

St. Patrick's Parish

Served By:

Rev. Msgr. John T. Ferry, Pastor
Rev. Joseph Domfeh Boateng, Parochial Vicar

Schedule of Masses:

Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 noon
Monday to Friday: 9:00 am
Saturday: 9 am, 5:30 pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday)

Holy Days of Obligation: 5:30 pm (Vigil), 7:00 am, 9:00 am,
7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4:30 to 5:00 pm
Anytime in the Rectory by appointment.



Parish Office at the Cenacle:

Office Hours: Monday 9:00am—4:00pm
Tuesday through Friday 9:30am-2:30pm
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St. Patrick's Religious Education:

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Parish Registration:

Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Please register as a parishioner. If you have a change of address, please notify the Parish Office.

Baptisms:

First and third Saturday of the month by appointment. Prior Baptismal Catechesis is required when baptizing the first child. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Communion to the Homebound:

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements. A Eucharistic Minister will bring Communion to the ill or infirm who cannot attend mass.

Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration:

The Chapel is located in the Cenacle Building (at 485 Old Post Road, Bedford). Hours are 10 am to 2:30pm, Monday through Friday. Signup times are available.

Anointing of the Sick:

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements. If the Parish Office is closed, please call the Rectory.

Second Sunday of Easter—April 11, 2021

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 10

- 9:00 am Mary Whalen req. by Martha & Michael Riley
5:30 pm George & Rita McCabe req. by The Hayes Family

Sunday, April 11

- 9:00 am Joseph Paul req. by His loving parents Andrew & Jessie & Family
10:30 am James Flynn req. by Family
12:00 pm John DeRuzza, Sr. req. by John DeRuzza

Monday, April 12

- 9:00 am Richard Schmidt req. by Religious Education Program

Tuesday, April 13

- 9:00 am Adrian Rayward req. by Claire Grimes

Wednesday, April 14

- 9:00 am John Pedone req. by Lucy Pedone

Thursday April 15

- 9:00 am Maggie Bily req. by Sr. Kathleen

Friday, April 16

- 9:00 am Raymond Errickson req. by The Melican Family

Saturday, April 17

- 9:00 am Eugene O'Shea, Sr. req. by Lauren DiFrancesco
5:30 pm The living & deceased members of St. Patrick's parish

Sunday, April 18

- 9:00 am The living & deceased members of St. Patrick's parish
10:30 am Anna Benedettini req. by Jane & Dan Hickey
12 noon Caroline Luccarelli req. by Family



Pray for the Sick

We need your help in order to keep our Prayer List up to date! Please remember to let the Parish Office know when you'd like to add or remove a name.

Thank you!

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
Charlie Carr/Air Force
Richard Hughes/Marines
Steven Scully/Marines
Thomas M. Stevenson/Army
Jacqueline M. Penichet/Navy
Luis F Penichet/Marines
John Lund/Navy

CATECHISTS & AIDES NEEDED

The Religious Education program is in need of volunteer Catechists and Aides for next year's classes (September 2021 to May 2022). We welcome any Catholic, in good standing, to assist us in teaching the youth of our parish about our faith. Classes are held on Tuesday afternoons from 3:45-5:00 PM for grades 1-5 and Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 PM for grades 6-8. We also offer Sunday classes from 10:10-11:40 AM for grades 1-8. If you would like to participate in this special ministry, please contact the Religious Education office at 234-3775 or at goodnews2@verizon.net. All materials and training are provided .

A WORD OF THANKS!

Many thanks to a generous parishioner who donated the Easter gift of 200 copies of Matthew Kelly's book, "I Heard God Laugh." Please take home a copy for your enjoyment!

From the Pastor's Desk:

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Second Sunday of Easter! It was good to see more people at Mass although we still have to be careful with masks and distancing. Thanks to all who were able to be with us in person or via Zoom. I thank all for their generosity. We will know at the end of the month how well we did in the Easter collection through in person or mail and WeShare donations. Thanks too for the music provided by Eric and Alison and for the Lectors who helped with the Passion and the Easter Readings.

The Gospel for the Second Sunday of Easter always tells us the story of Thomas who was not with the Apostles when the Risen Lord first appeared to them. He would not believe that Jesus had truly risen unless he saw and touched the Lord's wounds. Seeing was believing and he cried out when simply seeing the Risen Christ, "My Lord & my God".

It is unfortunate that his name is often associated with doubt for that one moment. We are all like "Doubting Thomas" at times. Haven't we all had our moments of doubt especially in the last year?

Thomas' life of faith should be remembered far more than that one moment of doubt. Doubt should never define his life. He came to trust that the Lord had truly risen and shared that Good News with others. Hopefully we can do the same.

Remember this is also Divine Mercy Sunday. Elsewhere in the bulletin learn more about Divine Mercy and say with St. Faustina, "Jesus I trust in you."

In the Risen Lord,
Msgr. Ferry

CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

A Message from Cardinal Dolan:

As our world continues to navigate an ever-changing landscape, we as Catholics ground our hope in the all-powerful God who loves and sustains us through life's most difficult trials. Many of us here in New York are still deeply affected by the loss of life and the devastating financial consequences of COVID-19. We move forward, however, just as we started this journey – as a family.

Guided by the wisdom of Matthew 25:40, "Whatever you did for the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did for me," our pastors, teachers, lay staff, case workers, ministry leaders, health chaplains, and volunteers will continue the crisis work they started in March of 2020. We are building on the work that the Church has always done, serving the most vulnerable among us wherever there is need.

We were blessed to have the resources, programs, and staff in place to distribute COVID-19 assistance throughout the archdiocese as soon as the pandemic broke out. It's thanks to you, the faithful, and your unrelenting support of the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal year after year that we had this network of resources in place. Your generous donations to already needy parishes made it possible for them to weather the storm, ministering to the sick, the hungry, the jobless, and the grieving. In partnership with Catholic Charities, our parishes and pantries were able to distribute over a million meals and offer essential human services to our communities. Your role is essential to all we do and for this, we are grateful.

Thank you for considering a one-time or monthly gift to the Appeal this year. A little goes a long way when we all work together. To donate online go to cardinalsappeal.org

Thank you!

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Religious Education Registration for next year...

We have completed our initial phase of registration for Religious Education Classes for next year 2021-2022. If you have not already registered, please do so immediately so we can plan accordingly. Registration is on a first-come-first-serve basis. We are planning on smaller class sizes for the Fall due to the COVID-19 safety protocols so we expect many classes to fill up soon.

The registration forms are available on the parish web site under Religious Education.

Students are required to take classes each year from 1st-8th grade. Those in 8th grade who attend private Catholic Schools will need to register to be part of our Confirmation Class if your school does not hold a Confirmation Ceremony.

To accommodate all personal preferences during this challenging time we will again be offering a Parent Led Program for those who prefer not to be in a classroom setting. We are preparing for our regular program to be in the school building as long as the COVID-19 Protocols at the time allow for it.

All registrations MUST be mailed since we are still working remotely.
Email goodnews2@verizon.net with any questions.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The Second Sunday of Easter is also called Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a time to reflect on the riches of the infinite mercy of God as revealed to St. Faustina. For more information go to the website www.thedivinemercy.org

How to Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet:

You can use regular Rosary beads or your fingers for this prayer.

Step 1: Intro Prayer

Make the Sign of the Cross, then say the following prayer:

"You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us."

(Repeat three times) "O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!"

Step 2: First Three Prayers

On the first three beads above the crucifix pray, one Our Father, one Hail Mary and The Apostles Creed.

Step 3: Eternal Father Prayer

Then on the first Our Father Bead say the Eternal Father prayer:

"Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Thy dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world."

Step 4: Sorrowful Passion Prayer

After each Eternal Father prayer, on the ten Hail Mary Beads say the following prayer:

"For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

(Repeat Steps 3 and 4 for all five decades).

Step 5: Holy God Prayer

Say the Holy God prayer, repeated three times:

"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

Step 6: Concluding Prayer

Conclude with the closing prayer:

"Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself."