



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 14, 2016

Holy Mass  Intentions

Saturday 5:00 pm	August 13 John A. Phelan, Jr., Patrick Aielli and Elizabeth R. Grande
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	August 14 Maria Corasaniti and Steven Johe Mary Elizabeth McKeown and Jane Holland Marianna Desiderio and Donato Palangia
Monday 8:00 am	August 15 Mark L. Brigham and Edwin L. & Ethel E. Sprague, Jr.
Tuesday 8:00 am	August 16 Patrick Pantozzi and Susan Keenan
Wednesday 8:00 am	August 17 Michael & Eileen Horan and Joseph Lodato
Thursday 8:00 am	August 18 Pierre Brown and William Weichert, III
Friday 8:00 am	August 19 Eugene Bailey and Karen Otis
Saturday 8:00 am 5:00 pm	August 20 Salvatore Aielli and Virginia Travers Virginia & Carlo Miele, Mary Breheny and Joseph Gwozdziwicz
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	August 21 Maria Fatima Cirne and Rosalie Valgenti Marie Mirabelli and Clare Rizzolo Joan Einloth and Doretta Walker

Mass Schedule August 20th & 21st

Fr. Bob **Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 7:30 am**
Fr. Chris **Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am**

Reconciliation (Confession) August 20th

Fr. Bob **Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm**

Summer Mass Schedule

Please be advised that we will not celebrate the **Sunday 5:00 pm** Mass during the summer months. We will resume the Sunday 5:00 pm mass on **Sunday, September 11, 2016**



We will continue to celebrate all other masses at their regularly scheduled times during the summer: Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 11:00 am and daily weekday and Saturday morning masses at 8:00 am.

During the summer months, **daily 8 am mass** will be celebrated in the Chapel in the Parish Office Building. Please use the Washington Avenue entrance.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 21, 2016

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Isaiah portrays a time when people from many nations will gather in Jerusalem and proclaim God's glory. God's messengers will teach many nations about God. Just as the Israelites bring offerings, these messengers will bring people from all nations to worship.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13

The Hebrews are told that God disciplines those he loves. When a parent disciplines a child, the child usually learns what is expected of him. The Hebrews are encouraged to face life's trials as a form of discipline, and attempt to learn something from them.

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Jesus warns that the door to God's kingdom will be locked for those who ignored his wishes. Many people will come from all nations and take their place in God's kingdom. Others will not be recognized by God, and he will reject them.

Weekly Memorials

The Lamp burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of August 14th is in memory of deceased family members given by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Kelly.

The Candles on the altar the week of August 14th are in memory of deceased members of the Women of Mary.

The Flowers on the altar the week of August 14th are in memory of deceased members of the Lenahan and Clarke families given by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Clarke.

Hear our Prayers for those who are ill especially Robert Astorino, Anthony LaFerrara, Anthony Cagno, Carmela Cecere, Will Cody, Jane Cunningham, Joan Stecher, Stanley Wisneski, Rita Reardon, Neiko Pagaling, Judy Latalladi and **for all our deceased.**

If you would like to include yourself or a family member on the St. Patrick Parish prayer list for those who are ill, please contact the parish office. Your prayer intention will remain on the parish prayer list for three weeks unless otherwise requested.

Feast of the Assumption

Monday, August 15, is the Feast of the Assumption. In that the Feast falls on a Monday, it is **NOT** a day of obligation on the liturgical calendar. On this special day, we proclaim our belief that Mary is one in body and soul in heaven. The Solemnity of the Assumption is the oldest Marian Feast, and offers an opportunity to rise with Mary to the heights of the spirit where one breathes the pure air of supernatural life; and, contemplates the beauty of holiness. The mass for the Feast of the Assumption will be celebrated at our regular weekday mass time, 8:00 am, in the chapel of the office complex on 41 Oliver St. Please use the Washington Avenue side door.

Parish Support-August 7, 2016

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING.....\$14,877
LAST YEAR'S OFFERING.....\$12,429



From the Desk of Our Pastor

Children at Mass (Part I of II)

Three weeks ago at a Sunday mass I asked the question, "Who taught you to pray." I looked at a third grade boy in the front row of the church and asked him if he could tell us. My anticipation was that he would say either his mom or dad. His answer surprised me when he stated that he "figured his prayer life out all by himself." I followed up the question by asking, "What about Jesus? As a little boy who taught Jesus how to pray?" In fear of another answer from the assembly I answered the question myself saying that I believe Jesus learned to pray from his mother, Mary, and Joseph as well as from the Bible and Jewish leaders that he came across in the temple and synagogue. Sometimes it is forgotten that somehow we were taught to pray. It could have been from a parent, grandparent, or teacher in school. I believe that learning to pray is grasped at a very early age, which becomes the foundation for a spiritual life as well as a stepping stone for growth and maturity as a Christian. Unless prayer comes into a person's life at an early age, it may be an uphill climb to acquire the roots necessary for a healthy prayer life as an adult.

It is so endearing to see young children at mass. I have observed a little boy nearing three years old whom I believe has never missed a Sunday mass since birth. His parents see the importance of raising him within a Christian community, which nurtures him and steers him into a life of faith and morals. Last spring a family in the parish was blessed with identical twins. Although I still cannot tell the girls apart, it fascinates me to see their parents pushing the girls in a stroller to the steps of church so that weekend liturgy is part of their lives, and will not become something foreign to them as they grow up. I also witness a mom of six children who makes it a point to bring her youngest two children (pre-school) to daily mass throughout the school year. I hold tremendous admiration for parents who strive to get their children to church aware that it may not be an easy chore; these moms and dads should be applauded. I have also seen the reversal whereby infants and small children become an excuse for families not to come and worship at weekend liturgies. Parents who make weekend mass a part of a child's life discover that it becomes a natural part of growing up so that whenever a child is enrolled in formal education in the church, and preparation gets underway for Sacraments such as Penance, Communion and Confirmation, church is not something foreign to them.

Sunday mass instills children with the importance of God in their lives. I admit that sometimes a child may get restless at liturgy aware that most services are steered toward an adult mentality. As a little boy I recall finding church a bit dull in that it was the era of the silent, Latin mass, whereby active participation was not part of the assembly. My goal as a child was to manufacture the ability to "remain quiet" during mass as I looked forward to the rest of the day. Obviously things have changed. As adults it is vital to give children good examples at mass in such ways as on time arrival, staying until the end of mass, reception of Eucharist, active participation through responses and song, as well as dress and appearance. The way we dress for mass is often a sign of how important the celebration of the Eucharist is to us. Sometimes it is forgotten that like in all other facets of life, there is proper etiquette for coming to Mass. I often recall a man in my former parish who would constantly leave church after communion. One Sunday as I was standing outside the church at the end of a mass I was not celebrating, the man left mass after communion and began to chat with me until the remainder of the congregation exited after the Recessional Hymn. I commented to him that I thought he had somewhere important to be which led him to depart early. He responded by saying, "leaving church after communion was something passed down to me by my mom and dad."

Next week I will continue to address the presence of children at mass with the premise that "mass time" is not play time. I hope to provide some thoughts on practical concerns with children at mass that pertain to situations when a child becomes "noisy" or "restless." Remember! Each of us was a child at one time in life; therefore we all (priest, minister, parishioner, parent) need to be sensitive to situations with children and parents under circumstances that disturb or disrupt the sacredness of the liturgy.

*In Christ's Love,
Fr. Bob*

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.

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.



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AROUND THE PARISH

Baptisms

Dylan Keller Davison
Son of Richard and Dawn

Welcome New Parishioners

A warm St. Patrick welcome to those new to our parish especially **Scott, Nicole, Bennett and Lara Nettune and Andres, Mariae, Victoria and Lucia Reilly.** We look forward to getting to know you!

Mission Co-op Weekend



This weekend, Fr. Isaac Honsan, representing the Archdiocese of Imphal, India will speak at all masses about the diocese and the missionary work. There are baskets for your free -will offering at all the doors of the church. Your generous support and prayers will be of great help for the evangelization work in the Diocese of Imphal. Thank you for your generous donations and support!

Eva's Village

THIS WEEKEND sign up to prepare chili for Eva's Village. Everything you need to know about helping with this ministry is in the church lobby! Consider helping out. Make it a family project. Sign up today. Take a set of the pans provided with the accompanying recipe and instructions then return the two pans of chili you've prepared and **frozen** next weekend to the freezers in the priests' garage by 10:00 am. It's that easy! The food we provide is much needed and greatly appreciated. (Early drop off is possible. Contact the office to make arrangements.)

Save the Date! *Annual Parish Picnic*

Sunday, September 11, 2016

Join us at 11:30 am for Mass followed by food, fun, family, and friends with lots of activities for the kids!

Washington Avenue School

Hamburgers and Hots Dogs supplied by the Knights of Columbus

Raffle tickets for the Vocationist Fathers will be sold after all masses next weekend, August 20th and 21st. The Vocationist Fathers work in many countries of the world to foster vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Each year, they hold a raffle as a fundraiser to financially support the formation process of seminarians. The winning ticket will be pulled on November 19, 2016 at the dinner dance at the Hanover Manor and proceeds from the 50/50 raffle will help the order pay for seminarian education. Thank you!



Food Pantry News

The shelves at the Father English Center have been wiped out for weeks, since back in early July! Many of us are partaking of the multitude of summer vacation plans, barbeques, etc., but those who depend on the FEC Food Pantry are not even able to make ends meet. Thank you for taking the time during this busy season to support those in need. Thank you for your continued, consistent generosity.



Help us fill the food pantries at Fr. English Center in Paterson. One month only....today through August 31st.

To help meet their specific needs we invite you to...

Click—

The link below to access our Food Drive page at **YouGiveGoods**

Share—

What you can with those in need

Give—

Food items right from your computer that will be shipped directly to the Fr. English Center in Paterson.

<https://yougivegoods.com/st-pats-summerfooddrive>

MUSIC MINISTRY



Start dates for choirs and instrumentalists

God Unplugged (teenage singers/instrumentalists): Starts 9/18
Meet every Sun. at 3:45, sing for Sunday 5 pm masses

St. Patrick Boys Choir (grades 3-8): Starts 9/15
Meet every Thurs. at 6:30, sing for Sun. 9 am mass 2x/month

St. Patrick Girls Choir (grades 3-8): Starts 9/14
Meet every Wed. at 6:15, sing for Sun 9 am mass 2x/month

Morning Song Choir (grades K-3): Starts 9/21
Meet every Wed. at 5:30, sing for some 9 am masses and special occasions

St. Patrick School Choir (grades 1-8): Starts in September
Consists of church choir members who attend the school

Saturday Sound Choir (adult): Ongoing
Meet every Sat. at 4:00 pm. Sing for the Sat. 5 pm mass

St. Patrick Choir (adult): Starts 9/8
Meet every Thurs. at 7:30 pm. Sing for the 11 am mass, Advent Christmas Concert and Holy Week

Instrumentalists (middle school and up): Starts 9/14
Meet every Wed. at 7:15 pm. Play for any of the masses

Registration for choirs and instrumentalists:

Students: Registration form is available in the narthex and church side entrances for *God Unplugged* and all children's choirs.

Adults: Please email or call Maggie Hanson regarding your interest: maggiehansonmusic@gmail.com 973-635-0625

Instrumentalists: Please email or call Maggie regarding your interest: maggiehansonmusic@gmail.com 973-635-0625



FAITH FORMATION

Classes begin on Sunday, September 25 and Monday, September 26. Students must be registered before they can attend a class. Parents will receive a welcome email from their child's catechist before classes begin.



SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

Working Together to Challenge Minds and Foster Faith

School is almost here! September 6th is the first day of school for Saint Patrick School students in Grades 1-8. This day will be a full day session (7:50 am to 2:40 pm) and all students should be in full uniform. Morning prayer and announcements will begin in the gym at 7:50 am. The parking lot will be open for drop-off, and parents are welcome to join the faculty and students for morning prayer for the first day. Pre-Kindergarten, Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten students do not begin school until September 7th, but should come with their parent to the orientation at 9:00 am on September 6th. On this day, students do not need to be in uniform and only stay for the orientation. Many blessings on the last few weeks of summer to all families!



YOUTH MINISTRY

Registration is now open for all high school youth including those entering into 9th grade.

Please go to our parish website at www.st-pats.org and click on the Faith Formation tab at the top of the webpage and then click on grades 9-12. The Youth Ministry webpage can also be accessed under *Quicklinks, Youth Ministry* on the left hand side of the page. If you have any questions, please call the St. Pat's Youth Ministry office at 973-635-0625 ext. 28.

Alert Chatham, Mass Notification System

If you would like to get alerts about emergencies and other important community news, please register online at the following websites:

Chatham Borough Residents:
www.chathamborough.org

Chatham Township Residents:
<http://www.chathamtownship-nj.gov/>

Senior Enrichment Center of the Chathams

With the temperatures soaring there is a bit of relief available! **Colony Pool** invites any residents over the age of 62 to visit their facility. When the temperature is over 90 degrees, seniors are welcome to come to Colony Pool free of charge.

Things are quiet these summer months but the Senior Center is open! Be sure to check out their website for updates, activities and bus schedules: www.chathamseiorcenter.org.

Why do Catholics Use Crucifixes?

liturgy **corner**

Crucifixes, like statues and stained glass windows, are used by the Catholic Church to help tell the story of Jesus. Catholic churches use crucifixes instead of empty crosses because they help bring the message home in a deeper way and because the cross is meaningless without Christ's death on it. Catholics do realize, of course, that Christ didn't stay there. The Catholic Church requires a crucifix to be visible during Mass.

The Morris Habitat for Humanity ReStore is looking for donations. If you have furniture, décor items, working appliances, or tools you might be able to donate, please call 973-366-3358. Free pick up is available and items are tax deductible. Also, consider shopping at their ReStore for furniture, building materials and appliances. Visit the website for store hours: www.morrisrestore.org.



Are you seeking a parish community in which to pray, to learn and to be of service to others? Our doors and hearts are open to you-Welcome! Contact Peggy Gentile at the parish offices for additional information at 973-635-0625 ext. 25.



NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE OF PATERSON

Diocesan Men's Conference

The Diocese of Paterson Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, October 15 at St. Paul Inside the Walls in Madison. Join us from 8:30 am—1:00 pm for the opportunity to enhance men's spirituality and encourage them to be more involved with their parishes. Former NFL receiver, Danny Abramowicz; Peter Herbeck, Director of Renewal Ministries; and Pete Burak, Director of Young Adult Outreach for Renewal Ministries will make presentations. The conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by Bishop Serratelli. For more information, visit www.insidethewalls.org.

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Reflection

"Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, who inspires and perfects our faith."

Hebrews 12:2

The key to balancing the everyday demands made on us with the limited amounts of time, talent, and treasure we possess is PRIORITY. When we accept Jesus' priority, we do not squander our gifts.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, August 15

Rosary: 6:30 pm; South Room, Parish Office Building
Meditation Group: 7 pm; South Room, Parish Office Building

Sunday, August 21

Chili Drop-off: After all masses, Priests' Garage



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