

ABUNDANT HARVEST

INSPIRING LABORERS FOR OUR LORD

JULY 31, 2022

IF TODAY YOU
HEAR HIS VOICE,
HARDEN NOT
YOUR HEARTS.



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.*

A BULLETIN FOR THE PARISHES OF
ST. LAWRENCE, ST. ROSE OF LIMA, & ST. PATRICK FREMONT

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 1

6:30 am † Eileen Johnson
 † Maureen Rabe
 12:00 pm † Colette Kroeten
 Sendgraff Family

Tuesday, August 2

6:30 am † Art Bose
 † Domingo Ramos Jimon
 12:00 pm Communion Service

Wednesday, August 3

6:30 am Communion Service
 12:00 pm Past and present members of St. Joan of Arc
 † Jane Soukup

Thursday, August 4

8:30 am † Poor Souls

Friday, August 5

6:30 am † Poor Souls
 8:00 am † (St. Rose) Poor Souls

Saturday, August 6

8:00 am Communion Service
 5:00 pm † Herman & Catherine Franzluebbbers
 † Shirley Reese

Sunday, August 7

8:00 am Parishioners
 10:00 am † (St. Lawrence) Dick Camp
 10:00 am † Lois, Vic & Leonard Nielsen
 † Michael Beacom
 12:00 pm (Spanish) Luis Sanchez, Elias Modena, Ramon Lara, & Stephanie Fallis
 † Poor Souls of Purgatory

New Parishioners & Visitors

We are grateful you are here! In our parish cluster community, all families & individuals are welcome! Should you feel called to join, you may register as new members before or after Mass or at the parish office during regular business hours.

Parish Business Office: (402) 721-6611

Mailing address: 422 E 4th Street, Fremont, NE 68025

Archbishop Bergan Middle School and High School: (402)721-9683

Archbishop Bergan Elementary School: (402)721-9766

For sacramental emergencies, please call (402)810-0986

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MASS TIMES & CONFESSIONS:

8/1/2022 - 8/7/2022

	<u>St. Patrick</u>	<u>St. Lawrence</u>	<u>St. Rose</u>
Monday	6:30 am & 12:00 pm		
Tuesday	6:30 am & 12:00 pm (CS)		
Wednesday	6:30 am (CS) & 12:00 pm		
Thursday	8:30 am		
Friday	6:30 am		8:00 am
Saturday	8:00 am (CS) & 5:00 pm		
Sunday	8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm (Spanish)		

<u>Confessions</u>	<u>Weekdays</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
St. Lawrence	None	None	9:15 - 9:45 am
St. Patrick	M,T, F 6:00 - 6:20 am M,W 11:30 - 11:50 am Th. 8:00 am - 8:20 am	None 3:00 - 4:45 pm	7:30 - 7:45 am 9:15 - 9:45 am 11:30 - 11:45 am
St. Rose	None	None	None

Priests of St. Patrick

Fr. Walter Nolte, Pastor
 Fr. Bill Cremers, Associate Pastor
 Fr. Minh Tran, Associate Pastor

Deacons of St. Patrick

Ed Gentrup
 Vic Henry
 Mark Hoyle
 Alberto Martinez
 Dan Mueller
 Dave Probst
 Tom Silva
 Gilbert Snodgrass
 Craig Steel
 Joe Uhlík

Deacon of St. Lawrence

Junior Pribnow



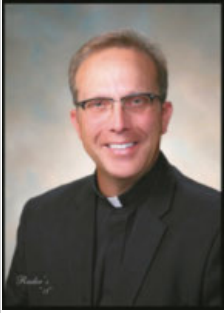
In addition to the Sunday bulletin (which you can access at www.stpatsfremont.org if you miss it going out of Mass), this is a regular email or text subscription that will keep you updated on important events and announcements at church. Just text the number below or visit the website to sign up at: flocknote.com/stpatsfremont

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St. Lawrence: law
 St. Rose: roselima
 St. Patrick: patrick



WELCOME HOME



THE ABUNDANT HARVEST BY FATHER WALTER NOLTE

“Both the first reading and the psalm response speak about the transitoriness of life. Life is all we have and it is so fragile, so fleeting. When we realize this, we may fear that in the end we will have nothing to show for our lives. Such thoughts show that we have not learned the most basic lesson of life—life is to be lived!

The goods of the earth are both good and essential for survival and advancement. However, they do not satisfy the deepest longings of the human spirit. They provide us with pleasure and challenge, but they cannot shield us from the transitoriness of life itself. In the face of such impermanence, they are ultimately worthless. Life itself is the far greater good; goods only enhance life.

Recognizing the transitoriness of life and the vanity of goods, we come to see that the only reality worthy of our total commitment is our relationship with God in Christ. Though made of dust and thus subject to perishability, we are joined with Christ and are promised imperishability. Having died to the vanities of this world, having taken off our old selves with their evil desires, we can now live as a new self, in generosity rather than greed, with openness to others rather than religious or gender or social biases. In our commitment to Christ we will discover that we can transform what is transitory in life by giving it away in love. If we can live in this way, life is anything but vanity!” by Dianne Bergant CSA

These past few weeks have seen quite a bit of busyness in our parish hall. We hosted funerals, meetings, and a fund raiser for St. Augustine Indian mission, a retreat for priests and deacons, and a conference on healing. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and prayer to make these events successful. We hope to host an annual meal for the St. Augustine Indian Mission since their need is great and they are our close neighbors. Next year we will host the meal on July 12 from 6:00pm to 9:00pm in Delaney Hall.

Thank you also for your generosity to our Lenten mission collection. We raised substantial funds for the wells in Cameroon and homeless in Mexico City. If you would like to see your donation put to work and the people you have assisted directly, you are invited to join me for mission trips I will be leading to Mexico City this October [October 14-19] and to Cameroon in December [December 5-12].for the inauguration of the wells. Thanks for our Festival of Joy committee who have been working hard to make our August 20 gathering a success. Raffle tickets and information for this parish event can be found both in the narthex and at our parish office on 4th Street.

Next weekend we will have visiting priests from Cross International here to celebrate Mass for us and to update us on the great work their organization is doing for people in need. At the end of the week, Fr. Cremers and myself will be attending a conference in Oklahoma City and will return to Fremont on August 7. Please pray for our safe travel.

Peace

Fr. Nolte

TRANSFORM LIVES!

We invite you to participate in the Mass on August 6 and 7, 2022. This is a day when a missionary priest from Cross Catholic Outreach will visit us. Come, to share the joy of knowing the efforts that the Church makes worldwide to serve the poorest and most vulnerable, and to find out what this ministry does. Listen to how you can TRANSFORM LIVES:

FEEDING THE HUNGRY

At 14 years old, Maritza weighed only 19 pounds. One of seven children of a poor widowed father, she suffered from hunger. However, today, she is improving, thanks to the intervention of one of the ministries that collaborated with Cross Catholic Outreach in Guatemala.

LOVING THE ORPHAN

In Mozambique, completely alone, Margaret, Dionezia and Lydia are orphans due to AIDS. Cross Catholic Outreach helps, charitable Catholics nurture their bodies and souls.

Cross Catholic Outreach's Mission is to mobilize the global Catholic Church to transform the poor and their communities materially and spiritually for the glory of Jesus Christ. Your gift empowers us to serve the poorest of the poor by channeling life-changing aid through an international network of dioceses, parishes and Catholic missionaries. This cost-effective approach helps break the cycle of poverty and advance Catholic evangelization.



WORDS OF MERCY

POWER TO HEAL – WORDS OF KNOWLEDGE – FR. BILL CREMERS

For *Refiner's Fire*, we are going through the series "Power to Heal" by Randy Clark. What follows is a paraphrased summary of the fifth section, "Words of Knowledge for Healing" (study guide, page 133).

Words of knowledge work hand in hand with healing. The anointing is not you just having an experience or a feeling; it is the empowerment to do something. When you receive a word of knowledge, you are flowing in the anointing to release the love and power of Jesus to someone else.

A word of knowledge is in indication from God of a specific condition, person, or circumstance that He wants to heal. There are multiple ways to receive these:

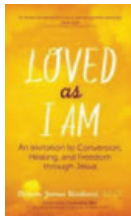
- Read it: Sometimes we may literally see words in our mind or in our vision.
- See it: You might see images in your mind that indicate knowledge from the Lord, or you might even have an "open vision" within the world that leads you to speak in confidence.
- Say it: Sometimes God waits to fill our mouth with His words until we open it – when we speak or pray, we may find words coming out that indicate God's sovereign wisdom at that moment.
- Feel it: Sometimes we feel foreign pain in our bodies as we pray; if I feel a sudden pain in my right knee, maybe that means that God is wanting to heal that condition in someone else.
- Dreams: In our dreams, we may have indications of what God will do in reality. Note these and pray from them!

In sharing these words, be humble and open, sharing what "might" be instead of a prideful certainty. Then watch and see what God does!

BOOK REVIEW

"LOVED AS I AM" – By Sr. Miriam James Heidland

Whether ridiculed by others, rejected by family or betrayed, the pain of rejection is a sign that we are made for communion (pg. 65). God in His loving care for us is aware of our pain and never abandons us. We are all His children. Jesus revealed this when He willingly died on the Cross for each of us so that we can live a life of abundant grace and love. Sr. Miriam realizes that through our wounds of abandonment and rejection, the enemy places many lies for our hearts to believe – you are not loved, no one will care for you. Without healing a person's life becomes dysfunctional. When these wounds are healed the person can live their life in the freedom of Christ. Sr. Miriam's was healed of her panic attacks that came from being abandoned by her biological parents and abused as a child. She benefited greatly from inner healing prayer with the help of a mature Christian that allowed her to experience God in these painful memories. Inner healing prayer brings the person into the reality that God never abandons us.

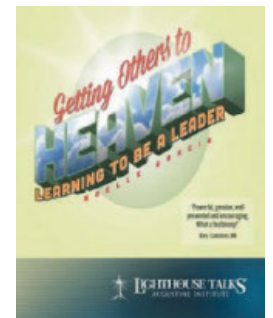


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GETTING OTHERS TO HEAVEN

Believe it or not, we are all called to be leaders. In her typical vibrant and energetic style, Noelle Garcia here shows us how leadership is an important component for propagating the New Evangelization. Noelle shares her early experiences of dealing with insecurity, and how she came to better understand what it means to be a Christian leader. She shows that although we are all sinners, God has given us all unique gifts.

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Sept. 7th – Nov. 9th

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life 10 week Bible Study of the Jesus' Life

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life is a ten-week study program presented by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri. Filmed on-location in the Holy Land and anchored in the life of Christ as presented in the Gospels, this study explores the entirety of Jesus' life—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, what he did for our salvation, and what all of this means for us as Catholics today.

Instructor: Terry Kroete

Location: Mary's Room

Day/Time: Wednesday Mornings, 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Cost: \$ 30

Registration: Forms available outside the Chapel and The Welcome Center or call the Parish Office to register.

Registration deadline: August 22nd.

Questions: Please call Kate Casale at the parish office 402-721-6611x18.

Prayer Intentions

Please pray for those who are serving in the military, especially:

SSG Anthony Allen, Pvt. Angie Bernal, Staff Sgt. Jared S. Carnahan, Staff Sgt. Keegan Dahlhauser, PO 5 Nicole Hansen, TSgt Robert Harms, CDR Chad Harris, SSgt Dane Kolter, 2LT Brandon Kreikemeier, Logan Lamborn (Air Force), Capt. Tyler Mach, Christopher Mercure (Army), TSgt. Jamison Mitz, SGT Constance Oberg, Coast Guard Bo Partsch, Command Sgt. Major Bryan Pfeifer, SSgt. Daniel Primm, SSgt Jeremiah Rezac, Lance Corporal Hunter Robertson, Private 1st Class Army Zachary Robertson, Sgt. Jordan Rock, Sgt. Nathan Schueth, STT Sgt. Michael Smith, SMSgt Tony Uhlik, Sgt. Jourdan Winterstein, Sgt. Logan Winterstein, Sgt. Zachary Zengewald.

PRAYERS

Prayer Intentions

Please pray for those who are not well and have asked for our prayers, especially:

Robert Arett, Josie Borgman, Bernardine Buresh, Cody Chapman, Sandy & Tyler Chromy, Aiden Church (grandson of Dan and Algene Mueller), Carmen Dufek (mother of Mary Ann Snelson), Sylvia Evert, Gilbert Faltin, LaDonna Grosse, Rita Grosse, Doug Gubbels (brother-in-law of Sharon Carlson), Stella Guthmann, Alexander Hernandez (son of Gisella Hernandez), Melissa Hughes, Joel Kotrous, Bernadine LeCrone (sister of Pat Beran), Richard Lahti (uncle of Amy Sund), Eileen McDermitt (sister of Shirley Allen), Carol McDermott (wife of Bill McDermott) Michele Missel, Lilah Newton (grand-daughter of Terry Kroeten), Myrna Niewohner, Charlie Rise, Jackie Rock, Jeff Snelson (brother of Mark Snelson), Joe Svoboda, Quinn Taylor, Greg Tomrdle, Delbert Uhlik, John Wayne Vanek, Ruth Caddy Vyhldal and Shani Wiesen.

If you want your name to remain on the list for September, please call the parish office at (402) 721-6611 by Monday, August 29 to confirm.



SAINT HIGHLIGHT: AUGUST 4 – ST. JOHN VIANNEY, PRIEST

How does one become a priest? First there needs to be a desire and ability to serve others. Then there's the sense that God is calling that man to serve as a priest. There also has to be discernment and evaluation by those who are responsible for the training and education of the candidate. Finally the bishop, with help from the Vocations Director and the seminary rector, decides to accept and ordain the person to serve as a priest or to recommend a different path of service. No man has a right to become a priest.

What about St. John Vianney? Well, he had the desire and ability to serve and a strong sense of vocation, but he was not able to do well in his studies for the priesthood. He had great difficulty listening to lectures in Latin. But he persevered and was eventually ordained. His zeal for the Lord also led him to become a great confessor, sitting in the confessional 11-16 hours a day reconciling God's people. Thus, he was named patron saint of priests.

What does it mean to be a priest? It means responding to God's call to serve in a special way; through ministering the sacraments, through preaching the Good News, and through leading God's people by a life of service. We are called to love and serve the world in our daily lives, but priests are called to love and serve the People of God. God has not stopped calling men to be priests; we just need to listen more carefully. All of us are responsible for fostering priestly vocations through our prayers and our encouragement.

If you want to learn more about the saints go to Mr. Mueting's Saint Weblog at mrmuetingsaints.blogspot.com.

PARISH POST ITS

**Welcome to Parish Post Its!
Here, we share those mini bits
of important info.**

HOLY TRIVIA

In honor of International Day of Friendship, see if you can guess who these friends are from the Bible:

1. This friend reminds us of loyalty and going above and beyond for friends by gathering hundreds of men to rescue his friend from captivity. (Genesis 14:14-16) *Answer: Abraham and Lot*
2. These friends show us the importance of sticking it out with one another by not letting the friend go to Bethel alone. (2 Kings 2:2) *Answer: Elijah and Elisha*
3. The next friends showed that friendship might be between different ages from anywhere. (Ruth 1:16-17) *Answer: Ruth and Naomi*
4. These were friends of Jesus who spoke their minds honestly to Jesus and helped one another. (John 11:21-23) *Answer: Mary, Martha and Lazarus*



Formation Highlights

FOLLOW ME. AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN

EMHC AND LECTOR TRAINING – DATE CHANGE!

Is God asking you to serve as an EMHC or Lector? If you have received all Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation) and are a practicing Catholic in good standing in the Church, then contact the parish office. High school students must be beginning at least their junior year. The archdiocese video presentation will be on August 31st, Wednesday at 6:30 pm in Mary's Room at the Church. Those attending will complete an on-line form for the Archdiocese. A practice session will be held in Tuesday, Sept. 20th at 6:30 pm in the church. Mandation will be celebrated at the 10am St. Patrick Mass on October 9th.



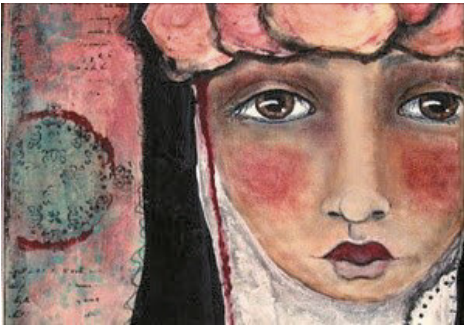
Please contact the parish office before August 24th if you would like to train as an EMHC or Lector.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) – BEGINS WEDNESDAYS STARTING SEPTEMBER 7TH 6:30PM– 8:30 PM IN MARY'S ROOM AT THE CHURCH

RCIA is for those who wish to explore the teaching of the Catholic Church with the desire to become Catholic; are either baptized or unbaptized, but are not Catholic; are 19 years and older. **RCIA is a journey of faith:** It is the process by which men and women enter the Catholic Church; it is a journey in that you are paired with a Catholic sponsor to help guide you along the way; you will join other candidates and sponsors in the form of weekly classes that begin in September, culminating with the entry into the Catholic Church the night before Easter. **RCIA is about Sacrament:** Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion) are typically celebrated at the Easter Vigil Mass. At this time, those participating in RCIA become full members of the Catholic Church. If you would like more information on joining the Catholic Church through RCIA, or to register for RCIA, please contact Kate Casale at (402) 721-6611 ext. 18 or kcasale@stpatsfremont.org. To inquire about RCIC, Christian Initiation of Children, please contact Lori Kisby at (402) 721-6611 ext. 15 or lkisby@stpatsfremont.org.

RCIA Sponsors needed: Catholics who are confirmed and over 18 years old who would like to share in this spiritual journey – we need you! Many sponsors have been surprised at what they learned about their faith. Qualifications are not determined by your head knowledge but rather your willingness of heart! If interested in becoming a sponsor, contact Kate Casale.

WEEK IN REVIEW



St. Rose of Lima Highlights



St. Lawrence Highlights

Service Organization News

ST. PAT'S WOMEN

Life House: We provide the evening meal on the 1st, 4th and 5th Wednesdays of the month. If your last name begins with the letter **K**, you may be called to donate food for the meal.

Funeral Dinners: Chairpersons for August are Eileen Holzerland (402)616-0377 and Sharon Holck (402)721-3820. Dessert Caller is Lou Stover (402)727-1444. She will be calling those whose last names begin with **S**.



QUEEN OF ANGELS COURT 2253

We are women working together to promote "Unity and Charity" within our community. Come join us!

For more information, call Cheryl Lucht at (402) 740-1186 or Krystal Morales at (402) 721-6611 Ext#16

ERMAA

Enhancing Rural Ministries for Aging Adults welcomes all Seniors 50+.

Sunday, August 14: Card party at St. John's Ridgeley, 140 County Road K in Scribner, from 2:00 - 4:- pm

Friday, August 26: Bunco from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Hooper Senior Center, 208 N. Main in Hooper. There is a 50 cent suggested donation.



Faith, Fellowship and Food

Interested in fellowshiping with others seeking more?
Open to hearing Good News?



Join us and experience Alpha.

**Wednesday, Sept. 7th – Oct. 12th
6:30pm – 8:30pm in Mary's Room at the Church**

A special thank you to all who sent 60th anniversary cards and wishes to us. We felt very blessed.

Many thanks,

Bob & LaVonne Cross



Praying for Our Community



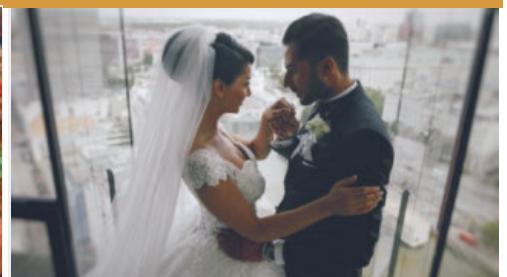
Baptisms

- ◆ **Alondra Yamilet Magaña Lopez**, daughter of Milton Magaña and Gloria Lopez, born July 17, 2020 and baptized July 24, 2022.



Passed Souls

- ✝ **Pat Fetkenher**, passed away July 27, 2022.



Weddings & Anniversaries

- The Archdiocese of Omaha requires that couples contact the parish at least 6 months before the wedding date. Marriage prep classes will begin 6-8 months prior to the wedding date. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

PARISH LIFE

WORLD YOUTH DAY

Want to join over a million Catholic youth from around the world in a once-in-a-lifetime celebration of faith? Then you're invited to an awesome and inspiring trip to World



Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal!

Fr. Bill Cremers is beginning to organize a pilgrimage through Verso Ministries for all young adults (18 and older) for **July 31 to August 9, 2023**. The pilgrimage also includes a trip to Fatima and other beautiful places around Lisbon. The group needs to consist of at least 15 people in order to move forward. Fundraising opportunities will be available as we prepare for the trip. If you are interested in this pilgrimage or have any questions, let Fr. Bill know at bcremers@stpatsfremont.org

Readings of the Week

Sunday, July 31: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday, August 1: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday, August 2: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-1

Wednesday, August 3: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-2

Thursday, August 4: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23

Friday, August 5: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday, August 6: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-3

Next Sunday, August 7: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Bergan events in italics)

Sunday, July 31

-7:00 am
-12:00 pm
-2:00 pm

Jovenes Para Cristo
Private party
Jovenes Carismaticos

St. Patrick Auditorium
Mary's Room
St. Patrick Auditorium

-Monday, August 1

-6:00 pm

Jovenes para Cristo

St. Patrick Auditorium

Tuesday, August 2

-10:00 am
-7:00 pm

Social Concerns
Jovenes Para Cristo

Office Conference Room
Office Conference Room

Wednesday, August 3

-8:00 am
-6:00 pm

Staff meeting
Jovenes Para Cristo

Mary's Room
St. Patrick Auditorium

Thursday, August 4

-6:00 am
-8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Exodus 90

Family Room

Family packets available to pick up @ Bergan

Friday, August 5

-8:00 am - 1:00 pm
-9:00 am
-1:30 pm
-5:00 pm

Family packets available to pick up @ Bergan

Stroke Scan
Royal Family Kids Camp
Gabriela Valderas and Jose Alfredo Jimenez
Wedding Rehearsal

Welcome Center
Delaney Hall

Jovenes Para Cristo

Church
St. Patrick Auditorium

Saturday, August 6

-8:30 am
-12:30 am
-1:00 pm
-2:00 pm
-7:00 pm

Stroke Scan
Quinceañera
Private Party
Valderas/Alfredo Jimenez Wedding
Jovenes Para Cristo

Welcome Center
Chapel
Delaney Hall
Church
St. Patrick Auditorium

Sunday, August 7

-7:00 am
-9:00 am
-12:00 pm
-2:00 pm

Jovenes Para Cristo
Private Party
School Sisters of St. Francis
Jovenes Carismaticos

St. Patrick Auditorium
Mary's Room
Delaney Hall
St. Patrick Auditorium

SOCIAL CONCERNS

St. Patrick's Parish Social Concerns Committee will meet August 2nd at 10:00am in the parish office conference room, 4th and C Streets. We will discuss our Vincent de Paul fund donations and upcoming fall activities. Any parishioners are welcome to attend.

CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNERS

Sunday, July 31	\$25	Lori Hogue
Tuesday, August 2	\$25	Scott Nielsen
Friday, August 5	\$25	Mason or Kim Wand

Thank you to everyone who purchased calendar lottery tickets! Please watch the bulletin for winners!

SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATES

The Seven Sisters Apostolates serves in any parish with women who pledge to offer a Holy Hour exclusively for the pastor (or associate priest) once a week.

What do I need to do?

- Commit to pray one hour of a specific day each week for a year.
- Pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in adoration or in front of the tabernacle.
- Offer the time only for the intention of the priest for whom you are assigned to pray.

FORMING OUR YOUTH

FEASTING ON OUR FAITH

LORI KISBY
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH FORMATION
"A sweet friendship refreshes the soul."
Proverbs 27:9

This morning I was preparing to flip the calendar over to August when I noticed that July 30th is International Day of Friendship. I had never heard of this day so I had to do some research. This date was started in 2011 by the United Nations General Assembly with the idea that friendship between peoples, countries, cultures, and individuals can inspire peace efforts and promote unity between communities around the world.

With school starting in less than a month, friendship means everything to children. Some children and adults are naturally gifted at making friends but sometimes we need reminders about what makes a good friend. The patron saint of friendship, St. Phillip of Neri, was a layman who built friendships with everyone he came across in Rome. His saying was, "Cheerfulness strengthens the heart and makes us persevere in a good life; wherefore the servant of God ought always to be in good spirits."

Books and movies are great teaching tools for learning about friendship. Sentimental classics like E.T. and modern adventure stories like Big Hero 6 show different forms of friendship and how they all have similar roots. Books like Winnie the Pooh give children heartwarming perspectives on how different kinds of people (or in this case, people and animals) can be friends.

The scriptures also have many beautiful accounts of friendship. God knows our desire to be known and to be loved! He made us for companionship. Within the scriptures, you can find advice on how to forgive others when you are hurt and how to handle difficult situations with friends. Some scriptures to read with your children might be Colossians 3:12-13. This is a good one to share about how Jesus wants us to be towards our friends. Other scriptures to read with your children are 1 Thessalonians 5:11, 1 Corinthians 15:33 and Proverbs 18:24.

Have a blessed International Friendship Day knowing that the greatest friend we will ever have is our friendship with Jesus!



HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR YOUTH FROM 2021-2022

During this summer, we are going to highlight the wonderful things our youth did at St. Patrick, St. Lawrence and St. Rose from this past school year. This week we are featuring the One Heart, One Fire Retreat for the Confirmation youth.

Our Confirmation Candidates were "put on fire" with the Holy Spirit on Saturday, March 26th. One Heart One Fire led the retreat with a time for games, music, prayer, adoration and reflection. Youth were given the opportunity to reflect where their relationship with Jesus is right now and how to keep growing in their journey with Him.

Have you ever prayerfully considered "letting your light shine" by sharing your faith with our youth? A great way to do it is by teaching our youth on Wednesday nights. Each adult is paired with another adult to teach our youth at Faith Formation. We are in need of teachers for 2nd, 5th, Confirmation, Sacraments and RCIC.

Another way to help is by being a Prayer Pal. These individuals come 2-4 times a month and listen to our youth pray. No preparation is necessary.

For more information, contact Lori Kisby at lkisby@stpatsfremont.org or call 402-721-6611 ext. 24.



Faith Formation will once again begin on Wednesday nights in less than two months! Our "Kick-Off" will be Wednesday, September 7th at 6:30 pm at Delaney Hall with a BBQ, meet the teachers and a parent meeting.

Faith Formation is for ALL youth 1st grade through Confirmation. To sign up your children, pick up a registration at the Welcome Center at church, the parish office or you may sign up online using WeShare:

CR Code:

<https://forms.ministryforms.net/embed.aspx?formId=eb4cdf5-14c0-4c6b-a08b-10afee4a642f>



Or you can use the following Direct Link:

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If you have any question, you may contact Lori Kisby at lkisby@stpatsfremont.org.

STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS: A donation to St. Patrick General Fund in memory of Terry Chapman; a donation to Bergen General Fund in memory of Terry Chapman; a donation to Bergen General Fund in memory of Dr. Karen Lauer-Silva; a donation to the Justin & Ruth E. Lauer Endowment Fund in memory of Dr. Karen Lauer-Silva.

St. Patrick Parish Financial Summary

	St. Lawrence	St. Patrick	St. Rose
Sunday Collections 7/16/22 - 7/22/22	\$595	\$17,676	\$835
Average Weekly:			
7/1/22 - 7/22/22	\$717	\$21,220	\$1,225
7/1/21 - 7/22/21	\$996	\$26,487	\$1,528
% Change	(28.0%)	(19.9%)	(19.8%)
Surplus/(deficit) at 5/31/2022			
a. excludes cemetery	\$17,132a	(\$160,954)b	\$135,753
b. Includes Bergen			

Archbishop Annual Appeal

7/24/2022	St. Lawrence	St. Patrick	St. Rose
Parish Goal	\$3,188	\$107,741	\$2,103
Commitments	\$3,855	\$90,579	\$3,580
% of Goal	120.93%	84.07%	170.21%
Particip. % Parish	58.93%	25.77%	45.45%
Particip. Goal	46.60%	19.90%	31.00%



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."
Luke 12:15

The Gospel message is contrary to modern culture that continually tries to convince us that our joy comes from the material things we possess. That the more we acquire, the happier we will be. Jesus shows us that our true joy comes from our "invisible" gifts like love, mercy and forgiveness. True joy comes from "emptying" ourselves, giving of ourselves rather than always taking. We are called not to hoard but to share. True joy comes from living a grateful and generous lifestyle; become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered."

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LAST CHANCE... for the lowest price on tickets for Pub St. Patrick in Delaney Hall on August 20th before they increase. Your \$30 ticket includes a super yummy Irish-inspired meal, SINGO (bingo to music of all eras), Live acoustic music with Andy Reed (& a surprise guest musician) & such community-building fun, you probably won't want to leave. Prices increase slightly on August 1st. Don't delay: sign up here: <https://bit.ly/3oxP8uY> or call the parish office for help in signing up. The Future's SO Bright at St. Pat's!

THE FUTURE'S SO BRIGHT AT ST. PAT'S!

Get your bikes, trikes and wagons (and the kids!) decorated in NEON for this year's Festival of Joy kiddie parade! The parade will be at 3:45 pm, just before raffle drawings!

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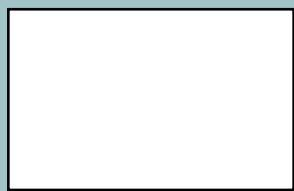
Parish Festival *how you can help*

- 1 Thanks
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stpat.fremont.org/parish-festival

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