# **MARCH 23, 2025**

# 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

# ST. PATRICK'S & ST. LUKE'S

# **PARISHES**

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# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH HINCKLEY, MN

Office Hours: Wednesday 9 am - Noon





# ST. LUKE'S CHURCH SANDSTONE, MN

Office Hours Tuesday 9am - Noon

# **WELCOME**

Welcome to St. Patrick's and St. Luke's Parishes, and thank you for coming today! Whether you're a familiar face, or from another part of our Diocese or state, we're happy to have you with us. If you would like to join our parish family, or if you have any questions about what we have to offer here at St. Patrick's or St. Luke's, please don't hesitate to call us.

## **PARISH STAFF**

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**MASS SCHEDULE** (3/24 - 3/30)8:30am Monday SP + Fritz Kuhlman

Tuesday SL 8:00am +George & Marie Watrin SP Wednesday 8:30am + Tim Clennon

**STATIONS** 5:30pm SP Thursday 8:30am SL Celebrant Intentions

SP Friday 6:30 pm + Cindy Erickson

**STATIONS** 5:30pm SL Saturday 5:00 pm SP + Stanley & Marie Opsahl

Sunday 8:30 am SP **Parishioners** SL 10:30 am

Maryann Nalezny

# ADORATION/EXPOSITION

Thursday 9 am - 8 pm SL 7 am - 6:15pm Friday SP

# **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

SP Friday 5-6:15 pm Saturday 10-11 am SL Saturday 4-4:45 pm SP Sunday SP 8-8:20 am

## **Communion Antiphon:**

Blessed are they who dwell in your House, for ever singing your praise.

-Psalm 84:4-5

# **FROM THE PASTOR**

# **GOD'S GRACE AND MERCY**

God is always calling to us. He offers us His divine friendship, and He offers us eternal life with Him in heaven. The parable of the fig tree in our holy gospel today reminds us that we must all respond to this offer sooner or later. Fruitful trees would symbolize those who have already embraced God's friendship and who seek to serve Him now. The barren tree symbolizes those who have not yet responded. The gardener is Jesus who continues to care for the tree by watering and fertilizing it. This care is God's grace which is continuously offered to us all. Lastly, there is this comment from the gardener, "[The tree] may bear fruit in the future. If not, you can cut it down." This means that in the end, those who do not respond to God's offer of divine friendship will not enjoy eternal life with Him in heaven.

# SAINT PATRICK'S FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation for Saint Patrick's meets this Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. Dinner begins at 5:30pm. Parents, please take note.

#### **LENTEN REMINDERS**

#### Saint Patrick's:

Stations of the Cross and Benediction on Wednesdays at 5:30pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is on Fridays from 7am to 6:15pm.

#### Saint Luke's:

Stations of the Cross and Benediction on Fridays at 5:30pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Saint Luke's is on Thursdays from 9am to 8pm.

#### SAINT LUKE'S STAINED GLASS WINDOW

In August of 2023, our new stained-glass window was installed over the altar. This beautiful window depicts Jesus, the Lamb of God. In this image, He is seen as described in the Book of Revelation, chapters 5 and 6. He is the Lamb once slain (or sacrificed) who now lives and is resting on the book with the seven seals. At that time, all in heaven cried out "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing (Rev 5:12)." Only the Lamb is worthy to open the seals on the book which pertains to the end of the world and the final judgement. The banner held by the Lamb is white with a red cross on it to represent the Body of Christ, pure and holy and slain for us. The staff represents the cross on which Jesus died. It's appropriate to have this symbol of the Lord Jesus, the Lamb of God over the altar. He who is now risen from the dead and whose sacrificial offering is renewed each time we celebrate Holy Mass. It is also appropriate that this scene be on the east window of the Church because tradition says that when Christ comes again, He will come from the east, from the place of the rising sun, to judge the living and the dead. Other symbols on the window are Saint Luke the evangelist, the patron saint of our parish. He is symbolized by a winged ox. Saint Willibrord, who was our patron saint until 1964 when our parish was renamed after Saint Luke, is also noted. The monastery church in Echternach which Saint Willibrord founded and where he is buried is also depicted. Since the window was installed, we have been monitoring the spring and fall

sunlight in the Church and have decided we need to do something to cut down the glare. Consequently, we will be adding a secondary frame with glare-reducing glass on the outside. This should correct the problem. This work will happen in the next month and a half or so.

## Adoration Intentions:

# Holy Father' monthly intention:

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that we might encourage and welcome young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

## Parish monthly intention:

For our young adults who have fallen away from the practice of the faith, that they might return.

#### PARISH ARK SMALL GROUPS

# St Patrick's

## MILITIA OF THE IMMACULATA (open to all)

Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 1st Friday from 3:40–5:00pm. Contact: Janice Gustafson 320-245-2566

# LAY CARMELITES (open to all)

Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup>Monday at 9am. Contact: Gail Von Rueden 320-384-7305 or Kathy Worlickey 320-775-5929

# **BOOK CLUB (women of all ages)**

"Padre Pio and America" by Frank M. Rega the month of March. We will be gathering at Joni Nelson's home for prayer, conversation, and discussion on Saturday, April 5th @ 10 a.m.. Please contact Kelly Lenzen at 320-267-5526 with any questions.

# WEDNESDAY MORNING PEACE & PRAYER GROUP

(open to all) Meets in the Parish Hall every Wednesday after Mass. Contact: Kathy Worlickey 320-775-5929

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP** (single high school graduates) Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays at 7pm. Contact: Father Sirba 320-384-6313

**SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST GROUP** (open to all) The group will meet in the Parish Hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays from 7:30 to 8:30am. Contact: Barb Rabe 612-390-8532

#### **SUNDAY EVENING GROUP** (open to all)

Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the  $2^{nd}$  &  $4^{th}$  Sundays from 6 – 7pm. Please join us during Lent as we begin the Letter to the Hebrews.

Contact: Chuck Dillenburg 320-629-3105

**MOMS GROUP** (moms with young children) Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at 7pm. Contact: TBD.

**PATERFAMILIAS CATHOLICA GROUP** (dads with young children) Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 7pm. Contact: Father Sirba

#### St Luke's

**MENS CLUB** (men of all ages from both parishes) Meets in the Rectory on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 5pm. Contact: Deacon Jim Mostek 952-221-1183

## TUESDAY MORNING GROUP (open to all)

Meets in Church hall every Tuesday morning after mass. Contact: Mike Swegle 218-343-5640

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**SUNDAY EVENING GROUP** (open to all) Meets in the Rectory on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays from 6 to 7pm. Contact: Tim McClain 320-207-8370

## **SPANISH LANGUAGE GROUP** (open to all)

Meets in the Rectory on the last Saturday from 9 – 10am. Contact: Deacon Jim Mostek 952-221-1183

ST. MONICA CLUB – OPEN TO ALL (focused on families who are away from the Catholic Church) This new Ark group will meet on the last Saturday of the month at 9:00am in the basement of St Lukes. Please contact Nancy Mostek @ 763-226-5103.

**YOUTH CHOIR** (open to students grades 4 to 12) St. Luke's Youth Choir will meet at 5:00-5:30pm each night that St. Luke's Family Faith Formation is in session. Let's encourage all our youth to "sing with all their skill to the Lord serving Him with gladness" as the Psalms tell us.

#### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **EASTER FLOWERS**

If you wish to donate for Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please put \$20.00 in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers: M&M (St Patricks) or Nancy M (St Lukes). Include the name of the person to be remembered and the donor. You may drop it in the collection basket.

# **PALM WEAVING CLASSES**

There will be a Palm Weaving Class on Palm Sunday after the 8:30 mass at St Patrick's and after the 10:30 mass at St Luke's.

BULLETIN ITEMS are due for the coming bulletin on Wednesdays by 10am. Please call your parish secretary, or email us at: <a href="mailto:saintlukesmn@gmail.com">saintlukesmn@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:saintlukesmn@gmail.com">saintlukesmn@gmailto:saintlukesmn@gmailto:saintlukesmn@gmailto:sa

# **ST PATRICK'S**

#### **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

There will be a Family Movie Night on April 16<sup>th</sup> after mass & confessions, 6:30pm at St. Patrick's. More information to follow.

# **IN NEED OF MONEY COUNTERS**

We are in need of someone to stay after Sunday mass to help count the church offerings about once a month. Contact the office with questions or if interested.

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

The stipend for a Mass is **\$10** per Mass. If a check is written, it should be made out to Father Sirba. Please give the name of the person, whether 'deceased' or 'living', and your name, and put in an envelope marked **'Attention M** 

<u>Bramer'.</u> You can drop this in collection or mail it to St. Patrick's, PO Box 490, Hinckley, MN 55037.

The next DONUT SUNDAY is Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Sponsored by the Book Club.

Come & enjoy the fun & fellowship!

#### ST LUKE'S

NOTE CHANGE FOR TUESDAY MASS: Mass at St Luke's will be at 8am instead of 8:30am.

#### **PUSSY WILLOWS FOR SALE**

Pete Miller is offering pussy willows after mass at St. Luke's on Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. They are \$10 a bunch and proceeds will go to Options for Women in Sandstone. For Information, call Pete at 320-279-3808.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

The stipend for a Mass is \$10 per Mass. If a check is written, it should be made out to Father Sirba. Please give the name of the person, whether 'deceased' or 'living', and your name, and put in an envelope marked 'Attention NMostek'. You can drop this in the collection or mail it to St Luke's, P.O. Box 644, Sandstone, MN 55072.



Jen Kordiak, Youth Director 320-385-0503 or jen11kordiak@gmail.com



Holy Hour at St. Patrick's, Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7-8pm. All ages welcome.

CAMP SURVIVE Wk 1 - July 21 – 25, Wk 2 -July 28 - August 1.

Calling all 6-8<sup>th</sup> gr campers who are planning to go to summer camp.

Contact Jen Kordiak by March 25th.

I will email you private link by April 10th.

Cost is \$430, scholarships available to help with cost.

Totus Tuus is June 22 - 27. More information to follow.

# **MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

March 29 - 30

ST.PATRICK'S ST LUKE'S

LECTOR
5:00 PM Kathy Worlickey Tim McClain

**5:00 PM** Kathy Worlickey **8:30 AM** Jonathan Horbacz

<u>IHC</u> <u>MHC</u>

5:00 PM Chris Opsahl Joan Hoverson

8:30 AM Deacon Jim

SERVERS SERVERS

5:00 PM Gwen Brackenbury Curtis McClain Ethan Cabak Brian Henshaw

8:30 AM Chloe Cotter USHERS

Veronica Bork Kayla & Mary

Charlotte Bork

# ST PATRICK'S & ST. LUKE'S PARISH CONTACTS

#### ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

# FINANCE COUNCIL

Treasurer Trustee:

Barb Rabe 320-384-6168

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Militia of the Immaculata

Janice Gustafson 320-245-2566

Lay Carmelites

Kathy Worlickey 320-775-5929 Gail Von Rueden 320-384-7305

# ST. LUKE'S PARISH

#### FINANCE COUNCIL

Treasurer Trustee

Mike Bennett 320-245-2370

Trustee

Matt Watrin 320-245-2090

Nancy Liebelt Matt Ludwig Chad Johnson Carie Olstead

**WOMEN'S GUILD** 

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**MEN'S CLUB** 

Deacon Jim 952-221-1183

St. Joseph Cemetery, Finlayson

 Nancy Liebelt
 320-216-5166

 Dave Auchter
 612-390-6640

 Dennis Liebelt
 320-216-5166

 Pete Miller
 320-279-3808

# ATTENDANCE AND STEWARDSHIP

St. Patrick's

3/15 + 3/16 [ 87 + 121 ]

Adult \$2,101.00 Ministry Appeals \$ Auto Giving \$ Plate \$259.41 Special \$20.00

St. Luke's 3/16 [ 102 ]

Adult \$1,043.00 Ministry Appeals \$20.00 Auto Giving \$85.00 Plate \$1,113.00 Special \$50.00

# **MEETING NOTICES**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS(5101) 7 pm, 2nd MondaySP orSLCHOIR PRACTICEWednesdays 5-6pmSPFAMILY CHOIR PRACTICEWednesdays 4:45-5:15pmSP

<u>ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:</u> *HINCKLEY* Saturdays, 8 pm, **at First Lutheran Church.**Bron, 384-0770; or Annette, 320-336-9177.

**SANDSTONE** Saturdays, 10:30am & Sundays 7 pm **at city hall**. Bonnie 320-216-5475;

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** 7 pm on last Monday of the month, North Pine Government Center. (CHANGE OF LOCATION) Julie 320-279-2707

"You must speak to Jesus, not only with your lips, but also with your heart; actually, on certain occasions, you should speak with only your heart."— Saint Padre Pio

# PRAYER LIST

NAMES WILL BE ON PRAYER LIST FOR ONE MONTH (You may resubmit if need be)

St. Patrick's: Darwin Church, Isaiah Masek, Logan Hovanetz, George Watrin, Natasha Starr, Joan Scharf, Patti Roberts, Hayden Erickson & family, Amber-Rose Kordiak, Steve Marudas, Archbishop Dennis Schnurr, Kieran Kloss, Susan Rynearson, Carey Rossow, Jeanne Holmes, Cassie Ann Beise, Pat Lee, Arnie Cekalla, Rosie Westmoreland, Fr Con, Deb Prenovost

St. Luke's: Alice Watrin, Alaina Becker, Bonnie Vander Schaegan, Dennis Liebelt, Darlene Merimonte, Josephine Voldrich, Mag Sebald, Dennis Pinoitt, Roy Sebald, Mary Roberts, Diana Ristamaki, Dave Ristamaki, Rebecca Becker, Mark Becker, Alison Judd

Pray for the home-bound and for all those in nursing homes and continue to pray for those who have been on the prayer list in the past.

Please pray for all those in the military & their families. Pray for all those whose job it is to serve and protect us.

Please pray for our diocesan priests and our parish deacons:

March 23 - Fr Gabriel Waweru

24 - Fr Daniel Weiske

25 - Fr Jerome Weiss

26 - Fr Anthony Wroblewski

27 - Fr George Zeck

28 - Pope Francis

29 - Bishop Daniel Felton

For our pastor, Fr. Sirba; Deacon Jim Mostek; Sr. Maria Semper Virgo (Ellie) Dutcher; our Prayer Advocate Sister Donna Schroeder. Seminarians: Deacon Jacob Tschida, Deacon Philip Mayer, Zavior Frank, John Paul Narog, Michael Fitzpatrick, Benjamin Sundlie, Nolan Thiesse, Hunter Messner, Christopher Gadacz, Evan Hansen, Grant Sharstrom, Riley Sykes and all priests, deacons & religious of our diocese.

To add a name to the prayer list call 384-6313 ext. 3 or send email. Please give me your name and phone number so I can call you if I have questions. If the person is other than a close family member, ask the person's permission to add them to the prayer list before you submit their name. saintpatricksmn@gmail.com or

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