wave.

Lamb of God

All **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

Communion Rite

Priest Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb
All **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Distribution of Holy Communion during Mass

Please socially distance as you approach the minister in your section. Masks must be worn until after you receive the Holy Eucharist in your hand, then step to the side, remove your mask, consume the Eucharist, replace your mask and return to your pew for closing prayer and final blessing.

Prayer After Communion

Concluding Rites

Priest The Lord be with you.
All **And with your spirit.**
Priest May almighty God bless you; the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.
All **Amen**

Immediately following Mass, the church is cleaned and sanitized in preparation for Adoration and other scheduled events. This process takes time, so we respectfully ask you to leave the church immediately after Mass. If you are seeking fellowship, we invite you to visit outdoors.

Giving Update

Collection for the week of March 14, 2021

Actual: \$ 8,660.58

Year to Date Actual: \$ 567,090.18

Budget for March 21: \$ 17,250.00

Year to Date Budget: \$ 536,500.00

A Lenten Journey Through the Mass - The Liturgy of the Eucharist Part Two and the Concluding Rites

We've come to the end of our Journey through the Mass and have reached Part Two of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This includes The Lord's Prayer, the Sign of Peace, the Lamb of God, Communion itself and the Prayer after Communion. The Concluding Rites are simply the announcements (which seem to be a necessary part of Catholic Liturgies), the Blessing and Dismissal and the Recessional Hymn/Song.

Fr. Alan Philip suggests we approach communion with a "committed heart." We acknowledge our belief that Jesus is fully present in the bread and wine, that these simple elements have become His Body and Blood. And as I so often tell the children at First Eucharist Masses: when we receive Jesus, we become Jesus and that means we are called to act like Jesus. As we go forth, Fr. Philip calls us to have serving hearts, compassionate hearts and joyful hearts. St. Teresa of Avila once said: Christ has no body now on earth but ours. And that means we are to be compassionate to all those in need. And finally, if we go through life with a humble, forgiving, welcoming, listening, asking, grateful, transforming, committed, serving and compassionate heart, we will naturally end up with a joyful heart. If your heart is not joyful as you leave Mass, perhaps you should look to the other parts Fr. Philip calls to mind.

When I introduce the Lord's Prayer, I typically say that we dare to say it. Frederick Buechner says "we should not pray the prayer lightly." "'Thy will be done' is the climax of the first half. We are asking God to be God. 'Thy kingdom come on earth' is what we are saying. And we need to be bold to speak the second half. Give us. Forgive us. Don't test us. Deliver us. We can do nothing without God. We can have nothing without God. Without God we are nothing. If God is something like a Father, then as something like children maybe we can risk approaching Him anyway."

Next comes the Sign of Peace. In most cases, this is a simple handshake to those around us; for some, it is a hug. It should not be seen as an opportunity to greet everyone we know. And I will acknowledge that, for some, the action will be difficult. However, if it is true that our reception of communion is a sign of the unity among us, why should we not outwardly show the sign of that inward unity?

Right before the communion procession begins, two things happen. As a part of the fraction rite, where the larger host is broken into pieces, the priest takes a small particle and drops it into the chalice. As he does this, he silently says, "May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to those who receive it." Then, before he elevates the host and chalice, he genuflects and as he does, he says one of two silent prayers. The one I choose is: "May the receiving of your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus Christ, not bring me to judgment and condemnation, but through your loving mercy be for me protection in mind and body and a healing remedy." They are truly humbling words for me to say at every Mass.

As the Communion procession begins, we come to an all-important question: should I receive the host in the hand or on the tongue? In times past, it was the rule to only receive on the tongue. Regardless of whether you receive on the tongue or in the hand, there should be a slight bow before receiving, to show reverence for the sacred host. Kneeling or genuflecting, though perceived as a sign of reverence, draws attention to the receiver and not to what is being received.

For some who receive on the tongue, it is perhaps because they find it more fitting and reverent; for some it is because they grew up with the custom; and for some it may be because they are afraid of accidentally mishandling the Sacrament. However, if you do wish to receive on the tongue, please be certain to extend your tongue far enough for the minister to place the host on it. And please do not take the host and bite down on it; if your tongue is extended far enough, that will be unnecessary. Plus, I see it as a major sign of disrespect.

If you receive in the hand, first of all, be sure your hands are clean. This may seem obvious but if someone has just come from work and the work involves messiness of any kind, it is another sign of respect to wash your hands. Place one hand under the other as the minister says, "The Body of Christ." The minister will then place the host in your hand. Whatever you do, don't reach out and take it. And please be sure your hands are low enough for the minister to have a chance to place the host on your hand.

Continued on Page 6...

When we resume distribution of the Precious Blood, remember that the Catholic Church teaches that, receiving from a common cup is another form of expressing our being one community of faith. The Church also teaches that one fully receives Jesus if the person only receives the Precious Body or the Precious Blood.

Now we've come to the end of Mass. There will usually be announcements and then the official Concluding Rites:

1. The Final Blessing, which is just that. This is not just a signal that we are almost done but a chance to allow the words to penetrate the very depths of our being. 2. The Dismissal is literally the sending forth. Matthew Kelly suggests that "we are sent on a mission to light up the ways of this world with the love of Christ, a love that is willing to sacrifice to others, a love that knows no limits. Perhaps the dismissal should be something like "The Mass is ended; go out into the mission field."3. The Recessional, which often includes a hymn/song. When the last notes have been sung or played, the Mass is truly ended. So now what? Mass is over and so, now what? Mike Aquilina suggests we take the power of the Mass into the world. We have just been given a marvelous gift; we have become one body with Christ and with all the other people of God. Aquilina says we are to remember we have a part in God's plan. The Mass unites us so we can all work together. It doesn't mean each of us has to do everything; rather, it means each of should be doing what God calls us to do.

Fr. Bob

Short Term Capital Needs (COAL Fund) Collection: March 27-28

This fund is getting low, it's spring, and that time of the year for the semi-annual Short Term Capital Needs (COAL Fund) collection coming up on March 27-28. Please plan on it and being as generous as always. This collection provides the funds needed for general projects that come up during the fiscal year and not in the budget. Quite often the funds are used for smaller type physical improvements to the parish and lower in costs than big projects that are planned for in advance. We often have some projects that come up and money available in the Short Term Capital Needs helps to determine if we can go ahead and do them. We currently have some tree removal and replacements. Thank you for your continued great support.



Building and Grounds Committee

Ministry Activities

Faith Formation

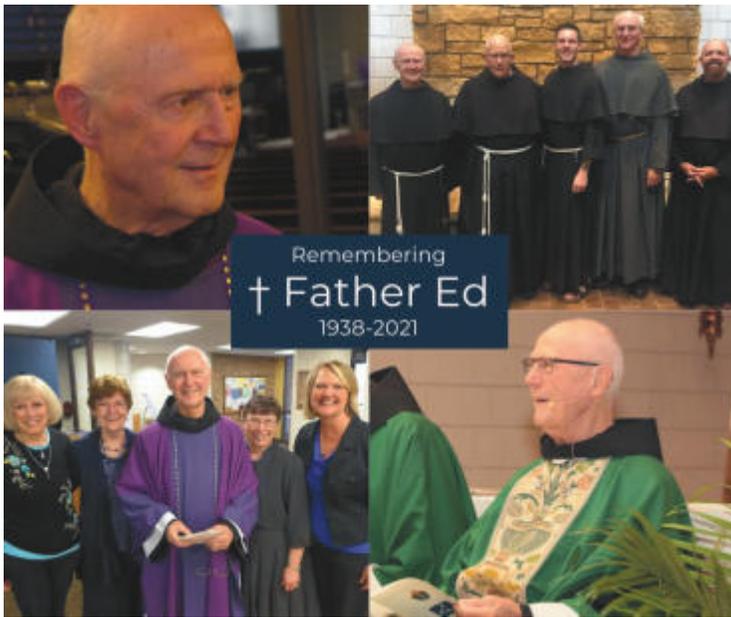
Confirmation interviews will take place next Sunday, March 28. Confirmation Candidates (Year 2 students) should bring with them: 1) a copy of their Baptismal Certificate, 2) their paper on what saint's name they chose and why they chose it, 3) their service hours record and a paper on what they learned from the experience and 4) their letter to Fr. Bob explaining why they want to receive this sacrament and 5) the completed Confirmation application form. If you have any questions on any of this call Gary. Confirmation Candidates, please arrive between 11:15 a.m. and 12 noon so we can keep the process moving.

We will meet for our in-person Faith formation class on Wednesday, April 14. Parents and those in grades 1-5 will meet in the church. Those in grades 6, 7, & 8 will meet in Ambrose Hall. Confirmation (Year 1) will meet in the Gathering Space and confirmation (year 2) will meet in the Youth Room). It is vitally important that all those in attendance follow the Covid-19 safety guidelines outlined on the first night of classes. These guidelines are also available on the website.



Feed My Starving Children (FMSC)

St. Boni's is going back to FMSC! Our first date is Thursday, April 15 from 12 - 2 p.m. If you would like to ride the bus you will need to be at St. Boni's, on the bus, by 11:30 a.m. Please let Danette King know **BY MONDAY, APRIL 4** if you are interested in going. Things are run a little differently right now at FMSC. We sign up as a group of 5 - I will sign up for 2 groups of 5 for our first time back. To sign up or if you have any questions please contact Danette King at danette.king.mn@gmail.com. Thank you!



Monday, March 22

12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8
 7:30 p.m. AA in Room 8

Tuesday, March 23

8:45 a.m. Mass († Geraldine and Wilmer Anderson)
 9:30-11:30 a.m. Craft Group in Room 1
 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. SVdP Food Shelf drive thru
 12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8
 7 p.m. PPC in Youth Room

Wednesday, March 24

8:45 a.m. Mass († James Lenneman)
 12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8

Thursday, March 25

8:45 a.m. Mass († Carmel & East Oshima)
 9:15 a.m. Prayer Group in Youth Room
 12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8

Friday, March 26

8:45 a.m. Mass († Donald Tadich)
 9:15 a.m. Stations of the Cross
 12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8
 2 - 4 p.m. SVdP Food Shelf drive thru

Saturday, March 27—Palm Sunday

Short Term Capital Needs Collection

9:30 a.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8
 3:15 - 4 p.m. Reconciliation in St. Francis Room
 4:30 p.m. Mass (Saint Bonaventure Community)

Sunday, March 28—Palm Sunday

Short Term Capital Needs Collection

8 a.m. Mass († Greg & Irene Jax)
 9 - 9:30 a.m. Drive Thru Communion/Palm Distribution
 10 a.m. Mass († Imelda Ellerbusch)
 11:15 a.m. Confirmation Interviews in Activities Building
 8 p.m. AA in Room 8

U.S. Bishop Chairmen for Doctrine and for Pro-Life Address the Use of the Johnson & Johnson Covid-19 Vaccine

WASHINGTON— On March 2, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades of Fort Wayne-South Bend, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Doctrine, and Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas, chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Pro-Life Activities, issued a statement on the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine recently approved for use in the United States.

“The approval of Johnson & Johnson’s COVID-19 vaccine for use in the United States again raises questions about the moral permissibility of using vaccines developed, tested, and/or produced with the help of abortion-derived cell lines.

“Pfizer and Moderna’s vaccines raised concerns because an abortion-derived cell line was used for testing them, but not in their production. The Johnson & Johnson vaccine, however, was developed, tested and is produced with abortion-derived cell lines raising additional moral concerns. The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has judged that ‘when ethically irreproachable Covid-19 vaccines are not available ... it is morally acceptable to receive Covid-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production process.’^[1] However, if one can choose among equally safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines, the vaccine with the least connection to abortion-derived cell lines should be chosen.

Therefore, if one has the ability to choose a vaccine, Pfizer or Moderna’s vaccines should be chosen over Johnson & Johnson’s.

“While we should continue to insist that pharmaceutical companies stop using abortion-derived cell lines, given the worldwide suffering that this pandemic is causing, we affirm again that being vaccinated can be an act of charity that serves the common good.”

For further details, we refer people to our earlier [December 2020 statement](#), to our [Answers to Key Ethical Questions About COVID-19 Vaccines](#), to the [Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith’s Note](#), and to the [statement of the Vatican Covid-19 Commission in collaboration with the Pontifical Academy for Life](#).

Join Catholics from across Minnesota for Catholics at the Capitol, an AMAZING day of prayer, education, and advocacy!

Be FORMED in our faith!
 Be INFORMED on the issues!
 Be sent on mission to TRANSFORM our state!

CatholicsAtTheCapitol.org
 Learn more & get your tickets today!

DJ Pete's Auto
For All Your Auto Repair Needs
AUTO SERVICE
Thanks for Trusting Your Vehicle With Pete's
9149 Old Cedar Ave. So.
Bloomington, MN 55425
Call Us Now **952-854-6888**
"Low Labor Rates & New Client Discounts"
5 Qt. Oil Change \$21.50

SPREAD THE WORD
A Thriving, Vibrant Community Matters

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS


NATIVITY OF MARY SCHOOL
PreK-8th Grade
952-881-8160
www.school.nativitybloomington.org

Premier Banks
Bank Local. Bank Premier.
Bloomington Office
952.888.5678
www.premierbanks.com

EAGLE MECHANICAL LTD
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

952-451-0499

Estate Planning is Love for Family! 
Wills – Trusts – Health Care Directives
Free Initial Consultation
Call Attorney Bill Peterson 952-921-5818

Premier Banks
Bank Local. Bank Premier.
Bloomington Office
952.888.5678
www.premierbanks.com

EAGLE MECHANICAL LTD
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

952-451-0499

Compliments of
SMITH FOUNDRY COMPANY
729-9395

KATHRYN T. RAIDT
ATTORNEY AT LAW
• Wills • Real Estate • Probate • Trusts
7101 York Ave. S., #159, Edina
(952) 926-2288

LINDBERG CHIROPRACTIC
Dr. Bruce A. Lindberg
200 W. 98th St.
952-881-4421

WE'RE HIRING AD SALES EXECUTIVES

• Full Time Position with Benefits
• Sales Experience Preferred
• Paid Training
• Overnight Travel Required
• Expense Reimbursement
CONTACT US AT: careers@4LPi.com
www.4LPi.com/careers


HOPKINS CARPET ONE
FLOOR & HOME®
Celebrating our 38th Year
The ONE store for your PERFECT floor
952-933-6422
Dan Tillman - Parishioner

Viens Lawn Service
Complete Maintenance & Lawn Care
10% Discount for New Seasonal Contracts
 Which includes Spring Clean Up, Weekly Mowing & Fall Clean Up
10% Discount on Any Landscaping with This Ad
Phone **(952) 888-4296**
Steve Viens - Parishioner

AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME
ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE
Contact **Catherine Gurgul** to place an ad today!
cgurgul@4LPi.com or **(800) 950-9952 x2496**

DAWN VALLEY CHAPEL
9940 Bush Lake Road 952.941.7686
BLOOMINGTON CHAPEL
2300 W Old Shakopee Road 952.884.8145
MIKE ST. AUBIN – FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Washburn - McReavy
washburn-mcreavy.com
Funeral Chapels, Cemeteries and Cremation Services