



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, looking for a parish home or a member of our parish community, 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.

AUGUST 03, 2025 | EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM



IF TODAY YOU
HEAR HIS VOICE,

HARDEN NOT
YOUR HEARTS

PSALM 95

Mass Times

Saturday 4:30 PM | Sunday 8:45 & 10:30 AM (ASL) | Tuesday through Friday 8:00 AM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Join us for our **National Night Out** gathering in the church parking lot on **Tuesday, August 5, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.** The event is a great way to meet our neighbors and enjoy food, fun, music and free prizes from local businesses and the parish community.

“Vanity of vanities. All things are vanity.” These are the opening words of our First Reading this weekend from the book of Ecclesiastes, chapter 1, verse 2. Our common way of interpreting the word “vanity” is usually the concept of excessive pride in or admiration of one’s own appearance or achievements. A second meaning of vanity is the quality of being worthless or futile, and that definition captures what the author of Ecclesiastes is trying to convey. The Book of Ecclesiastes falls into the category of wisdom literature, which explores fundamental questions about life, morality, and the human condition, and offers guidance on living a meaningful life. When we realize “all things are vanity”, we acknowledge that all things of this world – achievements, success, wealth, and pleasure – are fleeting, passing and temporary.

Once we realize this truth, we gain a greater appreciation of the success and achievements that God helped us reach, the joys God gives us in daily life, and the love we have shared with family, spouse, children and community. We see the present moment as a gift from God. We also see that our hard times, our bad days, and our times of suffering are temporary and will slip into eternity one day. Once we can enjoy the temporary joys and be at peace with them eventually fading away, we become more peaceful, joyful, grateful and detached from that which fades away. We also see our suffering moments as something from which we can learn, which gives us an understanding heart for others who suffer, which can inspire us to work for justice and goodness in our world with the help of God and our brothers and sisters. Finally, our ultimate hope is Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of Heaven, and we trust these words of our Good Shepherd: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.” (John 14:1-3)

Looking ahead to the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 15. For the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we will celebrate Mass *Thursday, August 14 at 6:30 PM* and *Friday, August 15 at 8:00 AM.* Come join us!

Prayer Intention of Pope Leo XIV for August 2025: *For mutual coexistence.* Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

Attention Very Important Pascalites 55+

Save the Date for a Daytrip Friday, September 12

Get ready for a trip to the World of Accordions Museum in Superior, Wisconsin! Invite your friends to join us—Fr. John is coming too.

More information will follow ASAP as registration will be due by Friday, August 29. Watch for more details or reach out to Barb Uschold Anderson at 651.432.4959.

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

Donation Closet

August 2025: Fishes and Loaves at Progressive Baptist Church

During the month of August, our collection will be for Fishes and Loaves at Progressive Baptist. The following items are needed:

- Cleaning Supplies
- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Soap

Items will be collected through August 31.

Thank you to all who donated items for the Backpack Giveaway through Merrick Community Services in July.

Opportunities to Learn and Serve

Merrick Community Services is seeking volunteers for their Backpack Giveaway on August 12.

For more information and to sign up, go to merrickcs.org/home/2025-backpack-giveaway/

Beacon Interfaith Housing hosts a “Rent Is Due” call on the first Wednesday of the month from 8:30 – 9:00 AM. The August 6 call will include special guest Jack Smyth from Sen. Tina Smith’s office who will provide an update on the status of the federal appropriations process and discuss how housing and homelessness funding is progressing.

For more information and to sign up, go to beaconinterfaith.org/event/rent-is-due-8-6-2025/.

“It’s easy to make a buck. It’s a lot tougher to make a difference.”

—Tom Brokaw

Free Subscriptions

The Catholic Spirit

If you would like to receive a FREE subscription to *The Catholic Spirit*, delivered to your home twice a month, please fill out the form below and return it to the parish office. You may also contact Theresa at 651.432.4960 or theresa.ruttger@stpascals.org.

NAME

STREET ADDRESS / APT #

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You must be a registered parishioner of St. Pascal's to receive this offer

— REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS —

We're Hiring! We have openings for an Office Manager, a 5th Grade Teacher, a Lead Preschool Teacher and an Assistant Preschool Teacher. Learn more and apply at careers.archspm.org (search on "St. Pascal"), or contact Principal Inna Collier Paske at icollierpaske@stpascalschool.org.

Enroll now for 2025-26

We have begun the enrollment process for 2025-26. Kindergarten is FREE, and no one in other grades is turned away due to financial circumstances. Learn more at stpascalschool.org/enroll/.

Preschool at St. Pascal Regional

We have openings for two- to five-year-olds. Program options:

Full-day (7:00 AM-5:00 PM)

School-day (7:30 AM-2:30 PM)

Our Four-Star Parent Aware program offers a high-quality, play-based preschool experience. Financial assistance is available for qualifying families. To learn more, visit stpascalschool.org/early-childhood/.

Summer Book and Media Sale

Collection: Now through August 14

Sale: August 15-17 in Brioschi Hall

Donate your unwanted books, DVDs, and CDs to the St. Pascal's Women's Club Summer Book and Media Sale. Now is the time to sort through your collections! Please place your items in the bin in the Gathering Space after all Masses. No textbooks please.

If you would like to help with the sale (sorting, displaying or selling) or for more information, please contact Cindy Reisdorf (651.734.8937).

"And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer."

—F. Scott Fitzgerald, *The Great Gatsby*

Mark your calendars now!

Fall Festival is Sunday, September 28 from 11:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Join us for a delicious homemade Lasagna dinner (dine-in or take-out) and buy dessert from the Sweet Shop! Play a few games of Bingo! Check out the hand-made items for sale in the Craft Boutique and the treasures at the Jewelry Boutique! Have fun with the Children's Activities and take a chance on winning your favorite Theme Basket or big money at the Cash Raffle!

Theme Baskets: Do you have large empty baskets that could be used to create a Theme Basket? If so, please leave them in the Donation Closet. If you have any questions, contact Carla Hibbison at carla.hibbison@gmail.com (651.900.3180).

Craft Boutique: Want to share your handiwork? We need donations of hand-made items that will be sold to Festival attendees, with all the proceeds going to the parish. Make one item or a dozen using yarn, fabric, paper, paint, clay, wood or other material. Candies, jellies and jams are welcome. Questions? Contact Sue Kubiak at suekubiak@gmail.com (651.771.9085).

— AROUND THE PARISH —

Fellow Gardeners—It's time to share with the community again.

We plan to have a produce table at National Night Out again this year, and any extra produce you have to donate will be greatly appreciated. Please bring your extra home-grown produce to Masses the weekend of August 2 & 3. You can place it in the box or basket in the gathering space and it will be kept in the kitchen until August 5. You may also bring produce to the event itself. The neighbors who come to NNO are very excited to get free produce as well as the many other things we hand out. Thank you in advance for sharing!

Questions? Please contact Julie Ludden at julianneludden@gmail.com.

Volunteer Opportunity

We are looking for people to help operate the camera for livestreaming at the 4:30 PM Saturday Mass. The time commitment would be roughly one weekend per month and training is provided. If you are interested in helping with this ministry or if you have any questions, please contact Mike Kelleher in the parish office at mike.kelleher@stpascals.org.

St. Pascal's Day at Target Field

The Twins face the San Diego Padres Sunday, August 31 at 12:05 PM Game Time (Labor Day Weekend)

A St. Pascal's parishioner will throw out the ceremonial first pitch and the Twins have provided us with tickets to the game which we are selling for \$5.00 each—wow! Bring everybody!

To purchase tickets, contact Mike Kelleher at mike.kelleher@stpascals.org.

C O N T A C T U S

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
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School Office Summer Hours

Mon-Thu 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Fri 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Parish Councils

Parish Pastoral Council

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

Parish Finance Council

Meetings 4th Thursday at 4:30 PM
Mike Aeling, Chair

Sacramental Information

Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:45-4:15 PM
or contact Fr. John in the parish office.
Communal celebrations as announced

Baptism

One pre-baptismal session is required. To register for a pre-baptismal session 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

Mary Butler-Levine 651.735.0004

Parish Communication

Bulletin Notices

Due 5:00 PM Monday
thea.munoz@stpascals.org

Mass Announcements

Due 12:00 PM Tuesday
keri.mader@stpascals.org

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Mass Times & Intentions

Readings

August 03, 2025

Tuesday, August 05

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Wednesday, August 06

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Thursday, August 07

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Friday, August 08

8:00 AM + Ed & +John Williams

Saturday, August 09

4:30 PM + Mary Barnes

Sunday, August 10

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Charlotte King &
+ Rev. Albert Blatz

Use Your Smartphone to Make a Donation to St. Pascal's!

1. Scan this QR code.
2. Open the secure link and follow the prompts.
3. Thank you!



Stewardship of Giving

End of Year Financials will be coming soon.
Thanks for your patience.

St. Pascal's Legacy Society

5 Things You Can Do to Leave a Legacy

1. Prepare a will.
2. Leave a gift (called a bequest) in your will or revocable trust for the not-for-profit organizations that make a difference in your life.
3. Name your favorite not-for-profit as a beneficiary of your IRA or pension plan.
4. Name your favorite not-for-profit as the beneficiary of an existing life insurance policy.
5. Remember loved ones with memorial gifts.

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 at the parish office at 651.432.4960 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, August 3

After Masses SJCC Post Card Campaign

Monday, August 4

No scheduled events

Tuesday, August 5

8:30am National Night Out Set Up: Brioschi Hall, Flandrau Lot

6:00pm National Night Out: Flandrau Lot

Wednesday, August 6

8:30am Rosary: Church

Thursday, August 7

6:30pm SJCC: Staff Lounge

6:30pm Small Group 10: Spiritual Direction Room

Friday, August 8

Nos scheduled events

Saturday, August 9

No scheduled events

Sunday, August 10

11:30am Women's Club Board Meeting: Founders Room

Monday, August 11

7:00pm Women's Book Club: Staff Lounge

Tuesday, August 12

No scheduled events

Wednesday, August 13

8:30am Rosary: Church

Thursday, August 14

9:00am Women's Club Book Sale Set Up: Brioschi Hall

6:30pm Mass for the Assumption of Mary

Friday, August 15—Assumption of Mary

8:00am Holy Day Mass

9:00am Women's Club Book Sale: Brioschi Hall

Saturday, August 16

9:00am Women's Club Book Sale: Brioschi Hall

5:15pm Women's Club Book Sale: Brioschi Hall

Sunday, August 17

After Masses Fellowship: Brioschi Hall

9:30am Women's Club Book Sale: Brioschi Hall

ORDER TODAY! 175th anniversary of the Archdiocese history book and graphic novel are available.

Both books are on display in our Gathering Space and can be purchased through our parish. Scan the QR code here to order your copies anytime online or in-person at the parish office during regular office hours. Cash, checks and credit cards welcome.

Coffee-table book: soft cover, 560 pages

Graphic novel book: soft cover, 40 pages

Includes a 3-page illustrated timeline.

These two books make great gifts for yourself, your loved ones and friends. We have them on hand at the parish office, and they are ready and waiting for you!





THE FALL FESTIVAL IS COMING!
Sunday, September 28
TIME TO START CREATING THEME BASKETS!

Create a basket around any theme you like—the only limit is your imagination!



FEELING CREATIVE?

Here are some ideas to get you started...

Kids Crafts | Outdoor Fun | Grilling | Board Games | Handyman | Home Décor
Art | Music | Games | Movies | Sports | Craft Supplies | Wine | Chocolate | Spa
Cat/Dog Lover | Books | Cooking/Baking | Superheroes | Princesses | Legos
Knitting | Gardening | Food and more!

Don't have a basket? No worries!

Pick a theme and gather items on that theme in a grocery bag. Leave the bag in the Donation Closet (*marked Theme Baskets*) and we will make the basket for you!!

LACKING TIME OR CREATIVITY BUT WANT TO HELP?

- Ask your employer or other business owner to donate a gift basket with their products or a gift card for their services. *Please include their contact information, so we can add them to our list of sponsors.*
- A donation tree will be in the Gathering Space after Masses next weekend. Just take a leaf from the tree and return it with a gift card or cash donation.

Theme Baskets will be on display in the Gathering Space and tickets will be available for purchase after all Masses beginning September 6th.

Have a question? Contact Carla Hibbison at 651.900.3180 or carla.hibbison@gmail.com