



**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 20, 2017**



Pray for the Sick

Saturday, August 19th

- 9:00 Joseph La Motta req. by Geraldine La Motta
- 5:30 Saverio Procaro req. by Sue Coan

Sunday, August 20th

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Charlie Rose req. by Voss Family
- 10:30 Carmine LoBosco req. by Jackie & Herb Tinsley
- Noon Frederica Gayde and Her Parents Jennie & Frank Giglio req. by Richard Gayde
- 5:30 Sister Rosemary Sheehan, RSCJ req. by The Cecere Family

Monday, August 21st

- 9:00 Bernie Curran req. by The Santore Family

Tuesday August 22nd

- 9:00 Louis Joseph Santore req. by The Santore Family

Wednesday August 23rd

- 9:00 Walburga Siegwarth by Christine Meyer

Thursday, August 24th

- 9:00 William Galvin req. by Jeanette Galvin

Friday August 25th

- 9:00 Anna Cirone req. by Marianne Vitelli

Saturday, August 26th

- 9:00 Gail Tirinato req. by Family
- 5:30 Edward Costello req. by Sr. Kathleen

Sunday, August 27th

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Minnie B. Glusko req. by Lanzilotti Family
- 10:30 Robert Melican req. by The Melican Family
- Noon Dr. Anthony LoGrasso req. by The Timmel Family
- 5:30 Bernie Curran req. by St. Patrick's Religious Education Program

Rayyan Ahsan, Tatum Allen, Virginia Barrett, Zoe Bonowitz, Brady Walter, Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu, Dominick Cannavo, Michael Casarella, Conner Curran, Marie Doescher, Rose DeCicco, Frankie Dezell, Maureen Doran, Mary Doyle, Helen Flower, Jean Gallagher, Jeffrey Greason, Leslie Hammerschmidt, Margaret Harrington, Healy Pauline Marie, Pauline, Francine M. Holley, Richard Hughes, Christine Iannino, Mirella Kahrman, Maureen Laning, John Li Conti, Dominic Lombardi, Veronica Lopez, Frank Kearns, Joyce Kersh, John Magnotta, Kevin Mahoney, Robert Mangone, Steve Mazzei, Jim Murphy, John Pasquale, John Reardon, Chris Schate, Matthew Scherer, Bob Silberberg, Otto Siegwarth, Thomas Valentine, Michael Walsh, Mia Wiltse, Christine Young, Eileen Riley Zawada, 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.

RECENT COLLECTIONS

August 15th \$5,368
 Parish Pay August 1st to August 15th \$1,840

Cardinal's Appeal 2017
The Annual Cardinal's Appeal is underway. Please be as generous as you can to this most important Archdiocesan charity.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

After the consecration, under both species (bread and wine), Christ, in his divinity and humanity, is in Roman Catholic belief really and substantially present in a sacramental manner. This presence is primarily for the sake of communion, but remains as long as the species retain their natural properties. As a sacrament thus persisting, the Eucharist is also called the Blessed Sacrament, and is worthy of adoration. Since the 11th Century, this fact has been clearly recognized and resulted in veneration of the Blessed Sacrament.

It has become a tradition here at St. Patrick's that the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the Chapel that is in the Cenacle from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm on Mondays through Thursdays. This daily exposition requires that a person must be present continuously from the beginning each morning until the Blessed Sacrament is reposed in the afternoon.

Last year, a number of people signed up to pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament usually for a span of one hour. Unfortunately, there were many gaps where the Blessed Sacrament was left unattended. This problem is not restricted to Bedford; it does happen elsewhere and there are some solutions.

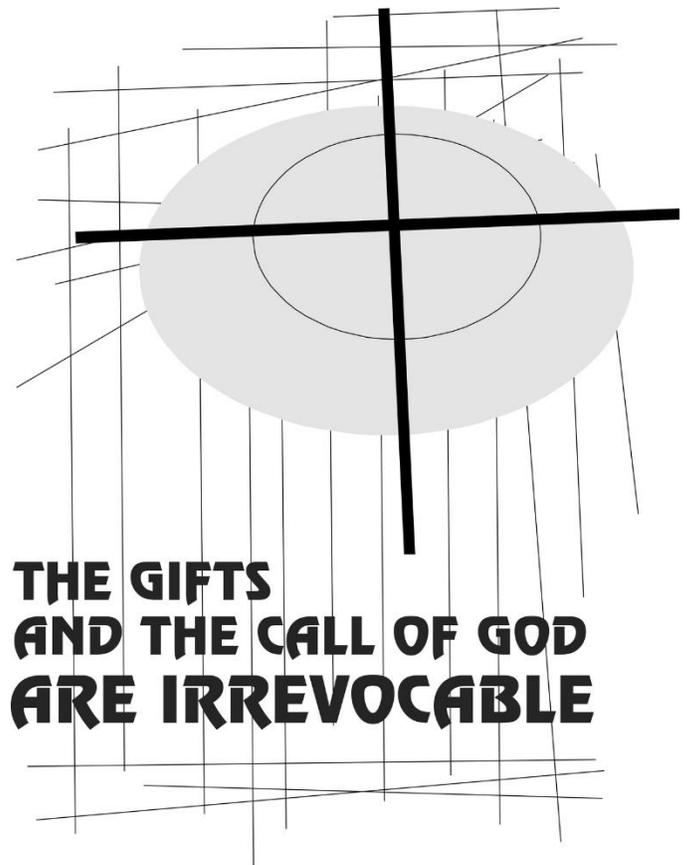
One would be to shorten the time of exposition from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm or have it only on one day per week. This is doable but I do not think it is optimal.

A second possibility would be to revamp the Cenacle Chapel. It would entail building a wooden tabernacle that could house the Blessed Sacrament in the monstrance. Then, whenever a person was present, they could open the door to this tabernacle and expose the Blessed Sacrament without touching it and then when that person was finished praying, he or she, if no one else was there, could close the door and leave. This easy way would allow people to sign up for a time that is convenient and we as a parish would not be breaking any rules. There is only one problem, we don't have the funds to pay for the construction of this wooden tabernacle. I know a man who is handy with wood, who is capable of doing this work but I would need the money for the wood and for his time and talents. Is anyone willing to step forward and donate a wooden tabernacle?

WORDS OF POPE FRANCIS

PERSISTENCE PAYS OFF

The prophet Isaiah indicates that God's justice will be revealed and will be more inclusive than we suspect. This is played out in the Gospel with the Canaanite woman, a foreigner to Israel, who would not take "no" for an answer. She knew that the God in which she believed was a God of justice and mercy and, if everything she heard about this Jesus was true, he would answer her plea if she persisted. Thus, Jesus calls her a woman of "great faith" and answers her plea. We can always come to God with persistence and God will answer, even though we might not know it at that time. God is faithful and just and, as Paul says, the "gifts of God... are irrevocable".



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious Education Classes for grades 1-8 begin on Sunday, September 10th and Tuesday, September 12th. Registered Students will receive their back to school information in late August. If you have not yet registered please contact the office immediately at 234-3775. Some classes are already full. If you are a Catholic Private school student in 8th grade you must register now for Confirmation.

Attention High Schoolers:

Join the new Youth Ministry Initiative in organizing activities at the parish picnic on September 9th. Help out by running an activity or aid in set-up and clean-up. If interested, please reply to Michelle at stpatsymi@gmail.com

The Youth Ministry Initiative is a new parish group with the goal of getting high school students involved in local community service. If interested in being on the coordinating committee or becoming a member, please respond to Michelle at the email above.

Parish Picnic

The Parish Picnic is scheduled for September 9, 2017. Based on parishioners' feedback, some changes to its format have been planned. Mass will still be held outdoors that evening, but it will be at 4:30pm (instead of 5:30). There will not be a 5:30 Mass that evening. The picnic will follow Mass, from 5:30 - 7:30pm.

We will need volunteers to assist with planning and managing activities, food, set up and clean up. We also need one volunteer to take charge of each of these areas. Please call the parish office (234-3344) or email (patrick485@optonline.net) if you are able to help in any way.

RideConnect, not-for-profit program of Family Services of Westchester, is dedicated to finding the fastest and most cost-effective transportation options to meet the needs of older adults, age 60+, in southern Putnam and Westchester Counties. Ride Connect is looking for volunteer **Drivers** and **Riders**. Are you finding it difficult to visit old friends, attend mass or community events? If so, then let Ride Connect help you get back on the road to a fulfilling life! To find transportation resources, you can call one of our friendly and caring transportation counselors at (914) 242-7433. Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm.

BLOOD DRIVE

On Sunday, September 17th, St. Patrick's Fall Blood Drive will be held at St. Patrick's School from 8:00 am-2:00 pm. If you are able, please consider donating. Blood is always vitally needed. A sign-up schedule will be available at the Church entrance on August 27th.

Gate of Heaven Cemetery News

Gate of Heaven Cemetery has postponed the July 1st price increase (our first price increase in 4 years), until September 1, 2017! We are currently taking appointments over the phone to discuss 'Pre-Need planning' options available for ground burial, interior/exterior mausoleum crypt space, or niches for the memorialization of your loved ones. Gate of Heaven Cemetery has recently undergone a multi-million dollar 'renovation upgrade project' and our grounds are more beautiful than ever! Please contact our office (914 769-3672) or stop in to schedule an appointment before quality space is gone. Thank you.

TACHS

Test for Admission to Catholic High Schools
2017 Summer/Fall Classes & Boot Camps held at Sacred Heart School, 59 Wilson Street, Hartsdale, NY 10530 & the Ossining Public Library, 53 Croton Avenue, Ossining, NY 10562.

Register at www.eduscapeassociates.com.
Questions? Contact Gayle Marchia at mobile/Text 914.886.5043 or Office 914.941.4148.



Weekend Flower Donation
Flowers donated by Richard Gayde
In loving memory of his wife,
Frederica Gayde
and her Parents,
Jennie & Frank Giglio

