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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.



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5 PM. Sunday 8 & 10:30 AM

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.churchofstpatrick.com.

Marriages

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

Office Hours

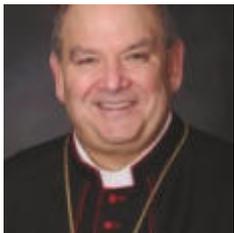
8:30AM-4:30PM ~ Monday-Thursday
8:30AM-Noon ~ Friday

Bulletin Notices

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

** Notary services available upon request.

July 11, 2021 ✠ 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Archbishop Bernard Hebda

The Eucharist and Sinners

I am told that I have finally “arrived” on the St. Paul scene, albeit not in any way that I would have anticipated. My name was brought up in a recent conversation between Joe Soucheray and Patrick Reusse on their Monday Night Sports Talk. No, it was not because of my high school tennis forehand. Rather, it had to do with my weight. With what some might consider uncharacteristic restraint, Joe commented on my “stoutness,” speculating that my girth may have mercifully abbreviated a recent funeral in a church without air conditioning as St. Paul temperatures hovered around 100.

For most of my life, I’ve struggled with my weight. Were it not for the sacramental seal, five decades of confessors could attest that it would be a rare confession when I didn’t recognize the sinfulness of my over-eating or my failure to be more attentive to health. It’s never lost on me while I am celebrating the Eucharist that it’s painfully obvious to others that I’m a sinner. If there is any silver lining in my girth, it’s that it may serve as a reminder for me and those gathered for Mass that the Eucharist isn’t only for the perfect. As Pope Francis has said on more than one occasion, “the Eucharist is not the reward of saints, but the bread of sinners.”

How blessed we are that the Lord gives us not only the Eucharist but also the sacrament of reconciliation. I love how confession gives us countless chances. I know that we should never presume God’s mercy, but the Church teaches that there is always the hope of forgiveness as long as we humbly confess our sins, have sincere sorrow for them, and truly desire to amend our lives.

For nearly 2,000 years, the Church has been offering guidance about the reception of the Eucharist by us sinners. Writing in the second century, St. Justin Martyr documented that the celebration of the Eucharist in his time was amazingly similar to our celebration of the Mass today (see the Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1345). He also gave eloquent witness to the early Church’s understanding of the Real Presence, teaching that what we receive in holy Communion is truly the Lord’s body and blood and noting that the Eucharist would only be shared with those who were baptized, “living as Christ has enjoined,” and believing that “the things which we teach are true.”

Last week, the bishops of the United States, gathered as the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), showed nearly unanimous support for a proposal presented by our very own Bishop Cozzens and the Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis that he leads for a Eucharistic Revival. The bishops also, however, entered into a vigorous debate about the need to offer additional teaching on the Eucharist at this point in history and in the context of modern American life. While the bishops echoed St. Justin in their great love for the Eucharist and appreciation of its singular importance, it was also clear that there were, at times, differences of opinions with respect to the pastoral response called for by the unique circumstances of our day.

It is precisely to address pastoral matters that episcopal conferences were mandated and strengthened in the wake of the Second Vatican Council. The Conference of Bishops is intended to be a permanent institution with which the bishops of a given country or territory can “jointly exercise certain pastoral functions on behalf of the Christian faithful of their territory in view of promoting that greater good which the Church offers humankind, especially through forums and programs of the apostolate which are fittingly adapted to the circumstances of the time and place” (can. 447 of the Code of Canon Law). Up to this point in its history, its fundamental purpose has not been to propose new teachings, but rather to practically assist individual bishops in exercising their role as pastors. Given the breadth and diversity of the Church in the USA, it shouldn’t be surprising that there could be different senses of what precisely the pastoral needs might be, and how they might be best addressed.

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Each episcopal conference has statutes that set out the procedures for how the bishops are to work together. For 13 years, I worked in the office at the Vatican that assisted episcopal conferences in writing or modifying those statutes, taking into consideration the particularities of each country or region. I may be biased, but I would consider the USCCB's protocols to be among the very best for promoting collaboration. According to those protocols, the conference's Committee on Doctrine, working with expert theological consultants, will now be tasked to produce a draft of a document reflective of the bishops' discussions about the Eucharist last week. The topic is slated to be discussed further at the regional level this August, and then again by the USCCB's Administrative Committee next September, to determine if the draft is ready to be submitted for consideration by the whole body of bishops next November. It would then be published only if it would be supported by more than two-thirds of the active bishops in our country. While some media have already speculated about the eventual content of the document, my experience would suggest that the content of the eventual document could be surprising, given the extensive process for development and refinement.

In light of the extensive media attention that the project is receiving, I would ask for your prayers for the bishops of our country and for all those involved in the drafting process. May this work be one that furthers the deep unity that is characteristic of Christ's Church. As we pray in one of the options for our Eucharistic Prayer: "Lord, renew your Church by the light of the Gospel. Strengthen the bond of unity between the faithful and the pastors of your people, together with Francis our Pope and the whole order of bishops, that in a world torn by strife, your people may shine forth as a prophetic sign of unity and concord."

Teresa Neuman, Director of Faith Formation

Support Vacation Bible School!!! This week in the gathering space you may notice an ancient tower and trees. We are demonstrating the awesome learning environment for Vacation Bible School and asking for your help at the same time. You will notice treasure chest tags hanging from the trees in the gathering space. The treasure chests represent the theme for our Vacation Bible School this year: TREASURED: Where children learn they are priceless to God. **Pick up a tag. On the back, is an item we need to make Vacation Bible School happen this year. Purchase the item and bring it back to church and place it next to the tower.** Your generosity enables us to offer an engaging bible learning experience this year. Questions? Contact Teresa.

Mary's Garden Continues to Grow: The statue of Mary is here. The St. Patrick's statue has been refurbished. The garden beds are planted. 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.**

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1,000 Registered Families | 221 out of 1000 families have contributed.
108 Family Envelopes & 135 Electronic deposits through July 4, 2021.

Weekly Collection	\$9,092	Year to Date: 07/01/2021 - 07/04/2021	
Electronic Giving	\$9,685	Sunday Giving	\$18,777
Total for the Week	\$18,777	Sunday Budget Needed	\$20,776
Total Revenue Needed Weekly	\$20,776	Year to date shortfall	-\$1,999
Weekly Shortfall	-\$1,999	Weekly Youth Collection to date	\$12.00

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



COME AND MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD: Dear Parishioners, the ambassador team is looking for individuals or groups of people to come and participate in our 6 week small group sessions in the fall. The dates are on Tuesdays- Sept. 21st, Sept. 28th, Oct. 5th, Oct. 12th, Oct. 19th, and Oct. 26th. Small groups will meet with 5 to 8 individuals. The times are 10:00 am or 7:00 pm The session will last 2 hours each-1 hour of video information and 1 hour to discuss the information seen and give suggestions.

WHY SHOULD I PARTICIPATE? Help Archbishop Hebda move the Archdiocese forward. Ideas generated in small groups will assist Archbishop Hebda in determining the Archdiocesan Synod Assembly topics. Those topics will guide Archbishop Hebda as he creates the Pastoral Plan for the future of the Archdiocese. Small groups will discuss the three focus areas that arose from feedback given in the Prayer and Listening events:

- ✠ Focus area #1: Forming parishes that are in the service of evangelization.
- ✠ Focus area #2: Forming missionary disciples who know Jesus' love and respond to his call.
- ✠ Focus area #3: Forming youth and young adults in and for a Church that is always young.

We will have sign up tables in the gathering space on June 26th and 27th. Stop by and receive important information about these sessions. Questions? Contact Teresa Neuman.



Upcoming at St. Pat's

Mass Intentions

Sunday July 18
10:30AM Hosanna Singers at Mass

What We Carry from Town to Town

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the folks who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door, and the ones who don't.

People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade seems to be this: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we've been — whether it's a private home or a public bathroom — cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit a lot of figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness. Shame. Defeat. Anger. Fear. Doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of it, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we're tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the "town" God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a tough conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, a call to be present to someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don't let a past disappointment constrain you. Don't allow yesterday's failures or burdens to keep you from the joy of today's witness, whatever form it might take. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Worship Commission Update Cantor In-Service

The Worship Commission is planning an in-service for new and current cantors on Wednesday, August 11 at 7:00pm. Anyone interested in the cantor ministry is strongly encouraged to come. Participants must sign up in advance with Kim Thompson, kthompson@churchofstpatrick.com.

FOOD SHELF NEEDS (Neighbors Inc.)

- **Canned Meat**
- Pancake Mix & Syrup
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- Tomato Products
- Granola Bars
- Canned Vegetables

Saturday (7/10)
5:00PM † Jerry Speldrick

Sunday (7/11) 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:00AM † Ed Gorski
10:30AM 0 Rita Schwalk

Tuesday (7/13) St. Henry
6:30PM 0 Kathy O'Malley

Wednesday (7/14) St Kateri Tekawitha
8:00AM † Margaret Seipel

Thursday (7/15) St. Bonaventure
8:00AM † Mary Jo Richardson

Friday (7/16) Our Lady of Mount Carmel
8:00AM † Gerald Thurmes

Saturday (7/17)
5:00PM † Howard Barnharst

Sunday (7/18) 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:00AM † Anna Yurchisin
10:30AM † Philomena & Fred Sweet

0 - Living † - Deceased
Rosary is prayed Monday-Friday at 7:30AM

OTHER MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Good Samaritan: July 14 at 3PM - 0 The Archdiocese

READINGS

for the week of July 11 ©Liturgical Publications

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/ Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Please Remember in Prayer

Frank Dambowy
Carol Koop

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

Faith Formation Catechist Information

Want to vision your faith with fresh insight?

Then see the love of God through the eyes of a child!

The season of fall and Faith Formation are fast approaching so I am asking you to take a little time during these beautiful summer days to consider sharing your faith with the children of St. Patrick's. We need Catechists (teachers of the faith) to journey with our children and youth. So I am personally inviting all in the parish to consider this opportunity. You do not need to be a scriptural scholar to share your faith with these little ones. We have terrific curriculum and I write all of the lesson plans. Being a catechist is a step you take when you are ready to share your baptismal call and realize that great joy can come from sharing your faith with others. If you are a teen or young adult who has been confirmed, we would love to have you join us to share your faith. Following are the catechist positions that we need to fill for the upcoming year. Please check the list, maybe grab a friend to co-teach and give me a call or email. We provide all the training, lesson plans, and support you need to make a difference. The time commitment is about 4 hours a month from the last week of September until the first week of May. Thank you to the 12 parishioners who have already signed on to teach for this upcoming year!

We need catechists to participate on the following days:

- ✠ Sunday mornings from 9:00 – 10:15 a.m. Two times a month from Sept. – April and
- ✠ Wednesday evenings- we have 2 session times: 4:30-5:30 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m. We meet two times a month from Sept. – April
- ✠ Grades pre-school to 5th grade on Sunday mornings. Pre-school to 8th grade plus Confirmation classes on Wednesday evenings.

Please take a couple of minutes and read these Top Ten reasons to become a Catechist by Catholic Author Joe Paprocki and then discern and pray if this is a commitment you are willing to make. It takes all of us coming together to make the name of Jesus Christ known and loved. Please consider helping. You will not regret your choice to come forward.

Top Ten Reasons to Become a Catechist

1. You will grow in your own faith, learning the teachings of the Church and deepen your relationship with Jesus
2. Your baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry
3. Children and Teens more than ever need to encounter good role models of faith
4. Children and Teens need to hear the Good News of Jesus
5. You have much to share with those you'll teach and you'll have opportunities to deepen your faith by interacting with families
6. Today's catechetical textbooks and resources offer outstanding support.
7. You'll be challenged, you'll have fun and you'll make new friends.
8. You'll be helping children deepen their relationship with Jesus (You will be evangelizing)
9. You'll be continuing a 2000 year old tradition that changes lives
10. It's all of our job not just some of our job to "go and teach all nations".

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