They proclaimed:

“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.”

Luke 19:38
As many of us are aware, there are a number of growing epidemics of measles across the United States. Most notable are the 285+ cases in Brooklyn, NY, where Mayor Bill De Blasio declared a health emergency on April 9th. Closer to home, although there has been one case of a “false positive” case reported in Washtenaw County, there are still 39 confirmed cases of measles in Michigan (see Detroit Free Press April 8 online article on Measles in Birmingham school). Measles was all but eradicated in the US until recently.

There are many reasons that people cite for not vaccinating their children against measles. Complaints about risks of autism have been soundly squashed - the original studies were shown to be the product of scientific fraud. That hypothesis has been soundly debunked by numerous large studies. Vaccination protects otherwise healthy people like me from getting the disease, but it also protects others who cannot get the vaccine or who have reduced immune systems because of illness or treatments like chemotherapy and radiation.

The reason I’m bringing up the issue of vaccines, is that I suspect many in our parish may not have vaccinated their children because the primary vaccine that is in use also vaccinates against mumps and rubella (i.e. the MMR vaccine). The rubella vaccine is developed and propagated using a cell line that originally came from an aborted child many years ago. So as to not have even a very remote involvement in abortion, families withhold the MMR vaccine. I know this, because we had withheld it from our children for many years for this reason. But with the growing number of cases of measles we no longer have such a luxury.

The National Catholic Bioethics Center (a very orthodox think tank) has released an FAQ On The Use of Vaccines that is quite good. The NCB brings up Church teaching on this issue from the Vatican Instruction Dignitas Personae: “grave reasons may be morally proportionate to justify” [the use of vaccines with a distant association with abortion], “for example, danger to the health of children could permit parents to use a vaccine which was developed using cell lines of illicit origin, while keeping in mind that everyone has the duty to make known their disagreement and to ask that their healthcare system make other types of vaccines available.” (#35) Towards the end, they also make the following point:

**Am I free to refuse to vaccinate myself or my children on the grounds of conscience?** One must follow a certain conscience even if it errs, but there is a responsibility to inform one’s conscience properly. There would seem to be no proper grounds for refusing immunization against dangerous contagious disease, for example, rubella, especially in light of the concern that we should all have for the health of our children, public health, and the common good.

Measles is also a “dangerous contagious disease”. It is important to note that the MMR vaccine is highly effective. The more people who are vaccinated gives extra protection to people who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons. You can learn more about the ethics of vaccination and read the entire FAQ at [www.ncbcenter.org](http://www.ncbcenter.org)

As a microbiology professor, father of 9, (and Catholic), I would be happy to answer further questions anyone may have on this topic.

Thanks,

Patrick Schloss, PhD
### Divine Mercy Sunday

This year Old St. Patrick will host the Regional Celebration of Divine Mercy on **Sunday, April 28th at 2:00pm** welcoming parishioners from area parishes. The Catholic Church offers a plenary indulgence for those who pray an Our Father and the Creed for the intentions of the Holy Father, receive Holy Communion, **go to Confession**, and pray a devotion to the Divine Mercy. Our celebration will help you fulfill these requirements: we will have a beautiful chant of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, meditative readings from St. Faustina’s Diary and extra confessors on hand to hear confessions.

*On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy.* (Diary 699)

### Fish Fry Volunteers!

As a parish family we worked together as a witness of Christ’s love to the community! A special thank you to John LaRock and Shirley Dreffs our Fish Fry Coordinators. Thank you also to our Chairpersons, Arlene Klecker, Don Wiseman, Dolly DeVos, Mary O’Neil, Steph Saylor, Jeanine Jahant, Beth Ganss, Mike Laird for leading the team of volunteers. So many people came together to make this happen.

**Thank you everyone!!!**

### ***Mass on Tuesday, April 16 will be at 8:15am instead of 7pm***

### MASS INTENTIONS

| TUE 815: | St. Augustine HEP |
| WED 815: | Nick Bays |
| THU 700: | For Priests |
| SAT 900PM: | Our Newly Instituted Parishioners |
| SUN 800: | Parishioners |
| 1030: | Chris & Mary Salata |

### TO PRAY IS TO LOVE

- **Please pray for those in need, including:** Dan Krebs, Patricia Fuller, Lisa Ann Kozakowski, John LaRock Sr., Michael Cooper, Phil Rutledge, Kathy Cooley, Robin Fahmie, Karen Prins, Sandra Adams, Richard Pelkey, Tom Dawson, Pete Siebertz, Nicole Brcic, John Dziuban, Jim Stephensen, Mason Rutledge, Georgiana Bruen, Wayne DeForest, Ron Fuller, Ann Mary “Nancy” Phillips, Katie Hutton, Betsy & Charlie Rodgers, Pam Wiitala, Chris Dreffs, Caroline Pribble, Emma Thompson, Howard Pease, Kelli Merlo, Shirley Dreffs, Bryan Eaton, Phillip Campbell Sr., Glenn Klecker, Paul Massimilla, Patricia Dawson, Lois Roth, Tony Ragazzo, Scott Simon, Mary Boudreaux

- **Please pray for those in the military, including:** Adam Draves, Nathan Baker, Garette Moore, Larry Workman, Daniel Scott Brown, Mark Richard, Philip Maxwell, Tony Phillips, Anthony Darket, Samuel Chase Johnson, William Godfrey, Bill Lott, Mike Nelson, Frank Snaith, Allan Fletcher, Noah Kranz, Chas & Holly Carter

- **Pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.**
  - Michael Kunitz: Byzantine Catholic
  - David Pellican: AOD
St. Patrick Parish Calendar

SUNDAY, April 14
Palm Sunday
No Youth Group

MONTDAY, April 15
6:00 Fish Fry Clean-up
7:00 K of C Meeting

TUESDAY, April 16
9:00 Church Cleaning

HOLY THURSDAY, April 18
7:00pm Mass

GOOD FRIDAY, April 19
Stations of the Cross Begin at 2pm
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion at 3pm
Divine Mercy immediately following

HOLY SATURDAY, April 20
9:30am Morning Prayer & Blessing of Food
9:00pm Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY, April 21
8:00am Mass
10:30am Mass

Patience, Prayer, and Silence
These are what gives strength to the soul.
~St. Faustina

Altar Servers
SATURDAY 4:00/Apr 20
SUNDAY 8:00/Apr 21
SUNDAY 10:30/Apr 21
All Servers, please check your email for schedule.
If interested in serving Holy Week Masses, contact Mrs. Holody ASAP at ospaltarservers@gmail.com

Old St. Patrick Parish Directory

Reconciliation
Tuesday 5:30PM - 6:40PM
Saturday 2:30pm or by appointment; Don’t hesitate to call for an appointment!

Weekend Schedule for Holy Mass
Saturday 4:00PM
Sunday 8:00AM & 10:30AM

EF/TLM Latin Mass
2nd Sunday of Month 12:30pm

Weekday Schedule for Holy Mass
First Saturday of the month 9:00AM
Tuesday 7:00PM
Wed. & Fri. 8:15AM School Year, 8:30AM Summer
Thur. 8:30AM

Eucharistic Adoration of Our Lord
Tuesday 5:30PM – 6:45PM
First Friday 7:00PM – Saturday 8:45AM

Baptisms
Baptism Preparation classes as required by the Diocese of Lansing may be scheduled to accommodate your family’s needs. Contact Dcn. Frank Joseph Papp, 734-426-1070 or email fjpapp@umich.edu to arrange date, time and location.

Marriages
Arrangements are to be made at least nine months prior to the wedding.

Funerals
Funeral arrangements are made by contacting the parish office.

Parish Registration
Contact the office for a registration form.

Office hours
Monday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM
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Contributions:
Weekend of April 7, 2019: $5,939.95

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Knights of Columbus
IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL

Knights of the Month
Our Knight of the Month for April is Joe Dixon. Joe is one of the original members of the Knights since it was chartered on October 12, 1992. An active Knight for 27 years. He has helped out on our Tootsie Roll Drives, Pancake Breakfasts (we use his pancake recipe), Festivals (30 years as Security Guard), Fish Fry’s, St. Patrick Dinner and Scrap Metal Drives. Joe has served in several council officer positions—Trustee, Advocate and Warden. He has taught Hunter’s Safety for 41 years, introduced ladies to firearms and collected Toys for Tots. Congratulations Joe and thank you for your dedicated service to Old St. Pat’s and our community. God Bless You.

Family of the Month
Our Family of the Month for April is the Eriksen Family. David and Diane are Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Catechist’s for Second Grade, First Communion and First Reconciliation. David has helped at Pancake Breakfasts, Fish Fry’s and other Knight Activities. David and Diane help coordinate Vacation Bible School, Corpus Christi Procession, Divine Mercy Sunday, May Crowning, St. Patrick Dinner, decorations for the Church for Christmas and Easter and are members of the Worship Committee. Diane is the chairwoman of the Worship Committee. Ben has been an altar server for 13 years and an altar server trainer for 10 years. He also has worked at our Fish Fry’s, Festivals, helped with Youth Group events and helped coordinate the Vacation Bible School. Ben is always involved in decorating the Church for major feast days and assisting in Corpus Christi and other processions. He has worked in our Parish Office, landscaped the Cemetery Entrance, and painted the entrance gate and sign. Ben is a graduate student in Philosophy at Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. Thank you David, Diane and Ben for your outstanding service to our Church and May Our Lord Bless You.

Ink Cartridge Recycling
There is a box in the Parish Center Coatroom to accept any kind of ink and toner cartridge donations. Thank you!
Old St. Patrick Parish Family Photo Directory

You are invited to
Capture memories for a lifetime

May 15th, 16th, 17th & 18th

Be a part of our new family directory program. Our goal is to include everyone!

We are partnering with Lifetouch for professional photography that will connect our families.

Create treasured keepsakes
More information will be coming soon about scheduling your photography session

Convenient
Lifetouch will photograph at our location.
In your one-hour session you will:
• Be professionally photographed
• Immediately view your photographs
• Be able to purchase photography gifts

Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 photograph & directory for participating


Products may vary
Pray for our Candidates
Please pray for our RCIA members, Jeremy Marshall and Tim Petzold. They are in their last week of preparation. Come to the Easter Vigil to support and pray for them as they enter full communion with the Catholic Church.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection
Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land.

Divine Mercy Novena
This Friday — Good Friday — is the day that the annual novena of the Divine Mercy begins. You’ll find the pamphlet with the novena prayers inside this bulletin or in the back of the Church.

An Easter Organ Recital!
Mrs. Rosaria Park
Mrs. Haehyun Rosaria Park will be performing an ORGAN RECITAL on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 at 7:00pm at Old St. Pat’s to celebrate Easter. She is an organ student of Dr. Robert Wolf and the piano accompanist for the St. Augustine’s Homeschool Schola Choir. Haehyun Rosaria holds two Master of Music degrees in Piano Performance: one from Ewha Women's University in South Korea and one from Eastern Michigan University. She is a substitute organist and pianist at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Ann Arbor; and at St. Andrew Kim Korean Catholic Church in Northville. The forty-five minute program will include famous organ works by Eberlin, Couperin, Walther, J S Bach, Haan, Reger, Dupre, Schumann and Marcello. The event is free and open to the public. A reception will follow to meet and greet Rosaria. We hope you’ll join us!

Kitchen Clean up
Please Help!
Last Friday was our final Lenten Fish Fry for this year. Thank you to everyone who helped! But, we need help one last time! April 15th at 6pm, we have to clean the kitchen and restore order to our supply rooms. Dinner will be provided. Thank you!

Parish Photo Directory
Lifetouch will be at OSP May 15-18 to take family pictures for our new Parish Photo Directory! Please sign up online at bit.ly/OSPphotos

Employment Opportunity at Old St. Pat’s
We are seeking applicants for the part-time position of Director of Sacred Music. Sufficient organ training and skills required. Familiarity and some facility with the entire musical patrimony of the Church is preferred: including: Gregorian Chant and Sacred Polyphony, knowledge of traditional Catholic hymns. The Director of Sacred Music is expected to accompany 4pm Saturday, 8am and 10:30am Sunday Masses, as well as the once a month EF Tridentine Latin Mass, and to lead a weekly choir rehearsal at our parish. Please email resumes to: twasilewski@stpatricka2.org
Alleluia Breakfast!

It is our custom to welcome and congratulate newly received Catholics after the Easter Vigil with an “Alleluia Breakfast” in the parish hall. (Jeremy and Tim!) This is a potluck event, please bring your favorite homemade breakfast food item (Egg Casseroles, French Toast, Quiches, Muffins, Fruit Salads). Set-up and clean-up help is always appreciated! If you have questions about signing up, contact Jennifer Holody at ospaltarservers@gmail.com.

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 18
7pm-Mass of the Lord’s Supper
with candle procession to Hall and Adoration until 11:30pm

Good Friday, April 19
2pm-Stations of the Cross
3pm-Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
Divine Mercy Chaplet following Service

Holy Saturday, April 20
9:30am-Office of Readings and Easter Basket Blessing
9:00pm-Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 21
8am and 10:30am Masses

Congratulations

Confirmation Class of 2018

Olivia Krill
Nicholas Holody
Nicholas Perrydore
Gabriel Carter
Florence Brighton
Madeleine Raupp
Evelyn Shurtliff
Rachel Hiester
Julia DeJak
Peter Zachmann