

St. Patrick in the City

Founded 1794

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Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 P.M.

Sunday: 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M. and 12 noon

Daily Mass

Monday–Saturday: 12:10 P.M.

Confessions

Saturday: 4:30–5:15 P.M.

Monday–Saturday: 11:30 A.M. to
12 noon and by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday at 11:00 a.m.

Novenas

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday after 12:10 P.M. Mass

Holy Name of Jesus

Thursday after 12:10 P.M. Mass

Rosary

Following 12:10 P.M. Mass Monday–Friday

Baptism

Sundays by appointment.

Matrimony

Registered parishioners preparing for
matrimony must contact the rectory at least six
months before a proposed wedding date.

Please do not set a marriage date before you
consult a priest.

New Parishioners

We welcome new parishioners. A registration
form is available from the ushers or the rectory.

Complimentary parking is available in the
parking garage adjacent to the church on 10th
Street for those people attending the Saturday
Vigil or Sunday Masses. Your ticket must be
validated in the sacristy. The hours of operation
are as follows: On Saturday the garage closes at
7:00 p.m. and on Sunday the garage closes at
1:30 p.m.



Pastor and Chaplain, D.C. First Responders

Rev. Msgr. Salvatore A. Criscuolo

Residents

Rev. Roderick McKee

Rev. John McNerney

Rev. George Palliparambil

Rev. Daniel Carson

Director of Music & Organist

Mr. Ronald Stolk

RCIA Director

Mr. Robert Quinlan

Sacristan & Facilities Coordinator

Mr. Donald Holloman

Sacristan

Mr. Peter Ceesay

Office Manager

Mrs. Marie Y. Valcourt



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1, 2019

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

“Come, let us climb the Lord’s mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob. That he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths.’ They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.”

The great season of hope and expectation, Advent, is our invitation to walk with the Lord. It takes effort to climb a mountain, with challenges, avoiding crags and barriers, holes and obstacles. But climb we must. Would that Isaiah’s vision be our goal, not making weapons of destruction, but striving for peace. The swords and spears of his time are now missiles, bombs, drones capable of erasing humankind.

The Isaiah vision has been rewritten by the American Bishops’ statement ‘the Challenge of Peace.’ May we train for peace and not for war in all its ugly forms. This is the season of hope.

Next Weekend December 8, we have the Rite of Welcoming for the members of RCIA who are joining the church at Easter. Let us welcome and keep them in our prayers during this Advent season as they continue this journey.

Celebrants for

Saturday, December 7 & Sunday, December 8

5:30 p.m. Vigil:	Father Palliparambil
8:00 a.m.:	Father McNerney
10:00 a.m.:	Msgr. Criscuolo
Noon:	Father McKee

This Weekend’s Second Collection is to support the upkeep and maintenance of our historic church. Thank you for your support.

Support the Retirement Fund for Religious

A donor writes, “Your flyer touched my heart—seeing the retired religious, such memories surfaced.” Do you remember the sisters, brothers or religious order priests in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. **Please give to Next Weekend’s Second Collection.**

Donations for Flowers for Christmas



Please help beautify our church as we prepare for the Birth of Christ. The envelope for Christmas Flowers has been sent to you and I ask that you please consider giving this year so we can continue to make our historic Church beautiful for each of us and for the many visitors who come here. Thank you.

In this season of Advent, we are continuously preparing ourselves for the celebration of Christ’s birth. Why not help our own parish prepare for the coming New Year by signing up with *Faith Direct*? By supporting St. Patrick in the City through *Faith Direct*, both you and our parish can more easily project your future contributions.

You can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: **DC90**, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the parish office.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!
God Bless, Msgr. Sal

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

On Friday, December 6 at 11:00 a.m. there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Benediction at **12 noon**.

RCIA

"Would you like to be of assistance to those coming into the Church? Please consider being a sponsor this season of one of the members of **RCIA** at St. Patrick’s. Contact Bob Quinlan at bbquinlan@gmail.com for more information. "

St. Patrick’s Fellowship Group every Wednesday at 7:00pm for an hour of prayer and Bible Study! On the last Wednesday of each month, the Fellowship Group will hold a group Evening Prayer Hour in place of the usual Bible Study from 7-8pm in the church. There will be group prayer and time for private reflection. Please send inquiries to stpatsfellowshipdc@gmail.com.



Christmas Toy Drive

Our 22nd Annual Toy Drive for needy children in the Washington metropolitan area is underway. We are requesting parishioners and visitors to please bring an unwrapped toy or gift for a girl or boy (ages from infant to 18 years old) and place it in the toy box in the vestibule of the church until **Monday, December 9**. Or if you wish to contribute by cash or check, give your donation to a priest or usher. We will purchase toys with the funds received. Last year we provided over 2,500 gifts to children and we expect to have an equally successful year. Please help make Christmas brighter for children in need by sharing your blessings.

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 13, 14, and 15, St. Patrick will be collecting non-perishable food items for people in need. If you would like to donate food, please leave your donations at the Blessed Mother's altar. Thank you.

Sunday, December 8, 10:00 a.m.

St. Nicholas Children's Mass

We welcome children to remember St. Nicholas and the "little ones" for whom he cared. On the final day of our Christmas Toy Drive for needy children, please bring an unwrapped toy or gift for a boy or girl (to age 18) and place it in the Toy Box in the vestibule of the church.

Monday, December 9, 2019

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Not A holy day of obligation

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Wednesday, December 18

Come Home for Christmas

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Penance Service with individual confessions

12:10 p.m.

Confessions will also be heard

7:30 - 8:30 a.m., 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.,

and 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

December Poor Box **St. Patrick's Toy Drive**

Mass Intentions & Readings November 30–December 7, 2019



Saturday Vigil, November 30

5:30 p.m. Alfred Dirienzo †

Sunday, FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 2:1-5 / Rom 13:11-14 / Mt 24:37-44

8 am. Parishioners and Benefactors

10 a.m. Jerome E. Miller †

12 noon Cipriano Asuncion Jr. †

Monday

Is 4:2-6 / Mt 8:5-11

12:10 p.m. Mary Ellen Lane †

Tuesday

Saint Francis Xavier

Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24

12:10 p.m. Alix Nau †

Wednesday

Saint John Damascene

Is 25:6-10a / Mt 15:29-37

12:10 p.m. Kulbir Singh

Thursday

Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27

12:10 p.m. Rev. Wm. D. Mannion †

Friday

Saint Nicholas

Is 29:17-24 / Mt 9:27-31

12:10 p.m. Dulce Lejarde

Saturday

Saint Ambrose

Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

12:10 p.m. Victoria Rymer †



St. Patrick will be having the penance service, **"Come Home for Christmas," on Wednesday, December 18.**

By handing out flyers at a nearby metro stop, you can help Jesus proclaim the Kingdom of God. **You can volunteer by signing up** on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church, or contact the rectory at 202-347-2713. Thank you.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for December

That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.