

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 31, 2025 | TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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



Mass Times

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Special appeal for relief in Gaza. Archbishop Hebda is asking all parishes of the archdiocese to join in a nationwide special appeal for humanitarian relief and pastoral support in Gaza. "The situation in Gaza and across the Middle East cries out for the assistance of the Catholic community of the United States," said Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. "Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza and surrounding areas who are struggling to survive, protect their children, and live with dignity in dire conditions." Funds from this special appeal will support the efforts of Catholic Relief Services and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association. Both organizations are already wellestablished with the Catholic Church in the region to allow them to respond quickly and efficiently. For this special appeal, please go to our parish website (stpascals.org). Hover your cursor at the Give tab, click on the "Support Gaza" link and give at the Catholic Relief Services website. You may also give cash or checks to support Gaza by placing your donation in an envelope marked "Support Gaza" and place it in our Sunday collection basket, and we will forward your gift. Make checks payable to "St. Pascal Baylon Church" with "Support Gaza" written in the memo line. Thanks for your support and prayers for the people of Gaza.

Reclaiming Sundays: Recover Sunday as a Day for the Lord and Family. During Year 3 of the Archdiocesan Synod implementation for 2025-26, each parish in the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis is asked to help families reclaim Sundays. Whatever type of family we have, there are ways each of us can recover Sunday as a day for the Lord and our family. The Reclaiming Sundays booklet is now available on the Archdiocesan website (archspm.org/Sundays). The booklet has monthly themes and practical suggestions for families and people in all walks of life to build lasting habits and anchor their week in a joyful, prayerful and restful observance of Sunday. We also have printed copies of the booklet available to pick up in the Gathering Space. In addition, the Reclaiming Sundays theme for September is described on a bulletin insert this weekend.

We will continue to offer Small Groups during the upcoming year as part of the implementation of the Archdiocesan Synod. Sign-up opportunities after Masses will be on the next two upcoming weekends in the Gathering Space. Read more below. You may also contact Kim Roering in the parish office at kim.roering@stpascals.org or 651.432.4958 with questions.

Prayer Intention of Pope Leo XIV for September 2025: For our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

Small Groups—Fall 2025

Have you been thinking about joining a small group at St. Pascal's? Now is the time! We are looking forward to offering Small Groups once again this fall. Our Synod Evangelization Team members (Jaci Bush, Rich and Julie Moore, Kim Roering, John Scanlon and Mary Weyandt) will be available after Masses the weekends of *September 6 & 7 and September 13 & 14* to answer questions and take sign-ups. A variety of day and evening times are available. You may also contact Kim Roering in the parish office with questions at kim.roering@stpascals.org (651.432.4958).

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

Donation Closet

September: Listening House

Items will be collected for Listening House during the month of September. Listening House is a day shelter and community center providing hospitality, practical assistance and counsel to those who are unsheltered or in need.

- Men's Coats and Shoes: All Sizes
- Men's Underwear: Small to 2XL
- Men's Hoodies: Small to 2XL
- Men's Jeans: Waist 28, 30, 32, 34, 36
- Men's T-shirts and Sweatshirts: Medium to 2XL
- Sweatpants: Medium to 2XL
- Women's Underwear: Small to 2XL
- Women's Jeans: Waist 2, 4, 6
- Sports Bras: All Sizes
- Hygiene Items (Individual Sizes): Toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, conditioner, disposable razors

Thank you to those who donated to Fishes and Loaves at Progressive Baptist during the month of August.

A New Choir Year Is Set to Begin

St. Pascal's music ministry invites you to take your place in the choir. 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 10, 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.

Weekly Rosary—Time Change

September 3, 2025 through June 3, 2026 Every Wednesday at 9:00 AM in the church The gentle repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery—and help us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. Join us to pray the Rosary together. All are welcome!

Labor Day Office Hours

On Monday, September 1, the parish office will be closed in observance of Labor Day. You have earned a big celebration for getting the job done every time—have a fun and safe holiday!

"Take time to see the quiet miracles that seek no attention."

— ST. PASCAL REGIONAL — AN ASCENSION CATHOLIC ACADEMY SCHOOL

Enroll now for 2025-26

Enrollment is still open! 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/.

FAITH FORMATION

Seeking Grade 1 & 2 Catechist

Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:45 PM Our grade 1 & 2 children are in need of a catechist (faith formation teacher) this year. Resources and support provided! Please contact Kim Roering in the parish office if you would be willing to share your faith with our young people.

Pre-Baptism Session

Monday, September 8 at 6:30 PM
Parents wishing to have their child baptized at St. Pascal's are asked to participate in a formation session prior to baptism.

Pre-registration is required. To register for the September 8 session, or for more information about baptism at St. Pascal's, contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

St. Pascal's Women's Book Club—Monday, September 8 at 7:00 PM

The St. Pascal Women's Book Club meets in the Staff Lounge at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Monday of each month. This month, we'll discuss Selby Van Pelt's *Remarkably Bright Creatures*. It is an exploration of friendship and hope, tracing the unlikely connection between a widow and a giant Pacific octopus. Next month, on October 13, we will share our thoughts on *The Women* by Kristin Hannah.

Great News! Another Book Club Opportunity: A Daytime Discussion Group

Monday, September 8 at 2:00 PM in the Staff Lounge

An opportunity to read, meet and discuss the same books the evening Women's Book Club group does. Come to either group—or even bounce back and forth—to whichever is most convenient. In addition to discussing this month's book (see above), the group will discuss whether this is the best time to meet. *Meeting date and time are subject to space availability*.

The two groups will share the Author's Night each spring and the December meeting to vote on the next year's book schedule and celebrate Christmas!

Questions? Please contact Toni Baker <u>toni@bakers.us</u> (651.731.7763) OR Mickie Hageman at <u>gehageman@comcast.net</u>.

Only One Month Until Our Fall Festival! Sunday, September 28 from 11:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Dinner: A delicious homemade Lasagna dinner will be available for only \$12 (dine-in or take-out). Pie, cake, and other desserts will be available for purchase. Reserve your lasagna selection (Traditional, Chicken Alfredo or Cheese) and pay for your dinner via the SignUp Genius link on the parish website. You can also buy your dinner tickets before or after Mass starting September 14. We will only have a limited number of dinner tickets available at the festival.

Children's Activities: Student Volunteers are needed to help supervise the kids' Game Room. Call the parish office at 651.774.1585 or sign up on the Festival Board in the Gathering Space.

Jewelry Boutique: Get a "Sneak Peek" at the best of the new Jewelry Boutique after all Masses next weekend. Beautiful necklaces, bracelets, pins and earrings donated by members of the Women's Club will be available for sale. All proceeds go to the parish.

Giant Sweepstakes Raffle: Watch your mail! Tickets will be mailed to all parish households this week.

Theme Baskets: You can start bringing in your Theme Baskets next weekend! Want to help sell Theme Basket tickets after Masses on the weekends before the festival? Sign up for a shift on the Festival Volunteer Board in the Gathering Space. Questions? Contact Carla Hibbison at carla.hibbison@gmail.com (651.900.3180).

Craft Boutique: You can start bringing in your hand-made items next weekend. Please leave them in the Donation Closet or drop them off at the parish office. For more information, contact Sue Kubiak at suekubiak@gmail.com (651.771.9085).

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 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 31, 2025

Tuesday, September 02

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Wednesday, September 03

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Thursday, September 04

8:00 AM + Fr. Orlando Tatel

Friday, September 05

8:00 AM Men's Club

Saturday, September 06

4:30 PM The people of the parish

Sunday, September 07

8:45 AM + Dode Olsen

10:30 AM The people of the parish

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:

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Ps 68:4-7, 10-11 Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday:

1 Thes 4:13-18 Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13 Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday:

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday:

Col 1:1-8 Ps 52:10-11 Lk 4:38-44

Thursday:

Col 1:9-14 Ps 98:2-6 Lk 5:1-11

Friday:

Col 1:15-20 Ps 100:1b-5 Lk 5:33-39

Saturday:

Col 1:21-23 Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8 Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday:

Wis 9:13-18b Ps 90:3-6, 12-17 Phlm 9-10, 12-17 Lk 14:25-33

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 31

No scheduled events

Monday, September 1—Labor Day

Parish office closed—Have a fun and safe holiday!

Tuesday, September 2

6:30pm Pastoral Council: Staff Lounge

Wednesday, September 3

8:00am NEW TIME-Weekday Mass: Church

8:30am Rosary: Church

Thursday, September 4

6:00pm Spirit Song Set Up: Church 6:30pm SJCC: Staff Lounge

6:30pm Small Group 10: Spiritual Direction Room

7:00pm Spirit Song Rehearsal: Church 8:30pm Spirit Song Social: Brioschi Hall

Saturday, September 6

After Mass Small Group Sign Ups: Gathering Space
After Mass Jewelry Boutique Sneak Peek: Gathering Space

Sunday, September 7

After Masses Small Group Sign Ups: Gathering Space After Masses Jewelry Boutique Sneak Peek: Gathering Space

Monday, September 8

2:00pm Women's Book Club: Staff Lounge

6:30pm Boy Scouts: Old Church

6:30pm Pre-Baptism Session: Parish Conference Room

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

Tuesday, September 9

9:00am Fall Decorating: Church

Wednesday, September 10

8:00am NEW TIME-Weekday Mass: Church

8:30am Rosary: Church 6:30pm Choir: Church

6:30pm Catechist Meeting: Staff Lounge

Thursday, September 11

6:00pm Men's Club Board & Membership Mtg: Brioschi Hall

6:00pm Spirit Song Set Up: Church 7:00pm Spirit Song Rehearsal: Church

Friday, September 12

8:30am VIP Day Trip to The World of Accordions

Saturday, September 13

After Mass Small Group Sign Ups: Gathering Space
After Mass Raffle Ticket Sales: Gathering Space
Theme Baskets: Gathering Space

Sunday, September 14

After Masses Small Group Sign Ups: Gathering Space After Masses Raffle Ticket Sales: Gathering Space After Masses Theme Baskets: Gathering Space

Growing Through Loss

5-week series begins Tuesday, September 9 through October 7 Hazel Park Congregational UCC (1831 Minnehaha Ave E, St. Paul) Hazel Park is hosting the fall East Metro Grief Coalition's, "Growing Through Loss." You may attend one or all the programs. All are welcome.

Registration is at 6:00 PM Speaker begins at 6:30 PM Small group sharing until 8:15 PM

Download a brochure at growingthroughlosseastmetro.com or pick one up after Mass in the kiosk. For more information, please call Barb Uschold Anderson at 651.432.4959.



RECLAIMING SUNDAYS

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SEPTEMBER

Prayer

September's theme is a foundational pillar in the 12-month campaign. Prayer is the cornerstone for all "Reclaiming Sundays" efforts and will be carried throughout all the months. The recommended resource for parishes to assist parents in building habits of prayer 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:

- Attend Mass every Sunday this month.
- Prepare your family for Mass by reading the Gospel in advance. Consider laying out clothes, find everyone's shoes, and do anything else that will 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 for everyone in the family to offer prayer intentions.
- Visit an adoration chapel for 15 minutes, 30 minutes, or more as a family.
 // Resource for going to adoration: www.youtube.com/watch?v=irLkwdkeotw

12-MONTH THEMATIC OVERVIEW

SEPTEMBER	Prayer	JANUARY	Invitation and Prayer	MAY	Community and Prayer
OCTOBER	Rest, Recreation and Prayer	FEBRUARY	No-Low Tech Sundays and Prayer	JUNE	Screen-Free Sundays and Prayer
NOVEMBER	Beauty and Prayer	MARCH	Elevated Conversation and Prayer	JULY	Creation and Prayer
DECEMBER	Music and Prayer	APRIL	Breaking Bread and Prayer	AUGUST	Service and Prayer