



SAINT PATRICK PARISH

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to joyfully proclaim, share and celebrate the love and mercy of Jesus Christ through Word, Sacraments, prayer and ministry.

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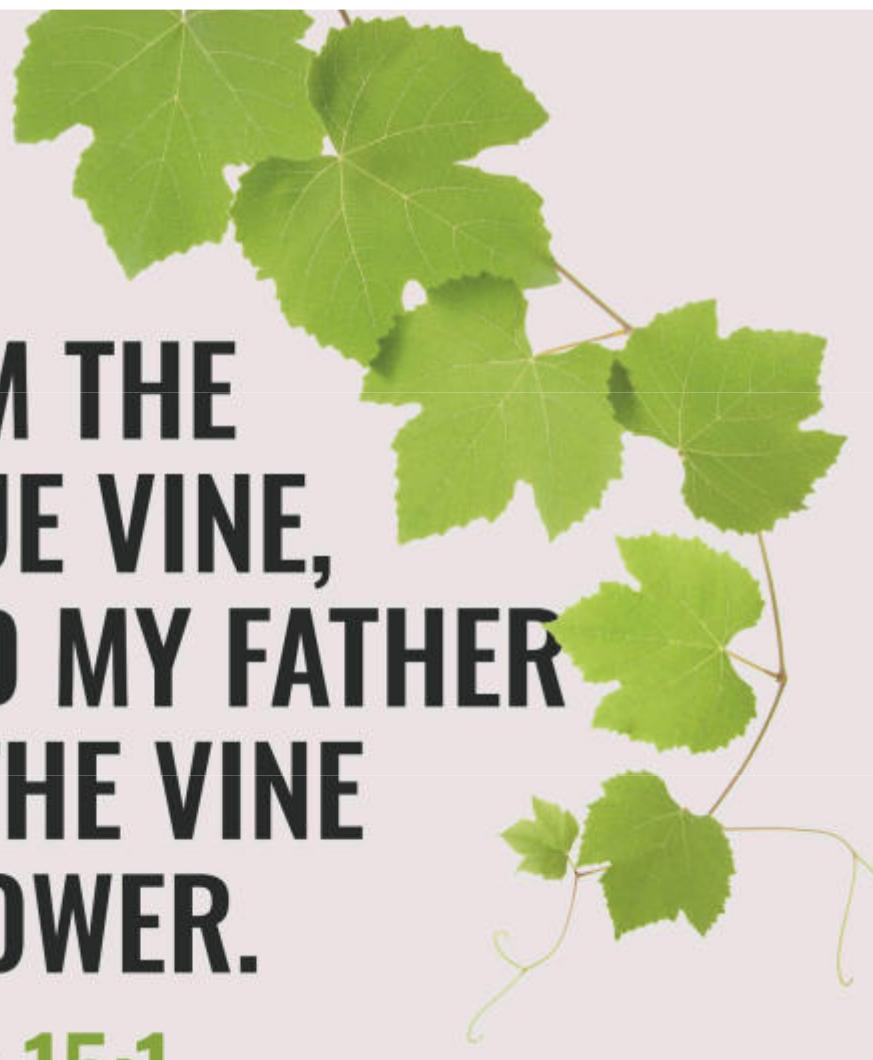
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MAY 2, 2021

I AM THE
TRUE VINE,
AND MY FATHER
IS THE VINE
GROWER.

John 15:1



CHURCH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes and Loose Offertory.....	\$7,927.00
Maintenance Fund	\$50.00
Utilities	<u>\$129.80</u>
Total.....	\$8,106.80
WeShare	\$5,830.50

BAPTISM

Jake Michael O'Hearn, son of John and Kelly O'Hearn.
April 25, 2021

WEDDING BANNS

III Chad Curry & Victoria Christensen



A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOHN

Let us together all say “Wow!” We can even say “Double Wow!” We are on course to hand out 1780 copies of the book I Heard God Laugh, by Matthew Kelly. Along with everyone in our parish who is reading it, we have people giving it to their neighbors and mailing it to family members. Imagine how many more minutes of prayer we are giving to God. Imagine all the things for which people are telling God thank you. Imagine the lives that are being changed as we spend more time in prayer. But a reality also sets in.

With the fifth and final part of the book we are reminded that the greatest obstacle to prayer is busyness. As he says in the book “busyness is not our friend”. He speaks about busyness leading to being overwhelmed. Overwhelmed leads to weariness, he says. For many this may be a part of our lives’ demands right now. All the more reason to pray. We need that respite that prayer gives.

For some it is a matter of saying “no”. In this case we need prayer to really show us what matters. We need God to help us discern what needs to be a priority in our lives. Prayer allows us to ask the question, “what is God calling me to set as a priority?” Finally, prayer can give clarity around what gives us greater life, joy, and even peace.

Busyness for some of us can be what we need to justify our existence. As a result, we fill our time with things that simply are not necessary. Most of this stuff we don’t even enjoy. It is sort of like filling our lives with really sugary foods: though initially there is that spark of energy, in the end we just feel more drained.

Prayer, as he says, “is the antidote for the poison of busyness”. Kelly goes on to write: “It helps to gradually discover who we are and the meaning and purpose of our lives. Prayer inspires us to live with great intention and avoid wasting our lives...Prayer brings our lives into focus.” It is amid a focus driven life that we can hear God laugh. God laugh? Perhaps you need to spend a few minutes this week trying to imagine God laughing. Imagine

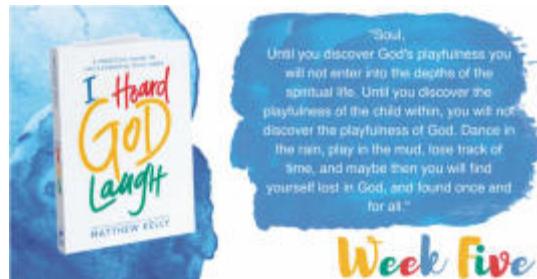
Jesus sitting around the fire as fish is grilled, telling a story or laughing at a story shared by one of the disciples. Imagine Jesus laughing out loud with the disciples as they make their way around Galilee. Imagine Jesus and his disciples sitting around in the evening recalling an event from the day that brings everyone to tears because they are laughing so hard.

I am looking forward to traveling to northern Minnesota in a few weeks for a fishing trip, with a group of guys with whom I have fished for over twenty years. Catching fish is fun, but the best part of the trip is sitting around, telling stories, and laughing. We laugh about the time I almost burned the cabin down frying fish. We laugh at how crazy Joe was one year when he headed out in his boat amid gale force winds. We laugh at Ken who always insists on fishing for northerns with a red and white daredevil that is older than our combined ages. We laugh about the year when we were asked to dig a new outhouse and we thought we hit a big rock with our shovels; turned out the ground was still frozen.

Any time a group of good friends comes together, they find reasons to laugh. Why would we expect it to be any different with Jesus? The key to whether we hear him laugh is whether we are his friend. We can’t be his friend if we don’t spend time with him. Time spent with him is what we call prayer. But it isn’t just about laughter. When we are together, we also speak about important things. Regarding my fishing group, how is Ken’s daughter – who has battled breast cancer – doing? And how is Ken doing, who himself has been battling leukemia this past year? The last year my dad was able to be with us, the guys all chipped in to make sure he had a good time. Though he was frail in health, they made sure he was included in everything we did.

We have had some amazing conversations in the boats that would sometimes leave you forgetting about why we are there – to catch fish. But there were more important matters at hand. And really – we are probably actually there for those relationships, and the secondary purpose is to catch fish, tell tall tales, and make memories. These are the conversations for great friends. Little by little we can develop such a relationship with Jesus, but it only happens with daily prayer.

I began this week’s column by inviting you to say “Wow” because we have handed out 1780 copies of a particular book. My prayer for you is that as you read the book and become involved in Matthew Kelly’s narrative, this will be the word you use to describe your prayer experiences and your relationship with God.





I GOT TIME!

We received a wonderful thank you to **I GOT TIME!** for the donation of over 70 fleece blankets handmade by our awesome volunteers. The blankets were delivered to Children's Hospital by the founding members of Blankets for a Brighter Day Foundation. This organization is run by two parishioners who are graduates of Saint Patrick's School.

Katelyn Baier graduated from medical school and is working as a Pediatric resident in the Twin Cities and Shannon Baier is attending the University of St. Thomas and is studying Business. Thank you to the Baier family, our **I GOT TIME!** volunteers and the Ladies Quilting Group who sewed on the labels. You have made a brighter day for sick children in the Twin Cities.

SACRISTAN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are looking for sacristans to serve at the 7:00 PM Mass on Sunday evening for the months of June - August. If you are interested in being trained to set up for Mass, please contact Terry Bogenhagen at 715 381-5120 x-104 or tbogenhagen@stpatrickofhudson.org

AUDIO TECH MINISTRY

"Whoever has ears ought to hear". Matthew 11:15



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We are looking for volunteers, high school age and older, to set up/test microphones for choirs, cantors and clergy, and run the soundboard during Mass. Training provided.

If you are interested in serving as an Audio Tech Minister, please contact Ben Althoff at

WE'RE ALL IN THIS *Together*



Monday, May 3, 2021 from 1:00-7:00 PM Saint Patrick's will host a Red Cross Blood Drive.

If interested in donating blood please go to www.redcrossblood.org and find Saint Patrick drive or call Becky at 715-441-6541 to schedule your appointment.

We are also in need of some volunteers to help out with the drive. If you are available that day and able and willing to help please call Becky at 715-441-6541.

Thanks for the continued support of this great cause.

2021 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!

You are invited to participate in the Baccalaureate Mass Honoring the 2021 Senior Class of

Saint Patrick Parish

Sunday, May 23rd
10:30 AM

Saint Patrick Church
1500 Vine Street, Hudson

Please wear your cap and gown. Meet 20 minutes before Mass by the fireplace in the gathering area. Please RSVP by May 18th to skunz@stpatrickeducenter.org



ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

5th Sunday of Easter

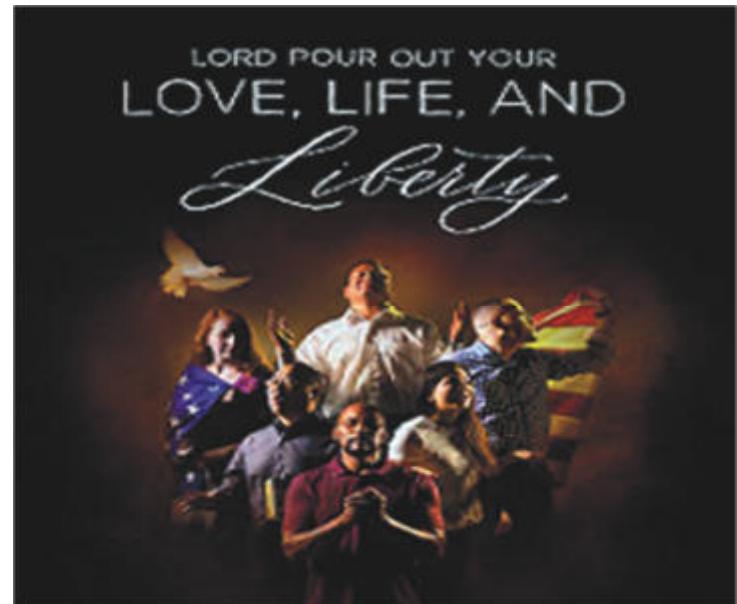
“Spiraling out of control,” is a phrase that can easily describe the current display of human existence. In addition to the violence, unrest, uneasiness and turmoil that are common elements of our daily news, other essential pieces are misplaced or missing. Many lack an objective center around which to order and structure their lives or a clear set of definable goals or mores to act as guideposts and life directives. It appears that “feelings” have become a “new God” and traditional structures and ideals set aside. It is almost as if history only shows that we got this whole thing wrong and many are determined to finally set things right. The real truth, however, is that while wrongs and errors are certainly a part of our often-checkered past, it is hardly the case that all was wrong. It is not our task to rewrite the history of our lives, but to learn from mistakes that were made, and preserve the perennial wisdom at the root of our successes. Learning is an essential part of being human.

The question becomes, however, from whom do we learn? Some have such a hard time placing God in that position, but that is precisely where God needs to be. God is the Master Teacher from whom all of humanity learns and gets its cues. It is in and through this relationship with the Gardener of Life that we are fashioned and pruned into the people we are intended to be and can be. It is only in God that we are able to find our best selves. Sadly, many think that religion too, as well as history in general, has also gotten all this wrong. Yet, our resurrection faith tells us differently. We are reminded, today especially, that we are meant to remain in Christ as Christ remains in us. We are also reminded that Jesus, the Incarnate God, is the vine upon which we grow, the branches that flow from the source of God’s life.

Giving up our will to God’s can be a painful endeavor. It is not easy to set our own desires and wants aside and allow God to step in and direct and guide our growth. But this is the only way to prevent deadly weeds from overtaking us and bringing us to a place of self-destruction. God’s commandments are the very guideposts and benchmarks we need, yet many seek to remove them from all public view because they appear to limit self-expression and suppress what is considered by many to be “human freedom.” They are the only way we can find freedom, however. And, until we learn this fundamental lesson, we will continue to spiral out of control, never really knowing who we are, what our potential can be or how life really can be lived. We will not know peace.



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HISTORY OF NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021

Throughout history, there have been few national days of prayer. In fact, there were only a few noteworthy ones between the 1700s – 1900s. The National Day of Prayer that we know today was founded in 1952, and it was co-founded effort between the United States Congress and President Harry S. Truman.

The holiday was signed into law by President Truman, and every president since has signed a proclamation that encourages Americans to pray on and celebrate this day. The national holiday has always been the first Thursday of May every year since it was founded in 1952. It stands as a day that continues the decision-making of the country’s founding fathers, which used the morals from biblical lessons in difficult situations. Basically, using God’s guidance to make important decisions in the country and for yourself. Just like Thanksgiving and Christmas, the National Day of Prayer has become recognized by Americans nation-wide, and it is even recognized and celebrated in all Hallmark calendars.

Knowing that America was founded by people of European-descent with predominantly Christian backgrounds, it’s no surprise that this holiday was originally created to celebrate Christian faith. National Day of Prayer was an effort to ask American citizens “to turn to God in prayer and meditation.”

According to the National Day of Prayer website, there’s a need for every individual to take time to personal repentance and prayer and to mobilize the Christian community. However, there’s no laws saying National Day of Prayer can’t be celebrated by all cultures, beliefs, and religions, and as America grew to become a multicultural nation, it is widely celebrated by more than just those in the Christian community.



PRAYER LIST

Please pray for Jack Alberg, Sheryl Alder, Derek Alderton, Ann Austreng, Marvin Bates, Marguerite Batson, Don Boumeester, Jeanne Boumeester, Jerry Bridges, Dick Evert-Brown, Julie Ann Cavanaugh, Richard Cobian, Jerry Conley, Yvonne Dabruzzi, Jadwiga Danilowska, John Fassbinder, Craig Field, Randy Forsman, Meg Fronczak, Lois Goossens, Lora Gray, Donna Gunderson, Karen Hadzima, Elaine Handy, Thomas Hueffmeier, Art & Lori Juchno, Peggy Kearns, Joe Kinney, Sr. Margaret Lamberty, Jeanette Lubick, Barbara Lubick, Julie Morgan, Kathi Morrisette, Spence Porter, Charlie Roth, Linda Sanders, Jacob Schaller, Ann Schachtner, Sister Deb Schwab, Sally Skaare, Jim Stach, Micki Thompson, Gary Walton, and Judy Weiss.

To be added or removed, please contact Ellen O'Brien at 715-381-5120, x 101 or email at church@stpatrickofhudson.org

PRAYER LIST FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY MEMBERS

Captain Michael Sarno and **Captain Hallie Sarno**, United States Air Force, son and daughter-in-law of Nancy and Greg Sarno.

Dakoda VanCleve full-time Air National Guard, grandson of Miles and LaNette Smith.

Brandon Tonnar and **Kody Owen** both serving in the Air Force, grandsons of Joan and Everett Tonnar.

Lt Col Nicholas Jaszcak, Army, son of Joni and Andy Jaszcak.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Coyan Scott, Navy, grandson of Mary Kay and Terry Magle.

Matthew Bogenhagen, Airforce, son of David and Terry Bogenhagen.

2nd Lt Christopher Chambers, United States Air Force, son of Fred and Toni Chambers, grandson of Diane Reder.

April Osendorf, Navy, niece of Dale and Anne Kalsow

Joshua Burns, US Navy, and **Adrian Reardon**, US Air Force, grandson and granddaughter of Richard and Joyce Law.

Chad Huebsch, Marines, son of Rick and Lynn Huebsch.

MacKenzie Uecker, 1st Lt in the Air Force, daughter of Chris and Kari Schardin

Cristo Schmitz, United States Marine Corps, grandson of Bernie Schmitz.

Molly Curley, United States Marine Corps granddaughter of Mike and Theresa Hildebrandt.

1st Lt Henry Mulbah, Army National Guard, cousin of Susan Gotrik.

Tyler Ruff, 2nd Lieutenant US Army, son of Rinee (Katherine) and Greg Ruff

Eric Arguelles, Army and **Luke Crossley**, Navy grandsons of Bernie Gregerson.

If you would like to have a member of your family on this prayer list, please either email or call Debbie Johnson at paavoman55@gmail.com or 612-817-7910.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 2

Extreme Faith Camp Training

10:30 AM Youth Discipleship Closing Mass

12:00 PM Receive Holy Communion outside under the awning

Monday, May 3

Red Cross Blood Drive

9:00 AM Bakery and Produce Give Away

9:00 AM Walking with Purpose

6:30 PM Boy Scouts #148 (Small Groups)

7:00 PM Walking with Purpose

7:00 PM Blaze (Youth)

Tuesday, May 4

9:00 AM Faith In Action (Study Group)

1:00 PM Receive Holy Communion outside under the awning

3:00 PM Backpack Program Meeting

6:00 PM Officers Meeting

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting

7:00 PM Minnesconsin
info.akaiser@stpatrickofhudson.org

Wednesday, May 5

7:00AM Backpack Program Setup / Food Giveaway

9:15 AM May Crowning - School Mass

12:45 PM Music Rehearsal

Church reserved for Youth and Family Discipleship

Thursday, May 6

6:30 AM Toastmasters Meeting (Virtual)

9:00 AM Staff Meeting

1:00 PM CCW Charity Quilters

4:00 PM Backpack Program Food Giveaway

7:00 PM Revived

Friday, May 7

5:45 AM That Man is You

Saturday, May 8

8:00 AM Dust Busters

10:00 AM Confessions (Chapel)

Sunday, May 9

Happy Mother's Day

12:00 PM Receive Holy Communion outside under the awning

7:00 PM Upper Room



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A composite image showing a portrait of Shawn Fox on the left and the Knights of Columbus Insurance logo on the right. The logo features a golden shield with a blue cross, the text 'Knights of Columbus' at the top, 'INSURANCE' in large letters, and 'YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE' below it.

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A photograph of a woman and a young girl with long blonde hair sitting in wooden pews inside a church. They are facing away from the camera, looking towards the front of the church where an altar is visible. The background is slightly blurred, showing other churchgoers and the interior of the church.

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