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Mission Statement

Saint Patrick's Church welcomes all into our community of Catholic faith and worship. We celebrate the Word of God, proclaim His Word by our daily actions, foster hope, and commit to justice in service to others.



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5 PM & Sunday 8 & 10:30 AM
Or online at www.churchofstpatrik.com.

Weekday Masses

See Page 5.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM
Mass or by appointment.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4 to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, 8:30 AM to 6 PM.

Infant Baptism Preparation

A preparation class is required. Please contact the Parish Office.

Baptisms

The 3rd Sunday at the Masses or by appointment. Dates for Baptism may be set after you have attended instruction. We encourage you to attend instruction before the birth of your child.

New Parishioner Registration

Is available during office hours Monday thru Friday OR on-line: www.churchofstpatrik.com.

Marriages

Contact the Parish Office a minimum of six months prior to the wedding date.

Office Hours

8:30AM-4:30PM ~ Monday-Thursday
8:30AM-Noon ~ Friday

Bulletin Notices

Submit in writing at the Parish Office or to bulletin@churchofstpatrik.com by noon on Monday. Occasionally deadlines vary due to holiday schedules. Please contact the parish office with questions.

** Notary services available upon request.

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Caden W.
Gavin W.*

Teresa Neuman, Director of Faith Formation

WELCOMING OUR NEW ADULTS IN THE FAITH

“The task is to recognize that you are uniquely special, have something to give, some talent that no one else has in quite the same way. This gift needs to blossom so that we can appreciate and enjoy the benefits of it and acknowledge you for it. You owe this to yourself and all of us, to honor your gifts, for only when you share your unique joy with the world does the entire world benefit. Every advance that mankind has known has come because of someone’s effort. Don’t let shyness rob you and the world of the power and passion that lies within you. No one can be all that you will be except you yourself. Follow your passion.” Joel Garfinkle



This quote is from an Executive/Corporate Coach who is well known for motivating managers to be more engaging with their employees and build a culture within companies that is positive and energizing.

I think this quote signifies what Confirmation is within a parish community. This Sunday, at a 2 pm Mass, 39 of our teens will be confirmed by Fr. Brian. Confirmation is not a graduation ceremony from Faith Formation. It is a statement of belief. These teens will proudly stand with their sponsors and renew their baptismal promises, then they will come forward to receive the blessing and have the sacred oil of chrism placed on their foreheads. A symbol of becoming not only an adult in the faith but a sacred promise to share their gifts and talents within the church and the greater community.

As I have been privileged to engage with these teens during the pandemic in little ways, I noticed clearly how the separation from peers, the stress on their families and the confines of having to do a majority of learning online has impacted their lives. They have shared with me personally and certainly within their saint reports (some of which are posted on the walls of the gathering space) what it has felt like to be exposed to the chaos that this pandemic has brought into their lives.

Their stories echoed for me conversations I have engaged in or listened to for most of my life. I can remember clearly my mother’s description of her family being gathered around in her family’s farmhouse as a child, listening to President Roosevelt describe the horrors of Pearl Harbor and how the nation was going to war. I remember my older siblings describing to me how they felt when they learned that President Kennedy was shot and killed. My older children who had just begun their 7th and 5th grade year in school on the morning of September 11th, 2001, remembering the conversation on the school bus going and coming home from school on that day. Children were full of the usual energy on the way to school and almost totally silent on the way home. These terrible events have a way of impacting all of our lives. We remember where we were and how we felt when we heard the terrible news. The universal impact of the pandemic has effected the faith journeys of our youth.

So often, in my position, I hear what people think as they stand in judgment of, what to be frank, they do not understand. People come to me and state things like the following: “Did you see how that teen was dressed”, “That family talked during the liturgy, don’t they know to take their children out of Mass?”, “Those little ones should be better trained to receive the Eucharist” and the comments go on and on. It is after all human nature to comment on what we think should be the correct manner in which to behave especially when it comes to something as dear to our hearts as respect for the Trinity.

What we all fail to remember when making those kind of comments is that no one can truly understand what is happening within a family or with an individual at any point in time. We cannot possibly know what has happened within their day. The troubles or pressures that they carry and yet still want to participate in a meaningful way by attending Mass. And yes, I can already hear the comments about how we do not see enough young families at Mass.

And yet, before us stand 39 of our youth willing to make the commitment to carry forward our shared faith. Their gifts and talents shine bright for the future of our universal church. So I state emphatically: “What have you done to make a teen or a young family welcome to our parish home?” If you share your own gifts and talents, would you be willing to approach teens during their faith formation classes to share why you enjoy being a lector, a Eucharistic minister, visiting the homebound, or the multitude of other ministries that are needed to make a parish function? Do you move down in your pew when new faces show up maybe just a little after Mass has begun? Do you pray for our young families and teens? In order to nurture the future which is the teens and their peers not only across this archdiocese but the whole of the universal church, we must step out of our comfort zones and make space to reach out to these young adults in the faith, welcoming their comments, attitudes and commitment without judgment. As scripture so often tells us look beyond what you perceive as not worthy with open hearts and minds and you will be amazed by what these individuals have to offer.

Teresa Neuman, Director of Faith Formation

Confirmation Candidates and their Saint Reports: This year all our confirmation candidates were asked to write a saint report. We asked that each Confirmation candidate write about what attracted them to the saint they had chosen. We asked them to reflect on why their chosen saint chose to step forward and in some instances risk their lives to make the name of Jesus Christ known and loved. These candidates did not disappoint. They were introspective about how examining the life of the saint they had chosen brought them to reflect on their own faith journey. Confirmation will take place at the parish on Sunday, June 6th at 2 pm.

Vacation Bible School is being planned for onsite learning the week of July 26th to July 30th: “Treasured-Where children discover they are priceless to God” is the Vacation Bible School we will be having onsite this July. Children will attend from 9am to 12noon each day. We will have singing, crafts, bible stories, skits, hands-on learning and games. The price is \$30.00 per child which includes a t-shirt and a music CD. Registration forms can be found on the parish website at www.churchofstpatrik.com or hard copies are available on the faith formation table in the lower level of the church. We are looking for volunteers to teach and help with stations. Questions? Contact Teresa.

Mary’s Garden Continues to Grow: The statue of Mary is here. Our staff is re-building the garden area for planting. St. Patrick’s statue has been refurbished. Thank you to the many families and individuals who have donated to this project. We are still in need of funds to complete this project. Please look at our drawings of what the completed garden will look like in the gathering space. If you would like to donate to this project to make the completion of this garden a reality, please make out your check to St. Patrick’s with “Mary’s Garden” in the memo. We are accepting donations in honor of family members as well. Also, the social justice commission is still looking for volunteers to help plant the garden as we are getting close to having garden beds once again. Would you like to become involved? Individuals and families are needed to plant, weed, water and pick the produce from the garden to be delivered to Neighbors Inc. in South St. Paul, our area food shelf. Contact Teresa at neuman@churchofstpatrik.com or by phone at 651-621-1565. If you have plants to donate, drop them off at church as soon as possible.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT IS COMING, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16TH FROM 4:30-7:30PM: Tickets are \$7.00 a piece or \$35.00 for a family; kids 5 years and younger are free. Ticket price does not include purchases from the food trucks. Everything will be outside. Current plans include: Teen hub with fun interactive games and prizes, DJ with fun music playing for your dancing and listening pleasure, Rob Madden the science guy showing off fun science facts, Snack walk-like a cake walk but with super size bags of snacks for prizes, pop ring toss, ice cream making with the grandparent group, giant Jenga, balloon person, and much more-see the board in the gathering space for all the details. Tickets can be bought in the parish office. **Donations needed:** 2 liter bottles of pop for the pop toss, super sized candy bars and snacks for the snack walk. **Raffle prize donations** are also needed which can include any family friendly game or activity. To help make this event a success, **sponsorships** in any denomination are welcome. Sponsor a specific activity or sponsor the family fun night as a whole. Your support is greatly appreciated.

HELP MAKE FAMILY FUN NIGHT A SUCCESS: In the gathering space this weekend, we will have a display of tags on trees. Each tag has an item needed to make our fun night a success. Pick a tag, purchase the item and return it to the area in the gathering space over the next several weeks. Want to help with the raffle on the night of this event? Then put a family friendly basket together with a theme of game night, movie night, fun at the beach, fun at the cabin, travel for young families, etc. and bring it to the parish office. We would be happy to supply the basket and put the basket together for you. Thanks in advance for your help with this fundraiser for the parish.

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1,000 Registered Families | 588 out of 1000 families have contributed.
85 Family Envelopes & 107 Electronic deposits through May 30, 2021.

Weekly Collection	\$11,002	Year to Date: 07/01/2020 - 05/30/2021	
Electronic Giving	\$8,770	Sunday Giving	\$842,066
Total for the Week	\$19,772	Sunday Budget Needed	\$962,789
Total Revenue Needed Weekly	\$20,146	Year to date shortfall	-\$120,723
Weekly Shortfall	-\$374	Weekly Youth Collection	\$2

Please consider making a charitable gift to the Church of St. Patrick in your will or trust. Thank you.



Online Mass Update: Over the past few weeks the viewership for online Masses has decreased. When online Masses began in March of 2020, weekly viewership was near 400 views per week. Over the past 2 months, viewership has decreased to less than 50 views per week. In anticipation of the lifting of the weekly Mass dispensation by the Archdiocese, the final weekend for

online Mass will be June 19 and 20.

For those still needing to view Mass at home there are several local TV stations offering Mass.

- ✠ Diocese of St. Cloud: KSTC – Channel 45 – Mass on Sundays at 11:00 AM
- ✠ Our Lady of Grace, Edina, MN: FOX 9+ - Channel 9.2 – Mass on Sundays at 12:00 PM
- ✠ EWTN – Channel 14.3 – Catholic Mass various times on Sundays, visit EWTN.com/tv for more information



Blessing of Graduates: St. Patrick's would like to honor high school and college graduates with a special blessing after communion at all Masses June 12th and 13th.

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Upcoming at St. Pat's

Tuesday June 6th
 2:00PM Confirmation, Church

Wednesday June 16th
 4:30PM Family Fun Night, Outside, West Lawn

Created for Communion: With the COVID-19 pandemic subsiding, we can safely return to the Communion for which we were created. That is, we are created for communion with each other, and we are created for Holy Communion, “the source and summit of the Christian Life.” (CCC 1324)

We are created for fellowship. Just as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit have a living union, so are we created to reflect their union in our relationships with others. It is through our relational nature that we recognize our vocations and grow in love and holiness.

We are created for the Eucharist. During the holy sacrifice of the Mass, Jesus Christ becomes truly present in the Eucharist. The Catechism tells us “The principal fruit of receiving the Eucharist in Holy Communion is an intimate union with Christ Jesus.” (CCC 1391) How beautiful that Jesus has given us a way to be intimate with Him.

Whether you’ve been back for months, or this is your first weekend back, welcome to that for which you were created!

Attention Nurses and EMTs: We have traditionally scheduled a nurse/EMT for each weekend liturgy so that should an emergency arise, our hospitality ministers can quickly identify a medical professional to assist. We are looking at our rosters of liturgical volunteers now that things are getting back to normal, and we find that we have few people to put in the rotation. If you are a nurse or EMT and are willing to be on our schedule, please contact the office with your name and the mass you regularly attend.

Please Remember in Prayer

Frank Dambowy
 Amy Sporcic
 Oscar Wilmes

Psalm 31:2 “In you, LORD, I take refuge.”

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Mass Intentions

Online Weekend (6/5 & 6/6) † Eino Nuorala

Saturday (6/5) St. Boniface
 5:00PM † Jerry Speldrick

Sunday (6/6) The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
 8:00AM † Eino Nuorala
 10:30AM † Louis Langer
 2:00PM 0 Confirmation Learners

Tuesday (6/8)
 6:30PM † Jim Yourczek

Wednesday (6/9) St. Ephrem
 8:00AM † Joan Jeffers

Thursday (6/10)
 8:00AM † Richard Jarvis

Friday (6/11) The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
 8:00AM † Anna Yurchisin

Online Weekend (6/12 & 6/13) † Ken Gruhlke

Saturday (6/12) St. Boniface
 5:00PM † Angie Ellis

Sunday (6/13) The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
 8:00AM † Ken Gruhlke
 10:30AM † Margaret Seipel
 0 - Living † - Deceased
 Rosary is prayed Monday-Friday at 7:30AM

OTHER MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Good Samaritan: June 9 at 3PM - † John & Marian Mitchell
 Woodlyn Heights: June 10 at 10:30AM - 0 Archbishop Hebda
 Timber Hills: June 11 at 10AM - 0 Pope Francis

Music for June 6 Online Mass:

Gathering Song: All Who Hunger #925
 Glory to God: #323
 Psalm 116: Our Blessing Cup #78
 Gospel Acclamation: Glendalough Mass
 Mass Acclamations: #262, #265, #267, #269
 Recessional: I Come With Joy #919

READINGS

for the week of June 6

©Liturgical Publications

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/
 Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9]/Mt
 5:1-12

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132,
 133, 135 [135a]/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt
 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-
 12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26

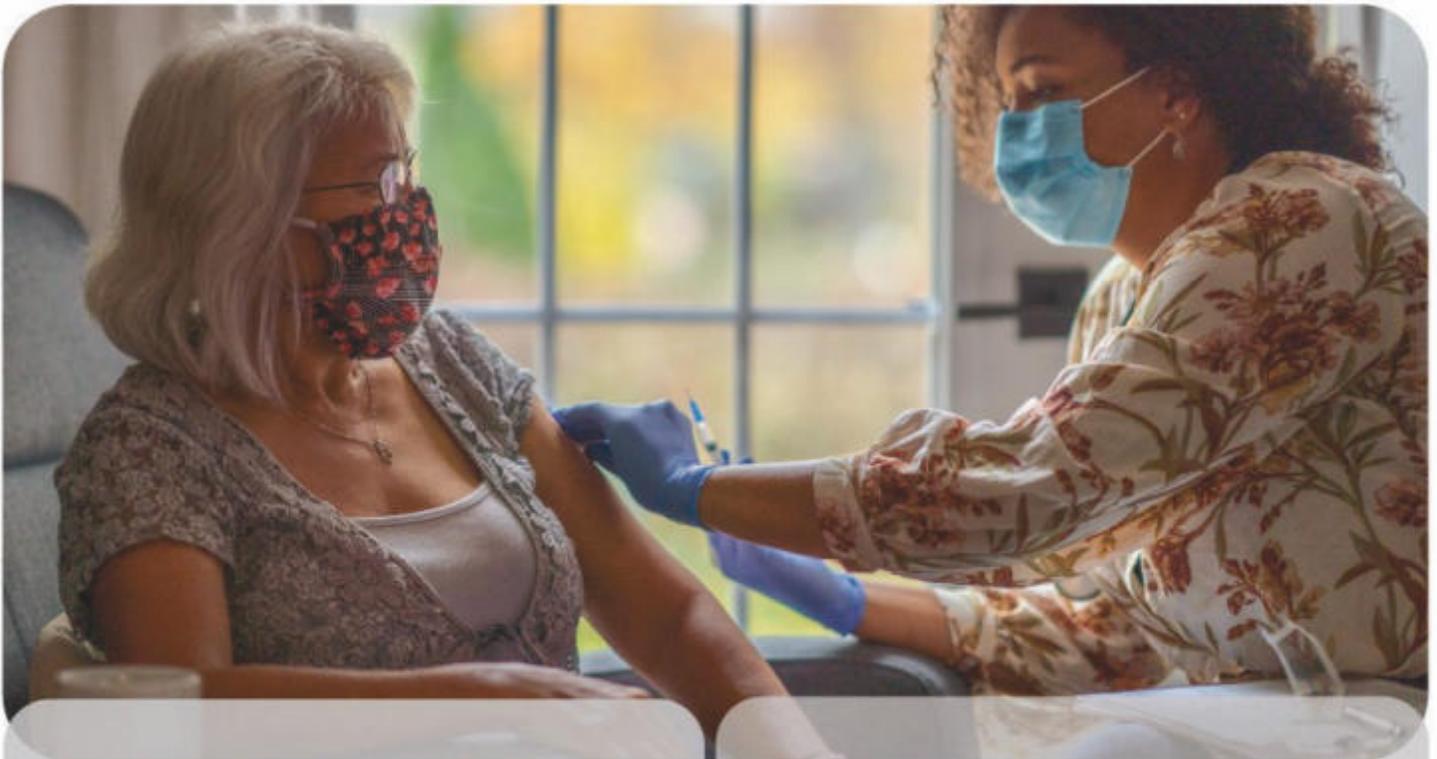
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Eph
 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
 [8a]/Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf.
 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

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