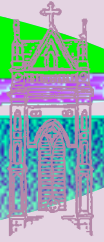
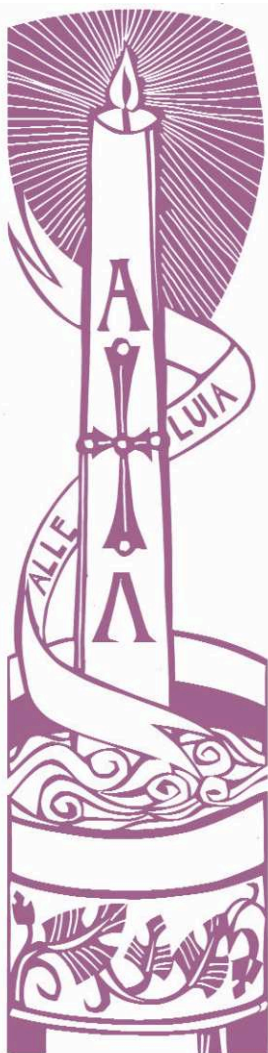




CATHEDRAL OF ST. RAPHAEL ST. PATRICK CHURCH NEWSLETTER



EASTER



BLESSINGS

Easter Greetings

SPRING 2011

Dear People of St. Raphael and St. Patrick parishes,

The most important days of the Church Year are upon us--the Easter Triduum!

Why are these days so important? Because they celebrate in all its fullness the central mystery of our Christian faith--the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Which days make up these three days? Many would say that the Three Days are Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. But that's wrong! (How could Easter Sunday not be one of the Three Days?) The first day of the Triduum is from sunset on Holy Thursday to sunset on Good Friday. The second day is from sunset on Good Friday until sunset on Holy Saturday. The third day is from sunset on Holy Saturday until sunset Easter Sunday.

It amazes me that so few Catholics participate in the special liturgies of the Sacred Triduum. They are the most beautiful and engaging liturgies of the Church Year. The origin and purpose of the 40 days of Lent were to prepare to celebrate the Easter Triduum and the Easter sacraments, when Christians celebrated the initiation of new members into the Church.

Why is it that so few make it a priority to celebrate the special liturgies of the Triduum? Many will say "They are so long!" It is true that these liturgies take more time than a normal Mass, but they are special celebrations. When we welcome a new member to our family or celebrate a graduation or a wedding, we have special celebrations that take more time. Such is the case with our Christian family -- we need special celebrations to welcome new members and to celebrate our new life in Christ. At this time of the year many of us spend countless hours watching the NCAA Basketball Tournament, in anticipation of the Final Four and Championship Game. Can we not give one special weekend a year to focus on our Christian faith and the renewal of our life in Christ? Is not our Christian faith that important?

As the principal Church of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, we at the Cathedral are honored to have our Archbishop as the presider at the Easter Triduum and to celebrate the Easter Sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). We have asked that all our young adults preparing for Confirmation this year participate in the Sacred Triduum, especially the Easter Vigil liturgy. And I want to encourage all of you to do the same. If you have never participated in the Easter Vigil liturgy, hopefully this will be the year. The Easter Vigil should be on every Catholic's Bucket List.

I look forward to celebrating with all of you the new life that is bestowed on us through the saving passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we be renewed in Christ and live our Christian faith in our daily lives.

May the peace and joy of the Risen Lord be with you at Easter and always!

Fr. Dan Knepper

ANN SCHROEDER - ST. PATRICK'S WOMAN OF FAITH AND ACTION BY CALVIN GATCH

Ann Schroeder's title as St. Patrick's business manager is misleading. "Ann Schroeder really is St. Patrick's parish," says Deacon Tim LoBianco, who was St. Patrick administrator from 1997 until 2007. "She is one of the most compassionate, welcoming and warm persons I know."

Ann has worked at St. Patrick since 1981 when she started cleaning the church and volunteering with the school's hot lunch program. She became parish secretary in 1988, a position that was elevated to business manager and which she has held ever since. But Ann's actual duties go far beyond those of a business manager.

Ann answers the door, does the bookkeeping, pays bills and helps parishioners who wish to plan baptisms, weddings, and funerals. She is also the liaison for parish committees, the religious education program, and the choir.

Working with a core committee, Ann establishes the menu, does all the ordering, and coordinates the volunteers for the Wednesday evening community meal, a program that was instituted as Lenten practice 25 years ago by Father Glovik. She also facilitates the day-to-day outreach of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Ann greets everyone who enters the rectory, including the many members of the Hispanic Ministry program.

"The secret of Ann's ministry is her faith," says Deacon Tim. "She lives her faith." During Ann's 30-year tenure, she has assisted Msgr. Karl Glovik, Rev. Paul McManus, Deacon Leo Brustkern, Deacon Tim LoBianco, Rev. Ardel Barta, Parish Administrator Suzanne Blouin, Rev. Steve Rosonke and currently Father Dan Knepper.



Ann prepares the stew and corned beef for the St. Patrick Day supper.

"Ann has a special ability to facilitate between priests and the parishioners," says Anne Gindorff Heinz, a longtime St. Patrick member. "Her presence has helped create the harmony and positive atmosphere that has prevailed at St. Patrick for the past 30 years."

Ann Wiezorek grew up in Holy Ghost parish where she attended grade school. She graduated from Wahlert High School in 1966 and married John Schroeder at Holy Ghost in 1968. They met at a dance in May and were married in November. Ann worked in the office of the Dubuque Packing Company from 1966 to 1969. She and John joined St. Patrick in 1972 when they moved to West Locust Street. They have three sons: Bob, 41, Ron, 38, and Jon, 33, and four grandchildren. Those in Dubuque gather every Sunday evening for Ann's home-cooked meal.

There have been many changes at St. Patrick in the 30 years since Ann started working for the parish. In the early 1970's four priests resided at the rectory. By 1999, St. Patrick "clustered" with St. Mary, a transition that resulted in a shared pastoral administrator, Deacon Tim, and a shared Sacramental priest, Rev. Ardel Barta. And more recently, of course, St. Patrick linked with St. Raphael Cathedral.

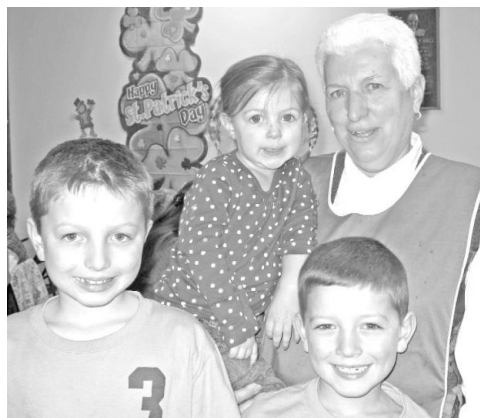
Earlier, in 1982, St. Patrick's grade school merged with St. Mary's grade school as the Downtown Catholic Grade School. The consolidated name was changed several years later to St. Mary/St. Patrick Grade School. When

the heater failed at St. Mary's Grade School in 1999, all the students were moved to St. Patrick. In 2002, St. Mary and St. Patrick, together with Holy Trinity and Sacred Heart became St. Francis School. Like many other parishioners, Ann was saddened by the closure of the combined school in 2004.

"It was so nice to have students we could call on to serve noon Mass and to help with small tasks," Ann said. Ann tends to rivet her attention when engaged in conversation, and has an uncanny ability to remember the names of hundreds of people, both past and present parishioners. She remembers their children as well and visitors to St. Patrick.

"We get many people at the door who are so needy, and Ann is kind and pleasant to everyone who stops by," says

Mary Avery, a member of St. Patrick for 52 years. "She is always available to answer questions of any committee member. She has a handle on all aspects of the parish; people know they can rely on her. She



Ann enjoys three of her grandchildren at the St. Patrick Day party: Austin, Nolan and Lillian. Her grandchild, Gavin, was not present.

also has a good sense of humor, which goes a long way in her job."

Ann, always upbeat and smiling, has loved her job as St. Patrick Business Manager. "In the past 25 years there has not been a day when I did not want to come to work," she says. "I love what I do and enjoy the people I have come in contact with over the years! I feel blessed to be a part of this great parish!"

WE ADORE YOU,
O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS YOU,
FOR BY YOUR HOLY CROSS
YOU HAVE REDEEMED THE WORLD

HOLY THURSDAY

April 21
ST. RAPHAEL CATHEDRAL
7:30 PM
Mass of the Lord's Supper
Washing of the Feet

Procession with the Blessed Sacrament
to the Cathedral Center with silent
adoration until **Night Prayer at**
11:00 PM.

GOOD FRIDAY

April 22
ST. PATRICK
12:00 noon Stations of the Cross
2:00 PM Hispanic Stations of the
Cross

ST. RAPHAEL CATHEDRAL
12:00 - 3:00 PM
Silent prayer in the Cathedral

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Liturgy of the Word
Veneration of the Cross
Communion

ST. RAPHAEL CATHEDRAL
8:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Tenebrae

A Good Friday service of light, song and
scripture. This simple but moving service
will touch you deeply and is attractive to
all ages, especially children and teens.
Please join us especially if you were unable
to attend afternoon services.

EASTER VIGIL

Saturday, April 23
ST. RAPHAEL CATHEDRAL
8:40 PM
Service of Light
Liturgy of the Word
Liturgy of Baptism with welcoming
of those entering the Church

LUKE BARRY
ANNIE STULTS

Liturgy of the Eucharist

EASTER SUNDAY

April 24
ST. RAPHAEL CATHEDRAL
Masses at 7:30 AM and 10:30 AM
(Note Change of time)
No 5:30 PM Mass on Easter Sunday.

ST. PATRICK
Mass at 9:00 AM
MASS AT 1:00 PM Hispanic Mass

HOLY WEEK RECONCILIATION ST. RAPHAEL - ST. PATRICK

Sat. April 16	2:45 - 3:45 PM	St. Patrick
Sun. April 17	8:45 - 9:30 AM	St. Raphael
Mon. April 18	6:45 - 7:15 AM	St. Raphael
Tues. April 19	6:45 - 7:15 AM	St. Raphael
Tues. April 19	11:30 - 11:50 AM	St. Patrick
Wed. April 20	6:45 - 7:15 AM	St. Raphael
Thurs. April 21	11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	St. Patrick
Fri. April 22	11:00 - 11:45 AM	St. Patrick

THE ROMAN MISSAL THIRD EDITION

DEEPEN, NURTURE, CELEBRATE

On November 27, 2011, the first Sunday of Advent, ALL Roman Catholic churches in the United States and English speaking countries will begin to use a new translation of the Roman Missal, the book of prayers used at mass.

This is a very historic and unique moment in time for the Catholic Church in our parish, our diocese, and our country. Change and evolution is an ongoing process with most things - nothing stays the same. Over the last 2000 years, the Catholic Church has continued to evolve and change. These latest implementations with the Roman Missal are just another step on the journey.

The move from Latin liturgy to the vernacular in the 1960s at Vatican II was the most dramatic change in our lifetime. But some may have been led to believe that we had reached our final destination on how we pray. This article will help us to better understand why we need to keep evolving in our understanding of liturgical prayer and our relationship with God through the mass.

Please know that the changes for the assembly are minor. Most text changes involve the prayers that the priest will pray at mass.

The pastoral staff is committed over the next several months to assisting our people with these changes so that all who come to worship will feel at ease with the transition.

Jim Mendralla
Director of Liturgy and Music

1. Why is there a need for a new translation?

This new translation will employ the best of what we have learned about

translation and liturgical language in two generations of celebrating the Liturgy in the vernacular. It will provide an opportunity to reflect even more deeply on the Eucharistic celebration that lies at the heart of the Church's life.

2. What is new or different about the revised translation?

The style of the translation of the third edition is different. The revised translation follows the style of the original Latin texts more closely, including concrete images, repetition, parallelisms, and rhythm. The English used in the Mass texts is more formal and dignified in style. Where possible, the texts follow the language of Scripture, and include many poetic images. In addition, the third edition contains prayers for the celebration of recently canonized saints, additional prefaces for the Eucharistic Prayers, additional Masses and prayers for various needs and intentions, and some updated and revised instructions for the celebration of the Mass.

3. What will the process of implementation look like?

Catechesis on the new translation and on the Liturgy itself will become even more important. Training for priests, music ministers and other liturgical leaders as well as formation for all Catholics will help to ensure the successful implementation of the new text.

4. What will the new Missal mean in my parish?

In the months before the revised translation is implemented, parishes will have to do many things. The parish will have to replace liturgical books and participation aids. Priests will practice proclaiming the new

texts and will prepare homilies helping all to understand the new translation and deepen their

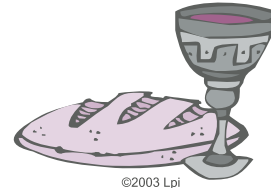
appreciation for the Liturgy. The music ministers and the people will learn new musical settings for the parts of the Mass such as the Gloria and the Holy, Holy. Catechists and

teachers will help parishioners learn the new prayers. Parishes may also use this opportunity to undertake a thorough re-examination of their liturgical practices.

5. What opportunities does the new Missal offer the Church?

Implementing the new Missal will give the Church an opportunity to take a fresh look at its liturgical practice and to renew its celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. The people, encountering the Liturgy in the new text, can deepen their understanding of the Mass.

Source: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.



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The entire Church in the United States has been blessed with this opportunity to deepen its understanding of the Sacred Liturgy, and to appreciate its meaning and importance in our lives.

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ST. RAPHAEL AND ST. PATRICK BUILD COMMUNITY

St. Raphael - St. Patrick Parish Survey

This has been a very busy year, full of changes for St. Raphael and St. Patrick parishes which were linked in July, 2010 and Father Dan Knepper became pastor of both. When changes occur, parishes can experience a shift that either releases new energy or else paralyzes its members. St. Raphael and St. Patrick Pastoral Council feel it is important at this time to engage parishioners so as to release the Spirit's energy and increase the vitality of the parish community as it adjusts to changes. They have worked on a special survey to gather the "voices" of parishioners in order to understand the parish community, its needs and aspirations.

In late March, you received a letter along with this parish survey. **It is designed to evaluate parish vibrancy based on the views and beliefs of those affiliated with the parishes.** If you have not already completed the survey, we ask that you please do so soon and return it to either St. Raphael or St. Patrick's on any weekend through the end of April. You can put it in the collection, drop it in the sacristy, mail it, or drop it by the parish offices. If you need a new survey, please call the parish office, 582-7646.

We want this survey to be a positive force to help our parishes work more closely together. The more constructive and concrete you can be, the better we can understand your input.

The information will be collected and analyzed and focus groups will meet in May to further discuss the information that is collected. We do ask that you pray for our parishes during this process and give us your prayerful input.

St. Raphael - St. Patrick Pastoral Council



Chris and Emily Wuertzer help with the dishwashing at St. Patrick.



Curt Wuertzer and Gary Meyer - chief dishwashers at St. Patrick's.



Jim Mendralla enjoys the Irish hats with Vi and Mike Elliott.



Annie Stults



Luke Barry

At the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, April 23, we will welcome with great joy those who will enter the church this Easter.

Annie Stults grew up in Lafayette, Indiana. She received her masters degree from Purdue University, lives in Dubuque and works for Cummins Plant in Mineral Point, Wisconsin. She will be married to Matt Marple on June 4, 2011 at the Cathedral. Annie will be received into the Catholic Church, and celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

Luke Barry is a junior at Senior High School, the son of Brice and Lori Barry from St. Patrick Parish. Luke began attending Religious Education with his good friend, Blake Whalen. He made the decision to be baptized. He will also celebrate his Confirmation and First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.



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Baptisms

January 2011 - April 2011
(Parents in parentheses)

St. Raphael Cathedral

Amelia Esther Beer (Travis and Emily Beer) ¥ Gianna Rain Timmerman (Troy and Shannon Timerman) ¥ Ryker Everett Wall (Chad and Morgan Wall) ¥ Peter Martin FitzPatrick (Martin and Rachel)

St. Patrick Parish

January 2011 - April 2011
(Parents in parentheses)

Rossenda Gutierrez (Rosendo and Maria de Lourdes Gutierrez) ¥ Kevin Gutierrez (Rosendo and Maria de Lourdes Gutierrez) ¥ Noah Nicholas Schlosser (Nicholas and Carrie Schlosser)

Deaths

These Cathedral parishioners were born into eternal life from January 2011 - April 2011.

Donald Grawe ¥ William Hoffman Jr. ¥ Alice Fisch ¥ Monica Brown ¥ James Honigman ¥ Anna Niedermeyer ¥ Julia O'Brien ¥ Robert Varley

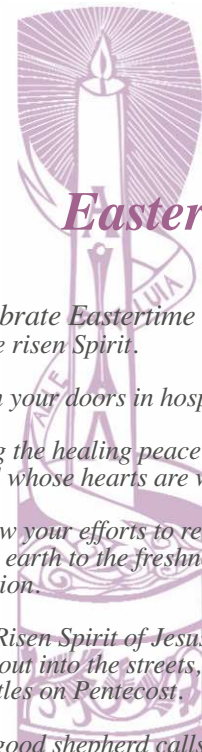
These St. Patrick parishioners were born into eternal life from January 2011 - April 2011.

Donald Meyer ¥ Dr. Edward Degnan DDS ¥ Theresa Huekels ¥ Giles Ede ¥ Barbara Bradford ¥ Robert Waldbillig ¥ Clara Froehle ¥ John Kueter Jr.

Stewardship, A Way of Life

Stewardship is based on the fact that all that we have and all that we are comes from God. We commit ourselves to stewardship as a way of thanking God for all His blessings; returning to Him a portion of the time, talent, and treasure he has allotted to us.

Good stewardship of treasure means we intentionally plan to donate a percentage of our income to the church and other charities. Please be generous in your Easter donation to our parishes. We continue our ministry of service to our parish, our community and our world because of your generosity.



Celebrate Eastertime with signs of the risen Spirit.

Open your doors in hospitality.

Bring the healing peace of Christ to all whose hearts are wintry.

Renew your efforts to restore the good earth to the freshness of creation.

The Risen Spirit of Jesus bids us to spill out into the streets, like the apostles on Pentecost.

The good shepherd calls us out to verdant pasture.

The wonderful gardener brings us home to paradise.