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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.

MARCH 15, 2026 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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



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:

On Sunday, March 22, at 3:00 PM, you are invited to the Closing Prayers for the 40 Hours Eucharistic Devotion at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 840 Sixth Street East, St Paul. The people of Sacred Heart Church invite us to this celebration of their concluding prayers for their 40 Hours Devotion, which will include music, singing, a procession inside the church, Scripture readings, a short homily, and benediction. This liturgy is a good way to meet and encounter our brothers and sisters at Sacred Heart. Over the past two months, you have been generous with your prayers and financial support for food and rental assistance. Their March 22 celebration of 40 Hours Closing Prayers would be a good way for us to celebrate Eucharistic devotion with them and show our support through shared worship. Come and join as you are able.

At the March 3, 2026 meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council, the following topics were discussed:

The 2026 Fund-A-Need project was discussed, and a letter will be sent soon to all parishioners with information about the project.

Sacred Heart Parish is grateful that our parish will send the funds from our We Care collection during March to their parish for rental assistance for their parishioners.

Parish financials: Our projected income for Sunday giving is on budget for the year; the expense for snow plowing is higher than budgeted due to large snowfalls in December and January; work to fix recent leaks from the flat roof over the Gathering Space caused by thawing, melting and draining of snow and rain is being done; the parish budgeting process for fiscal year 2026-27 starts soon.

Updates from liaisons to parish groups and committees:

Parish Activities Committee: The next event to plan is Spring Family Fiesta scheduled for Saturday, April 18.

Liturgy/Choir: The choir and musicians are practicing Lent and Easter music and preparing for the Triduum liturgies on April 2-5.

Adult Faith Formation and Archdiocesan Synod Implementation: The Adult Faith Formation Team is planning the Parish Seder Meal scheduled for March 28.

Social Justice and Caring Committee: Plans to host a Sunday, March 15, Stations of the Cross in Solidarity with Immigrants, Migrants and Refugees are underway; the Care for Creation team is working on plans for Earth Day in April, and the Beacon team is working with the Beacon Collaborative on priorities for the 2026 Minnesota legislative sessions.

Women's Club: The fish fry Bake Sales are going well; many people enjoyed the puzzle and game exchange in February.

Men's Club: At their February meeting, the Men's Club discussed the annual Men's Club financial disbursement requests; preparations are in full swing for the Lent Fish Fry dinners.

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is April 7, 2026.

Prayer Intention of Pope Leo for March 2026: *For disarmament and peace.* Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

— SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING —

Donation Closet: Merrick Community Services March Food Drive

Any donations are appreciated, but the top five appropriate items that our community needs are listed below. Most of these items cannot be ordered from the food banks that are the backbone of the food shelf network. Any of these items will be appreciated by those we have the privilege of serving:

1. **Cooking oils and vinegars** (Canola, olive, chili, and sesame oils, rice vinegar, Mirin and any other cooking oils or vinegars).
2. **Spices** (Dried chilies of all varieties, cumin, coriander, curry, garlic, ginger, turmeric, thyme, Cajun seasoning, bay leaves, cloves, nutmeg, cardamom, star anise, all spice, sage, and other spices).
3. **Cooking Sauces** (Tamari, soy sauce, fish sauce, tamarind paste, fermented bean pastes, chili pastes, coconut milk, oyster sauce, garlic chili sauce, Sriracha or other broths and sauces).
4. **Proteins** (Almond butter, cashew butter, Spam, tuna, sardines, smoked eel, canned chicken, smoked salmon, or any other shelf stable proteins).
5. **Grains** (Jasmine rice, basmati rice, Apple Brand sweet rice, Kokuho rice, Nishiki rice, artisan egg noodles, rice noodles, Soba noodles, corn flour, other flours such as almond flour or any other grains).

Items will be collected through March 29.

Holy Week Participation

Would you like a meaningful way in which to participate in our Holy Week liturgies? We are looking to fill the following roles:

Holy Thursday Bowl Tender

Can you help with our foot washing ritual on Holy Thursday, April 2 at 7:00 PM?

This is one of the most prominent and important ritual actions for this liturgy, as it helps to demonstrate what it means for us to serve one another. Everyone in the pews will be invited to participate, and eight individuals are needed to assist those who take part. *A rehearsal will be held on Saturday, March 28 at 9:00 AM.*

Easter Vigil Water Bearer

Help with our Blessing of the Water at the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 4 at 8:00 PM. At this liturgy we bless the water in our font, renew our baptismal promises, and come to the font to be blessed with this new water. Three people are needed to carry water to the font in procession for this ritual. *A rehearsal will be held on Saturday, March 28 at 11:00 AM.*

— **ST. PASCAL REGIONAL** —
AN ASCENSION CATHOLIC ACADEMY SCHOOL

Enroll for 2026-27

It's already time to start thinking about next school year. Families can enroll or re-enroll their children at stpascalschool.org/enroll/.

We're Hiring

We are seeking a Communications Manager. Learn more and apply at careers.archspm.org and search on "Ascension Academy."

Mark Your Calendars

March 23 from 5:00-7:00 PM

Stop by the Culver's on Old Hudson Road and support our trip to Washington D.C. A portion of the proceeds from your order help support our scholars. Thank you!

**Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl
Feeding Dreams in Timor-Leste**

By participating in CRS Rice Bowl, we're helping young people in Timor-Leste find opportunities and support to fulfill their dreams of becoming leaders in their communities.

Visit crsricebowl.org/week-4 to read about Adrianna's dream of becoming a doctor in this week's story of hope.

Be sure to visit crsricebowl.org/join to share your Lenten prayer intentions.

Rainforest Falls: Explore the Nature of God | Vacation Bible School

Monday-Friday, June 22-26 from 9:00 AM-12 Noon

At Rainforest Falls, kids explore the nature of God! Rainforest Falls is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Hands-on science experiments, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. VBS is for children ages 4 (by 9/1/2026) and up.

Cost is \$50/child or \$120/family (3 or more children). Scholarships available.

Registration forms will be available beginning April 1. For more information, please contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

St. Pascal's Women's Club Fish Fry Bake Sale Fridays through March 27

Thanks to those who donate to our fish fry Bake Sales. We will be selling desserts at all the remaining Fish Frys. Bring your homemade or store-bought cupcakes, cookies, bars, candies or other goodies to the parish office by Friday morning.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Kathy Meyer at 320.223.5130.

The St. Pascal's Men's Club Lenten Fish Fry—All Fridays of Lent

February 20 - March 27 from 4:30 - 7:00 PM in Brioschi Hall

(Please use the Flandrau Street entrance.)

The "All-You-Care-To-Eat" buffet will offer fried and baked cod, coleslaw, mixed steamed vegetables, au gratin and seasoned fried potatoes, mac-n-cheese, dinner roll, pudding and coffee/water. Milk, bottled water, and pop are available for purchase.

Adults (12 and up): \$16.00 | Children (6-11): \$8.00 | 5 and under: Free

Cash, check, or card accepted. Takeout is available if the hall is full or the wait is too long.

All proceeds benefit St. Pascal Regional Catholic School's K-8 PhyEd program and other parish/school needs.

— **WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS** —

Gertens Spring Plant Online Sale!

Make your patio amazing this season! Fill it with colorful hanging flower baskets and more from the St. Pascal's Women's Club Spring Plant Sale! We are selling a wide variety of Gertens plants and plant cards online. Please note that several items sold out before the closing date last year, so order early!

To check out all the items available and to order, go to gertensfundraising.com and enter the Women's Club store number 447. *Sale ends on April 2.* Your orders will be available for pick up after all Masses on *May 9 and 10.* Just in time for Mother's Day!

If you need help ordering or have questions or concerns, please contact Ellen Aeling at ellenoaeling@gmail.com (651.307.8241).

Mark your Calendar!

The St. Pascal's Women's Club opens their Spring Jewelry Boutique before and after all Masses on April 18-19. Shop for Mother's Day gifts, jewels for Prom, Graduation presents or "I Love Me" treasures at thrift store prices. If you'd like to help at the sale, call Carla Hibbison at 651.900.3180.

"Your body is a jewel box... the jewel is your soul."

—Kay Boyle

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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

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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

Subscribe to the parish YouTube channel!
St Pascal Baylon Catholic Church

Mass Times & Intentions

Readings

March 15, 2026

Tuesday, March 17

8:00 AM + Eileen Muetzel

Wednesday, March 18

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Thursday, March 19

8:00 AM Mary Joe Dolan

Friday, March 20

8:00 AM + Don Hensel

Saturday, March 21

4:30 PM + Mary Hawkins

Sunday, March 22

5th Sunday of Lent

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Eva Mailloux

Sunday:

Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Ps 23:1-6

Eph 5:8-14

Jn 9:1-41

Monday:

Is 65:17-21

Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b

Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday:

Ez 47:1-9, 12

Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday:

Is 49:8-15

Ps 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18

Jn 5:17-30

Thursday:

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Friday:

Wis 2:1a, 12-22

Ps 34:17-21, 23

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday:

Jer 11:18-20

Ps 7:2-3, 9b-12

Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday:

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14

Ps 130:1-8

Rom 8:8-11

Jn 11:1-45

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!



REMEMBER SOMEONE IN A SPECIAL WAY THIS EASTER SEASON

Make a donation in memory or honor of a family member, loved one, or someone who is ill or homebound. Please complete the form below and return it to the parish office on or before noon on **Monday, March 30**. Suggested donation is \$10.

I would like to make a donation in (circle one)

Honor of / Memory of:

From:

Thank you for your generosity and care.

Please note: Memorials/Honorariums must be received by noon on March 30 in order to appear on the Easter Flowers bulletin insert on April 5.

THE WEEKS AHEAD

Sunday, March 15—Lent 4

After Masses Fellowship: Brioschi Hall

4:00pm Stations of the Cross in Solidarity with Migrants, Immigrants and Refugees: Church

Monday, March 16

6:30pm Anointed for Mission Series: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, March 17

6:30pm Boy Scouts: Old Church

Wednesday, March 18

8:30am Rosary: Church

6:30pm Choir: Church

6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus

Thursday, March 19

6:00pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting: Old Church

7:00pm Spirit Song Rehearsal: Church

Friday, March 20

4:30pm Men's Club Fish Fry: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen

4:30pm Women's Club Bake Sale: Gathering Space

7:00pm Stations of the Cross: Church

Sunday, March 22—Lent 5

11:45am Confirmation I: Staff Lounge

11:45am Palm Sunday Proclaimer Rehearsal: Church

Monday, March 23

1:00pm Merrick Setup: Brioschi Hall

3:30pm Merrick Food Distribution: Door 4

6:30pm Anointed for Mission Series: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, March 24

No scheduled events

Wednesday, March 25

8:30am Rosary: Church

6:30pm Choir: Church

6:30pm 1st Eucharist Parent/Child Session: Brioschi Hall

6:30pm Faith Formation: Campus

Thursday, March 26

4:30pm Finance Council: Staff Lounge

7:00pm Spirit Song Rehearsal: Church

Friday, March 27

4:30pm Men's Club Fish Fry: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen

4:30pm Women's Club Bake Sale: Gathering Space

7:00pm Stations of the Cross: Church

Saturday, March 28

9:00am Holy Thursday Rehearsal: Church

10:00am Good Friday Rehearsal: Church

11:00am Easter Vigil Rehearsal: Church

12:00pm Easter Vigil Proclaimer Rehearsal: Church

1:00pm Palm Sunday Decorating: Church

5:30pm Seder Meal: Brioschi Hall, Kitchen

Sunday, March 29—Palm Sunday

11:30am Holy Week Decorating: Church

Spring Family Fiesta—Save the Date

Saturday, April 18 following the 4:30 pm Mass

All ages welcome! Registration for the event opens on March 27. Volunteers are needed to help make this community celebration a success.

If you are interested in planning or in volunteering the day of the event, contact Kim Roering at kim.roering@stpascals.org or 651.432.4958, or Mary Weyandt at mlweyandt@mac.com. More details to come!

Sponsored by the Parish Life and Activities Committee



SEDER MEAL

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Saturday, March 28, 2026
5:30-7:30 PM
St. Pascal Baylon Church
Brioschi Hall

Join us as we celebrate a Seder meal, the traditional Jewish Passover feast. We will experience the prayers and tastes of the Seder meal followed by a soup supper and a traditional Jewish dance. ***A free will donation will help defray costs.***

ALL are welcome, but reservations are required.

RSVP by **Monday, March 23** using the SignUp Genius link at stpascals.org or call the parish office at 651.774.1585.

Questions can be directed to Kim Roering.

Sponsored by St. Pascal's Adult Faith Formation Team