

St. Patrick Parish

January 30, 2022
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Our School Open House This Sunday!
“Candlemas Day” This Wednesday!**



Pastoral Notes All Are Welcome!

This Sunday, January 30th, our St. Patrick Grade School, principal, faculty and staff, invite you to our Open House between 1:00pm and 3:00pm. Everyone is invited! At the present time, we already have a waiting list for potential enrollment for the next school year. (We had to reduce our class size somewhat because of the Covid spread.) However, applications will still be accepted online, and an opportunity for an in-person tour can be arranged by appointment.

As we celebrate this National Catholic Schools Week, from January 30th-February 5th, the 2022 theme from the National Catholic Schools promotion department is well chosen: “Catholic Schools—Faith, Excellence, Service”.

May we all strive to serve the Lord and continue His mission and ministry as we pray nationally for all of our Catholic Schools and thank God for our own St.

Patrick School Community. You may also notice our own slogan or hear it being expressed from satisfied families: “St. Patrick is a School That You Can Believe In”!

This annual occasion affords me the opportunity to publicly express a note of deep appreciation to all those dedicated people in our school who make it possible for parents to choose a full-time Catholic grade school education for their children. And so, I express a word of special gratitude to our principal, Mr. Jeremy Clark, the faculty, support staff, and the entire school family.

Please plan to be with us as we celebrate National Catholic Schools Week with our Open House. We are certainly blessed to have such a fine parish Catholic school... “One That You Can Truly Believe In and In Which You Can Take Pride”!

These are the daily themes and the focus for our prayers this week:

Sunday:
Celebrating Your Parish

Monday:
Celebrating Your Community

Tuesday:
Celebrating Your Students

Wednesday:
Celebrating the Nation

Thursday:
Celebrating Vocations

Friday:
Celebrating Faculty, Staff and Volunteers

Saturday: Celebrating Families

Please plan to visit our school this afternoon and see what a great Catholic grade school has to offer!

Special School Mass This Friday—February 4th!

As we conclude National Catholic Schools Week this Friday, we are pleased to announce that Bishop Arturo Cepeda, our regional bishop, has accepted my invitation to preside at our School Liturgy this Friday morning, February 4th, at the 8:30am Mass. Everyone is invited to be with us for this Mass.

I want to publicly express a note of deep gratitude, in advance, to Bishop Cepeda for offering to be with us for this National Catholic Schools Eucharistic Celebration!

Our Catholic “Festival of Lights”!

This Wednesday, February 2nd, we are celebrating the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. It is also known as *Candlemas Day*.

As this occurs each year, forty days after Christmas, the feast, originating in Jerusalem in the 4th century, marks the mid-point of winter—halfway between
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the winter solstice (the shortest day of the year) and the spring equinox. Jesus came into our world as the “light”—shining in a darkened world—a sign of true hope as our Emmanuel, God with us; and so we light candles on this day to remind us of this God-given reality among us.

I came across an old weather proverb that said if we have a bright and sunny Candlemas Day there will be more winter to come. However, if we have a cloudy and stormy Candlemas Day, perhaps the worst of winter has passed. We could only hope! I also found a proverb that goes like this ... “If Candlemas Day be fair and bright, winter will have another fight. If Candlemas Day brings clouds and rain, winter will not come again”. Maybe, this is how the hedgehog or groundhog tradition began.

May you all be blessed by the Lord with a peaceful and happy Candlemas Day this Wednesday. May the Light of Christ shine forth for you.

Thank You For Your Christian Stewardship!

First of all, this week I want to offer a word of public recognition and gratitude to all of you who are offering your generous, faithful and consistent weekly financial church support for our St. Patrick Parish Faith Family. I am personally appreciative to you for your positive and responsible expressions of various Christian stewardship as you continue to offer your time and talent as well.

Each day of our God-given life, as Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, continues to remind us, we are invited through our initial baptismal call and empowered by the Holy Spirit to live out our discipleship in our relationship with the Lord and with others. As members of the Church, we have all been called to follow Jesus; to take up our cross each day; to offer our gifts and talents for the building up of God’s Kingdom; to care for each other; to offer a hand when we see a need; and in whatever ways we are able to do so—according to our personal God-given vocation in life—we have all been called and gifted by the Holy Spirit to announce the Good News of Jesus in our everyday life.

Perhaps this week, we could offer this simple prayer each day: “Speak Lord, your servant is listening...I will go wherever you need me...I will hold your people in my heart.”

Feast of St. Blaise!

Next weekend, February 5th & 6th, we will offer the traditional blessing of the throat at all of our Masses in honor of St. Blaise. However, because of the necessary Covid protocols required at this time, we will not be able to offer individual blessings. Hopefully, next year, with the grace of God, this will once again be possible.

This is the prayer that will be offered at the conclusion of our Prayers of General Intercession with the blessed candles at all of the Masses: *“Through the intercession of St. Blaise, may the Lord protect you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. Amen.”*

Scriptural Reflections!

In my scriptural reading last week, I found this reflection that I thought might be helpful to you this week. (Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31; 13:13 or 13:4-13; Lk 4:21-30)

Anyone who has been to a Catholic wedding has likely heard today’s Second Reading there. It is chosen, and appropriate, not just for its relevance to the couple about to embark on a sacramental life together, but for what it reveals about God—that God is love. Love is not just a sentiment, but an action. Therefore, when patience and kindness are extended; when one bears, hopes, believes, and endures all things; and when one is not pompous, or jealous, or rude...*that* is love. Anything else is not love. St. Paul is not just “defining the love” that comes from God, he is confirming that all things good derive from love, and that authentic love produces goodness. This enduring reality of love is revealed in who God is for us, for no matter what we have done to and against him throughout our human history, he has never failed to love us.

One of the messages that can be gleaned from our Gospel today is similar to Paul’s. The setting of today’s passage is Jesus helping people in the synagogue understand how some of the old prophecies refer to him. Yet they find it difficult to believe that this poor, obscure, son of a carpenter could possibly be the one who is fulfilling this prophecy from Isaiah. Their familiarity with Jesus makes it particularly challenging for them to see him as more than simply a charismatic teacher. They want Jesus to work

some miracles to prove he is who he claims to be.

Rather than working miracles, Jesus scandalizes them by suggesting that his saving ministry is not only for the Jewish people. Once Jesus insists that the love of God is large enough to save even the Gentiles, this draws anger and rejection from his hometown community. The fact that he would suggest that God would have love and mercy for unclean outsiders is too much for the people to accept. Their admiration of Jesus turns to indignation very quickly. How could this possibly be the Anointed One if he suggests such shocking things?

Jesus is revealing a better understanding of God’s love. God is so loving and merciful that even those who began as his enemies could be brought into his friendship. Jesus’ mission was to make the way to heaven so that anyone who repents and believes in him could find the path home. Jesus would save Samaritans, Romans, and many other people that the Jewish crowd would view as enemies. This notion of God’s love was so generous that the people were scandalized by its depth and scope.

It is not hard to be challenged by the scope and depth of God’s love, and what that demands from us in return. It is difficult for us to truly grasp how the love of God can be so vast. We may even, at times, doubt that the Lord can truly love and forgive us, since we know the depths of our own sinfulness. Jesus rejects any limits on God’s love, and Paul gives us words of great hope: *Love never fails.* We can know this only partially, for *we see indistinctly*, as Paul says. But through Christ we get a glimpse of what we, one day, will know fully. For faith, hope, and love remain - and the greatest is love.

Peace and Joy in the Lord Whom We Serve,

Fr. Tom



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Gay Pousho, Business Manager 248-698-3100

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

WEEK OF 01/30/22	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>DIFFER- ENCE</u>
WEEKLY OFFERTORY	\$10,836.72		
ONLINE GIVING	\$4,607.50		
TOTAL	\$15,444.22	\$18,692.31	(\$3,248.09)
YEAR TO DATE	\$546,563.10	\$560,769.30	(\$14,206.20)

**Please use blue or black ink when writing checks!
No other colors please!
Thank You!**

TO REGISTER FOR ONLINE GIVING, VISIT WWW.STPWL.ORG

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

First Corinthians and the Stewardship of Social Media

“Love is patient, love is kind ...” As familiar as these words are, they never seem to stray into the territory of becoming trite or silly. At their core they communicate a truth about us and about our Creator that never fails to inspire.

But despite the fact that you’ve probably heard it at many weddings over time, First Corinthians isn’t just for newlyweds. It wasn’t written for married folks. It’s for every single one of us, in every state of life and every social situation, in every country and culture and language across the globe.

Which means that First Corinthians is even for the online world. It’s for Facebook and Twitter and Instagram and all the other platforms I’m forgetting (there seems to be a new one every day, doesn’t there?).

A sense of division — whether rooted in politics, culture or anything else — is growing in our world, and it’s never more obvious than when we observe interactions online. It is far easier, after all, to remember what love is when a human being of flesh and blood stands before us. When all we see is an avatar or a profile picture on a screen — especially accompanied by an opinion with which we vehemently disagree — even the most loving Christians can throw First Corinthians out the window.

As everyday stewards we know that we are charged to be not only gracious but grateful. We receive others but we also give thanks for what they bring to us — even if that’s an opportunity to “strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts.”

So before the next time you post anything online, I suggest giving First Corinthians a read — and remember, love never fails.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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***Please Pray for Our
Men & Women in the Military***

- EM2 Christian Kopicko - Coast Guard
- HMC Geraldine Petrick – Navy Reserves
- SPC Kerry Petrick – Army Reserves
- Lt. Paul Campbell – USN
- Sr. Airman Eric Kelly – Airforce
- Major Andrew Atanasoff – USAF
- Major Kathleen Atanasoff – USAF
- S SGT Casey Crowley – Marines
- PFC Dustin Crowley – Nat. Guard
- Capt. Joseph Payne- Army
- Michael Territo- Navy
- Andrew Lucas-USMC
- Jesse Arbuckle- Navy
- E-1 Jacob Collins -National Guard-Army
- 1st Lt. Marcel Cloutier – Air Force
- Lt. Kirk S Seleski – U.S. Army
- Austin Oberlander US Army
- Sarah Schneider US Air Force
- Justin Riordan, Army National Guard
- LCpl Bryce D. Samoylov—Marines
- Evan Caswell—Marines



ELECTRONIC GIVING

To make your Sunday contribution electronically:

If your bank offers free bill pay, we suggest you use that service **OR** go to our website at stpwl.org and click on “Online Giving”. If you are contributing electronically and no longer wish to receive envelopes, please let us know. Call Bridgett at 248-698-3100 ext. 228, or bgriffith@stpwl.org

PARISH UPDATE

Have you moved...dropped your landline? Do we have your email? Please notify the parish office at 248-698-3100 ext. 228



WORSHIP

Ann Rogers arogers@stpwl.org
248-698-3100 x 222

Sacristans Needed

Before Mass, Sacristans set out the correct amount of bread and wine along with the appropriate liturgical vessels. Sacristans prepare everything in a timely way for the ministers and the assembly who will worship together at Mass. It is easy to do and training is provided. We particularly need Sacristans at the 12:00 Mass. Please call Ann at 248-698-3100 x 222 if you are interested in serving your parish in this very important way.



This Week's Readings

Monday, January 31

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13
Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 1

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30
Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 2

Mal 3:1-4
Heb 2:14-18
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Thursday, February 3

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12
Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 4

Sir 47:2-11
Mk 6:14-29

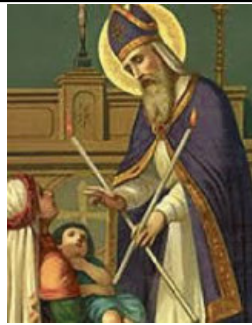
Saturday, February 5

1 Kgs 3:4-13
Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, February 6

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Is 6:1-2a, 3-8
1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11
Lk 5:1-11



St. Blaise

Feast Day: February 3

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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Join Father Susai on
Friday, February 4th at
7:00 pm
in the Church for
Mass and Benediction

We hope you can join us

Memorare

Remember,
O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known
that anyone who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help,
or sought thine intercession
was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence,
I fly unto thee,
O Virgin of virgins, my mother;
to thee do I come,
before thee I stand,
sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not my petitions,
but in thy mercy hear and answer me.
Amen.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS KNIGHT LINE

Dear Friends in Christ,

It's cold outside and it's time again for us to distribute Brian's Bags to the needy and to the homeless. We come together each year to help those less fortunate in our communities by providing them with what they really want in their time of need. We strive to improve the world for everyone and we want to make life easier for those who are homeless by helping provide them with much needed food and services.

We have been hard at work making **Brian Bags** for people in need. These bags contain a structured set of items, including first aid supplies, food, and other items to help with their well-being. This is where we need your help.

We come to you today, asking as brothers and sisters in the Lord, to please visit your local McDonald's and obtain \$5 gift cards; either purchased or donated by the restaurant. One gift card is great but two or more would be marvelous! Please place them in an envelope for the collection baskets during weekend Mass. Make sure to indicate "Brian's Bags" on the envelope. We thank you in advance for the charity that you show others. People like you truly make a difference in the world, and we're incredibly grateful!

May God bless you!



Keith Applebee
Brian's Bags Chair
St. Patrick Knights of Columbus
Council #13319



An open letter to Catholic School Students:

Do you know why you are going to a Catholic school? Permit me to give you a little bit of background.

Your parents and grandparents are the ones who built the Catholic school educational system in your city, state, and nation. Your parents and grandparents saw the importance of a great education and saw the connection between their faith in God and his Church and education to assist the greater community in becoming more than just an average citizen of society and believer in Christ.

A Catholic school education is now more expensive than it used to be. In previous decades, religious sisters and brothers who worked for next to nothing staffed our Catholic schools. They spent long hours to make sure the teachings of the Church and the education of the next generation was excellent. Now our teachers are mostly lay-women and men. And they deserve a living wage and to provide for their own families.

As Catholic Schools Week 2022 approaches, let us remember where our Catholic schools were, and where they are going.

Let us pray...

God of knowledge and faith,
thank you for the opportunity to go to a Catholic school.
When I go to Mass, I hear that knowledge is so important.
Thank you for my parents and grandparents
who have built our school and supported it throughout the years.
Help me to be a good student
and to become a good supporter of my parish, city, and country.
Please bless all those men and women
who have spent their lives teaching in our Catholic schools.
Please bless my friends and teachers I learn with every day.
I ask for all these blessings in the name of God's Son, Jesus.

Amen.



Groundhog Day on February 2 is when we ask are we in for six more weeks of Winter? Only a groundhog named Punxsutawney Phil knows for sure. Each year on Groundhog Day, people flock to Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, to await the forecast of the local rodent celebrity. Originating with German settlers, who came to Pennsylvania in the 1700s and brought their seasonal superstitions with them, legend has it that if Phil sees his shadow on February 2, the winter chill will continue. Oddly, if the weather is cloudy and he doesn't see his shadow, we can expect warmer temperatures and early spring. Groundhog Day is a tradition to be cherished.

ST. JOHN BOSCO PRAYER INITIATIVE

We are engaging 1,000 volunteers to pray for young people and those who minister to them for the Feast of St. John Bosco!

WILL YOU JOIN US?

Sunday, January 30 - Saturday, February 5th

LEARN MORE AND SIGN UP AT: boscoprayer.org

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Please find an hour during Catholic Schools week to pray with us! Sign up at “Boscoprayer.org”

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It’s not too late to sign up for the RISE conference.

Register today:
www.risedetroityouth.org
 or contact jcavanaugh@stpwl.org

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine! —Isaiah 43:1

RISE DETROIT 2022

A GATHERING OF HIGH-SCHOOL YOUTH

Keynote Speaker
Dr. Bob Rice

Date / Schedule
 Feb. 6th, 2022
 8:15 AM – 7:15 PM

Breakouts
 The Culture Project

Special Appearances
 Bishop Arturo Cepeda
 Fr. Patrick Gonyeau

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Confirmation Preparation

It’s Retreat Weekend and Rite of Choice and Election!

Please continue to pray for our Confirmation Candidates as they continue their journey towards Confirmation Day.

Strengthsfinder, February 13th 1-4pm— Don’t forget to finish up the Strengthsfinder assessment and submit your top 5 strengths before the workshop. Learn where God is calling you to serve in the church, your school, your home, your community, and the world!

Service—Check out the opportunity on Saturday, February 5th for the Meal Packaging event. We also will need a few more Soup Pot holders after masses on the weekend of February 12th and 13th. Confirmation service time should be completed by February 15th.

Don’t forget to RSVP for RISE! Tickets reserved through Julie are free to you!

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING
tacklehunger.org

In 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

Since then, more than \$170 million has been generated for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement of God’s Grace that transforms the time around the Big Game into the nation’s largest celebration of giving and caring for those in need.

Through this mission, people learn they can make a positive difference in the world as they collect food, raise money and serve at hunger-relief charities and show caring and compassion in local communities across the country.

Share in God’s love for our neighbors in need and give generously on Souper Bowl Sunday. All of the donations collected will go directly to our Souper Bowl of Caring Charities of Choice: **Matchan Nutrition Center**

To donate virtually, click on the QR Code below.

Help us raise \$3,500 to feed 10,000 people



On Saturday, February 5, 2022, families from St. Patrick Parish will gather to pack 10,000 meals! **BUT, we first need to raise \$3,500**

This is a service project for middle school and high school students and their parents. Save the date – MANY volunteers will be needed!

Kids Coalition Against Hunger is a 501 c 3 humanitarian food relief organization whose mission is to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the USA and feed starving children throughout the world.

WE WELCOME YOUR DONATION TO HELP THIS CAUSE

- Drop an envelope at the parish office or weekly offertory labeled "Youth Ministry Meal Packaging"
- Use our online donation site: https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause_pdetails/MTEzZmZw
- Mail a check or money order to:

Kids Coalition Against Hunger
P.O. Box 930794
Wixom, MI 48393
ATTN: St. Patrick February 5 White Lake

Your donation is fully tax deductible

St Patrick Middle School Faith & Fun



February 7th, 2022 6:30-8:30pm—The King's Yomen and Bring a Friend Night! We will begin with our Circle of Grace/safe environments session and end with a gospel based drama using some amazing yo-yo skills! Current 5th graders are invited to join us for this evening following their Faith Formation session.

February 27th, 1:00-7:00pm—Middle School Retreat Day with the NET ministry team. The theme for the day is Strength in Numbers and it's all about building authentic friendships.



Challenging Young Catholics to Love Christ and Embrace the Life of the Church

ATTENTION 8th Grade Students and their Parents

Confirmation Preparation Session 1 dates have been set! **The Teen and at a parent must attend one of these sessions together** to begin the process of preparing for an early Spring Confirmation in 2023.

Sunday, March 20th at 6:00pm, immediately following the 5:00 youth mass that evening.

OR **Tuesday, March 22nd at 7:00pm**

Both will be hosted in the parish social hall and will last approximately an hour and a half.



Teens...Stay spiritually fed by staying in touch using one of our Social Media Platforms!



Remind: Text "@sptee" to 81010



Instagram:@spteenswhitelake



Facebook: SpTeens White Lake



Twitter: spteenswhitelake



Snapchat: spatteens



FAITH FORMATION

Vicki Krier , Director
vkrier@stpwl.org

248-698-4388 x 224

BIBLE STUDY NEWS

The new Women’s Bible study will now begin March 2nd and go for 6 weeks meeting every Wednesday from 8:15-10:30 Am.

There will be a new Friday morning study starting soon. This group meets from 9:30-11:30. Topic is TBD.

For more information contact Lisa at lpowaser@stpwl.org

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

St Patrick Catholic School will be hosting an open house today, Sunday, January 30th from 12-3p.m. Come see all the amazing things St Patrick’s has to offer.

RE News:

- 1/31 & 2/7 both weeks virtual
- 2/14 RE 5:45-7
- 2/5 Sacramental Prep 3:30-5
- 2/6 & 2/13 RCIA

Adore and Pour

Join Us for an evening of Benediction and Fellowship Friday, February 4th From 7-10p.m.



Benediction 7-8 p.m. in the church followed by fellowship from 8-10 in the St Patrick’s meeting room



A Call To Serve Class is being offered here at St Patrick Parish for all teens 9th grade and up who would like to volunteer within their Catholic community. The class will be on Sunday, March 3rd from 1-4pm. For more info contact Vicki at vkrier@stpwl.org



WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

There are countless ways to help out in our Church Community. We are always looking for the following volunteers:

Catechists (k-5) Monday and Sunday classes

Catechist Assistant (k-5) Monday and Sunday classes

VBS (June 20-24th) group leaders, set up, snacks, and so much more

Sacramental Prep (once a month) catechist and assistants

Genesis & Logos (6-8th) table leaders and grade level catechists

Confirmation (9th grade) adult and teen facilitators

Altar Servers (grades 4th and up)

So many other events throughout the year

If you are interested in helping in any capacity please contact Vicki Krier at vkrier@stpwl.org or Julie Cavanaugh at jcavanaugh@stpwl.org or call the office at 248-698-4388.



St. Aldegundis
Born: c.633 Belgium
Died: 1/30/684 France
Patronage: Cancers and many childhood diseases.

St Aldegundis comes from a long family history of Saints. Her parents, aunt, and sister were also saints. She founded a Benedictine monastery.



Save the Date: JUNE 20-24th
VBS will be **Monumental!**
We will need **lots** of Volunteers!
More information will be coming soon.



CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Bonnie Degen

bdegen@stpwl.org 248-698-3100 x 215



Christian Service Outreach is looking to build a small group of volunteers interested in doing various tasks in the community. Our group of volunteers would be called upon for various tasks and outreach possibilities as needed in our community. Email Kelly Brittingham at kbrittingham@stpwl.org, or call and leave a message at 248 698 3100x 215



Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the social hall after 8 AM and 10 AM Masses this weekend. The proceeds are donated to local mission services in our area.

Board Game Night at Independence Village

Game Night is on Thursday evenings at Independence Village. Please contact Kelly at kbrittingham@stpwl.org for more information to have fun and spread joy with our seasoned citizens.

Shoebox Project

Many thanks to all who helped make our 2021 Shoebox project a huge success, Angel Haven delivered 951 shoe box gifts to Van-sant, Virginia for Christmas, almost 1/3 was provided by caring people from St Patrick. We are always amazed by your kindness, generosity and continued support of our Christian Service projects and programs. May God bless you all.

It might seem a little early to start shopping for our Shoebox Project for November, but the warm clothing, hats and mittens are being marked down for clearance now. If you plan to make shoe boxes this year, please consider starting now. If you find bargains while you are out shopping, even if you don't want to make a complete box on your own, warm clothing, hats and gloves, full size toiletries and toothbrushes are always needed to fill the hundreds of shoe boxes that are sent to Appalachia. Items can be dropped off in the Parish office vestibule during business hours and we will store them until the time for filling shoe boxes. If you want to support our cause but don't care to shop you can still support the hundreds who live on so little with cash or gift card donations. We also collect empty large shoe and boot boxes all year, so please consider recycling them through Christian Service.



St. Vincent de Paul

Please remember the poor boxes at the doors of the church. Requests for help are high in these uncertain times. Thanks you so much for your generous and continued support. The needs of the poor are greater in the winter months when utility bills are high. With your support, we are able to help those struggling with their bills.

CIRCULATE THE LOVE PLEASE GIVE BLOOD! ST. PATRICK CHURCH

St. Patrick Church will be holding a blood drive in the Parish Hall on **Friday, February 25th from 10:00am – 4:00pm.** To schedule an appointment visit RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code: stpatswl) or call 1-800-733-2767).

Save time by using RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history online before you come to your appointment. Get started at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or by using the Blood Donor App.

Warm hearts, great gifts! As our thanks for coming to give, we'll send you a \$10 Amazon.com Gift Card via email, thanks to our partners at Amazon! Terms apply. Visit rcblood.org/ together.

Blood Drives

For your convenience, please consider making an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org



The **Bloomfield Donation Center** at 4190 Telegraph Road, and is open 7 days a week by appointment only, times vary, see their website.

The **Farmington Hills Donation Center** at 31150 Haggerty Rd, times vary, make an appointment at the website above.

Right to Life—LIFESPAN

The next **LARTTL** meeting is on February 8th at 6:30 PM at Katherine Christian's home. If interested in going please contact Janice Brines (248-390-1635) for directions

SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday, April 23rd the Lakes Area Right to Life Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser will be held here at St. Patrick's at 6:00pm in the gym. Watch for details!





COMMUNITY COLUMN

Pray for the Unborn

Please join us on **Saturday, February 12th, at 10:00 AM.** We meet at Women's Care 6765 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, 48322. If you cannot join us in person, please join us in prayer. Thank you

Grief Support Group

1st Tuesday of every month at 3:00 pm, and Sunday the 3rd week of each month at 2:00pm at the Dublin Senior Center. For more information, please call 248-918-1622.

Rachel's Project

On average, there is a five to ten-year period of denial during which a woman who was traumatized by her abortion will repress her feelings. Come find release from your anguish and experience forgiveness and hope on a Rachel's Vineyard retreat. For more information call 248-494-6363 or visit www.detroitrachelsvineyard.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ottie Kowalis
- Blanche Newton
- Michael Newton
- John Hanna
- Butch Buechel
- George Goeddeke
- Chuck Spadafore
- Mario Stellini
- Bill Reed
- Billy Reed
- Pat Klinkovsky
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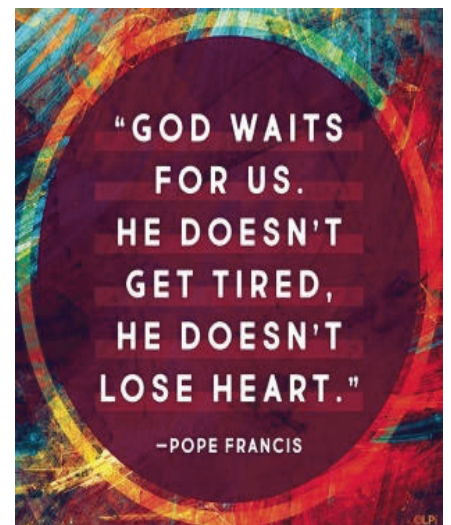
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Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day Pilgrimage of Prayer

Detroit's Assumption Grotto Church, located at 13770 Gratiot Ave., along with welcoming members of the North American Lourdes Volunteers, will be hosting an all-day pilgrimage of prayer on Friday, February 11, the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, from 7 AM to 9 PM. A plenary indulgence, as granted by Pope Leo XIII, can be obtained by all participants. Day highlights include Holy Masses at 7:30 AM & 7 PM each followed by Veneration of St. Bernadette Relic & Holy Rosary, 5 PM Lourdes Virtual Experience with Candlelight Procession to Outdoor Grotto and an opportunity to obtain Lourdes Water, Noon Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament & Anointing of the Sick, 3 PM Stations of the Cross followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet & Holy Rosary. Private Confession will also be available a half hour before each Mass and upon request. A luncheon bar of vegetarian chili, soups, salads, potluck items will be available from 12:30 PM until 5 PM. For more information, including a complete day schedule of events, please visit www.assumptiongrotto.com or call (313) 372-0762



Schedule for February 1 and February 5 & 6

DATE/TIME	MINISTERS OF THE WORD	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY
Tuesday <u>Feb. 1</u> Video Mass 11:00am Fr. Susai	Pat Mackowiak	Volunteers	Volunteers	Video Volunteers Camera: Earl Audio: Janice Director: Earl Producer: Janice
Saturday <u>Feb. 5</u> 5:00 pm Fr. Tom / Deacon Ken	Pat Bumgarten	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Sunday <u>Feb. 6</u> 8:00 am Fr. Susai	Bob Brines	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
10:00 am Fr. Tom	John Fitzgerald	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
12:00 pm Fr. Susai / Deacon Mike	Marsha Hughes-Navarre	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers

Mass Intentions Scheduled for January 31 - February 6

Day/Date	Time	Intentions	By
Monday, January 31	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Tuesday, February 1	11:00 am (Video Mass)	Paul Borg—15th Anniversary of Death Joseph Kowalis - 24th Anniversary of Death	Wife, Emily Wife, Ottie & Family
Wednesday, February 2	8:00 am	Steven Miller Bret Holling on his Birthday	Family
Thursday, February 3	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Friday, February 4	8:30 am	Joseph Kolly, Jr. on the Anniversary of his Death For All Seminarians	Children
Saturday, February 5	5:00 pm	Bill & Donna Reed on their 72nd Wedding Anniversary Fr. Ezequiel Mondragon on his Ordination Anniversary	
Sunday, February 6	8:00 am	Bill & Donna Reed on their 72nd Wedding Anniversary Brian Dirker Walter & Jim Dmoch Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society	The Dirker Family Family
	10:00 am	William Kershner on his Birthday Fr. John Peter Charles Brincat Christy & Eric Durkee Joseph McMahon - 7th Anniversary of Death	Nancy Meyer The Barrera & Poir Families The Davis Family Daughters
	12:00 pm	Bill & Donna Reed on their 72nd Wedding Anniversary William E. Quinn, Sr.	Son, Brian Quinn

WEEKLY CALENDAR
January 31 - February 6

Monday, Jan. 31
Mass - 8:00am

Tuesday, Feb. 1
Mass - 11:00am (Video Mass)

Wednesday, Feb. 2
Mass - 8:00am
 8:15am - Women's Bible Study
 3:00pm - Girl Scout Troop #76828
 7:00pm - Couples Bible Study
 Isaiah Bible Study

Thursday, Feb. 3
Mass - 8:00am
 7:00pm - Boy Scout Mtg.
 - Venture Scout Mtg.

Friday, Feb. 4
Mass - 8:30am
 7:00pm - Mass & Benediction
 8:00pm - Adore & Pour

Saturday, Feb. 5
 10:00am - Kids Coalition Against
 Hunger
 11:00am - Confessions
 12:00pm - Brian's Bag Packaging
 3:30pm - 1st Communion Prep
Mass - 5:00pm
 Blessing of Throats

Sunday, Feb. 6
MASSES: 8am, 10am, 12pm
 Blessing of Throats/All Masses
 11:00am - Adult RCIA
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 Tuesday 11:00 a.m. videotaped
 Wednesday 8:00 a.m.
 Thursday 8:00 a.m.
 Friday 8:30 a.m.

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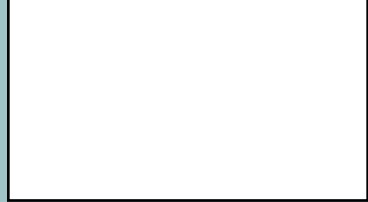
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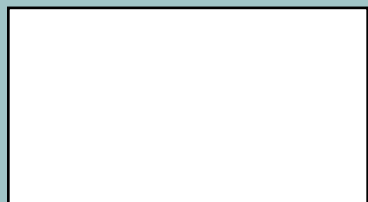
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