

Mass Schedule
Epiphany of the Lord
January 4, 2015



Saturday, January 3rd

9:00 Grace Cox req. by Grace Longo & Family
5:30 Vincent R. Luccarelli req. by the Family

Sunday, January 4th

7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of
St. Patrick's Parish
9:00 Dorothy Reiter
req. by Mary Jane & Ferdy duBourbon
10:30 Raymond F. Hickey, Sr. req. by the Family
Noon John F. Smith req. by Fran & Jim Dowling
5:30 Vincent J. & Vincent D. Luccarelli
req. by Fuhrman Family

Monday, January 5th

7:00 Lula Konti req. by Ulaj Family
9:00 For Teenage Parents req. by Respect Life

Tuesday, January 6th

7:00 Robert McGorry
req. by Deacon Lou & Mary Santore
9:00 Grace Cox req. by Jeanette Galvin

Wednesday, January 7th

7:00 Amy Maier req. by Voltaggio Family
9:00 Grace Cox req. by Rose Patierno

Thursday, January 8th

7:00 Members of the Esposito Family
req. by the Family
9:00 Grace Cox req. by Marie DiBlasio

Friday, January 9th

7:00 Dick Crabtree req. by Kelly & David Crabtree
9:00 Frances Settoducato req. by Cordiano Family

Saturday, January 10th

9:00 Manuel & Sophia Osorio req. by the Family
5:30 Special Intention

Sunday, January 11th

7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of
St. Patrick's Parish
9:00 Gene McGuire req. by Fran & Jim Dowling
10:30 Linda Gazzola req. by the Family
Noon John F. Smith req. by Mary & Chris Zagajeski
5:30 John Minton req. by Barbara Minton

12/21/14 Parish Income
Regular Collection: \$12,499.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Senior Neighbor Program

Just let us know in the Parish Office (234-3344) if you would be interested. St. Patrick's will be very grateful.

Pray for the Sick

Christopher Barratt, William Harry Barratt, Thomas Browne, Vincent Buchan, Bill Buckingham, Fr. Steve Clark, Rose DeCicco, Laura Deleg, Suzanne Delaney, Maggie Dellorso, Frankie Dezell, Maryann DiBarri, Martha Dursi, Kate Fletcher (rehabbing leg injury), Margaret Harrington, Alex Hood, Larry Kaslow, Frank Kearns, Stephen Michael Mack, Betty Martineau, Kate Martinez, Danny Mulholland, John O'Shea, Monica Progreske, Darlene Richards, Robby Smith, William Vitro, and all who request our prayers.

It is a privilege and a duty for us to pray for those commended to our prayers. From time to time we start a new list to make sure that it is up-to-date. If we have removed someone who should remain on the list, please call the Parish Office at 234-3344.

Coffee Sunday

Today is Coffee Sunday. Please join us for refreshments after the morning masses in the Church Meeting Room.

Second Collection Today

Today's second collection is the annual collection for the support of the Catholic University of America. Thank you for your generosity.

Partnership – in – Faith Prayer

Heavenly Father, we ask your blessings and protection on the people of Sacred Heart parish. We, your children at St. Patrick's, invoke your name on their behalf. We are grateful for all you have given us and in return we are mindful of those who have less than we do. Bless us all and keep us close to you. May the example of your Son, Jesus Christ, be the strength that will make us one in you. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Traveling Statue

The Traveling Statue of the Holy Family can be in your home for a week. You are invited to take it and to pray the prayer for vocations with your family during that week. The statue is available to you if you see it on the table next to the baptismal font in the Church.

From the Pastor's Desk

What's Wrong With New Year's Resolutions?

Here we are in a brand new year and, of course, with the beginning of the year come all the traditions of the holiday: things like New Year's parties, football bowl games, white sales, etc. Also associated with this time of year is the "New Year's Resolution."

I have the feeling that more and more people are saying something like, "I don't make New Year's resolutions anymore because I always wind up breaking them." How sad that is! Let me cast an enthusiastic vote in favor of the New Year's Resolution. Here's why. I view the New Year's Resolution as a sign of humility, openness to grace and perseverance.

First, humility. When we make a resolution we admit that we are not perfect and that our life needs improvement. In other words, we admit to being a creature, not the creator. Part of the universe, not its center.

Second, openness to grace. We make the resolution and we say, in effect, to God, "Please help me with this project. I need your help, Lord. I can't do this all by myself."

Third, perseverance. Perhaps you want to make a resolution to do something that you have tried to do in the past, but failed. In making the same resolution, you are not only involving yourself in humility and openness to grace, but you are persevering in your humility and openness. Perseverance is a virtue that leads to and enables many other virtues.

Looking for a resolution? How about one aimed at improving your family life. Who knows the virtues and the vices, the strengths and the weaknesses of all the members of your family better than you do? Why not make a resolution to stress and dwell on the virtues and the strengths rather than the vices and the weaknesses of each family member? Calling forth the best in each person is a wonderful way to cherish that unique child of God, and it's a wonderful resolution that can be made and re-made throughout the year. Happy New Year!

St. Patrick's 2014 Nativity Pageant

Many thanks to all the children who participated in St. Patrick's 2014 Nativity Pageant. All the performers and back-stage helpers did an incredible job! Many thanks also go out to all the parents who were incredibly supportive throughout the rehearsals and preparations – even donations to provide new costumes to make our little stars shine even brighter as they portrayed the story of Jesus's birth!

Ministries In Need

At present we have a need for volunteers in the following ministries:

- Lectors
- Eucharistic Ministers

Career Network

The St. Patrick's Career Network is available to provide assistance to those parishioners who are in a career transition. We offer confidential one-on-one assistance and cover such topics as: career evaluation, resume writing, interview preparation, developing networks, job skills search and targeting the job market. For those interested, please call Deacon Lou at (914) 393-1900.

Caregiver

A parishioner is looking for a caregiver to assist her mother travelling to appointments 1 to 2 days a week. If interested please call the Parish Office at 234-3344.

Catholic Infertility Support Group For Women

If you are facing infertility and long for some guidance and support, please join us on January 5, 2015 from 7:30-8:30 at St. Patrick's Parish Family Education Center in Yorktown Heights, Room 101. RSVP to toni.saintpats@gmail.com

Respect Life Group

The next meeting of the St. Patrick's Respect Life Group will be held after the 9 A.M. Mass, Monday, January 5th in the Parish Meeting Room. As it is the beginning of the New Year, perhaps you might consider becoming a member. You are most welcome at the meeting. Need information? Call DeDe Burke at 234-7264.



The following weekends are available for flower donations in loving memory of someone or for a special intention. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements (234-3344).

January 17/18
January 24/25
January 31/February 1

Baptisms

We welcome the newly baptized into God's family and into our St. Patrick's Community:

Lucia Josephine Albano
Brooks Plaford
Oliver Frances Ritter

Words of Pope Francis

"If we—all of us—accept the grace of Jesus Christ, he changes our heart and from sinners makes us saints. To become holy we do not need to turn our eyes away and look somewhere else, or have as it were the face on a holy card! No, no, that is not necessary. To become saints only one thing is necessary: to accept the grace that the Father gives us in Jesus Christ. There, this grace changes our heart. We continue to be sinners for we are weak, but with this grace which makes us feel that the Lord is good, that the Lord is merciful, that the Lord waits for us, that the Lord pardons us—this immense grace that changes our heart."

Annual March For Life

The March for Life is an annual demonstration of support for the sanctity of all human life and marks the 42nd anniversary of the infamous "Roe v Wade" Supreme Court Decision legalizing abortion during all nine months of a woman's pregnancy. Hundreds of thousands of citizens, from all over the United States, will join together to show their opposition to abortion in a peaceful and prayerful walk up Constitution Avenue from the area of the Mall to the Capitol building. It is a breath-taking and wonderful experience! At the end of the March, we will board the bus and proceed to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception for Mass. Then, we will head home. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of history and to stand up for the rights of the unborn.

St. Mary's, Katonah, will again be sending a bus to the Annual March for Life in Washington, DC on Thursday, January 22nd, 2015. The bus will leave St. Mary's School at 6:00 A.M. and is expected to return at approximately 11:30 P.M. Please save the date and plan on joining this important demonstration in support of the sanctity of human life. Call Alan Mehldau at 232-1168 for details and to reserve a seat on the bus.



Service Personnel Prayer List

The names listed below are service personnel serving in our nation's armed forces who are relatives of our parishioners. Please keep them in your prayers.

Darren Adler/Marines
Robert F. Benedettini/Army
Ryan Bludau/Air Force
Kristin Chapman/Army
Casey Dale Climis/Air Force
Christopher Cruz/Army
Daniel Cruz/Army
Thomas Dever/Marines
Matthew Diterichs/Army
Terrence Higgins/Navy
Christopher Homon/Marines
Richie Hughes/Marines
Christopher G. Johnson/Coast Guard
Paddy McManus/Army
Stephen Musick/Marines
Matthew Nevious/Air Force
Cristin Pulise/Marines
Charles Retter/Marines
Peter Riley/Army
Kate Rosenschein/Navy
Christian Roth/Coast Guard
Craig Scott/Army
Andrew Solt/Marines
Thomas McAllister Stevenson/Army

Michael Tynan/Marines
Howard Wulforst/Army

Knights of Columbus

The Members of Sisqua Council would like to express their sincere appreciation to Monsignor Thompson and the parishioners at St. Patrick's for their generous support of our 50/50 raffle. This is a vital fund-raising effort for us to continue our commitment to charitable causes.

We collected over \$7,200 from chance book sales at four local parishes (and donated a percentage to each parish). First prize was awarded to Lorraine Dickman, Saddle Brook, NJ; second prize to Vincent Giordano of Armonk and third prize to Jamie O'Connor of Katonah.