



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 2, 2016

Holy Mass  Intentions

Saturday 5:00 pm	October 1 Manny Vito and Deceased Members of the Estrada and DeSouza Families
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	October 2 Nancy Sapienza and Gloria Zwick Maryon Maher and Robert Marcoux Msgr. Fr. Carl Hinricksen and Manny Vito Deceased Members of the Schultz Family and John Cadmus
Monday 8:00 am	October 3 Gloria Zwick and Dorothea Eaton
Tuesday 8:00 am	October 4 Richard G. Gugliotta, Esq., Alfred Sica, Esq. Fr. Tom Coletta, 1 Year Anniversary
Wednesday 8:00 am	October 5 Mary E. Wojtal and Geraldine F. Boyer
Thursday 8:00 am	October 6 Tony Leonett and Arlene & Donald Doyle
Friday 8:00 am	October 7 Mark L. Brigham and Al Sorrentino
Saturday 8:00 am 5:00 pm	October 8 Rosemary Zimmerman and Rita Reardon Peter Coviello, Sr. and Deceased Members of The Aielli Family
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	October 9 Gloria Zwick and John Crowley John Cleary and Barry Cregan James Tierney and John Ciborski, Sr. Steven Cagno and Arthur DeMartini

Mass Schedule October 8th & 9th

Fr. Bob Sunday 9 am, 11 am & 5 pm
Fr. Chris Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 7:30 am

Reconciliation (Confession) October 8th

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

Parish Support-September 25th

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING.....	\$14,672
LAST YEAR'S OFFERING.....	\$14,210
GROUNDS & FACILITIES.....	\$ 2,381



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7
IN THE CHURCH**

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 9, 2016

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

Elisha cures Naaman of leprosy, which convinces Naaman that there is only one God. Naaman then asks to take some loads of soil from Israel, so that he can worship and make sacrifices to one true God on his own land.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Paul reminds Timothy that Christ rose from the dead so that many people could be saved. Paul was being treated as a criminal and kept in chains but says, "There is no chaining the Word of God!" Paul also says, "if we die in Christ, we will live in him. But if we deny him, he will deny us."

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus cures ten lepers, but only one returns to express gratitude for being healed. Jesus is disappointed that only one gave thanks to God, but tells that one, "Your faith has been your salvation."

Weekly Memorials

The Lamp burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of October 2nd is in memory of deceased members of the Werner family given by the family.

The Candles on the altar the week of October 2nd are in memory of deceased members of the Aielli and Breheny families given by Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Breheny.

The Flowers on the altar the week of October 2nd are in memory of John Norek given by Mr. & Mrs. Sean Norek.

Hear our Prayers for those who are ill especially Robert Astorino, Anthony LaFerrara, Anthony Cagno, Stanley Wisneski, Neiko Pagaling, Judy Latalladi, Msgr. Patrick Brown, Deacon Maximo Paulino, Marlene Wisneski, Cecilia Ivashko, Carmela Cecere, Jackie Ford and **for all our deceased especially Deacon Mark McCabe.**

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, October 3
Rosary: 6:30 pm; Church
Meditation Group: 7:00 pm; Church

Thursday, October 6
Walking with Purpose: 9:00 am; East/West Room
Marian Prayer Group: 10 am; North Room
Gimme Shelter Movie Screening and Discussion:
6:30 pm; East/West Room
Walking with Purpose: 7 pm; South Room

Friday, October 7
Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 am; Church

Saturday, October 8
Sr. Flu Shots: 9 am; Parish Center
Oktoberfest: 7 pm; Parish Center

Sunday, October 9
Chili Sign Up: Church Lobby
Faith Formation: 8:15 am, 10:15 am & 7 pm; School
RCIA: 12:15 pm; South Room



From the Desk of Our Pastor

The Sacredness of Human Life (Part I of II)

This weekend the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect for Life Sunday as Christians are invited to examine the splendor of human life; and the approaches that are taken to uplift all human life born and unborn. This includes people whom we may never know, those of other faiths, individuals of political beliefs different than our own, people who hurt us, and lives labeled the unborn. In his address in December, 2014, Pope Francis stated, "by opening ourselves to life and serving life, we experience the revolutionary power of love and tenderness, inaugurating a newer humanism: the humanism of solidarity, a humanism of life."

Any vision that obstructs the sacredness of human life leads to an implausible defense that human life is respected under all circumstances. A healthy approach to "Respect for Life" positions is initiated in childhood since it is in these years that a child's character is shaped and formed; therefore, it must be impressed upon children that all human beings (born and unborn) are creatures of God and not means to ends, or exist for the purpose to fulfill personal needs. The child who shows little respect for parents, teachers, and authority figures steers oneself to a lifestyle that disrespects human life in greater capacities as he/she reaches adulthood; whereas the child who develops a healthy vision of life begins to see God's presence in all life (born and unborn). This prospective nurtures the dignity of every living person and comprehends a thorough picture of "Respect for Life Issues" rather than the limited view that exists in so many people.

One area that has plagued our society with "sins" against human life pertains to the treatment of children. Young people are bombarded with messages contrary to the Gospels. In his address to the Bishops on April 16, 2008, Pope Benedict XVI declared, "Children deserve to grow up with a healthy understanding of sexuality and its proper place in human relationships. They should be spared the degrading manifestations and the crude manipulation of sexuality so prevalent today. They have the right to be educated with authentic moral values rooted in the dignity of the human person. What does it mean to speak of child protection when pornography and violence can be viewed in so many homes through media widely available today? We need to reassess urgently the values underpinning society, so that a sound moral formation can be offered to young people and adults alike." Anytime life gets devalued through one of the capacities that go against the foundations of Christian morality, it lulls people away from their contribution to the common good; therefore, church and political figures should be encouraged to stand for an ethic that defends life at all costs.

The Gospels put forward the message that the most significant teaching of Jesus is the sacredness of human life. Jesus never hands down the death penalty to anyone, but leads people to believe that violence begets more violence. He also combats discrimination in sex, race and ethnicity as he makes known that this mentality constitutes a grave injustice to the dignity of the human person. Jesus continuously upgrades the self-image of people (especially foreigners) as he challenges the status quo against sins of complacency, which is an example that should be followed in homes, schools, employment, and neighborhoods. Since the sacredness of human life is a major foundation of Catholic morality, enormous responsibility is attached to us to engender an honorable quality of life for the born and unborn; and not be oblivious to the fact that included in this obligation are the poor, illiterate, hungry, sick, mentally challenged, and homeless; as well as issues that degrade human life which pertain to abortion, education, housing, immigration and health care.

In that there are countless issues that involve the sacredness of human life, generous doses of understanding, charity, and sensitivity must be brought forth to those wounded through any injustices that have been experienced in "life issues" as well as those seeking forgiveness of serious infractions that have degraded the sacredness of human life. This generates a starting point that initiates a transformation that sets sights on creating a world shaped with respect for all (born and unborn). In his "Day of Life" address to the people in the UK on July 26, 2014, Pope Francis called all people of good will to cherish life, particularly life of society's most vulnerable as he called Christians to a renewed esteem of the human person and a more adequate care of life from conception to natural death. Let us do likewise.

*In Christ's Love,
Fr. Bob*

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.

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, vsalvatore@st-pats.org.



AROUND THE PARISH

Baptisms

Luke Michael Alexitch
Son of Brian and Claire

FORGET-ME-NOT WEEKEND-Our monthly food collection is *this* weekend, **October 1 & 2**. Your generous donations are shared with the local community as well as our brothers and sisters in Paterson! All food donations (your bags or ours) can be brought to the Fr. Ed Center after masses or placed in the basket in the back of the church. *Thank You!*

Blessing of Pets and Prayer for the Environment

All members of the parish community are invited to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis, patron Saint of Animals and Ecology this Sunday, October 2 at 2:00 pm. The blessing of the animals will take place outside of the Father Ed Center, rain or shine.



OKTOBERFEST!

All you can eat and drink of traditional German fare, wine and beer. Music from 7 pm—11pm in the Fr. Ed Parish Center. Enjoy an outdoor Bier Garten (weather permitting). \$40 per person, \$35 per senior. Ticket includes chance at valuable door prizes.

Also, buy a chance to win a week's lodging in the Hamptons! RSVP to Anthony Migliozi: anthonyjmigliozi@gmail.com or 973-769-1056.

Shawl Ministry

While most of our knitting is done at home, our gathering takes place for fellowship, sharing and prayers for those in need of shawls. Knitters gather the second Tuesday of each month from 1:00-2:30 pm. Our first gathering for the season is Tuesday, October 11 in the South Room. All are welcome. Patterns are available for those who knit and those who crochet!

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation K-I classes scheduled in October:

October 9 & 10
October 16 & 17
October 23 & 24

Sacramental Journey Retreat: Sat., October 15, 2016

This retreat is for children preparing to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation (Penance) and First Eucharist (Communion).

10 am-12:30 pm for children enrolled in Faith Formation Sessions II and IV.

11:30 am-2 pm for children enrolled in Faith Formation Session I and children attending Catholic Schools.

Retreat begins in the Church and ends in the Parish Center.



MUSIC MINISTRY

We need people to volunteer to help us!

The Music Ministry still needs:

- Tenor men for the St. Patrick Choir
- Alto ladies for the St. Patrick Choir
- Instrumentalists for the 11 am mass
- Flute, clarinet, sax, and violin for the Sunday 5 pm mass
- Instrumentalists and guitar for the Saturday 5 pm mass
- New boy members grades 3-8 for the Boys Choir
- New girl members grades 3-8 for the Girls Choir

Schedules and registration forms are available at our website: <http://st-pats.org/music-ministry>. Please contact Maggie Hanson for more information: 973-635-0625 ext. 31 or through email maggiehansonmusic@gmail.com.

Gimme Shelter ~ Movie Screening and Discussion for Teens Thurs., Oct. 6, 2016 from 6:30-9:15 pm in the Parish Center

A pregnant teenager flees life with her drug-addicted mother and ends up living on the street before being welcomed into her first real home in *Gimme Shelter*, an extraordinary tale of survival and redemption. Inspired by actual events and the real-life, David-and-Goliath story of Several Sources Shelters founder Kathy DiFiore. Join the discussion facilitated by Fr. Chris - Pizza & snack will be served

Thank you for your very generous donations to our Parish Grounds and Facilities Fund taken as a second collection at all masses last weekend! A total of \$2,381 will go towards the maintenance, repairs, and improvements to our Parish facilities and grounds.

1st Anniversary Mass for the Soul of Rev. Msgr. Thomas Coletta

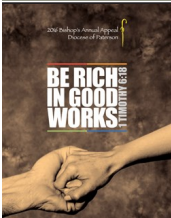
Tuesday, October 4 at the 6:00pm mass followed by fellowship in the Parish Hall at Our Lady of Victories - Corner of Broadway & Memorial Dr., Paterson

We remember the former pastor of our sister Parish, Our Lady of Victories. Join us in a loving tribute to this much loved pastor.

Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary Mass

Couples, were you married in 1966 or 1991? You are warmly invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Paterson. Bishop Serratelli will be the main celebrant at Mass at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Parsippany on Sun., Nov. 6, 2016 at 4 pm. Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office at 973-635-0625. Information will be sent from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

Flu Shots for Seniors-The Chatham Flu Clinics are scheduled for Saturday, October 8 from 9-11 am at the St. Patrick Parish Center for Chatham Borough seniors age 50+ and on Wednesday October 26 from 1:30 -3:00 pm at the Chatham Senior Center, 58 Meyersville Road, for Chatham Township seniors.



2016 Bishop's Annual Appeal-Be Rich in Good Works

Our Catholic Charities agencies, the largest recipient of funds from the Bishop's Annual Appeal, serve tens of thousands of people each year, from seniors and disabled adults to those with addictions and in need of counseling. In fact, a record number of people have been seeking the services of Catholic Charities over the years. Please be as generous as you are able to the 2016 Bishop's Annual Appeal so we can continue to serve those in desperate situations. For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2016appeal.org.



YOUTH MINISTRY

This Week in Youth Ministry

Fall Action Planning Meeting: Mon., Oct. 3, 7-9:30 pm
In the YMC

Fall Antioch Planning Meeting: Wed., Oct. 5, 7-9:30 pm
At St. Vincents

SPYM Emails

A few emails have already been sent with important SPYM information. If you are registered and not receiving our emails, please contact Maggie.

Service Opportunities

Sign up on the SPYM board in the lobby of the Church or by emailing Maggie at mgrady@st-pats.org

Helping with the Parish Oktoberfest: Saturday, Oct. 8, 7-11 pm
or work a shift 7-9 pm or 9-11 pm

Food Pantry Restock: Saturday, Oct. 15, 8:30-10:15 am
(Adult drivers needed)

Backpack Program Packaging: Tues., Oct. 18, 3:45-4:30 pm
In the Parish Center

Youth Center Donations

With the amount of meetings we have each week with the teens, we could really use donations of individually wrapped candy or cans of soda/drinks (not water as we have a Poland Springs dispenser). Anything you can donate would be appreciated. The teens never refuse food. You can mark the donations "Youth Ministry" and drop them at the parish offices (41 Oliver St.). Thank you!

Atlantic Health System presents: Healing your Grieving Heart

A seven-week bereavement group for those who have experienced a recent death of a spouse or partner within the last year. Meetings are every Tuesday, October 11-November 22, 2016 from 2:00 pm-3:30 pm in the Caregivers Conference Room, Overlook Medical Center. The group is free, but registration required. Contact Marion at 908-522-6348.

Are you someone who can be described in the following way...

- You have questions about what it means to be in a relationship with God.
- You're wondering who Jesus Christ really is and why the information about him is called "Good News".
- A fiancé, spouse or family member has been urging you to become Catholic, but you're not sure if this religion is really right for you.
- You are raising your child Catholic and want to know more about the faith
- You've heard things about Catholic practices and beliefs that you don't like or don't agree with and now you're wondering if it's really true.
- You like the open-ended format of discussions and don't want to sit in a classroom following a pre-set schedule of topics and materials.
- You'd like to take care of yourself holistically including your spiritual side.

Why not try out an RCIA question/inquiry session. Our first session will be October 9 at 12:15 pm in the South Room in the parish office building.



SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

Working Together to Challenge Minds and Foster Faith

This past Friday, Saint Patrick School installed the 2016-2017 Student Council. We congratulate each of these young leaders and wish them much success this academic year.

Officers

President ~ Mary Kate Vowells

Vice President ~ Molly Farrell

Secretary ~ Alex Greene

Treasurer ~ D.J. Carini

Historian ~ Luke Johnson

Representatives

Grade 4 Colin Anderson and Leah Costa

Grade 5 Jake Book and Christopher Martin

Grade 6 Brian Bolter and Connie Masterson

Grade 7 Victoria Cicchino and Tess Powers

Grade 8 Connor Johnson and Greg Sutton

Moderators

Mrs. Nancy Johnson

Mrs. Maureen Pridham

Ms. Caitlin Dickinson

Here is the Inaugural Address from President Mary Kate Vowells:
Good afternoon, Fr. Bob, Dr. Ross, faculty, friends and students. My name is Mary Kate Vowells. It is both an honor and a privilege to be inducted today as the St. Patrick School Student Council President. St. Patrick School holds a very special and important place in my heart. I'd like to express sincere congratulations to all of our student school leaders that were inducted here today into the Student Council. We are off to a very exciting school year. In every grade at St. Patrick's, there are highlights.

Kindergartners will be visiting the firehouse and learning to read and write. First graders, you'll be perfecting your reading skills while spending time with older and very cool friends, your reading buddies. Second graders, you'll be making two very important sacraments, your First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Our entire school enjoys seeing you all at our May Crowning Mass in the spring. Third graders, you'll be emulating our Saints as you learn about what makes them holy and introducing us to these special, historical figures at the All Saints Day Mass. Fourth graders, you are downstairs this year and changing classes for the first time! Good luck to you as you embark on your remarkable adventure learning all about our great state, New Jersey. Fifth graders, I challenge you to grow that reading caterpillar as long as it's ever been! Enjoy making all of those holy rosaries for our Haitian friends in need. Sixth graders...Welcome to the St. Patrick Middle School. The 7th and 8th graders welcome you and we're happy you are with us. Together the entire middle school will enjoy our annual trip to Broadway to see Wicked, form our fun leadership teams, and work collaboratively on our play we'll be producing in the spring.

Dr. Ross and faculty...may God bless you as you begin another school year here at St. Patrick's. You are our everyday leaders. We thank you for your dedication to us.

This school year is unique because it marks the 145th birthday celebration of our school. Let's make it a celebration to remember! Each day we can celebrate our love of Jesus, love of others, and love of learning. God calls us to treat others as we would like to be treated. To the leaders of our school, let us make a true and dedicated effort to be kind and emulate Jesus each and every day this year. I'd like to end my speech with the following words from the newly canonized saint, St. Teresa of Calcutta...

This school year..."Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love."

Join Us Thursday Mornings for Prayer!

The Marian Prayer Group meets Thursday mornings in the North Room of the Parish office building from 10 am-11 am to pray. Come as often as you like or when your schedule permits. All are welcome!