

# 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 17, 2025 | TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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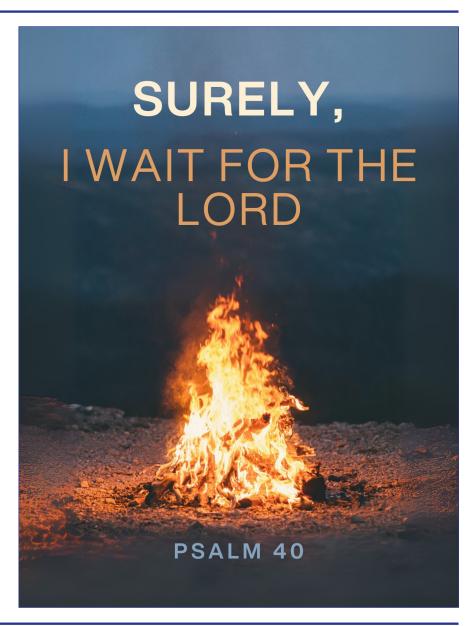
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# **Welcome Desk**

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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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



## **Mass Times**

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Thank you for helping with our National Night Out gathering last week. We had wonderful weather and a large crowd. It was a great outreach to our neighbors, and everyone had a good time. I am glad that we provide a welcoming presence in our neighborhood.

Reclaiming Sundays: Recover Sunday as a Day for the Lord and Family. For the implementation of the Archdiocesan Synod for 2025-26, each parish of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis is asked to help families reclaim Sundays. Regardless of the type of family we have, there are ways each of us can make Sunday a day for the Lord and our family. The Reclaiming Sundays booklet is now available on the Archdiocesan website (archspm.org/Sundays). The booklet features monthly themes and practical suggestions for families and individuals in all walks of life to cultivate lasting habits and anchor their week in a joyful, prayerful, and restful observance of Sunday. We will make printed copies of Reclaiming Sundays available to you in the coming weeks.

# September preview in the Reclaiming Sundays booklet:

- + Prayer is the theme for September.
- + Prayer is a foundational pillar for the next 12 months of Synod implementation.
- + The recommended resource for parishes to help people and families build prayer habits is the Hallow app, which offers both a free version and a paid subscription for access to additional content and features. The free version provides access to a variety of prayers, meditations, and other resources.

# Sample activities for September are:

- Celebrate Mass every Sunday.
- Prepare your family for Mass by reading the Gospel in advance.
- Consider laying out clothes, finding everyone's shoes, and doing anything else to make the morning peaceful and efficient.
- Pray before meals as a family and individually.
- Institute Lord's Day evening prayer on either Saturday or Sunday and ask everyone in the family to offer prayer intentions.

We will continue to offer Small Groups during 2025-26 for the implementation of the Archdiocesan Synod. Watch for small group information and sign-up opportunities in the coming weeks. You may also contact Kim Roering in the parish office (kim.roering@stpascals.org) with questions. Thank you to our Synod Evangelization Team for the implementation of the Synod this year: Jaci Bush, Rich and Julie Moore, Kim Roering, John Scanlon and Mary Weyandt.

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

## Dementia Caregiver Support—Wednesday, August 20 from 1:30-2:30 PM

Cerenity Marian, in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association, will present "Supporting Independence" as part of their Empowered Caregiving series. A Dementia Caregivers Support Group will follow the presentation until 3:00 PM. This presentation is open to anyone. For more information and to register, please contact Molly at Cerenity Marian at 651.495.1910.

#### — SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING -

#### Faith in Action

"God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons."

St. John Henry Newman—recently declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Leo—reminds us that we are all connected, and our discipleship mission is inextricably linked to that of all God's creation.

Consider the way YOU can serve in Jesus' name. Is it to help pack and distribute food to those in need at St. Pascal's or Progressive, or send an email to an elected official on behalf of Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative? Or perhaps schedule a trip to the Ramsey or Washington County Environmental Center to discard used household goods responsibly?

What will you do before the summer ends, and the school year begins?

#### **Donation Closet**

# August 2025: Fishes and Loaves at Progressive Baptist Church

The following items are needed:

- Cleaning Supplies
- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Soap

Items will be collected through August 31.

# **Growing Through Loss**

Begins Tuesday, September 9 - October 7 Hazel Park Congregational UCC (located at 1831 Minnehaha Ave E, St Paul) is hosting the fall East Metro Grief Coalition, "Growing Through Loss" five-week series. You may attend one or all the programs. All are welcome. Registration is from 6:00-6:30 PM. The speaker begins at 6:30 PM followed by an opportunity for small group sharing until 8:15 PM.

Brochures are in the kiosk or download one at growingthroughlosseastmetro.com.

Please call Barb Uschold Anderson at 651.432.4959 for more information.

# — IN CHRIST WE LIVE FOREVER —

Please remember in your prayers...

MaryAnn Wesley

Shirley Smith

who were recently buried from our church. We extend our sincere sympathy to their families and friends, and pray for their souls' eternal peace.

# 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 <u>careers.archspm.org</u> (search on "St. Pascal"), or contact Principal Inna Collier Paske at <u>icollierpaske@stpascalschool.org</u>.

## 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/.

#### A New Choir Year Is Set to Begin

St. Pascal's music ministry invites you to take your place in the choir. Studies say that singing together is good for the human spirit—grow your voice, your ministry, and be a part of a delightful group of women and men.

First Rehearsal: Wednesday, September 17, from 6:30 - 8:00 PM. We rehearse every Wednesday and sing approximately twice each month. If you have questions or have been thinking about joining the choir, please give Sharon a call at 651.432.4956. No audition necessary.

# — NATIONAL NIGHT OUT RECAP —

What a fabulous celebration we had on Tuesday, August 5! There were nearly 200 people who came through on a beautiful summer evening. Highlights included:

- A special visit from Sgt. Fuzz of the St. Paul Police Department, who received a blessing from Fr. John.
- The Free Book Buggie—Kids loved choosing a free book to take home!
- Visits from St. Paul Fire Station 24 and the SPPD Bike Patrol.
- Scout Troop 294 with the Rain Gutter Regatta!
- Visits from Mai Xiong who represents
   District 6 on the Ramsey County Board
   of Commissioners and Rep. Liz Lee
   who represents District 67A in the MN
   House of Representatives.
- Representatives from Metro Transit and St. Pascal Regional Catholic School distributing information and goodies.
- 50 Kid's Goodie Bags given away!
- Great produce from parishioners shared with the community!
- 39 Door Prizes given away!
- Family of Sa'Moryia (child hit by car at 5th and White Bear in July) received a special invitation to attend and joined us for the evening. There was a card for people to sign and info to contribute to GoFundMe.
- An added blessing was the playground being available for use by the kids. The new retaining wall and fencing were completed just in time.

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped make our NNO celebration a great success and to the parishioners and businesses who supplied door prizes!

# St. Pascal's Day at Target Field—Time is running out to get your tickets!

The Twins face the San Diego Padres | Sunday, August 31 at 12:05 PM
The Twins have provided us with tickets to the game which we are selling for \$5.00 each—WOW! To purchase tickets, contact Mike Kelleher at <a href="mailto:mike.kelleher@stpascals.org">mike.kelleher@stpascals.org</a>.

## Only 40 days until our Fall Festival! Sunday, September 28, 11:30 AM - 3:30 PM

The festival will feature a delicious homemade Lasagna dinner with salad, green beans and bread for only \$12 (dine-in or take-out). Pie, cake and other desserts will be available for purchase at the Sweet Shop.

**Donation Tree:** Let us do the shopping for you! Take a leaf from the Donation Tree in the Gathering Space and return it in the collection or to the parish office with the suggested cash or gift card donation. Or ask a local business to donate merchandise or a gift card for their services. If you have questions, please contact Carla Hibbison at <a href="mailto:carla.hibbison@gmail.com">carla.hibbison@gmail.com</a> or 651.900.3180.

**Craft Boutique:** Donate your hand-made items, which will be sold to Festival attendees. All the proceeds go back to the parish. Make one item or a dozen! If you have any questions, please contact Sue Kubiak at <a href="mailto:suekubiak@gmail.com">suekubiak@gmail.com</a> or 651.771.9085.

# CONTACT US

# Parish Office

Phone 651.774.1585 Email church@stpascals.org For after-hours pastoral emergency (death, dying

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#### **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 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 17, 2025

#### Tuesday, August 19

8:00 AM + Marie Nelson

#### Wednesday, August 20

8:00 AM The people of the parish

#### Thursday, August 21

8:00 AM The people of the parish

#### Friday, August 22

8:00 AM The people of the parish

# Saturday, August 23

4:30 PM + George Leier

#### Sunday, August 24

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Tom Bertini

# 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!



#### **Sunday:**

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40:2-4, 18 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53

#### Monday:

Jgs 2:11-19 Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44 Mt 19:16-22

#### **Tuesday:**

Jgs 6:11-24a Ps 85:9, 11-14 Mt 19:23-30

#### Wednesday:

Jgs 9:6-15 Ps 21:2-7 Mt 20:1-16

## Thursday:

Jgs 11:29-39a Ps 40:5, 7-10 Mt 22:1-14

## Friday:

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Ps 146:5-10 Mt 22:34-40

## Saturday:

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Ps 128:1b-5 Mt 23:1-12

# **Next Sunday:**

Is 66:18-21 Ps 117:1b-2 Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 Lk 13:22-30

#### Stewardship of Giving: June 2025

Reconciled Financials for Fiscal Year July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025

# **Sunday Giving**

Giving \$ 52,996.83 YTD Giving \$ 818,598.91 Budgeted \$ 63,789.62 YTD Budgeted \$ 798,475.00 +/- \$ -10,792.79 YTD +/- \$ +20,123.91

# Mortgage Reduction (as of 06.30.2025)

 Loan Balance:
 \$ 2,340,443.57

 Principal:
 \$ 9,905.82

 Interest:
 \$ 8,771.32

 Monthly Payment:
 \$ 18,677.14

Collected Donations: \$ 258,994.12 Payment: \$ 269,532.60 + / - \$ -10,538.48 Reserve Acct. Balance: \$ 87,508.81

# of payments in Rsv: 4

Thank you for your support!

#### THE WEEKS AHEAD -

## Sunday, August 17

After Masses Fellowship: Brioschi Hall

After Masses Women's Club Book Sale: Brioschi Hall

#### Monday, August 18

3:00pm Festival Meeting: Zoom6:30pm Care for Creation Team: Zoom

## Tuesday, August 19

9:30am Visitation for LaVerne Fleischhacker:

Gathering Space, Chapel

10:30am Funeral & Lunch for LaVerne Fleischhacker:

Church, Brioschi Hall

# Wednesday, August 20

8:30am Rosary: Church

## Thursday, August 21

9:30am Small Group 9: Spiritual Direction Room 9:30am Visitation for Dode (Estherann) Olsen:

Gathering Space, Chapel

10:30am Funeral & Lunch for Dode (Estherann) Olsen:

Church, Brioschi Hall

6:30pm Small Group 10: Spiritual Direction Room

# Friday, August 22

10:30am Visitation for Eileen Brown: Gathering Space, Chapel

11:30am Funeral & Lunch for Eileen Brown:

Church, Brioschi Hall

1:00pm SET Meeting: Parish Conference Room

# Saturday, August 23

No scheduled events

# Sunday, August 24

No scheduled events

## Monday, August 25

1:00pm Merrick Set Up: Brioschi Hall3:30pm Merrick Food Distribution: Door 4

# **Tuesday, August 26**No scheduled events

Wednesday, August 27 8:30am Rosary: Church

# Thursday, August 28

4:30pm Finance Council: Staff Lounge

#### Friday, August 29

No scheduled events

## Saturday, August 30

No scheduled events

# Sunday, August 31

No scheduled events

# Day Trip to World of Accordions—Friday, September 12

Join us to visit the World of Accordions Museum in Superior, WI. (Father John will join us too!) Bring yourself and invite family or friends to join you. (ACCESSIBILITY UPDATE: The museum DOES have an individual chair lift for anyone who needs navigation assistance with steps.) Board the coach bus at 8:30 AM! The trip also includes lunch and a stop at Wisconsin Point to take in the view of Lake Superior.

Receipt of your \$50 check or cash by **August 29** secures your spot for this beautiful day out with VIPs—Very Important Pascalites 55+. Send in/drop off your payment, don't delay! Please make checks payable to St. Pascal's. Contact Barb Uschold Anderson for more information at <a href="mailto:barb.ua@stpascals.org">barb.ua@stpascals.org</a> (651.432.4959).