



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 24, 2016

Holy Mass  Intentions

Saturday 5:00 pm	January 23 Linda Brabant, Nancy Chambers and Betty Tunny
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	January 24 Rev. Msgr. Ron Amandolare and Fr. Ed Hinds Michael High, Jr. and Cecilia Shrekast Angelina Cacciatori and Peter Coviello, Sr. Stephen Merritt and James Hauberger
Monday 8:00 am	January 25 Delores Belvin and Paula Cassara
Tuesday 8:00 am	January 26 Anthony DiFiglia and Helen Dietz
Wednesday 8:00 am	January 27 Roe Vziergowski and Eleanor Zailo
Thursday 8:00 am	January 28 Lucio Giancontieri and Elsie Graham
Friday 8:00 am	January 29 Michael Heanue and Rafael Alba
Saturday 8:00 am 5:00 pm	January 30 Andrew Yacykewych and Claire Mehalik Deceased Members of the Coviello Family and Mary Harris
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	January 31 Deceased Members of the DeLenac Family and Gene Finn For all Catholic Educators and Administrators and Justine Tomie Peter Coviello, Sr. and Sharon Marconi John a. Phelan, Jr. and Eileen Horan

Weekly Memorials

The Lamp burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of January 24th is in memory of Helen and Jeanne McHugh given by the family.

The Candles on the altar the week of January 24th are in memory of Mary Buckley given by Neal and Eileen Buckley.

The Flowers on the altar the week of January 24th are in memory of Richard and Loretta Scherzer given by the family.

Hear our Prayers for those who are ill especially Kevin Hamilton, Robert Hartle, Robert Astorino, Anthony LaFerrara, Neiko Pagaling, Denise Phalon Cascio, Frances Smith, Tom Warren, Judy Latalladi, Gregory Bozzo, Dorothy Sullivan, Bill Lanahan, Cathy Bedford, Hope Tinn Clark, Irene Buss, Roger Goodman, Maria Selca-Haher, Robert Olpp, Patrizia Astorino, Terry Gardner, Nora Ray, Carol Meyers, Pat Marciano, Marianne Duffy McDermott, Kyle Noonan, Thomas Unger, Sandy Safier, Tony Caljean, Warren Gramm, William Virgilio, Mary Cecere, Kristin Curcio, Tony Capone, Michael Marino, David Johnson, Luke Klisart, Donald O'Brien, Theresa Zwick, Fr. Gabe Coless, Joseph Gabriele, Theresa Degler and **for all our deceased.**

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 31, 2016

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

God tells Jeremiah that he was chosen to be a prophet to the nations before he had even been born. He also promised him strength and protection, providing Jeremiah does as God asks.

Second Reading: I Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Paul discusses the importance of love and claims that one who possesses any gift, but lacks love, has nothing. He explains that true love never fails, although knowledge or other talents can fail to endure in the same manner. Paul says that three things last: "faith, hope, and love, the greatest of these being love."

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

Jesus spoke in the synagogue at Nazareth, at first appealing to all who were present. But he knew that they would be expecting him to do the things he had already done in other towns. He reminded them of other prophets who had preached and gained acceptance in foreign places instead of their home towns. This angered the people, who expelled him from town.



Mass Schedule January 30th & 31st

Fr. Bob Saturday 5 pm; Sunday 11 am and 5 pm

Fr. Chris Sunday 7:30 am and 9 am

Reconciliation (Confession) January 30th

Fr. Bob Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm

Parish Support-January 17th

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING.....\$14,334

LAST YEAR'S OFFERING.....\$ 8,739

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, January 25

Altar Server Training: 3:30-4:30 pm; Church
Faith Formation: 4-5:30 pm; School
Meditation Group: 7 pm; Church

Wednesday, January 27

Usher's Meeting: 7 pm; South Room

Thursday, January 28

Marian Prayer Group: 10 am; North Room

Friday, January 29

Adult Scripture Study: 9 am; South Room
7th Grade Movie Night: 6:30-9 pm; YMC

Sunday, January 31

Faith Formation: 8:15 am, 10:15 am, 7 pm; School
RCIA: 12:15 am; South Room

Worship, Worship Aids, and the Environment*

Worship at mass involves the great gift of many people receiving the Eucharist as one body of Christ. Everything in the mass that comes before this moment of communion is for the purpose of preparing our hearts and minds for this special moment.

The preparation for communion, or “oneness” of the worshippers, naturally involves communication. In response to Pope Francis’ Encyclical on the Environment, we need to preserve our natural resources, and preserve the beauty of the natural world, we need to make the most efficient use of natural resources, including conserving paper. We must carefully plan the best way to communicate the people’s parts at mass. At the same time, planning a liturgy that is prayerful, inspiring, and fosters the full, conscious, and active participation of our worshipping community is essential.

An environmentally-conscious liturgy that is also an effective and unifying liturgy involves consideration of many details. First, certain texts must be available to all worshippers. After that, there is a hierarchy of information that enables effective liturgy through communication. Decisions must be made regarding how much information will be made available to those who come to mass.

A worship aid has many advantages, seventeen of which are listed in the detailed article on our website. Only 200 programs are needed for all the people at all five of our masses each weekend because we reuse them for each mass. When the masses are over, the worship aids are recycled. Recycled paper is in high demand. Worship aids allow us to sing many songs we love that aren’t in our hymnal (for example, “Christ, Be Our Light,” “Table of Plenty,” “Gather Your People,” and “Though the Mountains May Fall” - see more complete list on the website).

Worship aids help people to know what is going on, what to sing when, what choir is singing at what mass, who the participants are, what the celebration is, the mass parts, special prayers, translations, and any special activities at the mass. Visitors can participate in our masses equally with the rest of us. We can sing all of the Catholic music we like, even if it isn’t in the hymnal. There is less need to purchase new hymnals. If someone likes a cantor, they can request that person by name for a wedding or funeral. If someone wants to speak to the Deacon, they know his name. If a child wants to join a choir, the parent knows which choir to inquire about. If someone likes a song, they have access to the source. If a choir sings something in Latin, a translation is available. Worship aids make sense for a parish of educated people and a music ministry with a wide reach of participants and a wide range of music. Names help members of our parish get to know each other better. Worship aids are especially useful for masses in the Parish Center or outdoors.

Worship aids themselves have options. The nicer/larger the worship aid, the more readily all can participate with ease. For example, elderly people, those who are sight-impaired, and very young children are able to sing when they can hold something lightweight and see large print. It is easier to sing and pray when you have your own copy to use.

What is the cost to our finances and environment?

1. It takes 1-2 hours to make a worship aid.
2. Just 200 worship aids are needed every weekend: they are shared and reused for each of our five masses.
3. 200 copies of a slim worship aid cost the parish a total of \$2.30 per week (for all of them). That means that the overall for all worship aids all year long costs only \$120 in paper, total. All of the worship aids are saved and recycled.
4. 200 copies of a larger, more complete worship aid costs a total of \$4.60 per week (for all of them). That means that the overall cost for larger worship aids all year long costs only \$240 in paper, total. The worship aids are reused for all five masses and then recycled.
5. Using a combination of small and larger worship aids, depending on the needs of the weekend or season, would cost a grand total of between \$120 and \$240 a year in paper costs.
6. The recycled worship aids are made into other paper products.

Using worship aids at St. Patrick conserves as much or more paper and money than buying more hymnals, printing our mass settings and supplemental hymns in a booklet, or buying missalettes. In addition, worship aids help people to know what is going on in the liturgy; identify congregational responses; allow more diverse music than that included in our hymnal alone; enable newcomers and children still learning the mass to participate easily; provide special prayers when required by the diocese; acknowledge participants in the mass; identify titles, composers and sources for music; provide translations when necessary; and include names and contacts of our priests and liturgical leaders. Thank you for being a part of the St. Patrick family. Masses are more beautiful thanks to your presence.

*Yours in Christ,
Maggie Hanson, Music Minister St. Patrick Church*

**Please consult the full version of this article at www.st-pats.org to learn more about worship aid advantages and options.*

BAPTISM: Arrangements should be made one month in advance by calling Deacon Joe Wisneski at 973-635-4976. Parents are expected to attend an instructional session with a Baptism Team. Baptisms are celebrated at 12:30 pm Sundays or at a Sunday Mass.

RCIA-RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: The R.C.I.A. invites non-baptized persons and those baptized into another faith to participate in a faith journey in preparation for becoming a Catholic. If you are interested in any aspect of R.C.I.A., please email Deb at Dkuzma@st-pats.org or call her at the parish office at ext. 23.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Congratulations! In order that we can together plan for your big day, couples should notify the Church and begin to prepare at least one year in advance of the date. Please email Fr. Bob at Fr.Bob@st-pats.org or call Fr. Bob at the parish office ext. 22.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOME BOUND: If a family member or someone you know is recuperating from a hospital stay or is homebound for any length of time and would like to receive Holy Communion, please let us know. It is a priority for the parish community to support and be present to those who cannot be with us for the celebration of the Eucharist. If you would like a priest or deacon to visit a family member who is hospitalized, contact Peggy at Pgentile@st-pats.org or call her at the parish office ext. 25.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the parish office at 973-635-0625 to arrange for a priest.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST: Children preparing to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist begin preparation in first grade. To register, visit our website at www.st-pats.org or contact Ginny, vshalvatore@st-pats.org.



AROUND THE PARISH

Baptisms

Theodore Peter Garton
Son of Francis and Suzanne

Cole Thomas Messner
Son of Scott and Lauren

Blessing of Throats

Wednesday, February 3, is the Feast of St. Blaise. In memory of St. Blaise, the blessing of throats is conferred upon all at the 8:00 am mass immediately after the homily. The formula for the blessing is as follows: Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The blessing may be given by a priest, deacon or lay minister as it is a popular devotional practice. The blessing brings forth extended meaning if we remember that the throat is the passageway for much that enters our bodies. The throat gives us the ability to speak God's word; therefore, if we use the gifts of speech for words of love rather than bitterness, gossip or vulgarity, the throat becomes an instrument of God's peace that is pleasing to the Lord.

DVD Presentation: *Catholicism*—Each Friday morning we will present a lesson from the series *Catholicism* from Word on Fire. This DVD presentation is hosted by Fr. Robert Barron who presents a wide range of topics. Next week: Happy Are We: The Teachings of Jesus. Fr. Barron journeys from Galilee to Krakow, Warsaw, NYC, Kampala and beyond and presents throughout what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Presented Fridays, 9-10:30 am in the South Room of the Parish Offices. Join us!

Altar Serving Training

Any student in grades 4 and above that is interested in becoming an altar server, there will be training in the church on Monday, January 25 at 3:30 pm. The training should take about an hour.

Retirement Fund for Religious

This weekend, January 23 & 24, a special collection will be held for the senior religious that have served our communities and dedicated their lives to sharing their faith. Your gift to the *Retirement Fund for Religious* helps provide prescription medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous. Thank you for your support.

Attention Online Givers: Thank you for your support through our Online Giving Program. If you are a Managed Giver, having had us set up the account for you, you should have received your 2015 contribution statement. If you are an Independent Giver, having set up your own account, you can print out your own 2015 giving history for tax purposes. If you need help doing this or would like us to do it for you, please email us at donnellon@st-pats.org or call 973-635-0625 ext. 29. Thank you for supporting our ministries!

If you are interested in using Online Giving, it is easy to set up an account. Please go to www.st-pats.org and click DONATE under Quick Links. Watch the helpful video or call 973-635-0625 ext. 29 if you need help. Thanks!



Save the Date: Saturday, March 5, 2016
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm at St. Patrick Church

TV star Frank Runyeon will bring Scripture to life as he tells the stories Jesus told...a rich man and a poor man...a woman with a coin...a father with two sons...a traveler on the road...stories no one would ever forget. An honors graduate of General Theological Seminary and Princeton University, Frank has received national acclaim as a translator and performer of biblical texts over the past 20 years. Save the date and join us!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST—THIS WEEKEND! All are welcome! Bring the family to the Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, Jan. 24 from 8-11 am in the Fr. Ed Center. All you can eat only \$6 for adults, \$4 for children ages 4-12, and children age 3 and under eat free. Maximum cost of \$30 per family. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Proceeds benefit local charitable efforts.

Pizza Night with the Bishop—CANCELED

The *Pizza Night* with Bishop Serratelli scheduled for Monday, February 1, 2016 at Morris Catholic High School has been canceled. The Quo Vadis discernment retreat has been scheduled for June 29– July 1. Check future bulletins or contact the Vocations Office at 973-777-8818 ext. 711 for more information.

Meeting for all Ushers

Wednesday, January 27
7:00 pm

In the South Room (parish office building)
Bring a friend (or two)



Postures for Prayer Part III

liturgy

corner

Prostration, the practice of lying on the ground face downward, a sign of total submission, while practiced often by the early Christians, is now primarily reserved for the Rites of Ordination. These postures convey the various relationships that we have with God. Some convey reverence, while others convey repentance, submission, supplication, or adoration. For example, for the first century Christian Community, standing was the ordinary posture for prayer, denoting reverence for God and a sign of the resurrection of Christ.

Standing is a sign of respect and honor, so we stand as the celebrant, who represents Christ, enters and leaves the assembly. This posture, from the earliest days of the Church, has been understood as the stance of those who are risen with Christ and seek the things that are above.

We stand for the Gospel, the pinnacle of revelation, the words and deeds of the Lord.



FAITH FORMATION

Classes resume on Jan. 24 & 25, Jan. 31 & Feb. 1, Feb. 7 & 8 (No **Session IV 7 pm** class on Feb. 7 due to the Super Bowl), Feb. 21 & 22.

First Eucharist Parent Meeting: Sunday, February 7th, from 10:15-11:45 am or Tuesday, February 9th from 7:30-9 pm. Both meetings will be held in the Fr. Ed Center E/W rooms. One parent is required to attend one of the above meetings. Parents with children who received First Eucharist (Communion) here at St. Pats within the last few years only need to complete an Information Form and pick up the Parent Information Packet.

Fundraisers to Benefit the Back Pack Program: Organized by our 7th graders and catechists to raise money for the Back Pack Program.

- **Movie Night for 7th Graders:** Friday, January 29th in the Youth Ministry Center from 6:30 pm-9:00 pm.
- **Super Bowl Weekend:** Vote for your favorite team after Mass
- **Bake Sale:** Sunday, February 7 after all Masses in the Parish Center Lobby



YOUTH MINISTRY



Dodgeball is Back!

The SPYM annual dodgeball tournament will take place on Saturday, February 13th, 7-11 pm in the gym. Each participant **MUST** hand in a registration form signed by their parent. Get your team of 6 together (no substitutes), make some awesome team shirts and get your registration forms back ASAP. We will accept the first 16 teams registered. Don't want to play? Why not come support your friends! It's a fun night for everyone. Refreshments will be sold (pizza, drinks/desserts).

ACRE Testing for Sophomores

For the past 4 years, the diocese has required that we are to administer the ACRE test to all 5th, 8th, and 10th grade students registered in our Religious Education Programs. The dates are Sunday, Jan. 24th, 7:30-8:30 pm and Wednesday, Jan. 27th, 7:30-8:30 pm in the basement of the Fr. Ed Center. This test is to assess the religious knowledge of the teens and should only take 45 minutes at the most. **All sophomores MUST attend one session.**

Mandatory Sophomore Session

On two consecutive Sundays, February 7th and February 14th, there are **MANDATORY** sessions for all sophomores from 3:15-6:00 pm. You only have to attend one of these sessions. This session will begin in the parish center with a reflection on the Mass (which is an important component before the celebration of Confirmation) and will be followed by the celebration of the Sunday 5 pm liturgy which will be completely planned and instituted by the sophomores in attendance (readings, petitions, ushers, greeters, etc.). Parents, family and friends are asked to join us for this liturgy. Response is required as to which date you will be attending.

Welcome New Parishioners! Are you seeking a parish community in which to pray, to learn and to be of service to others? Our doors and hearts are open to you-Welcome! Contact Peggy Gentile at the parish offices for additional information at 973-635-0625 ext. 25.



SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

Working Together to Challenge Minds and Foster Faith

We've had a busy January!

- Our PK is studying the arctic and especially loved learning about penguins. They also have been closely working with their 6th grade big buddies to write a story and work on an owl pellet project.
- The Kindergarten is making a booklet on different habitats.
- Our 1st grade has really gotten excited about their unit on light and sound.
- Flat Stanley is on the move with our second graders and they are busy working on their dinosaur models and reports.
- A STEM project on the digestive system has sparked the minds of some budding 3rd grade scientists.

Stay tuned next week to hear about the great things going on in 4th-8th grade!

Home Basketball Games

Sunday, January 24 vs. SVMS

12:00 pm 8th grade girls
 1:30 pm 8th grade boys
 3:00 pm 5th grade boys
 6:30 pm 7th grade girls

Monday, January 25 vs. St. Pius

6:30 pm 6th grade boys
 8:00 pm 8th grade boys

Saturday, January 30

9:00 am 5th grade girls vs. St. Virgil
 10:30 am 5th grade boys vs. St. Virgil
 1:30 pm 7th grade girls vs. Holy Family

Sunday, January 31 vs. St. Elizabeth

2:00 pm 8th grade girls
 3:30 pm 7th grade boys
 6:30 pm 8th grade boys

If you or a family member is admitted to the hospital or you are confined to your home and would like to receive the Eucharist or the sacrament of anointing of the sick, please contact the parish office at 973-635-0625.



The Appalachia Help Weeks

Come find out how you can help others help themselves this summer!

Inquiry Meeting: Sun., Jan. 24

Time: 10:00 am (Between Masses)

Where: Fr. Ed Center East/West Room

Who is Invited?: ALL Youth (Sophomores and up registered in SPYM)
All Adults (No Maximum Age!)

We especially need handy men & women!

The Appalachia Help Weeks are scheduled for:

June 26-July 2, July 3-9, July 10-16, July 17-23,
July 24-30, July 31-August 6

Youth Registration Day is March 20 at 12 pm in the East/West Room. Please see the Appalachia page on the parish website for more information: www.st-pats.org.