

THE PARISHES OF
SAINT MATTHEW & CORPUS CHRISTI

SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2021

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday, and
Saturday | 8:30am
Wednesday | Calix Society
6:15pm

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday | 5:00pm
Sunday | 7:30am & 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday | 4:00 - 4:45pm
or by appointment

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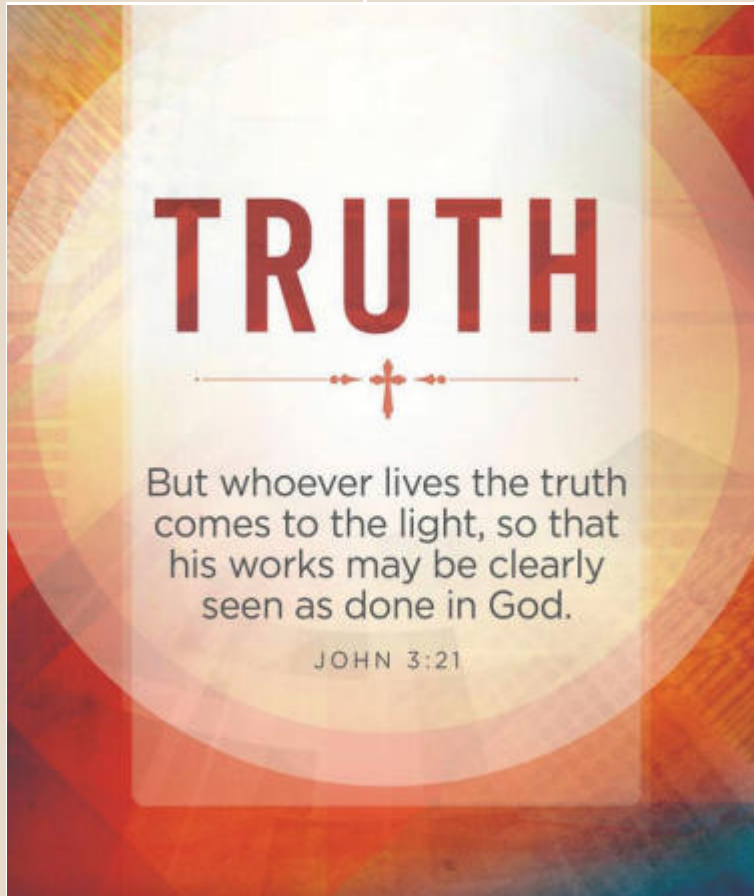
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*Loving Father, you sent your Only Begotten
Son to free us from sin and death.
May we die with him
so that we may also rise with him.*

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Saturday | 4:00pm
Sunday | 8:30am & 10:30am

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Saturday | 3:00pm - 3:45pm
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OFFICE HOURS

9am-3pm Monday, Wednesday
St. Matthew

9am-3pm Tuesday, Thursday
Corpus Christi

Offices closed on Friday

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Corpus Christi

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

4:00PM—*John Sheehan*

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

8:30AM—*Pro Populo*

10:30AM—*Judith Simpson*

MONDAY, MARCH 15

8:30AM—*Joseph Olson*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

8:30AM—*Phyllis & Edward McCarthy*

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

8:30AM—*Angelo DaVia*

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

4:00PM—*Josephine Schiavello*

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

8:30AM—*Pro Populo*

10:30AM—*Helen Carney*

† The Sanctuary Lamp †

Parishioners may request a Sanctuary Lamp in the Church to burn for 1 week in memory or in honor of a loved one.

Intentions will be posted in the weekly bulletin. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a Votive Memorial.

St. Matthew

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

8:30AM—*Stanley Tabo*

5:00PM—*Pro Populo*

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

7:30AM—*Jackie Witzman*

9:00AM—*Fiona Dolan*

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

8:30AM—*Antonio Bucci*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

6:15PM—*those suffering from addiction
Both living and deceased*

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

8:30AM—*Leonard Jezyk*

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

3:00PM—**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

8:30AM—*William Stead*

5:00PM—*Albert Mirto*

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

7:30AM—*Jackie Witzman*

9:00AM—*Pro Populo*

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In loving memory of **Grace Davis** requested by the Rappa family..

2020 TAX DONATIONS

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A COPY OF YOUR 2020 TAX CONTRIBUTION, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 994-2922 OR 633-5850.

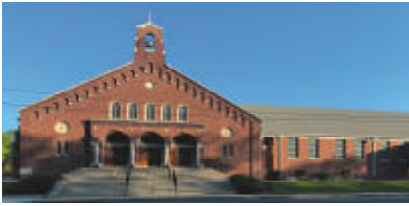
PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY 2020 CONTRIBUTION POSTED AFTER JANUARY 1 WILL BE RECORDED AS A 2021 CONTRIBUTION.

**PLEASE SEND
YOUR WEEKLY ENVELOPES
TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS**

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PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION



Stations of the Cross
Friday during Lent at 3:00pm
at St. Matthew R.C. Church



Religious Education

**CORPUS CHRISTI AND ST MATTHEW CHURCH
CCD PROGRAM 2021**
SERVING CHILDREN IN
KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 8

St. Matthew Church

***Tuesday, March 16
6:20PM—CCD School**

***Tuesday, March 23
6:20PM—CCD
School / Recon. Serv. 1**

**St. Matthew School building
901 E. Newport Pike**
Contact: Debbie Ciafre at 302-275-8717
religioused@corpuschristide.com

CORPUS CHRISTI ENVELOPES
If you are one of the 20 parishioners that did not receive their envelopes, please be aware that there was some sort of glitch with the envelope company and your info was deleted out of their system. I have since put your info back in their system. If you do not receive your envelopes sometime this month, please let me know. It is possible that they may not get shipped until the next mailing. Thank you.



**Every Sunday Morning
@ 10:30AM**
**WEBSITE LINK WILL BE SENT TO
YOUR EMAIL VIA FLOCKNOTES
OR VISIT STMATTHEWSDE/YOUTUBE**

CORPUS CHRISTI & ST. MATTHEW PARISH INFORMATION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Infant to 6 years of age Registered parishioner parents must attend the one-hour Baptism class held in the Church. Pre-registration is required, please call the parish office.

Adults or Children 7 years or Older

The normal process is the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Please contact Debbie A. Ciafre at religioused@corpuschristide.com

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples who are planning to marry must contact the parish priest or deacon **AT LEAST 6 WEEKS** before the potential wedding date.

HOSPITAL/NURSING HOME

If your loved one would like to receive Holy Communion, please let admissions know so they can be put on the list. If Anointing of the Sick is required, notify hospital chaplain first

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you or a loved one is sick or cannot come to Church & would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office to schedule a home visit.

NEW MEMBERS

Please contact the parish office for a registration form.

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH COMMITTEES

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| KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS | Blessed Sacrament Council meets the 1st Monday of the month at 7PM in the Church |
| ST. VINCENT DE PAUL | Those living in the Town of Elsmere call 598-6599. Open Monday evenings at 6:15PM. |
| MONTHLY DEVOTIONS | First Friday of the month Sacred Heart. |
| PRAYER GROUP | 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month from 7P to 8PM in the Chapel. Contact Marianne at 998-0010 |
| ROSARY | Weekdays following morning Mass at CC & STM. Saturday, before 4PM Mass at Corpus Christi. |
| EMMANUEL DINING | Contact Angelo D'Amico at 998-2091 or Sheila McMahon at 998-5620. |

ST. MATTHEW PARISH COMMITTEES

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| FOOD PANTRY | Mon., Tues., & Thurs., 10am to 2pm. Wed., 6pm to 8pm. Call 302-428-1247 |
| B.V.M SODALITY | Contact Barbara Becker Graham at: bbg@schaffnerholdings.com |
| ACTIVITY COMMITTEE | Contact Colette Ratsep Horkey at: cratsep@aol.com |
| EMMANUEL DINING | Contact Carol Monaghan at: carolkmonaghan@aol.com |
| POWER OF PRAYER | If you have an intention or would like to join the prayer chain group, please contact: lodonnell12@verizon.net or call 302-994-5117. |



Stand up for Life on Friday, April 2, 2021

Delaware will host FOUR different Life Chains on Good Friday, April 2, from 10-12 in each county. This Lenten action on one of the holiest days of the year reminds us of the sacrifices necessary in defending the innocent.

Participants rally for the preborn children threatened by abortion by standing along busy thoroughfares. Like every year, we will hold pro-life signs which make a powerful impact to those driving by. Please join us for an hour or longer to be a voice for the voiceless innocent babies who need us to stand up for them.

New Castle County: In Wilmington along Route 202 across from Fairfax Shopping Center, **10-12 p.m.** Contact Moira Sheridan, 302-494-3834

Kent County: Outside Planned Parenthood of Dover at 805 S. Governors Ave., **10-12 p.m.** Contact Fran Urick, 302-233-4684

Sussex County: At Highway 1 & S. 9th St. in South Bethany, **10-12 p.m.** Contact Carolyn Marcello, 302-539-8775. In front of St. Jude's Church on Route 1 in Lewes, **10-12 p.m.**
Contact Rachel Leonardo, 302-644-1106.



ST. PATRICK



Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At age 16 he was torn by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, Calpurnius, a deacon and minor local official, and carried into slavery in Ireland. He spent six bleak years there as a herdsman, during which he turned with fervour to his faith. Upon dreaming that the ship in which he was to escape was ready, he fled his master and found passage to Britain. There he came near to starvation and suffered a second brief captivity before he was reunited with his family. Thereafter, he may have paid a short visit to the Continent.

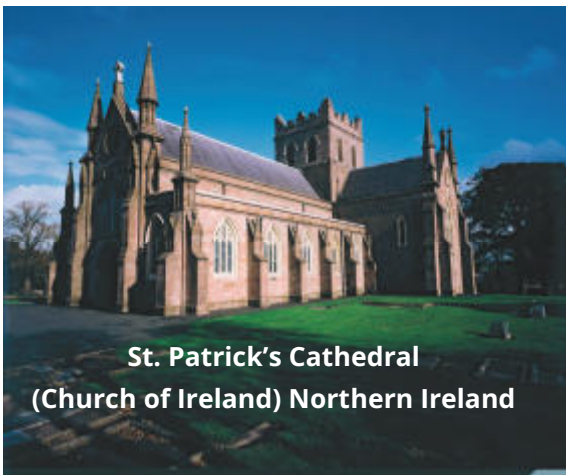
The best known passage in the *Confessio* tells of a dream, after his return to Britain, in which one Victoricus delivered him a letter headed “The Voice of the Irish.” As he read it, he seemed to hear a certain company of Irish beseeching him to walk once more among them. “Deeply moved,” he says, “I could read no more.” Nevertheless, because of the shortcomings of his education, he was reluctant for a long time to respond to the call. Even on the eve of reembarkation for Ireland he was beset by doubts of his fitness for the task. Once in the field, however, his hesitations vanished. Utterly confident in the Lord, he journeyed far and wide, baptizing and confirming with untiring zeal. In diplomatic fashion he brought gifts to a kinglet here and a lawgiver there but accepted none from any. On at least one occasion, he was cast into chains. On another, he addressed with lyrical pathos a last farewell to his converts who had been slain or kidnapped by the soldiers of Coroticus.



Toward the end of his life, he retired to Saul, where he may have written his *Confessio*. It is said that an angel conveyed to him that he was to die at Saul, the site of his first church, despite his wishes to die within the ecclesiastical metropolis of Ireland. His last rites were administered by St. Tussach (also spelled Tassach or Tassac).

LEGENDS

Before the end of the 7th century, Patrick had become a legendary figure, and the legends have continued to grow. One of these would have it that he drove the snakes of Ireland into the sea to their destruction. Patrick himself wrote that he raised people from the dead, and a 12th-century hagiography places this number at 33 men, some of whom are said to have been deceased for many years. He also reportedly prayed for the provision of food for hungry sailors traveling by land through a desolate area, and a herd of swine miraculously appeared.



St. Patrick's Cathedral
(Church of Ireland) Northern Ireland

Another legend, probably the most popular, is that of the shamrock, which has him explain the concept of the Holy Trinity, three persons in one God, to an unbeliever by showing him the three-leaved plant with one stalk. Traditionally, Irishmen have worn shamrocks, the national flower of Ireland, in their lapels on St. Patrick's Day, March 17.

15 ST. PATRICK'S DAY FACTS

1. St. Patrick's Day always falls on the 17th of March.
2. The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place in America—not in Ireland.
3. The New York City St. Patrick's Day parade is the world's oldest civilian parade and the largest in the United States.
4. Chicago began its annual tradition of turning the Chicago River green on St. Patrick's Day in 1962.
5. In Ireland, St. Patrick's Day had been viewed mostly as a religious observance, and up until the 1960s, they even had laws that forbid bars from being open that day.
6. It wasn't until 1798 (the year of the Irish Rebellion) that the color green became officially associated with St. Patrick's Day. Before then, another color was originally associated with St. Patrick.
7. St. Patrick's Day switched over from a strictly holy day for Catholics to an official Irish public holiday in 1903.
8. Although St. Patrick's Day falls within the period of Lent—a time when the Catholic Church prohibits eating meat, the ban is lifted on this specific day of celebration.
9. The annual shamrock ceremony in the White House started in 1952.
10. Each year, 5.5 million people visit New York's St. Patrick's Cathedral.
11. Before St. Patrick became a missionary, he had been kidnapped at the age of 16 and taken to Ireland as a slave.
12. St. Patrick is said to have been buried in the town of Downpatrick, County Down, in Northern Ireland.
13. There are two autobiographical writings from St. Patrick himself, including *Confessio* and *Letter to Coroticus*.
14. Traditionally, Catholic families go to church in the morning on St. Patrick's Day, and partake in a meal that includes cabbage and Irish bacon.
15. Dublin's first official celebration of St. Patrick's Day did not occur until 1931



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