



Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 17, 2016

Holy Mass  Intentions

Saturday 5:00 pm	April 16 Ethel E. Sprague and Deceased Members of The Cangemi & Phelan Families
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	April 17 Kevin Stein and Carl Stein Darwin Zahn and Barbara Barry Mary K. Pesek and Mickey Davellis Frank J. Grande and Christine DeVito
Monday 8:00 am	April 18 Anna Avallone and Loretta O'Connell
Tuesday 8:00 am	April 19 Robert Buckheit and John McCormack
Wednesday 8:00 am	April 20 Sandra Thompson and Gerald Phalon
Thursday 8:00 am	April 21 John Viola and Mary & Patrick Breheny
Friday 8:00 am	April 22 Sr. Joan Mary Moore and John J. Walsh
Saturday 8:00 am 5:00 pm	April 23 Paul J. Burke and James Gilrane Peter Coviello, Sr. and Eileen Horan
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	April 24 Dorothy Greenfield and James Gilrane Nicolas Marconi and Hedy Ries Allen J. Vohden and John Birofka Dr. Chester T. Karr and Barbara Barry

We welcome all who would like to pray the Rosary as we will continue to gather in prayer Monday evenings at 6:30 pm in the church during the 50 days of Easter.



Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2016

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas traveled to many towns and found many disciples willing to help them preach. They warned their disciples of the trials they would face. Paul and Barnabas then returned to Antioch, where their journey had begun and told the congregation there of the progress they had made.

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5a

John had a vision of a new earth, and a new Jerusalem coming down from heaven. Then a voice described Jerusalem as a place where God would live among his people and comfort them. The former world had vanished, and pain, death and suffering had left the world as well.

Gospel: John 13:31-33a, 34-35

After Judas left the last supper, Jesus warned the other disciples that he would not be with them much longer. Jesus gave them a new commandment to love one another as he had loved them. He stated that their love for each other would distinguish them as his disciples.

*Have love
for one another.*



Mass Schedule April 23rd & 24th

Fr. Bob	Sunday 9 am and 11 am
Fr. Chris	Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 5 pm
Fr. Dennis	Sunday 7:30 am

Reconciliation (Confession) April 23rd

Fr. Chris	Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm
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Weekly Memorials

The Lamp burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of April 17th is in memory of Emily Cipriano given by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Brockman.

The Candles on the altar the week of April 17th are in memory of deceased members of the Duffy family given by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Duffy.

The Flowers on the altar the week of April 17th are in memory of Anthony A. Leonett given by Ann Leonett.

Hear our Prayers for those who are ill especially Kevin Hamilton, Robert Hartle, Robert Astorino, Anthony LaFerrara, Neiko Pagaling, Denise Phalon Cascio, Frances Smith, Tom Warren, Judy Latalladi, Dorothy Sullivan, Bill Lanahan, Cathy Bedford, Irene Buss, Roger Goodman, Maria Selca-Haher, Robert Olpp, Terry Gardner, Nora Ray, Carol Meyers, Pat Marciano, Maryanne Duffy McDermott, Kyle Noonan, Thomas Unger, Sandy Safier, Tony Caljean, William Virgilio, Mary Cecere, Kristin Curcio, Tony Capone, Michael Marino, David Johnson, Donald O'Brien, Fr. Gabe Coless, Joseph Gabriele, Theresa Degler, Joseph Crucilla, Rob McTague, Jim Bowles, Rita Reardon, Roseann Giallenella, Kathleen McKenna, Antoninette Cecere, Anthony Cagno, James Tunny, Herb Cannon and **for all our deceased.**

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

- Monday, April 18**
Rosary: 6:30 pm; Church
Meditation Group: 7 pm; Church
- Tuesday, April 19**
Finance Committee Meeting: 7:30 pm; North Room
- Wednesday, April 20**
Parish Nurses Meeting: 7:00 pm; North Room
- Thursday, April 21**
Walking with Purpose: 9:30 am; East/West Room
Marian Prayer Group: 10 am; North Room
- Friday, April 22**
Adult Scripture Study: 9 am; South Room
- Saturday, April 23**
Jesus Day Retreat: 9:45 am- 1 pm; Starts in Church;
Pick-up is in the Parish Center
- Sunday, April 24**
RCIA: 12:15 pm; South Room

Parish Support-April 10th

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING.....	\$17,657
LAST YEAR'S OFFERING.....	\$13,853



From the Desk of Fr. Chris

The most common thing God does throughout all of scripture is speak. God spoke and the world came into existence (Gen 1). God called out and revealed himself to Abram (Gen 12:1). God called out to Moses from the burning bush to free His people from slavery (Ex 3:4). God called out to Isaiah to send him to prophecy (Is 6:8). "And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us" (John 1:14). A voice from heaven is heard after Jesus was baptized "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you [whom] I am well pleased" (Mt 3:17, Mk 1:11, Lk 3:22). After the transfiguration the disciples heard a voice from the clouds "This is my Son, the Beloved, with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" (Mt 17:5, Mk 9:7, Lk 9:35)

As God is so active throughout all of scripture in speaking, it would be foolish for us to think that He has simply stopped. Rather as we can see throughout the history of the Church until our very own day, God has continued to speak to us, His people, both individually and through the Church, the mystical body of Christ. God continues to call out to us, inviting us into a deeper relationship with Himself through our own spiritual journey and in communion with the Church and society. The second Vatican council speaks of this as the Universal Call to Holiness,

"all the faithful of Christ of whatever rank or status, are called to the fullness of the Christian life and to the perfection of charity; by this holiness as such a more human manner of living is promoted in this earthly society. In order that the faithful may reach this perfection, they must use their strength accordingly as they have received it, as a gift from Christ. They must follow in His footsteps and conform themselves to His image seeking the will of the Father in all things. They must devote themselves with all their being to the glory of God and the service of their neighbor. In this way, the holiness of the People of God will grow into an abundant harvest of good, as is admirably shown by the life of so many saints in Church history." (Lumen Gentiun, Vatican II 40)

Each person, in accordance with God's plan for his or her life, lives out this call to holiness through their response to God's call. While this can take the shape of a particular ministry, charism, career, apostolate, or volunteer work, the Church has traditionally focused on four major life vocations; Marriage, Single life, Religious life and the Priesthood. In marriage each spouse is called to sanctify the other through self-sacrificial love and through the raising of children. In single life, men and women embrace the gift of celibacy and grow in holiness through their work and witness of faith in charitably serving others. In religious life, religious priests, brothers (friars/monks, etc.) or sisters (nuns) strive for holiness by committing their lives to sharing in the life and mission of their religious community. They embrace the call to poverty, chastity and obedience, and nurture their call through a life of celibacy, faith, prayer and service. Through the Priesthood, men seek holiness by giving their lives in total service to the Church, by embracing the gift of celibacy and committing to a life of prayer. Priests proclaim the Good News, teach the Catholic faith, minister the Sacraments, work to build up their local faith community and lead their faith community in worship. The Church recognizes that each vocation is equal in the sense that no vocation is better or less than any other.

This weekend in a particular way the Church dedicates to praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life through the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. For the past 50 years, the Church in the West has seen a dramatic decline in the number of priestly and religious vocations. While there is no simple answer as to why this has occurred, it must be recognized that in a special way the ministerial priesthood is necessary for the Church's existence and identity. Without the priesthood, there would be no sacraments... no Eucharist. Therefore it is imperative that we remember that all members of the Church are responsible for priestly vocations and the most favorable environment for vocations to the priesthood is within every Christian community that listens to the Word of God, prays with the liturgy and gives witness with charity. Vocations to the priesthood and religious life are born from vibrant and faithful Catholic family life. Children and young adults need to be able to see the importance of the Catholic faith of their parents, their weekly participation in the liturgy of the Church, and their support and encouragement of the community of believers through social functions and charitable work.

Through our good witness and our prayers for vocations, may we be blessed by an abundant number of vocations from our families and parish of young men to the priesthood and men and women to religious life. God is still speaking and calling out to each and every one of us. Let us pray for and help one another, especially young people hear and answer God's call.

*In Him through Her
-Fr. Chris*

BAPTISM: Arrangements should be made one month in advance by calling Deacon Joe Wisneski at 973-635-4976. Parents are expected to attend an instructional session with a Baptism Team. Baptisms are celebrated at 12:30 pm Sundays or at a Sunday Mass.

RCIA-RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: The R.C.I.A. invites non-baptized persons and those baptized into another faith to participate in a faith journey in preparation for becoming a Catholic. If you are interested in any aspect of R.C.I.A., please email Deb at Dkuzma@st-pats.org or call her at the parish office at ext. 23.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Congratulations! In order that we can together plan for your big day, couples should notify the Church and begin to prepare at least one year in advance of the date. Please email Fr. Bob at Fr.Bob@st-pats.org or call Fr. Bob at the parish office ext. 22.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOME BOUND: If a family member or someone you know is recuperating from a hospital stay or is homebound for any length of time and would like to receive Holy Communion, please let us know. It is a priority for the parish community to support and be present to those who cannot be with us for the celebration of the Eucharist. If you would like a priest or deacon to visit a family member who is hospitalized, contact Peggy at Pgentile@st-pats.org or call her at the parish office ext. 25.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the parish office at 973-635-0625 to arrange for a priest.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST: Children preparing to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist begin preparation in first grade. To register, visit our website at www.st-pats.org or contact Ginny, vsalvatore@st-pats.org.



Baptisms

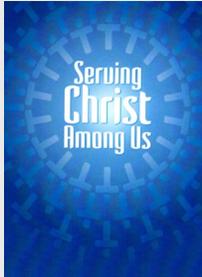
Greyson Michael Bartolotta
Son of Gregory and Kelly

Gordon Vance Santarlas
Son of Brien and Rachel

Welcome New Parishioners

A warm St. Patrick welcome to those new to our parish especially **Sean, Krista and Connor McDonough and Jonathan, Andrea, Adriana and J. Edward O'Brien.** We look forward to getting to know you!

Thank you for your very generous donations to the 2015 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The Bishop's Annual Appeal provides for the day to day operational funding of ministries within the Paterson Diocese including Catholic Charities, Catholic school subsidies, Seminarian Education and our Diocesan Priests' Retirement Residence. It was a very successful campaign this year and your generosity returned a rebate directly to St. Patrick Parish to be used for our parish needs.



"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40.

ANNUAL SENIOR TEA

Wednesday, May 4, 2016
12:00-2:00 pm
Fr. Ed Hinds Parish Center



Grandparents, friends, and family are welcome. Tea sandwiches and desserts will be served. Please RSVP by April 27th to the Parish Office at 973-635-0625. For information, please contact Kim McKee at 973-822-0940.



Eva's Kitchen-Chili

I'm sure you've all been missing our pans in the back of the church each month! Eva's has been most fortunate to have an abundance of extra donations these past few months. We'll be back on schedule next month so mark your calendars! Sign up for May will be May 7th & 8th.



First Aid Training ~ Be ready to help. For 7th & 8th grade students

Tuesday, April 26, 2016 from 3:30-5:00 pm
St. Patrick Church—Parish Office Building

In this FREE 90 minute session, you will gain the basic knowledge of First Aid to help you during a medical emergency. Topics include calling 911 (when & why), the importance of hygiene and controlling external bleeding. Space is limited and no CPR training is provided. This is an American Heart Association certified First Aid Course and an AHA First Aid Certificate/Card is available for \$15 (cash or checks made payable to Atlantic Training Center to be paid at the session). RSVP (required) to St. Patrick Parish Office at 973-635-0625. Sponsored by the St. Patrick Nursing Ministry and Presented by the Chatham Emergency Squad.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Choir Member Highlight-Marie Kennedy

Marie Kennedy is a vivacious lady with a beautiful smile who loves to help others. Marie loves to sing and sang in choirs prior to singing with the choir at St. Patrick Church. Twenty-five years ago, a choir member invited Marie to join the St. Patrick Choir. Since then, her beautiful smile and dedicated alto voice have been ministering to the parish as a joyful choir member who loves to pray through music.

Marie grew up in Montclair where her mother's family had lived for four generations. She attended the same Catholic high school as her parents, and attended the parish church where her grandmother had been married at the turn of the twentieth century. In addition to singing, Marie enjoyed amateur theater in her youth. She is the oldest of eight children; and now has four children of her own and six grandchildren. She is caregiver for her 95 year old mother. Her family loves parties and Marie loves to cook for them. Marie is a hospice nurse at St. Barnabas Hospital. She also belongs to Soroptimist International, a volunteer organization for women's services.

Despite her busy schedule with volunteer service, work, and family, Marie finds time for choir, which is an important part of her spiritual life. As she sings, she enjoys encouraging the congregation to pray through music as she does. Marie explains, "Being in the choir is not just about singing. We are an extended family who learn and pray together, support each other through life's joys and sorrows, form friendships, and love to party with each other. We mourn when one leaves us and welcome new members with joy. Can you really ask for more when you are doing something you love?"

Thank you, Marie, for the immeasurable joy and spirit you have brought St. Patrick Parish for over twenty-five years!

Maggie Hanson, Music Minister



Spiritual Adoption

Month 7: "I can look around!"

Beginning this month, the baby uses all four senses. The eyelids open and close and the eyes look around. The baby can hear, taste, touch, cough, yawn, hiccup and recognize the mother's voice. Hair on the head is growing longer and the downy covering on the rest of the body is disappearing. During this time, the baby receives antibodies from the mother, providing immunity to a wide variety of diseases.

Please continue to pray for our *Spiritual Adoption* baby.

Please participate in our baby shower to collect gifts for local crisis pregnancy centers the weekend of May 14th & 15th.



Appalachia Golf Classic

Fundraiser for the Appalachia Help Weeks
Monday, May 16, 2016
Ballyowen Golf Club in Hamburg, NJ

Please choose one of the following:

- **Golf, lunch, soft drinks, beer/wine** (donuts & muffins provided in the morning) \$175.00 per person.
- **Dinner & Cocktails only** at \$50.00 per person
- **Sponsorship** \$200.00...*I want to see my name in lights or at least on a sign at a Tee or Green*

Please contact Fred Mercadante for a registration or sponsorship form: fredmercadante@gmail.com. Registration Deadline: May 8.



OPEN HOUSE AT SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

Working Together to Challenge Minds and Foster Faith

ANNOUNCING OUR NEW EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM!

Starting in the Fall 2016

Sprouting Shamrocks

5 Year Old Transition to Kindergarten Program

(Must be 4 years old by April 1; 4 1/2 years old by October 1st)

Sprouting Shamrocks is an academically-based program designed for children who do not meet the age requirement for Kindergarten because of the October 1st cut-off date or for children who need the gift of time to prepare for Kindergarten. This program provides a full academic curriculum that gives students a solid foundation to make the transition to Kindergarten with confidence. Students learn basic core concepts in the areas of Math, Reading, Religion and Language Arts. Students also participate in our STEM, world language and fine arts programs. Our *Sprouting Shamrocks Program* gives students a loving and supportive academic, social and spiritual environment to grow into confident and prepared kindergartners. Students attend for five full days a week.

This new program will complement our existing early childhood programs for three year old and four year old students (*Little Warriors*). You can find more information on these programs on the school website.

OPEN HOUSE AT ST. PATRICK SCHOOL

Introducing our new Transitional Kindergarten

Join us to see what makes St. Patrick School so special.

Tuesday, April 19, 2016 from 9:00—11:00 am

or

Wednesday, April 20 from 4:00-5:00 pm
PK3-grade 8

Saint Patrick School, accredited AdvancED, is a co-educational, parochial elementary school which includes preschool through eighth grade. Founded in 1872, we have been nationally recognized as a United States Department of Education Blue Ribbon School, and a Diocese of Paterson Star School. With several options for preschoolers and full day kindergarten, our students embark on a challenging academic journey that affords them the security of a familiar community during their formative years. Our faculty and staff are committed to providing the highest quality education for each student. We are a STEM school that promotes student critical thinking and application throughout our curriculum in all grades. Our vibrant enrichment programs and dynamic (and championship winning) athletic teams give students many avenues to share their talents. We are currently accepting applications for the 2016-2017 school year. If you would like more information, please visit our website at www.st-pats-school.org or contact the office to schedule a tour at 973-635-4623.

Earth Day-April 22

14th Annual Open Space Workday-Saturday, April 23

9:30 am-12:30 pm

All are welcome!! Rain or Shine! Stay as long or short as you wish. This Earth Day we give thanks for our beautiful earth and the gifts of our local community. Consider taking some time to help maintain the open space we enjoy year-round. Help us to improve walking trails and remove debris in the Green Village Pond Conservation Area. Work to be done: Remove trash, clip brambles, spread woodchips. For information, contact Dot Stillinger at 973-377-6992 or visit www.chathamtownship-nj.gov.

Community Paper Shred

Saturday, April 30, 10 am-1 pm

All of your confidential papers safely shredded for \$10/box or \$5/grocery bag. Proceeds to benefit the Chatham Senior Center!



FAITH FORMATION

Online Registration for 2016-2017 for all classes K-8 will be available by the end of April or early May. Families with children in our program will be sent an email with the link to register. New registrations can check the bulletin and our website.

Catechists are always needed. Please consider asking a friend to share the responsibility of a class with you. Catechists and co-catechists receive one free tuition as a token of our appreciation. Safety Monitors, Teen Buddies, and Classroom Assistants are also needed. Students in grades 9-12 are welcome to volunteer. For more information, contact Ginny Salvatore at 973-635-0625 ext. 27 or vsalvatore@st-pats.org. It would be ideal if we had all our volunteers before registration opens so that classes don't have to be canceled in the fall.

Jesus Day Retreat: Saturday, April 23rd from 9:45 am—1 pm
The day will begin in the church and end in the Fr. Ed Center gym.

First Communion

Sat. April 30 at 10 am

Sat., April 30 at 1 pm

Sat., May 7 at 10 am

Sat., May 7 at 1 pm

Sun., May 8 at 11 am

Rehearsal

Mon. April 25; 3:30-5:15 pm
Tues, April 26; 3:30-5:15 pm

Wed., April 27; 3:30-5:15 pm
Thurs., April 28, 3:30-5:15 pm

Mon. May 2; 3:30-5:15 pm
Tues, May 3; 3:30-5:15 pm

Wed., May 4; 3:30-5:15 pm
Thurs., May 5; 3:30-5:15 pm

Friday May 6; 3:30-5:15 pm

Please note that parents are required to attend the second rehearsal date with their child from 4:45-5:15 pm with the exception of the May 8th communion when parents are expected to meet from 4:30-5 pm. All rehearsals are in the church.

Many people ask when should we bow and when should we genuflect. We genuflect to the Blessed Sacrament. A genuflection, which is made by bending the *right* knee to the ground, signifies adoration, and for this reason is reserved to the Most Blessed Sacrament. Genuflect at the tabernacle where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved, and each time you pass in front of it (except when you're in procession, such as standing in line for Communion, or returning to your seat afterward). If the tabernacle is present in the sanctuary, then the priest, ministers and the assembly would genuflect upon the initial entrance.

liturgy

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If the tabernacle is not on the altar, genuflect toward the altar and the altar crucifix. If the tabernacle is not seen from your position as you enter the church, you then BOW to the altar and/or crucifix. If the tabernacle is not present in the sanctuary, then the priest, ministers and assembly bow toward the altar. When a minister is carrying something (altar servers with the processional cross or carrying candles, readers or deacons with the Book of the Gospels) there is no bow made prior to entering the sanctuary. You will notice here at St. Patrick, our readers place the Book of the Gospels on the altar, come down and stand beside the priest, and together they reverence the altar with a profound bow. The Deacon will place the Book of the Gospels on the altar, then kiss the altar (as does the priest) to reverence the altar at the beginning and end of the Mass.