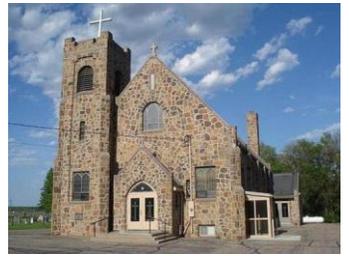


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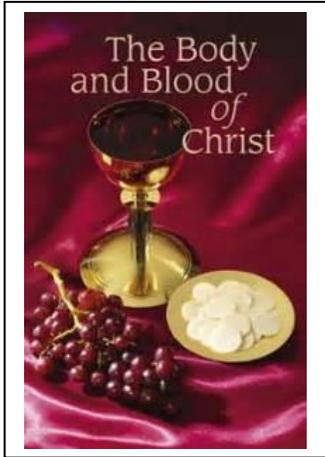
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
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| | <u>Lector</u> | <u>Intentions</u> | <u>Servers</u> |
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| June 21 st 9 a.m. | | Mike Hammer | |
| June 24 th 8 p.m. | Janis Minnerath | Roman & Marie Schmitt | Christine Murray & Rachel Heinen |
| June 25 th 9 a.m. | Paula Schleppenbach | Parishioners | Nolan Goerger & Edmund Massmann |
| | <u>Gift Bearers</u> | <u>Communion Ministers</u> | <u>Ushers</u> |
| June 24 th 8 p.m. | Schmitt Family | Nick Heinen, Dave Heinen & Mike Willenbring | Ken Simon & Mavin Schneider |
| June 25 th 9 a.m. | Ushers | Jim Sand, Rose Sand and Mary Jane Jonas | Steve Heinen & Mike Zimmer |

From Your Pastor

This week-end we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. It was Jesus last and greatest gift he left us on the night before he died. Jesus gave us the Eucharist, he gave us his Body and Blood for our spiritual food and drink to sustain us during our own lives here on this earth, as we journey to our eternal homeland. I suspect most families here in this parish, if not all, have a picture of the Last Supper hanging in their home. On this great feast, I believe it would be worth while to ask ourselves, in our own families, and our loved ones who have gone on before us, do we remember some of them for the deep faith they had in the Eucharist? Do we share that same strong belief in our lives. If not, I believe we can develop it with the help of prayer. I will always remember what Father Elmer Torborg, of happy memory, once said: "If you do not believe Jesus is the bread of life, your toast." He liked to use humor.



I want again to thank everyone who worked so hard to help the Parish Bazaar be a successful one. Jesus knows well all the effort that went into it.

I want to thank Jerome Karls, who came with his machine to grind up the branches here at St. James, that fell during the recent storm. Thanks Jerome.

I also want to thank Roger Bechtold and Ralph Leither, who have been shopping for a skid loader for the parish. They found a good one at an auction which will be used for snow removal, and grounds maintenance. Thanks Roger and Ralph.

On this Father's Day weekend, I want to wish all Fathers a very Blessed and Happy Father's Day. As a sign I will always remember in the Melrose barbershop, "Any one can be a Father, it takes someone special to be a Dad."

Prayer

"Blessed are the hungry; they shall have their fill. It is in our emptiness that we are filled. It is in our confusions that we are guided. It is in our weakness that we are strengthened. It is in our sins that we are forgiven. It is in our hunger that we are fed. We believe that God has a homeland prepared for us, where all the hungers will be satisfied, and our hopes will be fulfilled. This conviction makes it possible for us, to travel onwards with an ache in our hearts, and an unquenchable longing in our souls."

Fr. Julius

Please join us for a Potluck Supper and Farewell for Fr. Julius on Sunday, June 25 at 2:00 pm in Germain Hall. Supper will be served at 5:00 p.m. The parish will provide hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring a dish to share. Hope to see you there!!

Sandy Hansen

Annual Novena of Masses at the Assumption (Grasshopper) Chapel, Cold Spring on Thursday evening beginning May 4 through June 29. Rosary 7:00 pm with Mass at 7:30 pm. Mass is outdoors, bring a chair and dress for the weather. In case of rain or severe cold Mass will be celebrated in the Church of St. Boniface.

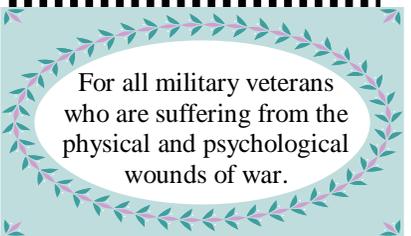
Financial Report

Last Week's Collection:
 Adult \$ 612.00
 Youth \$ 4.00
 Loose \$ 195.75
TOTAL \$ 811.75

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Please pray for these parishioners who are ill:

- Allen Backes
- Annette Heinen
- Doug Kosloski
- Joe Froehle
- Joan Willenbring
- Juletta Dingmann
- James Johannes
- Nell Bechtold
- Liam Current
- Mary Kay Donabauer
- Sue Hammer
- Richard Depa



For all military veterans who are suffering from the physical and psychological wounds of war.

Area Coming Events

Please save the dates:

June 25 - farewell event for Fr. Julius Beckermann, more info to come. Sandy Hansen.

August 12 - Pork Chop Feed

"The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother." ~ Henry Ward Beecher. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend for a married couple to grow in their love. The next available weekends are Sep 15-17, 2017 in Alexandria, MN and Feb 2-4, 2018 in Hermantown, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit: northmnwwme.org or contact Alan & Missy at applications@northmnwwme.org or 888-455-3496.

Rich Spring Prairie Catholic Community

Who do I contact when I want to get married or have a child baptized? And who would be likely to perform the ceremony?

Deacon Larry Sell and his wife, Carol, will coordinate the preparation processes for Baptism and Marriage for the parishes of the Rich Spring Prairie Catholic Community (RSP CC). You can call your Parish Office or Deacon Larry directly to begin the preparation process. He will work with the existing programs in the individual parishes.

The celebrants for baptisms and weddings will be assigned on a rotating basis. Fathers Matthew, Cletus and Efrain will celebrate the baptisms and weddings during Mass. Deacons Larry and Jerry will preside when the sacrament is celebrated outside of Mass. Deacon Larry will help the couples determine which would be best for them.

What will happen with the parish websites and e-mail addresses?

Each parish and school of the Rich Spring Prairie Catholic Community will maintain its own website and e-mail accounts for ministries and staff members.

We are creating a new website, www.rspcatholic.com, for the RSP CC. It will have links to the three parishes, two schools and the Assumption Community as well as an RSP CC calendar of events. Additionally, there will be a page for the areas of collaboration on the website: bulletin, sacramental preparation, youth ministry, etc.

The clergy assigned to the three parishes and the bulletin have their primary e-mail address with the new RSP Catholic Community:

Father Matthew: pastor@rspcatholic.com
 Father Cletus: fathercletus@rspcatholic.com
 Father Efrain: fatherefrain@rspcatholic.com
 Deacon Larry: deaconlarry@rspcatholic.com
 Deacon Jerry: deaconjerry@rspcatholic.com
 Bulletin submissions: bulletin@rspcatholic.com.

Supporting the bulletin: If your business would like to place an ad in our new RSP CC bulletin, Gina Shaughnessy, a representative from LPI, will be working from the parish office in Cold Spring this week. If you want more information about sponsoring an ad beforehand, please call Gina's cell phone at 952-356-6488. Your support allows us to continue reaching all over 2500 families in the Richmond-Cold Spring-Jacobs Prairie area.

Fr. Matthew Luft, OSB
Pastor