



The Most Holy Trinity
June 11, 2017

Holy Mass Intentions



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| Saturday 5:00 pm | June 10 Deceased Members of the Desouza and Estrada Families and Deceased Members of The Aielli Family |
| Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm | June 11 Catherine Accorsy and John Dolan Mary Marino, Santa Maria Dettan and Renee Farrell Allen Vohden and John Michael Babbitt Mr. & Mrs. John Phelan, Sr. and Robert Chiarello |
| Monday 8:00 am | June 12 Peter Sofronas and Paul Hagen |
| Tuesday 8:00 am | June 13 Mary Buscaino and Nicki Balsamo |
| Wednesday 8:00 am | June 14 Carla Galtieri Ingargiola and Vincent Natale |
| Thursday 8:00 am | June 15 Anna Marie Dilemme & Irene Conlin |
| Friday 8:00 am | June 16 Patrick Williams and Mary & Leo McCarthy |
| Saturday 8:00 am 5:00 pm | June 17 Anne Krawse and Michael Wisneski All Fathers Living and Deceased |
| Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm | June 18 All Fathers Living and Deceased All Fathers Living and Deceased All Fathers Living and Deceased All Fathers Living and Deceased |

Mass Schedule June 17th & 18th

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| Fr. Bob | Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 11 am & 5 pm |
| Fr. Chris | Sunday 7:30 am & 9 am |
| | <u>Reconciliation June 17th</u> |
| Fr. Bob | Saturday 4-4:30 pm |

Weekly Memorials

The Lamp burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of June 11th is in memory of deceased family members given by Mr. & Mrs. Sean Donovan.

The Candles on the altar the week of June 11th are in memory of Charles & Evelyn Doyle given by the family.

The Flowers on the altar the week of June 11th are in memory of Thomas Tyrone given by the family.

Hear our Prayers for those who are ill especially Anthony LaFerrara, Neiko Pagaling, Judy Latalladi, Carmela Cecere, Marie Conlan, Mike Mulane, Evey Staromano, Caroline Palluzzi, Don Tracy, Mary Cecere, Maddie Niebanck and **for all our deceased** .

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

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First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a

Moses reminds the Israelites that when they were starving in the desert, the Lord fed them with "manna" - - a food not known to them.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Paul points out to the Corinthians that through the sharing of the cup and the breaking of the bread, they are all one in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: John 6:51-58

After Jesus feeds the five thousand people with barley loaves and fishes, he tries to make them understand the significance and the meaning of what he has done. He tells them, in mysterious and beautiful words, that the bread he gives is his flesh and says, "I myself am the living bread...If anyone eats this bread, he shall live forever."



Given for You

During the summer months, there will be no 5 pm Sunday night mass starting Sunday, June 25. This mass will resume in September.

Daily 8 am mass will be celebrated in the South Room instead of the church beginning Monday, June 26. The daily 8 am mass will return to the church in September.

As we celebrate the role of fathers next week, we ask our parishioners to acknowledge our priests-our spiritual "fathers," and especially those men who are preparing for the priesthood in our Diocese. Please join in contributing to a special "Father's Day" collection to be taken next Sunday in support of the education of our seminarians. Your gift to this collection, along with a portion of the Bishop's Annual Appeal, will help defray the costs of educating our seminarians who will one day faithfully serve our parishes and our families. Thank you for your support!

Parish Support-June 4, 2017

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| THIS WEEK'S OFFERING..... | \$20,711 |
| LAST YEAR'S OFFERING..... | \$16,889 |

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, June 12

Rosary Group: 6:30 pm; South Room
Meditation Group: 7:00 pm; South Room

Thursday, June 15

Marian Prayer Group: 10 am; North Room

Sunday, June 18

Chili Drop Off: Priests' Garage
Fr. Chris' Gathering: 12 pm; Parish Center



From the Desk of Our Pastor

Confirmed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

On Wednesday evening May 17, Bishop Dominic A. Marconi, retired Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation upon 41 high school students at St. Patrick Church. Bishop Marconi inspired the young people with a story of faith about a 17 year old girl who was killed after telling a gunman during the Columbine High School massacre of April 20, 1999 that she believed in God. In the aftermath of the tragedy, many of the girl's young friends in the church where she attended claimed that her act of faith made her a martyr and hero. Bishop Marconi challenged the candidates to live a Christ centered lifestyle as Confirmation renders a fresh start of opportunities guided by God's spirit.

Last Monday, June 5, Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli, of Paterson, presided over our second Confirmation which welcomed 46 candidates. Bishop Serratelli opened the window for the young people to see the importance of the gifts, blessings, and fruits of the spirit that are invoked through the celebration. Bishop Serratelli emphasized ways that Confirmation calls forth loyalty to God, which initiates with presence at Eucharist every weekend. The common thread that surfaced at each liturgy was the enthusiasm of parents, sponsors, guests and those confirmed aware that Confirmation is a stepping stone in the life of a Catholic that affirms the promises initiated at Baptism to live the Catholic faith that knits them into a community of believers.

Confirmation is the last of the Sacraments of Initiation as it enacts individuals with the gifts of the Holy Spirit (wisdom, understanding, right judgment, courage, knowledge, reverence, and wonder of God); therefore it engenders endurance and backbone to enhance growth as a Catholic. Unlike high school students in our Diocese who receive the Sacrament in sophomore year of high school, I received the Sacrament in 6th grade and like most in my class was a bit intimidated in hearing that questions would be asked by the Bishop as well as a "slap" on the face in the aftermath of the anointing with Sacred Chrism oil. In receiving Confirmation in the 6th grade, the theology of the Sacrament stressed that Confirmation made a person a "soldier of Christ" which called a candidate to "defend" the faith. This was symbolized by the slap on the cheek. Today, value is placed on the ability to accept the gifts of the spirit, and respond through active participation in a church community that invites the confirmed to share personal blessings for the benefit of the common good. It also musters spiritual strength so that a person never blocks the work of the Holy Spirit through stagnation, stubbornness, or fear.

There is an honesty and sensitivity in most Confirmation candidates about their beliefs in God, church, and self that I cherish whether I agree or disagree with their points of view. Unlike my own Confirmation preparation whereby I was motivated to memorize answers to questions that would be posed by the Bishop at the Confirmation liturgy without much dialogue or explanation to an answer; memorization is a significant part of preparation in that it renders a foundation of knowledge about the faith, however, the ability to articulate textbook answers in non-theological language, and live the message of the answers is the goal of Confirmation preparation. Although sometimes adults discount some of the social, family, academic, and spiritual pressures that are faced by adolescents; as well as the pressure placed on teenagers to succeed in academics, sports, or the arts, the goodness within the hearts of our teens gets so well expressed during their Antioch Retreat prior to Confirmation with a personal desire to live the message of Christ.

Last Sunday the church concluded the Easter Season with the Solemnity of Pentecost; the Paschal Candle was relocated to the Baptismal Font where it is only lighted at Baptisms and Liturgies of Christian Burial. The Feast brought to light the fact that "church" is people, not a building, structure, ritual, or code of laws. Pentecost also marked the beginning of the Church's active apostolic work, which is the reason that Pentecost is commonly called the birthday of the church. Like the young people who came forth to accept the gifts of the Spirit at Confirmation, may you be invigorated to reactivate the blessings and gifts that steer you to discover the beauty of your life under the guidance of God's spirit.

*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.



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AROUND THE PARISH

Marriage

Congratulations to **Raymond Hackett and Crystal Sidway** united in the Sacrament of Matrimony, Friday, June 2, 2017. May the Lord richly bless their union.

Welcome New Parishioners

A warm St. Patrick welcome to those new to our parish especially **Jeff, Michelle, Ryan and Caroline Pond**. We look forward to getting to know you!

SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us as we celebrate the three years Fr. Chris shared with our parish community and wish him well on his new assignment!

Sunday, June 18, 2017

12 noon (after the 11 am mass)

In the Fr. Ed Parish Center

Details to follow-Check our Website

Diocesan Corpus Christi Food Drive-June 17 & 18

The Paterson Diocese has asked all parishes to contribute specific items to this annual collection. St. Patrick has been asked to collect **shampoo** and **conditioner**. These items will be gathered and stored and distribution will be coordinated by Catholic Charities throughout the summer months when our food pantries are most depleted. Please consider this drive as you shop throughout the next few weeks. Our main drop off will be on the 17th and 18th of June in the Fr. Ed Center, but donations can be brought to the parish office during regular business hours.

Rides for Seniors!

Pilot Program Ends Soon! Use It or Lose It! Rides end June 30! This easy to use program is open to senior residents 65 and older from the Chathams and Madison. This is an on-demand transportation service by GoGoGrandparent, using specially screened drivers from Uber. Get where you want to go, when you want to go-day or night. \$5 each way within a 15 mile radius. Brochures are at the church entrances or contact Peggy at the parish office ext. 25 or parish nurses ext. 34.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry/JTB Foundation Scholarship

Congratulations to Luke Ciccarelli and Christopher Delsandro who are the recipients of this year's Youth Ministry Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to a student who has been active in Youth Ministry throughout their 4 years in high school and truly exemplify the characteristics of Christ through their actions and their words. Both Luke and Chris have led numerous retreats, participated in many service projects, have always been one of the first to respond when emails for volunteers go out and are reliable and dependable Eucharistic Ministers each week at the Sunday 5 pm Mass. They have embraced their Confirmation and continue living it out on a daily basis. They are wonderful role models of faith for their peers and are well deserving of this award.

NEW on our Website!

St. Patrick has been granted exclusive access to stream an episode from **CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players** directly on our parish website!

Courtesy of a partnership between eCatholic and Bishop Robert Barron's *Word on Fire* ministry, you are encouraged to visit our website, www.st-pats.org, to view the free hour-long film on St. Francis of Assisi. This episode is part of a multi-part film series that delves into the lives of figures who shaped the Church and changed the world. This free episode will be available online through August 31st. Check it out today!

Liturgy of the Word with Children at the 9 am Sunday Mass

This Sunday, June 11, is the last *Liturgy of the Word with Children* for the season. We will resume again in the fall. If you would like more information about this ministry or to volunteer, please contact Veronica at the Parish Office at 973-635-0625 ext. 24.

Marian Prayer Group

The last Marian Prayer Group meeting for this season will be Thursday, June 22. The group meets weekly to pray the rosary for peace in the world, for the sick and homebound and deceased friends of our parish community. The group will resume in the fall. For more information about our Marian Prayer Group, please contact Barbara at 973-635-8869.

Health tips for the Summer Season - Staying Healthy in Summer

Adapted from: CDC.gov and Healthy.net

1. **Stay cool and hydrated.** Drink plenty of water even if you don't feel thirsty.
2. While enjoying the sun and outdoors, **protect yourself from overexposure** to sunlight by wearing a hat and using natural sunscreens without excessive chemicals. Have Aloe Vera gel handy for overexposure.
3. **Use insect repellent** during outdoor activities.
4. **Keep up or begin an exercise program.** Aerobic activity is important for keeping the heart strong and healthy. If you only work out in a health club, take some time to do refreshing outdoor activities— hiking, biking, swimming, or tennis. Reconnecting with these activities will help keep your body and mind aligned.
5. **Enjoy Nature's bounty**—fresh seasonal fruits and vegetables at their organic best. Consuming foods that are cooling and light — fresh fruits, vegetable juices, raw vital salads, and lots of water — will nourish your body for summertime and activities.
6. **Take some special summer time** with your family, kids, and friends who share the enjoyment of outdoors. Plan a fun trip if you're able and motivated for a day or longer. Rekindling our Earth connection has benefits that last beyond this season.



SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

Working Together to Challenge Minds and Foster Faith

The school year is coming to a close. So many activities are filling the last few weeks of school. Kindergarten hosted their annual Ice Cream Shop to demonstrate their learning in math through the year. Our Early Childhood Program is preparing for their closing programs. Students in Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4 and Transitional Kindergarten will perform songs and recite poems from the year.

Saint Patrick School congratulates our Grade 8 graduates who received diplomas this past Friday. Our class of 2017 is:

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| <i>Michael Ames</i> | <i>Hannah Bedell</i> | <i>Hannah Bolster</i> | <i>Sarah Borys</i> |
| <i>Norah Bragg</i> | <i>Sarah Brennan</i> | <i>Dominick Carini</i> | <i>David Clark</i> |
| <i>Joshua Fernandez</i> | <i>Charlotte Hamilton</i> | <i>Isabel Herzinger</i> | <i>Jane Howard</i> |
| <i>Alexander Jansiewicz</i> | <i>Connor Johnson</i> | <i>Luke Johnson</i> | <i>Kaitlin Kelly</i> |
| <i>Daniel Kraft</i> | <i>Mary Clare Madigan</i> | <i>Annemarie Mortimer</i> | <i>Madeline Morton</i> |
| <i>Taylor Olson</i> | <i>Julian Percoco</i> | <i>Kathryn Pridham</i> | <i>Patrick Quinn</i> |
| <i>Olivia Quiroga</i> | <i>Caroline Reichard</i> | <i>Christian Rosowicz</i> | <i>Michael Shaffer</i> |
| <i>Devon Stoffel</i> | <i>Ryan Stoffel</i> | <i>Natalie St. Germain</i> | <i>Gregory Sutton</i> |
| <i>Meghan Webber</i> | <i>Megan Wittmer</i> | <i>Mary Kate Vowells</i> | |

We wish each graduate the love and peace of Christ as they move on to high school. We are extremely proud of all they have accomplished here at Saint Patrick School and know they all have brilliant futures ahead. The Class of 2017 earned over \$250,000 in scholarships and will be attending the following high schools in the fall:

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| Seton Hall Prep | Delbarton School | Oak Knoll of the Holy Child |
| St. Peter's Prep | Mount Saint Mary Academy | Xavier High School |
| Morristown-Beard School | Villa Walsh Academy | Salisbury School |
| Oratory Prep | Academy of St. Elizabeth | Chatham High School |
| Governor Livingston High School | Madison High School | Summit High School |

Shoe Donations Needed

Do you have shoes that are still usable but no longer fit your needs? If so please consider donating them. I am currently running a shoe collection for a charity called Soles4Souls, who distribute the shoes to people in impoverished areas in the world like Madagascar, Haiti and Honduras. In these countries, walking is often the main mode of transportation, and not having shoes means children cannot make it to school and adults can't get to work. Shoes are a critical component in helping people break the cycle of poverty. All types of shoes are welcome: men's, women's children's and athletic shoes. Shoes can be dropped off in the collection bin located in front of the priests' garage, or may be left on my front porch at 30 Chandler Rd. in Chatham, now through June 30. Thank you very much in advance for helping keep shoes out of landfills and on the feet of those in need. — Birgit Mitsch



Eva's Village Chili Sign Up

Sign up this weekend to prepare chili for Eva's Kitchen. Pans, recipes, and sign up sheet are in the church lobby. Return the prepared and **frozen** chili next weekend to the freezers in the priests' garage by 10 am Sunday. The chili we provide is much needed and greatly appreciated. Thank you!

A reflection from Andrew, our seminarian-

liturgy

corner

When a person decides to work with the blind, he is taken aside and is given a very curious directive. He is told you must, yourself, become blind, for a least a time. With that, he is sent off to the training center where he assumes a blindfold tightly fitted over his eyes.

For a week or so he does not look upon the light of day. He must grope his way around, collecting bruises from unsuspected pieces of furniture, learning to depend on a cane and on a sharpened sense of smelling and hearing. Only then may that person come forward to serve the blind. For he has lived in their world, he has run their risks, felt their anxieties, and now knows what it is like to be blind.

Christ can quite correctly be defined in just this fashion. He is God who has come down to live our life, to see it from the inside. And, when Christ ascended to the Father, He took with Him a first-hand knowledge of what it is like to live and suffer as a human being on this earth.

Now He does not have to imagine what it is like to live as you live, He has only to remember.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Confirmation Musicians

Thank you to the many volunteers who sang and played music for Confirmation on Monday! Twenty-seven young adults and youth provided spirit-filled music for the mass. Their presence was a witness of faith and discipleship to the many confirmands that evening. Presence and commitment in ministry allow others to see how important they are to our parish family. It shows our young parishioners that the sacrament of Confirmation is an essential part of our faith. Thank you to the music ministers for the beauty and spirit they brought to this special occasion!

*Yours in faith,
Maggie Hanson, Music Minister*