



Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 24, 2016

Saturday, April 23rd

- 9:00 Raymond F. Hickey, Sr. req. by Family
- 5:30 Philip Longo, Sr. req. by Family

Sunday, April 24th

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 John Minton req. by Barbara Minton
- 10:30 George Genovesi req. by Kate Merker & Family
- Noon Lauren Savino req. by Megan Hickey & Family
- 5:30 The Hofving Family req. by Betty Goodman

Monday, April 25th

- 7:00 For St. Patrick's Children Preparing for 1st Communion
- 9:00 Margaret Attridge req. by Mary Ann & Frank Manna

Tuesday, April 26th

- 7:00 Pamela Hudson req. by A Friend
- 9:00 Walter Biscardi req. by The Cavise Family

Wednesday, April 27th

- 7:00 For St. Patrick's Children Preparing for Confirmation
- 9:00 Terry Stevenson req. by The Stevenson Family

Thursday, April 28th

- 7:00 For St. Patrick's Catechists
- 9:00 Michael Gibbons. req. by Teresa Flynn

Friday, April 29th

- 7:00 For the Intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis
- 9:00 James Grimes req. by Teresa Flynn

Saturday, April 30th

- 9:00 For Persecuted Christians Around the World
- 5:30 Vincent Longobardi req. by The Scuderi Family

Sunday, May 1st

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Don Devey req. by Fran & Jim Dowling
- 10:30 George Genovesi req. by Mary & Charlie George
- Noon Vincent J. & Vincent D. Luccarelli req. by Family
- 5:30 Catherine V. Hubbard (Newtown) req. by The Smith Family

Recent Collections

- April 17th - \$10,313
- Sacred Heart - \$3,755
- ParishPay March 16th - March 31st - \$1,845
- ParishPay April 1st - April 15th - \$2,355

Catholic Church in Central & Eastern Europe

The second collection next week will be for the Catholic Church in Central & Eastern Europe. Thank you for your generosity.



Pray for the Sick

Tatum Allen, Virginia Barrett, Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu, Thomas Browne, Conner Curran, Betty D'Alton, Frankie Dezell, Kathleen Ducksworth, Martha Dursi, Helen Flower, Jean Gallagher, Joe George, Jeffrey Geason, Leslie Hammerschmidt, Margaret Harrington, Francine Holley, Richard Hughes, Christine Iannino, Felice Joaquim, Frank Kearns, Hank Kensing, Joyce Kersh, Kevin Mahoney, Diane Malichio, Robert Mangone, Gary Montanus, Jim Murphy, Ann Porteus, Robert Schimpf, Kirk Siegwarth, Michael Walsh, Christine Young 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.

Partner-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 Carnival is Coming

This year St. Patrick's Carnival occurs Tuesday, May 10th, through Sunday, May 15th. **Ride tickets are on sale in the School Office, the CCD office and the Parish Office. The cost is \$25 for a 22-ticket sheet. (Sheets will cost \$30 at the carnival.)**

We have two pages on the St. Patrick's Parish Web Site for Carnival information:

- www.stpatricksbedford.org/carnival and
- www.stpatricksbedford.org/raffle

News and updates about both will be posted regularly, and **Raffle tickets can be purchased online directly from the web page.**

In addition, here are our Facebook pages for the parish and for the Carnival:

- <https://www.facebook.com/stpatricksparishbedford>
- <https://www.facebook.com/stpatscarnival>.

Please "LIKE" and follow these pages, and share news with your friends!

For those on Twitter, the Carnival is also Tweeting: @stpats_carnival. Please follow!

From the Pastor's Desk

Don't Miss the Moment

You may have heard about a social experiment conducted by the Washington Post about ten years ago. It was designed to measure people's perception, taste and priorities, and also to determine the role of context in determining a person's reaction. What they did was to place a man with a violin and a contribution hat in a D.C. Metro station on a cold January morning. The man played six Bach pieces for about 45 minutes. During that time, about 2,000 people went through the station, mostly on their way to work.

After three minutes, a middle-aged man slowed his pace, stopped for a few seconds, and then hurried on. Four minutes later, the violinist received his first dollar from a woman who threw money in the hat without stopping. After six more minutes, a young man leaned against the wall to listen, spent a few moments, and then moved on. As the music played, a number of small children stopped, but without exception, their parents forced them to move on quickly.

The musician played continuously for 45 minutes. Only six people stopped to listen for a short while. About 20 gave money, but did so as they continued to walk by at a normal pace. The man collected a total of \$32. As he finished playing, the silence took over. No one noticed. No one applauded.

No one knew this, but the violinist was Joshua Bell, a virtuoso. He had played some of the most intricate pieces ever written, and with a violin worth \$3.5 million. Two days earlier, he had entertained a sold-out theater in Boston where the seats averaged \$100.

Obvious questions are raised: How do we perceive beauty? Do we stop to appreciate it? Do we recognize talent in an unexpected context? Mostly, are we too absorbed in our own routines? Do we "miss the moment"?

The same applies to the people in our lives. Do we take them too much for granted? Do we fail to appreciate their efforts? Do we ignore their attempts at forgiveness? Do we fail to perceive their progress? Life's moments are fleeting and finite. We can't afford to miss them. The people in our lives are the signs of God's Providence and Love for us.

Words of Pope Francis

YOU WILL BE MY WITNESS


"The Church is commissioned to announce God's mercy, the beating heart of the gospel, which in its own way must penetrate the heart and mind of every person. The Church must pattern her behavior after the son of God who went out to everyone without exception. Today, as the Church is charged with the task of the new evangelization, the theme of mercy needs to be proposed again and again with new enthusiasm and renewed pastoral action. It is absolutely essential for the Church and for the credibility of her message that she herself live and testify to mercy. Her language and her gestures must transmit mercy, so as to touch the hearts of all people and inspire them once more to find the road that leads to the Father. ."

Kate Fletcher to Speak in Two Weeks

On the weekend of May 7th-8th, St. Patrick's will be visited again by Kate Fletcher, the founder of Hekima Place in Nairobi, Kenya. Kate will speak for a few minutes at the end of the masses and then be outside church after mass. For those wishing to speak at greater length with Kate, parishioners Wendy and Chris Zepf will be holding an Open House at their residence, 18 Kingdom Ridge Road in Bedford. Chris will supply the details next week.

The Family Association of Kennedy Catholic High School invites you to join them as they Restore the Grotto - In Memory of Sr. Barbara Heil. Join us as we begin our campaign to honor the life of our beloved teacher and friend. Donations can be made at www.kennedycatholic.org or mail checks to Family Association KCHS, 54 Route 138, Somers, NY 10589, or call 914-232-5061

50th Anniversary
GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary any time during 2016 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Saturday, June 25TH at 1:30pm OR Sunday, June 26th at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 26, 2016.** This event is sponsored by the Family Life † Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.


Coffee Sunday
Next Sunday, May 1st, is Coffee Sunday. Please join us in the Church Meeting Room for refreshments after the morning masses.


I saw a new Jerusalem.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION 2016-2017

The Initial registration period for Religious Education Classes for 2016-2017 is now closed. All registrations received after this time will require a \$50 late fee per family. Forms are available at the Religious Education office, the parish office and on the Parish web site www.stpatricksbedford.org. Registration is first come first serve and some classes are already full. Register immediately to secure a place in your desired class. Please call the Religious Education office at 234-3775 or email goodnews2@verizon.net with any questions.



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).

May 7th/8th
June 4th/5th

May 14th/15th
June 11th/12th

Medical and Ethical Decisions End of Life Issues at Any Age

Saturday, April 30th, 2016, 9am
St. Joseph's Church
Plumbrook Road, Somers, NY

SPEAKERS:

Edward Mechmann, Esq., NYAD
Harold Federman, MD, Hospice Director
Karen Gormley-Vitalie, Hospice Nurse/Manager



On Saturday, May 7th and Sunday, May 8th, St. Patrick's Respect Life Committee is hosting a baby shower and bake sale to benefit the Good Counsel Daystar Program in Harrison NY. Good Counsel Homes provide care and shelter for needy mothers and their babies. Please bring baked goods to the Church Meeting room on Saturday afternoon or with you to Mass on Sunday. Wrapped shower gifts should be marked "boy" or "girl." **There is a need for volunteers** to make this successful. Please contact the Parish Office (234-3344) or DeDe Burke (234-7264) if you are able to volunteer.

Thanks from the St. Patrick's Auction!

The following is a list of the businesses that donated items for our March 14th St. Patrick's Auction. It was through their generous support, and that of those folks who attended, that the Auction was so successful. Let's keep these firms in mind for our patronage:

Albano Appliance & Service
Andrew Carney Photography
Apogee Fitness & Wellness
Bedford Gourmet
Bedford Police Department
Bedford Village Florist
Bedford Wine Merchants
Benedek & Ticehurst, Landscape Architects
BriCins Festival Foods
Consider The Cook
Di Nardo's Ristorante Italiano
Enzo's of Arthur Avenue
Exit 4
G.E. Brown
Grand Prix New York
J. McLaughlin
J. Wingfield
Lexington Square Café
Madame Mathilde
Marshall Oil Co., Inc.
Massage Envy Spa
Michael's Garden Gate Nursery
Mt. Kisco Seafood
Neto's Catering
Perennial Gardens
Pilates Barre
Pound Ridge Wines & Spirits
Saw Mill Club
Scarlett Image
Scotts Corner Market
Seasonz Boutique
Share the Ball
Small Joys
St. Patrick's Carnival Committee
St. Patrick's Church
St. Patrick's CYO
St. Patrick's School
Stewart Amusements
Susan Marocco Interiors, Inc.
The Grafton Inn (Grafton, VT)
The Outpost
The Wine Connection
Truck Restaurant
Vail Buick - GMC

