



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF  
**SAINT PATRICK**

26 Hunter Street ✕ Highland Mills, New York 10930

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**Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 22nd, 2020**

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### MASS TIMES

#### WEEKENDS

Saturday Evening Anticipatory Mass.....5:30 pm

Sunday Morning.....8:00, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon

Children's Liturgy of the Word, grades Kindergarten through 5th grade, every Sunday at 10:00 am Mass.

#### WEEKDAYS

Monday thru Saturday..... 12:00 pm

#### HOLY DAYS

On the Holy Day.....7:00 am, 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm

### PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

**ROSARY:** Recited Mon. thru Sat. after 12:00 pm.

**NOVENA:** Every Monday after the 12:00 pm Mass, the Miraculous Medal Novena is prayed.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION:** Every First Friday after 12:00pm until 2:00pm concluding with Benediction.

### PARISH OFFICE & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

Located in the Parish Center—Education Building

26 Hunter Street (*Mailing Address*)

Parish Office: (845) 928-6027

Fax: (845) 928-2982

Religious Ed Office: (845) 928-6688

Monday thru Thursday.....9:30 am to 3:00pm

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St. Patrick's offers a Family Based Religious Ed (FBRE) process for everyone in whatever structure of "family" you may have. It balances Catholic learning with Catholic Christian living. Call for more info.

**PARISH WEBSITE:** <https://stpatrickny.org>

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Confessions are heard on Saturday afternoon from 4:30 to 5:15 pm and anytime with Fr. Joe upon reasonable request.

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Second & fourth Sundays at 1:30 pm. Expectant parents may contact the parish office to arrange for the baptism preparation session held on the third Thursday of every month. The class is held in the Parish Center—Education Building, Room 7 at 7:30 pm. Adults are baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil after completing the process of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, (RCIA).

**RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** A process for those who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith, or for Catholic adults, who after being baptized as infants, wish now to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information, please call our Parish Office.

**THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:** It is an honor for our parish to celebrate marriage with couples. Please contact the parish immediately after engagement to begin the preparation process. The recommended time for preparation is six months.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:** If you are planning to enter the hospital for surgery, experiencing a prolonged or serious illness, or homebound, please call, or have a loved one call the parish office to arrange for the sacraments of the sick.

**WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS:** The Saint Patrick faith community warmly welcomes you! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Joe as you leave the church so that, on behalf of the entire community, you may be welcomed. You can register at the parish office and receive any information needed from Margie, the parish secretary.

### WELCOME STATEMENT

*Saint Patrick is a Catholic Parish—Catholic, from the Greek, meaning universal, international or all inclusive. So, everyone is welcome in our community, no matter who you are or where you're from, your language or your lifestyle, your age, income, creed or culture. Everyone is welcome here because this is God's house and we are all God's family.*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020**

12:00 Special Intentions

5:30 Mary Bushey

by The Carey, Donnelly & Incledon Families

**SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020**

8:00 Rosemary Hollway by Tom Urtz

10:00 Louise Doherty by The Breakfast Club

12:00 Anthony V. Andreala by The Lynch

**MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2020**

12:00 Special Intentions

**TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020**

12:00 Special Intentions

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2020**

12:00 Special Intentions

**THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020**

12:00 Special Intentions

**FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020**

12:00 Special Intentions by The Quigley Family

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2020**

12:00 Bridget Roach by Diane Roach & Family

5:30 Patricia McCormick by The Family

**SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020**

8:00 Rosa Carolini by Tom Urtz

10:00 Frank Reynolds by Mike & Judy Manza

12:00 Guillermo & Alba Leon by Daughter

**Children's Liturgy of the Word Mass**  
**Sunday Mass - 10:00am**



*Dates to Remember*

**First Communion Retreat** – April 4<sup>th</sup> / 9:00am-12:00pm  
 Parish Center

**Confirmation Prep** – April 5<sup>th</sup> / 6:30 – 8:00pm  
 Lower Church Hall

**Baptism Preparation Class** – April 16<sup>th</sup> / 7:30pm  
 Parish Center Room 7  
 (New Parents) Registration required.

**F.B.R.E. Sessions** – April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>  
 Parish Center

**St. Patrick's Church is closed**  
**until further notice.**

**Some of our parishioners have inquired about**  
**the weekly donations and envelopes.**

**You can mail in your weekly donations to:**

**St. Patrick's Church**  
**26 Hunter Street \* Highland Mills, NY 10930**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Reading I: I Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a**

God chooses David, Jesse's youngest son, to be His anointed one, and Samuel complies. This story also contains an element of fear of Saul.

**Reading II: Ephesians 5: 8-14**

There is a clear contrast made between Christian and pagan life, in terms of light and darkness.

**The Gospel: John 9: 1-41**

The essence of the "sixth sign" is not simply that a man's sight is restored, but that light is given to one who has never had it. The Pharisees ironically illustrate true blindness, not of the eyes but of the heart.

**COLLECTIONS**

Third Lent

*Cancelled Masses until further notice*

March 15, 2020	\$ .00
WeShare	\$ .00
March 24, 2019	\$ 3,696.00
WeShare	\$ 2,015.00

Attendance:

Envelopes:



**Stations of the Cross**  
**Fridays during Lent at 7:00pm**

**Pray the Holy Rosary**  
**Fridays during Lent,**  
**after the Stations of the Cross**

# What's Happening....Here...

## **Altar Rosary**

Please contact Debbie Caldwell at 845-928-7681 or [dacaldwell@optonline.net](mailto:dacaldwell@optonline.net).

## **Adult Bible Study**

We will meet on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 pm, in the Parish Center. We will discuss Jeremiah. Newcomers are always welcomed.

## **AA Meetings**

### **A.A. Hotline: (845) 534-8525**

Mondays, 6:30pm–7:30pm: Closed Beginner's Meeting (open only to those who desire to stop drinking or thinks they may be an alcoholic.)

Wednesdays, 6:30pm–7:30pm: Open Speaker Meeting (Everyone is welcome.) Speaker will share their experience, strength and hope.

Wednesdays, 7:45pm–8:45pm: Closed "Big Book" Meeting (open only to those who desire to stop drinking or thinks they may be an alcoholic) Reading and discussion of the book "Alcoholics Anonymous".

## **Knight of Columbus**

### **Serve our Parish and Community**

The Knights of Columbus of St. Patrick's Parish is looking for a few good men. Our membership has grown significantly since our inception at the parish. If you are interested, it is an excellent opportunity to join with Father Tyrrell and many other like-minded men of the Parish. The Knights of Columbus is open to Catholic gentlemen over the age of 18. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month in the lower church hall of St. Patrick's at 8 PM. Please contact Vic Ferrarelli at (845) 325-6207 or via email at [vicx56@gmail.com](mailto:vicx56@gmail.com)

## **Religious Education Shamrocks Program**

Our parish is blessed with a religious education program for children with special needs. Our Shamrocks Program offers an opportunity for children needing a small class setting to receive the religious education needed to receive The Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. Classes are held on Sunday mornings and Monday evenings. Please call our Religious Ed office at: 845-928-6688 for more information.



## **Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors & Altar Servers March 21<sup>st</sup> & March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

5:30 pm

G. Baptiste, M. Quigley \* N. Miskura  
Altar server: Armando B., Michael K.

8:00 am

K. Wong, B. Mickolajczyk, A. Lee \* S. Zambrzycki  
Altar Server: -

10:00 am

B. Maxwell, R. Colbert, I. Mendez \* M. Manza  
Altar Server: Nicholas L., Daniel D.

12:00 pm

D. Whetsel, A. Abbio, A. Spagna \* J. Jeune  
Altar Servers: Patrick K, Sean K.

## **Clothing & Shoe Shed Through the Knights of Columbus**

St Pat's has a clothing and shoe donation shed! The Knights of Columbus have secured a shed for clothing and shoe donations! It is located in the back of the parking lot. Drop off your used clothing and shoes here so that they may be redistributed to help meet the needs of others. Your donations will be distributed throughout the Hudson Valley and surrounding area, through various charities.

**These items will not be resold or destroyed.**

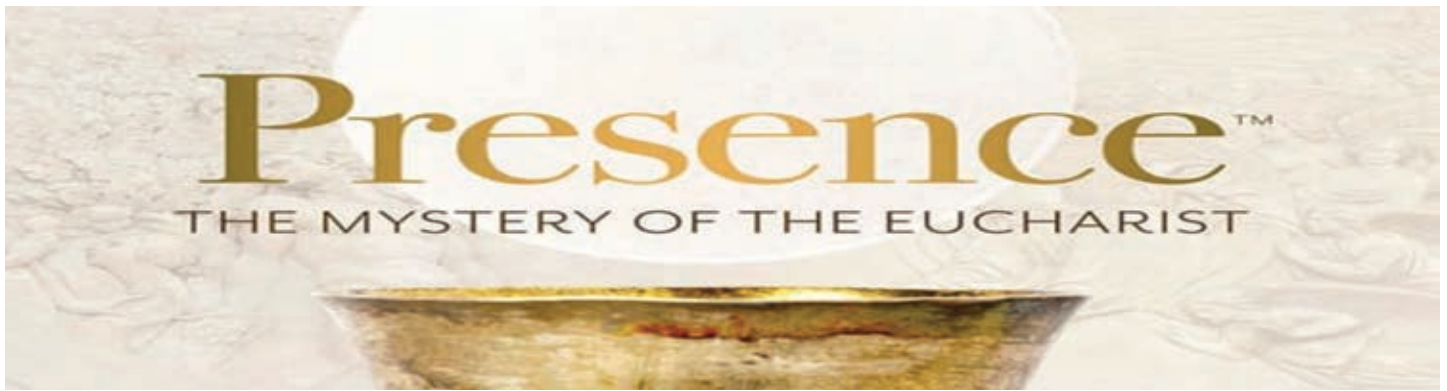
## **St. Patrick's VBS 2020**

Summer is coming! Planning has begun for St. Patrick's Vacation Bible School (VBS) to be held June 29 – July 3, 2020 from 9am-1pm.

**The next volunteer meeting will be held on Saturday, March 28th from 8:30am – 9:30am at the St. Patrick's Religious Education Building.**

Adults and youth (currently in 6<sup>th</sup> grade through high school) are invited to start their summer by volunteering. As part of our decorating, teaching, snack, craft, music, recreation or games team, volunteers enjoy a relaxed, fun atmosphere while working together to create a memorable, faith-filled week. All prospective volunteers are invited to attend to learn more about this wonderful program.

Theresa at 845-781-0347/  
[stpatrickshmvbs@gmail.com](mailto:stpatrickshmvbs@gmail.com)



Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the “source and summit” of the Christian life. Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist explores the truth and beauty of Christ’s real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members. The Eucharist is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

< Week One: March 21, 9:30am – Sacred Heart, Parish Center  
**Episode 1: God is With Us**

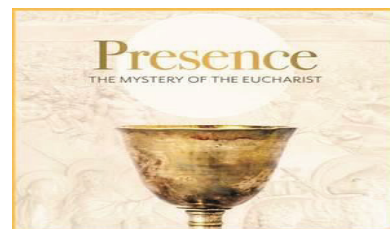
< Week Two: March 28, 9:30am – Sacred Heart, Parish Center  
**Episode 2: The Story of the Eucharist**

< Week Three: April 4, 9:30am – Sacred Heart, Parish Center  
**Episode 3: Bread for the Journey**

< Bonus Episode: For Children: TBD  
**For Children: The Miracle at Every Mass**

**It’s easy and free to start enjoying FORMED!**

- 1** Go to [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org)
- 2** Select your parish **St. Patrick, Highland Mills, NY**  
**Parish Code: PT87BV**
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- 4** Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.



**Sacred Heart Parish Center, 26 Still Road Monroe, NY 10950**  
**Entrance on the south side of the Church.**





# The Power of Prayer

The following prayer will be shared with the parishes  
and people of the archdiocese.

## Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection

O Mary,  
you shine continuously on our journey  
as a sign of salvation and hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.  
At the foot of the Cross  
you participated in Jesus' pain,  
with steadfast faith.  
You, Our Lady of New York,  
know what we need.  
We are certain that you will provide,  
so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee,  
joy and feasting might return  
after this moment of trial.  
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform ourselves to the Father's will  
and to do what Jesus tells us:  
He who took our sufferings upon Himself,  
and bore our sorrows to bring us,  
through the Cross,  
to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.  
We seek refuge under your protection,  
O Holy Mother of God.  
Do not despise our pleas –  
we who are put to the test –  
and deliver us from every danger,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin.

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*At this very moment,  
every country on the planet is going through  
the very same thing at the very same time...  
Some, more than others.*

*Pray with your family, pray alone, pray!  
Pray for those affected  
and are fighting for their health;  
pray for those  
who have lost the battle to this virus;*

*Pray for those who are on the frontlines,  
trying to identify, medicate and cure  
those who have been infected,  
that they stay safe and healthy*

*Pray. Pray, and then pray some more.*



## What is the Meaning of "Lent"?

As a lover, student, and teacher of language, I queried where the word "lent" originated. I discovered that it has multiple roots from the Old Germanic, Old English, and Old Dutch that basically mean the Spring season or the lengthening of days, coinciding with increased daylight and sunshine. The Latin equivalent would be "Quadragesima" which means forty days – the length of Lent. (The number forty has a significant meaning in the Bible.)

For all, Spring is a time of renewal and change. I already see daffodils and tulips peeking up through chilly earth, birds are chirping and looking for food and materials for nests (I always leave some ribbons or yarn to see dangling later in the season) and even little sprouts of grass are poking up.

We, especially here in the Northeast, know that when winter passes, there is a certain urgency and life begins again. The sun warms us, we open our windows to fresh air, and we walk outside without heavy protective barrier clothing. We are renewed and reassured that life continues.

When I was younger, Lent was a sorrowful time. Lots of doing without, and dark colors, and required "penances". What we should be doing is house-cleaning and preparation with joy. Be looking forward to the greatest assurance of our belief. The true event of Easter.

Do not give up your usual and favored Lenten activities, but consider also doing something positive for your family, your community, and your environment. Some suggestions might be a weekly family gathering to talk/share or to pray or recite the rosary. Take a morning walk to clear your mind and lungs. Volunteer in your community for an outreach activity – visit/call the elderly, deliver food, read to a child, etc. Change your eating habits to benefit your health or to support the earth. Keep a prayer book or journal. Study the lives of the Saints. Simplify and unclutter your life and mind. Be aware of and protect your environment.

Lent is a spiritual spring – a time for spiritual rebirth, growth, and renewal. Use it to grow closer to the God who loves you beyond any human understanding.

"in Just Spring - when the world is mud-luscious  
...when the world is puddle wonderful..." (e.e. cummings)

"I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single seed. But if it does, it produces many seeds." (John 12:24)

Be the daffy daffodil, the fragrant lilac, and the spunky sunflower! God bless. Mary P.

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