



THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: 2nd Saturday of the month at 2:00 PM

PENANCE: Saturday 12:30 PM

WEDDINGS: Contact a priest 9 months in advance

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 NOON and 5:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday—Friday 8:15 AM and 12 NOON

Saturday 12 NOON

Federal Holidays: 12 NOON only

HOLY DAY MASSES

4:00 PM Vigil

8:15 AM, 12 NOON and 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays, following the 12 Noon Mass followed by Benediction at 4:30 pm

ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed in Church

2nd Sunday of each month at 2:00 PM

Monday thru Friday following the 8:15 and 12 Noon Masses

The Rosary in Spanish—Msgr. Parks Center

Fridays: 7:00 PM

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

1st Wednesday of the month at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM

3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM

LEGION OF MARY

Each Friday at 10:15 AM in the Rectory Meeting Room



Sunday, October 20, 2024
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship Reflection

Our Gospel today conveys how we are called to imitate Jesus through humility and service.

We are reminded that the Son of God became man and surrendered His life into the hands of men so that we might be saved. The life of Jesus was centered around His Father’s mission and the service of mankind. And this is how we ought to live — in imitation of Christ.

James and John wanted to ensure they had a spot in heaven with Jesus. They were concerned about themselves in that moment — “Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left.”

Jesus quickly reminded them, “whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.”

Our culture constantly encourages us to do what we can to get ahead in this world, to do what feels good, no matter the effects — that power, authority, and wealth should be our goals in life.

Our faith offers us something different and fulfilling — a life of humility and service. As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in service of God and neighbor, just as Jesus did. Our life is not about us. It is about fulfilling God’s glorious plan for each one of us.

So, we must ask ourselves, are we living out God’s plan for our lives? Is my life centered on Christ and those around me or is it centered on me?

It can be difficult to know God’s plan for our entire life. He sees the whole picture — we only see the now. All we can do is seek Him daily. If each day is centered on Him, then our entire lives will become the work of Jesus.



**October 19th Saturday, 4:30 pm Vigil Mass
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Gena Graff
Patrick Morgan (*2nd Anniversary*)
Timothy Lynch
Michael Vitale
Michael and Michael S. O'Flaherty
Barbara Mazur
Leonard Riggio
John J. McGlyn (*100th Anniversary*)
Detta Gallagher

And for the intentions of . . .

The people of the parish
Michael & Providencia Gilbride
Catherine Collins
Raphael (*Healing*)
Dorothy Hammell (*Happy Birthday*)
Maryann Guzman and Family
Miraculous Medal Intentions
Peace in Gaza

October 20th, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Edward Reardon Clark (*Birthday Memorial*)
10:00 am Ruth Provenzano
12:00 pm Sister Christine Sullivan (*22nd Anniversary*)
5:00 pm Carol Patane (*Birthday Memorial*)

October 21st, Monday, Weekday

8:15 am Louis Vaccacio
12 Noon Kathleen Whitty

October 22nd, Tuesday, Weekday

8:15 am Joan Sullivan (*21st Anniversary*)
12 Noon Peter M. Dolan (*Birthday Memorial*)

October 23rd, Wednesday, Weekday

8:15 am Peter Domante
12 Noon Michael F. Scally

October 24th, Thursday, Weekday

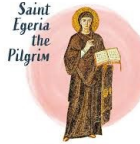
8:15 am Patrick T. O'Connell
12 Noon Patricia May

October 25th, Friday, Weekday

8:15 am In thanksgiving to St. Jude
12 Noon John, Mary & John, Jr. Duffy

October 26th, Saturday, Weekday

12 Noon Hildegard Reinwald DeLuca



St. Egeria the Pilgrim

Confessional or Reconciliation Room

The Confessional or Reconciliation Room is where God sacramentally forgives sins and restores broken relationships through the ministry of the Church. Canon Law dictates that the best place to celebrate the Rite of Penance is in a church. "The bishops of the United States have directed that the place for sacramental confession be visible and accessible, that it contain a fixed grille [or screen to insure anonymity if desired by the penitent], and that it allow for confession face-to-face for those who wish to do so." (Living Stones, 103)

"In planning the reconciliation area, parishes will want to provide for a sound-proof place with a chair for the priest and a kneeler and chair for the penitent. Since the rite includes the reading of Scripture, the space should also include a bible. Appropriate artwork, a crucifix . . . , [icons] help to enhance the atmosphere of prayer. Warm, inviting lighting welcomes penitents who seek God's help and some form of amplification as well as braille signs can aid those with hearing or visual disabilities. Additional rooms or spaces will be needed as confessional areas for communal celebrations of penance, especially in Advent and Lent." (105)

Where are the Confessionals in your church?

Egeria Inserts are an endeavor of Egeriathepilgrim.com

Thank you for your generous contributions to last Sunday's Second Collection.

HURRICANE RELIEF

\$4,484 will be directed to the Bishops Emergency Disaster Relief Fund and used to support the work of Catholic Charities USA and/or Catholic Relief Services, as they and their local agencies respond by providing water, food, shelter and medical care and aid in the long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts.



Today, we join Catholics around the world for the celebration of **World Mission Sunday**. We are called to offer our prayers and financial help for the Church's missionary work in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe.

Use the QR code for more information and to donate online.

Text Missions24 to 44384





St. Patrick's Memorial Funds

The next time you wish to memorialize, honor or give thanks for a special friend or loved one, please remember St. Patrick's Memorial Fund. Gifts of Bread & Wine \$25; Altar candles \$25; candle used in the Sanctuary Lamp \$25 or Altar Flowers \$50 may be made in honor/memory or thanksgiving of your loved one.

Arrangements can be made through the Rectory.



The Bread and Wine

This week the Bread and Wine are donated in loving memory of . . .

Mary Ellen DiMattia

Gift of: Parish School of Religion



We pray for those who are sick, especially. . .

WEEK ONE: Mary Snyder, Viola-Cleo Bradshaw, Patrick Anthony Smyth, Ted Mootos, Cathy Ryan, Louise Guiliano, Michelle Luca, Ann Marie Prunella, Doris Freyland, Alan Bruce Bradshaw, Mark Kaplan, John Eulenid, Anthony C. Strano, Jean Cucuzza, Nancy Cucuzza, Janice Friedman, Veronica Diaz, Cordelia Vogel, Elizabeth Fifield, Theresa Prunella, Bud Ahern, Ethel Duffy, Kathy Tyoka, Rex Cooper, Shirley Perezic, Arthur Samuel, Baby Charlotte, Baby Savannah, Linda Gassoso, Lillian Cooper, Hughie Yee, Rosemary Donnelly

WEEK TWO: Agnes Elaine Grosso, Erin Waring, Robin DeMattei, James R. Mauro, Joseph Perri, Courtney Donohoe, Annie Olsen, Mitchell Kuddar, Danny Pokoluk, Mark Draghi, Vinnie Maldarelli, Nicole Interlandi, John Plumber, Ray Wiederhold, Alvin Cornelius, Miss Wendy, Mary Kate Martucci

WEEK THREE: Juliette Tooma, Anthony Amodeo, Caroline Beisswanger, Roger Santos, Gail Devitto, Maureen Freehill, Felipo Sarubbi, Margaret McLaughlin, Lois Murray, Mandly McCormack, Helen Gorayeb, James Gorayeb, Margaret Buckley, Elizabeth Samuel, Jim McCormack, Aileen Mariani, Joyce Saraceni, Rafael Vallejo, Louise Cartwright, Michael Gilbride, Providencia Castro Gilbride, Grace Dower



The Sanctuary Lamp

This week the candle in the Sanctuary Lamp is donated in loving memory of . . .

Ann McCarthy

Gift of: Stacey Diorio

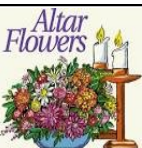


Altar Candles

This week the Altar Candles are donated in loving memory of . . .

Ann McCarthy

Gift of: Sean McCarthy



Altar Flowers

This week the Altar Flowers are donated in loving memory of . . .

Detta Gallagher

Gift of: The Gallagher Family



We pray for those who have recently died . . .

Ann McCarthy, James Savage

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



GIFT BEARERS

The ushers generally select someone to bring up the gifts from those attending the Mass.

If you would like to be a gift bearer, please see an usher prior to the beginning of Mass.



Homebound and hospitalized parishioners of St. Patrick Parish are welcome to contact the Rectory to arrange Communion calls.

Please leave a message and phone number so we can call you to schedule a visit.



Saint Patrick's 175th anniversary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is with great joy and gratitude that I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the entire St. Patrick's Church community as we celebrate 175 years of faith and service! This milestone is not just a reflection of the years gone by but a testimony to the enduring presence of God in our parish and the many lives touched by His love throughout the generations.

For 175 years, St. Patrick's has stood as a beacon of hope. It has been a place where the Word of God has been proclaimed, sacraments have nourished souls, and hands and hearts have joined in service to those in need. From the countless baptisms, weddings, and confirmations to the solemn prayers for those who have gone before us, our church has been a sacred home, forming us into a family united in Christ.

As we celebrate this anniversary, we give thanks for the legacy of faith built by the many parishioners, priests, religious sisters, and lay leaders who came before us. Their dedication, sacrifices, and unwavering trust in God laid the foundation upon which we now stand. In particular, we remember those who persevered through challenges like wars, economic hardships, pandemics, and cultural shifts yet remained steadfast in their faith.

Our celebration today also calls us to look forward with renewed hope. Just as those before us responded to the needs of their time, we are invited to do the same. There are new opportunities to grow in faith, deepen our relationships with one another, and continue the mission of Christ by reaching out to those on the margins. With God's grace, we can embrace the future with the same spirit of courage, generosity, and love that has marked our past.

I encourage each of you to take this moment as an opportunity to reflect on what St. Patrick's means to you personally. Let us renew our commitment to Christ and His Church, trusting that the Holy Spirit will guide us into the next chapter of our parish's story. Whether you've been with St. Patrick's for decades or are a newcomer to the parish, you are an essential part of this family, and together we will continue to bear witness to God's love in this community.

As we celebrate, let us remember that the heart of St. Patrick's Church is not just the building but each one of you, the people who gather to worship, to learn, to serve, and to grow. Thank you for your faithfulness, for your contributions of time and talent, and for making this parish a place where Christ's light shines brightly.

May the next 175 years be marked by the same spirit of faith and unity that has brought us to this joyful moment. And may the intercession of St. Patrick, our beloved patron, inspire us to continue sharing the Gospel with zeal and joy.

With gratitude and prayers,
Rev. Brian P Dowd
Pastor

The tour of our beautiful Stained Glass windows continues . . .



THE TRANSFIGURATION

High on a mountain top, Christ reveals His glorious nature and proves He is the Son of God to three of his disciples: Peter, James, and John. The earthly witnesses, depicted in this piece of stained glass art, look upon the Messiah in wonder.



JESUS GIVES PETER THE KEYS TO THE KINGDOM

This stained glass window depicts a scene where Jesus is handing a set of keys to the apostle Peter, symbolizing the biblical passage in Matthew 16:19 where Jesus says "I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven," signifying Peter's authority as the foundation of the Church.

St. Patrick Catholic Academy 11th Annual Fundraiser

Featuring



The Rhapsody Players

Join us for a great night of the best music of the 60s, 70s and 80s in an intimate cabaret style setting!!

**Saturday November 2, 2024
7:30pm**

St Patrick Aldo Bruschi Auditorium
Parking is available in the rear schoolyard

Admission: \$25.00
includes coffee and dessert

Wine and beer to be sold and there will be a 50/50 raffle!!

For reservations please contact John Heffernan
Phone: 646-335-2710
Email: broadwayjack@earthlink.net



Eternal rest grant unto them
O Lord
And may perpetual light
Shine upon them forever.

November is the Month of Remembrance for all our departed loved ones. This commemoration begins with the Memorial of All Souls on November 2nd.

We are offering **special Memorial Candles** that will be placed in the Sanctuary and burn for a period of seven days.

A label will be placed on the front of the candle with the name of your loved one.

The requested donation for these candles is \$10.00 each. (\$40.00 for the month of November.)

Candles may be purchased in the Church's Gathering Space after Mass and in the rectory during regular business hours. You may also mail your request to the rectory with a check, payable to St. Patrick Church.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
SOCIETY
CLOTHING DRIVE
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH
7:30 AM TO NOON**

Please do NOT bring donations to the Church as we do not have the facilities to store them.



**ST. PATRICK'S IS
CELEBRATING OUR 175TH
ANNIVERSARY!!!**

**In Celebration, let's make
this our BIGGEST raffle to
date!!!!**

**2024 Fall Into Cash
50/50 Raffle
Half to St. Patrick's/Half to YOU!**

**Tickets are \$5.00 ea
Buy More, Save \$\$\$:
3 for \$10.00/5 for \$15.00 or 10 for \$25.00**

Drawing: Sunday, December 22nd

You've Got to be in it
Each ticket sold helps our parish and gives YOU a chance to **WIN BIG!**

Mass of Remembrance



**Sunday, November 2nd
4:30 pm**

Join us as we honor all of our parishioners, family members and friends who have gone home to God. It is a time to celebrate the liturgy with our parish community and together offer prayers for ALL of our deceased family members and friends.

During the Mass the names of those in our parish, who passed away between November 1, 2023 and October 31, 2024 will be roll-called and their family members will place a candle on the altar in their memory.

Our Lady of Angels
will celebrate a special Mass asking for the intercession of

**St. Gerard Majella,
Patron Saint of Motherhood**
for married couples trying to conceive.

**Saturday, October 26th
12 Noon**





St. Patrick Catholic Academy

St. Patrick Catholic Academy is proud to celebrate Saint Patrick Church's 175th anniversary! At St. Pat's, our faith is part of our everyday life. Our strong Catholic identity can only exist with the help of our wonderful priests and parish.

Happy 175th Anniversary!



For more information on St. Patrick Catholic Academy, visit us at www.stpatrickca.org or email us at admission@stpatrickca.org !

Our mission is to lead by example, as Christ did, when teaching, learning, and serving.