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Mondays-Wednesdays: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursdays: 10:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

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Mission Statement: "Sacred Heart of Jesus—St. Patrick Parish, as one family, proclaim and live our Catholic Faith through Liturgy, Sacrament, and Ministry. As a united parish, we seek to love and serve God and our neighbor."

DECEMBER 12, 2021—THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday Masses are now at St. Patrick Church.

Liturgy Schedule: Fall/Winter

St. Patrick Church
At Oxford Ave. & Fulton St.

Sunday Masses *(Nov.-Apr.)*:
Sunday: 8:00 AM
10:30 AM

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church
At Division & N. Dewey Sts.

Weekday Masses *(Nov.-Apr.)*:
Not available at this time

Adoration:
Monday: 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Confessions:
Not available at this time

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SCRIP Coordinators:
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3rd SUNDAY of Advent

John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming." - Lk 3:16a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Issue 03

Readings for the week of December 12, 2021

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; (Ps) Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18.
Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5b, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 21:23-27.
Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32.
Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 7:18b-23.
Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lk 7:24-30.
Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4b, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17.
Saturday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25.
Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45.

Bulletin Info Deadline: Kindly submit items at least 10 days, inserts 5 days, prior to bulletin date.

RCIA: Interested in becoming Catholic?
For info, please contact us at 715-832-0925 or email us at office@shspec.org.

BAPTISM PREPARATION:
Parents who will be having a child baptized are required to attend one Baptism class. Attending class during pregnancy is ideal. Appointments will be made on an individual basis. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a meeting.

Join us on Mondays at **Sacred Heart Church for:**
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
+8:30AM - 6:00PM+
or **LECTIO DIVINA**+6:00 PM+
Please use side door from parking lot.

Parish Support

Fund	December 5, 2021
Envelopes	$6,279.00
Plate	$226.00
Other Funds	$2,461.00
Total:	**$8,966.00**

SCRIP Update:	December 5, 2021
Weekly Sales	$7,130.00
Number of Orders	24
Returned to Parish	$307.00
Fiscal YTD (7/1/21-6/30/22)	
Sales	$86,000.00
Number of Orders	294
Returned to Parish	$3,421.00

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2021-2022 — WE ARE THE DIOCESE

Parish GOAL:	$66,750.00
Received:	$29,399.00
Under Goal:	$37,351.00

We have raised 44% of our goal.

Thank you for your support!

PRAYER CHAIN: If someone is seriously ill or facing surgery & prayers are needed or wanted, call Dee at 715-835-8347, or Mary at 715-514-4541.

VOTIVE CANDLES: If you would like to remember someone by having a candle lit, you can do so at $5 for one 7-day candle. Candles are available at both churches. Contact the Parish Office.

SH: Virgin Mary: **(1)** Special Intentions SK
(2) For Emma on her birthday
St. Joseph: **(1)** For Rev. Jazdzewski
(2)
SP: Virgin Mary: **(1) (2)**

Sunday Instructions for Receiving Holy Communion:
*First, all on St. Joseph's side (R) will come forward to receive, and then all on St. Mary's side (L).
*Form a single-file line, distancing between households. Those in the outer sections move through the center section.
*At the front of the line will be a bottle of hand sanitizer, as well as a sign with instructions for dealing with your mask, if you are wearing one.
*All from the same side of church will use the same station to receive Communion. Stand at the † on your side of the church. Each household may stand together, shoulder to shoulder.
*As before, you are encouraged to receive Communion on the hand. If you receive on the tongue, Father will sanitize between communicants if necessary.
We realize this may take time. We are not in a rush, so please don't feel that you have to be, either.

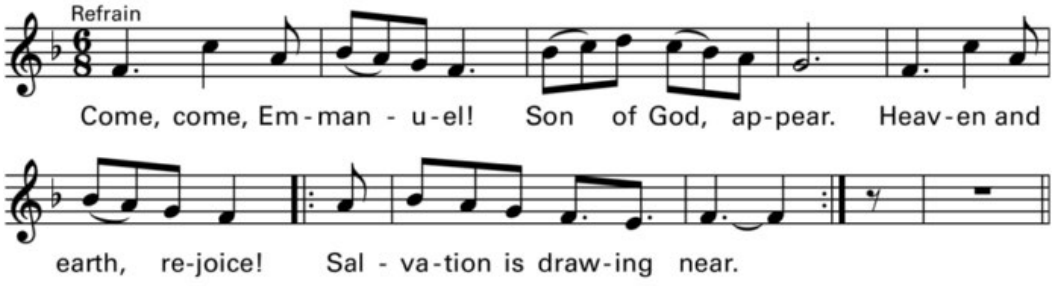
SAVE THE DATES

Christmas Vigil Mass: 4:00pm @ SP ..... Dec. 24
Christmas Mass: 9:30am @ SH ..... Dec. 25
Mary Mother of God: 9:00am @SH *(no Obligation)* ..... Jan. 1
Watch for details!

CHRISTMAS STOCKING STUFFER: A new, action-packed comic book biography, "Champion of the Poor," tells the inspiring life story of Fr. Joe Walijewski, priest of the Diocese of La Crosse and founder of the Casa Hogar orphanage in Peru. From his days as an impressionable young boy in Michigan, where he discovered a unique call to the priesthood, to his daring adventures as a missionary in South America, readers are immersed into the heroic actions of a courageous Champion of the Poor. Individuals are invited to pre-order now to receive the comic book in time to be a Christmas gift. To see sample pages and to pre-order, visit voyagecomics.com/fatherjoe.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Entrance Song: Emmanuel (*sung after the Cantor*)



Text: Refrain, Steve Angrisano; verses based on Advent 'O' Antiphons.
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Verse: : Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

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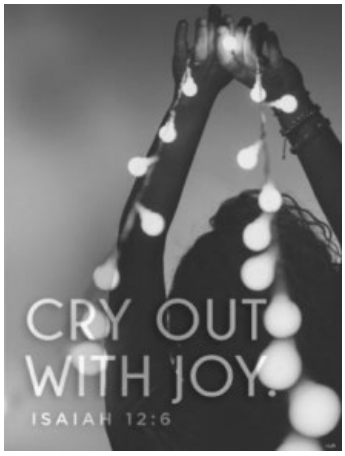


Penitential Act

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Liturgy of the Word

Please refer to ***hymnal #887*** *for the Readings.*

The Responsorial Psalm can be found at ***hymnal #81 (Refrain II)****.*

Profession of Faith:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven: *and by the of the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: SOJOURNER HOUSE: If you would like to help serve a meal to the residents on **Tues., Dec. 14,** please contact Phyllis Czech at 715-552-8199 to schedule a time to work.

COMMUNITY TABLE: Our turn sponsoring the evening meal at Community Table is **Tues., Dec. 21**. Sign up if you can help prep, serve, *or* clean up. Shifts are: Food Prep from 3:00-5:00pm & Serving/Clean-Up from 4:45-6:45pm. Contact Becky at 715-832-1303, or rmattson711@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Sunday, December 12

8:00 AM SP: † Leo Court

10:30 AM SP: People of Sacred Heart-St. Patrick

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 19

8:00 AM SP: People of Sacred Heart-St. Patrick

10:30 AM SP: † Joan Layland

Religious Education:

Dec. 15 — Class 11; 6:15-7:30pm
All Grades meet.

Dec. 22 & 29 — No Classes + Christmas Break

GROWING WITH THE Gospel
CYCLE C

COLOR
Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.

3rd Sunday of Advent • Luke 3:10-18

BINGO

Bingo is offered twice a month.
Next dates are Dec. 18 & Jan. 8

Progressive Jackpot for Dec 4 was won! $3,025.50 + half the net sales with 58 numbers. The 12/18 jackpot is $500 with 48 numbers, visit facebook.com/shspec.
Early Birds: 6:00/Bingo: 6:30pm.

Volunteers are needed!
Here are the open positions:

- Caller: (5:45 to 8:30 pm) Announce the bingo numbers to the players and verify a patron's bingo.
- Floor Worker: (5:50 to 8:30 pm) When a patron calls out 'Bingo!' you look at their card and, with the help of the Caller, verify that it is a Bingo.
- Counter Help: (4:45 pm to 8:30 pm) Sell cards, write prize checks, and count money.
- Kitchen Help: (4:00 to 7 pm) Sell concessions.

If you are interested in helping or would like more info, please contact the Parish office at office@shspec.org. Your time and help are greatly appreciated!

Bingo Workers Schedule

Callers: Dec. 18: Kateri/Jan. 8: Trent C
Table/Floor: Dec. 18: Janet C/Dave C/ Shelly S/Steve J
Jan. 8: Julie/Steve J
Kitchen: Dec. 18: Mary W/Mary B/Anne H/ Therese K/Trevor K.
Jan. 8: Liz W/Rich B/Lisa B.

PRAY FOR DOBBS
PRAY FOR OUR SUPREME COURT JUSTICES BY NAME

Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health is the Supreme Court case that could overturn Roe v. Wade—the decision that made abortion legal in all 50 states. Nine justices stand between life and death for millions of innocent children and their mothers. The hearing began Dec. 1, with a ruling expected in June. Pleaser fast and pray for God's grace to touch our Supreme Court justices. Pray for them by name: John Roberts, Samuel Alito, Amy Coney Barrett, Brett Kavanaugh, Clarence Thomas, Neil Gorsuch, Sonia Sotomayor, Elena Kagan, and Stephen Brey-er. For info & resources, visit PrayforDobbs.com.

Thousands of Afghan refugees are being housed temporarily at Ft. McCoy near Tomah. At last they have hope, but are starting over with nothing, trying to adjust to a new lan-guage and culture. Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse is helping them. Catholic Charities reaches out to our neighbor in need in many other ways as well, from providing shelter to the homeless in our midst, to assisting families in need as the Christmas season approaches. Find out more, and how you can help, at cclse.org.

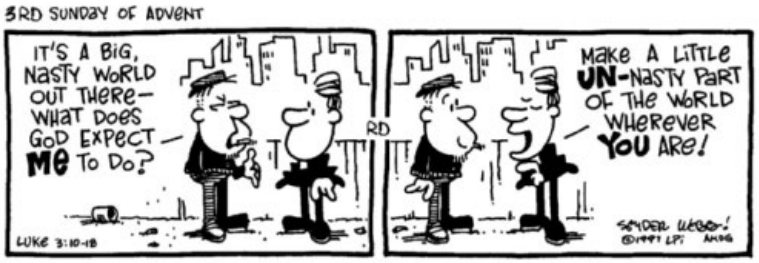
FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE: On Dec. 12, the Family Life Committee will be at the back of the church as you leave Mass. They would like feedback regarding what is important to you for spiritual and communal growth. Do you want to know more about the activities the Community Concerns Committee participates in? What ideas do you have for hosting a social event? Members of the Committee will listen, gather information, and answer questions as best they can. Please share your thoughts and ideas. They want to hear from you!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Vigil @ SP, December 24
Christmas Day @ SH, December 25

Oh come, all ye faithful!

SUPPORT AGING RELIGIOUS. Our special collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for years for small stipends. Today, many religious communities do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps pay for medications, nursing care, and other needs for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Please give generously in the envelopes provided in church.



Join our Diocese's Pilgrimage for Life to Washington, D.C., Jan. 19-23. There has never been a more important time to join the March for Life in our nation's capitol, with the Dobbs case being heard by the Supreme Court and the possibility of Roe v. Wade being overturned. Deliberations will go on for many weeks, with a decision expected in June. Let us show the Supreme Court justices by our numbers and our passion that we stand strong for life.
For the registration letter, tentative schedule, and details, visit diolc.org/yya and click on the Pilgrimage for Life tab.

How exactly are we preparing our hearts for the greatest gift we've ever been given? Through an exploration of the mystery of the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the events surrounding the arrival of Jesus, this Advent study offers an opportunity to experience the joy of the true meaning of Christmas.
Find this series of four, 15-minute videos and other content for Advent using the search feature on Formed.
Go to formed.org/signup, find our Parish, & register for your free account.

DO YOU WISH TO REMEMBER A LOVED ONE or honor someone special during the Christmas season? Fill out this section and place in an envelope along with your **DONATION** for Christmas flowers *(to be published Dec. 26 & Jan. 2)*.

In Memory of _____

To Honor _____

Donated by: _____

HELP FILL THE BASKETS—Remember on Dec. 12, we are collecting food for the Food Pantry. Place your donation of non-perishable items in the baskets in church or bring to the Parish Life Center during Office hours. *Thanks!*

CALLING ALL COUPLES WHO WILL CELEBRATE THEIR 50th ANNIVERSARY IN 2022!
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