



SPCC Happenings



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St. Patrick's "Fall" Festival Postponed Until Spring 2018

The St. Patrick's Fall Festival, scheduled for Sat., Sept. 23, in the parish hall and parking lot, has been postponed due to a conflict with a major county-wide event to take place on the same day. The festival, according to a recent decision of the members of the parish council, is now tentatively set for a Saturday in April, with the exact date to be determined in the near future.

The festival is held as a fundraiser with net proceeds helping to reimburse the Diocese of Reno for its loan to St. Patrick's for the 2014 construction of the parish hall. More than \$650,000.00 of the parish's debt still remains.

Despite the festival's postponement until the spring, a major raffle of cut and wrapped beef with a freezer is planned with ticket sales expected to run during the months of October, November and December. A drawing of the winning ticket will occur at the parish's annual Christmas party which this year will be conducted on Sun., Dec. 17.

In addition, several other items of significant value will be offered during a live auction on the same evening. Paul Loop will serve as auctioneer. Once again, proceeds will benefit the St. Patrick's building fund.

The parish council is requesting

the donation of a number of large items (such as paintings or other works of art as well as themed gift baskets, gift cards or certificates to northern Nevada events, etc.) for the live auction. If interested and willing to make a donation, please contact the parish office at 423-2846.

Thank you ♥ to the parish council, to the individuals who were involved as members of the Fall Festival Committee, and to the many parishioners who volunteered to help with the Fall Festival! Your commitment to St. Patrick's is deeply appreciated and you are welcome to join in the Spring Festival efforts after the first of the year.

Religious Education (CCD) Class Registration Continues

Registration for St. Patrick Catholic Church's religious education program, also known as Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD), is currently being conducted for the 2017-2018 academic year. Classes begin Sunday, September 10, and take place in the parish hall and the church building from 9:15-10:45 a.m. on every Sunday from September through May (unless otherwise notified).

Religious Education Director Judy Northrup, assisted by Mary Thomas, will be available in the Rose Room after the weekend Masses in August and early September to parents for the purpose of registering their children.

Boys and girls ages 4 and 5 will be accepted for the Pre-kinder and Kindergarten classes. Instruction for grades 1 through 10 will also take place with ninth and tenth grade students enrolled in classes to prepare for Confirmation.

A copy of a birth certificate as well as a baptismal certificate is required to be on file with the religious education program for each registered child or teen. If a parent has already submitted the required documents in a previous year, he/she need not provide another copy.



The registration fee is \$25 per enrolled child. For a family of three or more participating children, the maximum cost is \$75. In some cases a fee waiver may be arranged depending on the circumstances.

Among the parishioners who have already volunteered to help instruct St. Pat's youth in the Catholic faith are Monica Breitenbach, Penny Clifford, Nancy Dees, Paul Loop, and Mary Thomas (who is also teaching a special class for older students who have not yet received their First Communion).

Teachers and/or teaching assistants are still needed.

The following are positions which must be filled:

- ✠ Kindergarten assistant
- ✠ 1st grade teacher
- ✠ 2nd grade assistant
- ✠ 3rd grade teacher
- ✠ 4th grade teacher
- ✠ 5th grade teacher
- ✠ 6th grade teacher

If you are willing and able and called by the Lord to assist with St. Patrick's religious education program, you are asked to contact Judy Northrup or Mary Thomas as soon as possible or call the parish office at 423-2846 to leave your name and telephone number with the staff.

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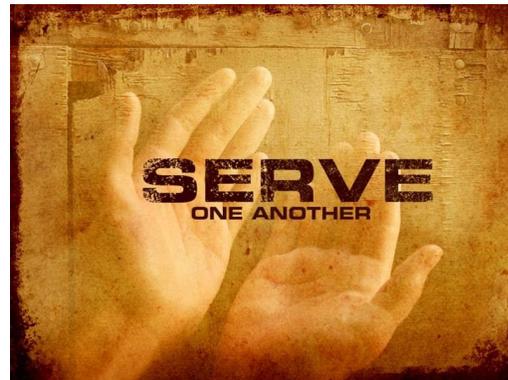
Have you ever been ill or injured to the extent that you had to remain in the hospital or at home for an extended period of time?

During that period of convalescence did you wish for a telephone call or a personal visit from a friend or fellow parishioner to brighten your day?

Did a cheerful greeting card or a hot and homemade meal from someone help dispel a bit of the isolation or loneliness you may have felt during your confinement?

Would a helping hand in one or more of these compassionate ways have made a difference in your recovery?

If so then perhaps you may understand the needs of our ailing or suffering fellow parishioners who look to us for comfort and encouragement in their times of need. You may also consider joining a parish ministry that is starting up and possibly coordinating with other similar ministries already in existence to meet these important needs among the members of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Fallon.



On Thursday, August 31, at 3:30 p.m. in the parish hall, individuals interested in being involved in this effort are invited to attend a meeting at which ideas on how to best accomplish our outreach tasks will be shared with one another. The more people willing to serve in this capacity, the more effective the ministry will become.

As in a quote attributed to St. Francis of Assisi, "A single sunbeam is enough to drive away many shadows." May we be the sunbeams to brighten up the shadowed corners of the lives of our fellow parishioners in need. Come to the August 31st meeting and become a shining beacon of the light of Christ's love to others.

For more information contact Ginny Dugan, duganmv@cccmm.net, 423-4559.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Aug. 22—Tues.—7-9 pm—Parish Hall—RCIA begins

Aug. 24—Thurs.—7 pm—Parish Hall—Movie Night with Deacons Carlson and Crooks—Title: Development of the Early Church—St. Peter

Aug. 25-27—Fri.-Sun.—Churchill County Fairgrounds—Hearts of Gold Cantaloupe Festival

Aug. 30—Wed.—6 pm—Parish Hall—Parish Council meeting—Parishioners are welcome to attend

Aug. 31—Thurs.—7 pm—Parish Hall—Movie Night with Deacons Carlson and Crooks—Title: Development of the Early Church—St. Paul

Sept. 4—Mon.—Labor Day

Sept. 7—Thurs.—7 pm—Parish Hall—Movie Night with Deacons Carlson and Crooks—Title: Development of the Early Church—Apostolic Fathers

Sept. 10—Sun.—Grandparents Day—Also, Knights of Columbus Fallon Council 4828 Pancake Breakfast in parish hall after 8 am Mass. \$5 per person

Sept. 16—Sat.—On Fire Nor Cal Jam—Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, Vallejo, CA—Contact Paul Loop, Youth Coordinator, 775-741-0846, for information or registration

Sept. 22—Fri.—First day of autumn

QUOTES TO LIVE BY

WHAT DOES LOVE LOOK LIKE?

IT HAS THE HANDS TO HELP OTHERS.

IT HAS THE FEET TO HASTEN TO THE POOR AND NEEDY.

IT HAS EYES TO SEE MISERY AND WANT.

IT HAS THE EARS TO HEAR THE SIGHS AND SORROWS OF MEN.

THAT IS WHAT LOVE LOOKS LIKE.

—ST. AUGUSTINE

