# Church ST. PATRICK

# Mission Statement

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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. 3535 72nd Street East Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076 Phone: 651-455-6624 Fax: 651-455-8984 www.churchofstpatrick.com

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses Saturday 5PM. Sunday 8 & 10:30AM Weekday Masses See Page 5.

#### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 4 to 4:30PM or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration Thursday, 8:30AM to 6PM.

**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.

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

# Kim Thompson, Director of Liturgy & Worship

Merry Christmas! Today as we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we bring the Christmas season to a close. I pray that you had safe and fun celebrations of the Lord's birth with family and friends. Prior to Christmas, there was much discussion among the parish staff about how to offer a safe and welcoming environment for parishioners and guests here to celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord. Some of the extra efforts we made included setting up extra chairs in the gathering space and the church to accommo-



you!

date more people. We also made sure to have enough hospitality ministers on hand to welcome people and provide direction when needed. I thought that our preparations paid off and we struck a good balance between being welcoming and sticking to our COVID protocols to help keep people safe. When all three Christmas masses were over, almost 800 people had walked through our doors. I think that as a community, we should be proud of the hard work of our staff and volunteers to create a joyful, safe and welcoming place for people to worship.

This was the second year that Archbishop Hebda allowed parishes to celebrate Christmas Mass as early as 2pm on Christmas Eve as a way to help parishes dissipate crowds at the Christmas Masses. In light of this allowance, this was the second year that we offered a 2pm Mass in lieu of the 10pm Mass. The disruptions that COVID brought about make it seem like a good time to revisit how we worship. The Worship Commission is taking a look at our Christmas Mass schedule. We would like to ask for your input on the Christmas Mass schedule by taking a quick online survey. The 5-minute survey can be found on our parish webpage. The survey will be open until January 31. Thank you in advance for your input.

# Thank you Christmas Environment Volunteers

Thank

We want to say a big THANK YOU to the twelve volunteers who assisted with the Christmas environment set-up. The church and gathering space look amazing thanks to the hard work of these parishioners. Pictured: Zach, Nick, Kyle, Molly, Emma and Lucy.

# Teresa Neuman, Director of Faith Formation

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS WHO ENJOY DRAMA**: Faith Formation is putting together performance pieces for the Living Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> of this year. (Ash Wednesday is on March 2<sup>nd</sup>). We will have soup supper beginning at 5:00 pm and the Living Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm in the church. We need children, youth, adults to interact in the different parts and adults or youth to be the narrators. We would love to have a wide range of ages participate in this ancient form of devotion. Are you in the drama club at school? Have you acted in community theater? Have a devotion for the stations of the cross? Looking for an engaging opportunity to interact with your child or grandchild in a faith based event? Then contact Teresa Neuman to obtain a script and decide on which date and part you would be interested in. My email is <u>tneuman@churchofstpatrick.com</u> or call my office at 651-621-1565.

**SAVE THE DATE**: Faith Formation in association with the Franciscans of our parish is hosting a pre-Lenten Retreat on Sunday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon in the church. We will have a viewing of the movie/ documentary of "The Sultan and the Saint". This movie depicts the true story of when the Sultan al-Kamil met with St. Francis of Assisi to engage in a faith exchange to try to bring peace to the region that had been overwhelmed by the crusades. We will be serving beverages and pre-wrapped snacks in Shamrock hall before the viewing. The movie is about an hour long and there will be interfaith discussion after the viewing. Interested in learning more details or helping with this event? Please contact Teresa Neuman.

A BIG THANK YOU: Thank you to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade learners and their families members who helped with the ministries at the 5 pm Mass on Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>.

The St Patrick's Grandparent Ministry is ready to begin monthly meetings in 2022! New and seasoned grandparents are invited to join us on Thursday, January 13, at 12 noon in the Family Room. We will begin with prayer followed by a pizza lunch and a discussion on next steps for the Grandparent Ministry. Please RSVP to the office at 651-455-6624 by January 12 so we can order enough pizza! We are looking forward to reconnecting and setting our agenda for the new year.

A Note From the Men's Club: There are opportunities to volunteer at Bridging on a Saturday afternoon with a group of friends working on projects such as a towel drive or assembling cleaning kits. A dresser build is also a possibility if we have the funds available. On January 9 at 7:00PM, prior to its meeting, the Men's Club will sponsor the Bridging Community Relations Manager who will explain these and other volunteer opportunities at Bridging both in Bloomington and Roseville. If you are interested in helping Bridging please join us.

#### I Hope I Am Like Him

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

"He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him."

Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that to-tal embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

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Since July 1, 2021: 523 out of 964 registered households have contributed. 88 Family Envelopes & 525 Electronic deposits for December 26, 2021

H	Weekly envelope collection:	\$10,115	Weekly operation cost: \$17,116	
gh	Electronic giving:	\$2,557	Weekly operations shortfall: -\$4,269	
	Plate giving:	\$173	Weekly needed for loan principal: \$3,660	
	Youth collection:	\$2	Total weekly shortfall: -\$7,929	
	Total for the week:	\$12,847		

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

COVID precautions are still in place. Steps are being taken at each Mass to keep those who visit St. Patrick's safe while attending Mass. The health and safety of our parishioners, visitors and staff remains a top priority. For those attending Mass and events at the parish, masks are strongly recommended. Please continue to social distance. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping St. Patrick's a safe place to worship.

The new liturgical minister schedule is complete and has been posted on Ministry Scheduler Pro. A limited number of hard copies are available in the Gathering Space.



U	pcoming at St. Pat's		Mass Intentions
Saturday	January 8	Saturday (1	/8)
5:00PM	Youth Mass	5:00PM	† Roger Sauerer
Sunday	January 9	Sunday (1/9	) Baptism of the Lord
9:00AM	Faith Formation, Emerald Hall	8:00AM	† Louis & Alvene Briguet
11:00AM	RCIA, Office	10:30AM	† Jo Dall
7:00PM	Men's Club, Family Room	Tuesday (1/	11)
Monday	January 10	6:30PM	† John & Marian Mitchell
7:00PM	Hand Bells, Church	Wednesday	(1/12)
Tuesday	January 11	8:00AM	† Carol Dufault
7:00PM	Franciscans, Family Room	Thursday (1	l/13) St. Hilary
•	January 12	8:00AM	† Roy Unten
4:30PM	Faith Formation, Emerald Hall	Friday (1/14	4)
6:30PM	Faith Formation, Emerald Hall	8:00AM	† Kathy McCluney
Thursday	January 13	Saturday (1	
12:00PM	Grandparent Ministry, Family Room	5:00PM	† Tony & Jo Dall
12:30PM	Ugly Quilts, Rooms 46-49	Sunday (1/1	6) 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	January 16	8:00ÅM	† Virginia Tendle
11:00AM	RCIA, Office	10:30AM	0 Michelle Lopez
Tuesday	January 18		0 - Living † - Deceased
7:00PM	Finance Council	I	Rosary is prayed Monday-Friday at 7:30AM
•	January 19	S	cripture/Communion Services:
6:30PM	C1 Retreat, Church	Т	imber Hills, Wednesdays at 10AM
Thursday	January 20		Heights, 1st and 3rd Thursday at 10:30AM
12:30PM	Ugly Quilts, Rms 46-49	Timber	r Hills Arbor, Friday (1/14) at 10:40AM
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	LOM - AN		Readings:
		for the week	of January 9 ©Liturgical Publications
	2022/11	Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/ Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is
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# ST. PATRICK'S COUNCILS & COMMISSIONS MEETING SCHEDULES

If you want to attend a meeting or possibly join parish leadership, opportunities are listed below. Meetings are the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. We are all responsible for building community here at St. Patrick's; therefore, we invite you to consider serving on one of the many commissions or councils. All commissions and councils are available to active registered parishioners. Details on how to attend a meeting will be provided to parishioners upon request. Together we are the Church!

### Liaisons for St. Patrick's Councils/Commissions

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