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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.

JULY 5, 2026 | FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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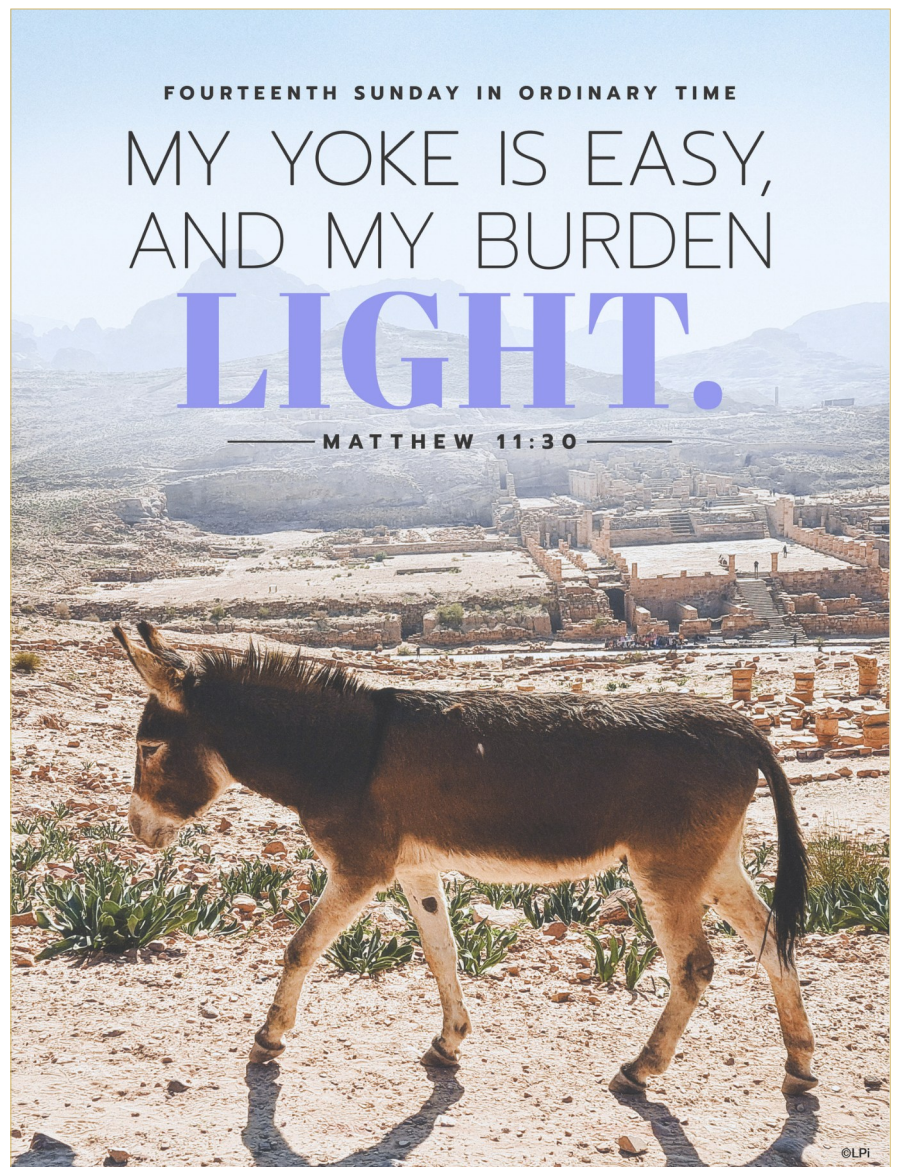
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PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Monday – Thursday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Closed Friday through August 28
Holiday hours as announced

After-hours pastoral emergency:
651.774.1585 and dial 1.



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:

Artificial intelligence and concern for the common good.

On May 15, 2026, Pope Leo published his first papal encyclical, titled *Magnifica Humanitas* ("Magnificent Humanity"), on safeguarding human dignity and identity in the era of artificial intelligence (AI). The encyclical is not a call to reject AI. It is a call to guide our development and use of AI toward the magnificence of humanity.

With *Magnifica Humanitas* in mind, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops sent a letter to members of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives on June 9, 2026, to offer principles and policy recommendations on AI in our country.

Here is a summary of the U.S. bishops' letter:

The bishops acknowledge they are not technical experts. They are pastors entrusted with concern for the life and dignity of the human person and the common good. AI is a tool that, when informed by sound moral principles, can help overcome many of life's obstacles and improve the human condition.

AI will only serve all people when it works to assist our poorest and most vulnerable sisters and brothers, and when they can benefit from its development and use. AI offers vast amounts of information that can be used in creative ways and enhance communication among people. However, AI is being used by some people to undermine human dignity and respect for the truth. AI systems must have human oversight and well-defined accountability.

AI should work to strengthen and support family life. Policies should ensure that AI does not promote or enhance morally offensive uses of reproductive technologies and genetic manipulation. Policies should also be enacted to protect children online and address the scourge of pornography.

AI has many labor-saving advantages, but these should not deprive a person of the dignity of work and contributing to the greater society. If not thoughtfully regulated, AI can reinforce biases when it comes to employment screening, loan approvals, healthcare, public benefits and immigration processing.

Policies should make clear that human control over any weapon system is essential to mitigate the horrors of warfare. AI creates electronic waste which contains mercury and lead which harms children, the unborn, and wildlife. Policies should exist that encourage AI data centers to be energy efficient and promote responsible water and component recycling.

The bishops conclude their letter to Congress by stating, "These ethical principles and policy recommendations are not intended to be exhaustive, but a modest initial reflection for your consideration as you deliberate on options for federal policy and regulatory action. We thank you for your consideration. Please be assured of our prayers and readiness to assist you in this important and timely work."

Prayer Intention of Pope Leo for July 2026: *For respect for human life.*

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CARING

Donation Closet

July 2026: *Backpack Drive for Merrick Community Services*

During the month of July, school supplies will be collected for the Merrick Backpack Drive which will take place in August. Items needed include:

- Pencils and mechanical pencils
- Ballpoint Pens
- Crayons
- Markers
- Colored Pencils
- College Ruled Notebooks
- Rulers and Protractors
- Adult sized backpacks (for teens)
- Calculators, including scientific and graphing
- Ear buds
- Headphones

Items will be collected through July 25, and can be placed in the donation closet off of the coat room.

Thank you to all who donated to Brittany's Place in June.

Pre-Baptism Session

Monday, July 13 at 6:30 PM

Parents interested in having 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 July 13 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, July 13, at 2:00 and 7:00 PM in the Staff Lounge (near the Conway entrance)

Drop in and check out the St. Pascal Book Club! We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month. All parish women are invited to join either group for its monthly discussions. You can come as often as your schedule and interests allow.

This month, we'll share our thoughts about Jess Lourey's *Quarry Girls*, a fictional novel set in 1977 St. Cloud. On August 10, we will discuss *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride, a historical novel set in the 1970s in Pottstown, Pennsylvania. The story begins with the discovery of a skeleton in a well, unearthing the secrets of the predominantly Black and Jewish "Chicken Hill" neighborhood.

SJCC Lending Library

Gear up for summer reading!

Stop by the Lending Library, located in the Gathering Space, after Mass. It's a great place to find your next summer read!

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Tuesday, July 07

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Wednesday, July 08

8:00 AM Women's Club

Thursday, July 09

8:00 AM + Eileen Muetzel

Friday, July 10

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Saturday, July 11

4:30 PM The people of the parish

Sunday, July 12

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM Thanksgiving for the Irabor Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 05, 2026

Sunday:

Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday:

Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-9/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday:

Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-7b, 8-10/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday:

Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-7/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday:

Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15

Friday:

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday:

Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday:

Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10-14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23

CONTACT US!

Sacramental Information

Reconciliation

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

Baptism

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

Bulletin Notices

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

Mass Announcements

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

Parish Prayer Line

Mary Butler-Levine: 651.735.0004

Parish Councils

Parish Pastoral Council: Anne Weyandt, Chair

Parish Finance Council: Jeanne Brino, Chair

THE WEEKS AHEAD

Sunday, July 5

No scheduled events

Monday, July 6

11:00am Blood Drive: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, July 7

No scheduled events

Wednesday, July 8

8:30am Rosary: Church

Thursday, July 9

No scheduled events

Friday, July 10—*First day of parish office summer hours*

Parish office closed

Saturday, July 11

No scheduled events

Sunday, July 12

No scheduled events

National Night Out 2026

Mark Your Calendar! *Tuesday, August 4 from 6:00-8:00 PM*

All are invited to our 6th annual celebration of National Night Out at St. Pascal's in the main church parking lot. The evening will include food, music, "door" prizes, kid's goodie bags, a produce sharing table, and more! Our neighbors will also be invited to join us. Be sure to bring your friends, families and neighbors for this fun, community-building event. If you are interested in helping with the event, please email Mary Weyandt at mlweyandt@mac.com.

St. Pascal's Legacy Society

Grandpa didn't have a will, but Grandma does. She had to settle Grandpa's estate without one, and she now knows how important a will really is. Do you have a will? Over 50% of all adults neglect to make a will. You will be doing your family a huge service by taking the time to complete a will. Please consider naming St. Pascal's and other charitable organizations you care about as bequest beneficiaries when you complete 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.

Stewardship of Giving

Reconciled Financials for Fiscal Year July 2025 - June 2026

Current Sunday Giving (as of May 31)

Giving	\$ 45,116.98	YTG Giving	\$ 739,922.82
Budget	\$ 67,059.06	YTD Budget	\$ 765,149.66
+/-	\$ -21,942.08	YTD +/-	\$ -25,226.84

Mortgage Reduction (as of May 31)

Loan Balance	\$ 2,208,061.18
Principal	\$ 5,162.03
Interest	\$ 13,515.11
Payment	\$ 18,677.14

Mortgage Reserve (as of 12/31/25)

Balance	\$ 102,304.56
YTD Donations	\$ 247,851.35
YTD Payment	\$ 205,448.54
Surplus/Deficit	\$ 42,402.81
months of payment	5

Thank you for your support!