

# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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*We, the St. Patrick's Parish Family, are a Roman Catholic community of sons and daughters of God the Father who are empowered by the Holy Spirit to commit our lives to worship, prayer, compassion, service, education and sharing our Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and His Gospel with all others.*

The Second Sunday of Advent



December 7, 2014

## CLERGY

**Rev. Joseph F. Bisignano**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Augustine A. Addai**  
*Parochial Vicar*

**Rev. Thomas E. Kreiser**  
*Parochial Vicar*

**Rev. Jeffrey M. Pomeisl**  
*Parochial Vicar*

**Rev. Msgr. Dermot R. Brennan**  
*Pastor Emeritus*

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday:  
9:00 am to 12:00 noon,  
1:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am to 9:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am to 9:00 pm

## PARISH STAFF

**School Principal**  
Monica Virgilio ..... 962-2211

**Religious Education Director**  
Kelly Vardakas ..... 962-5586

**Minister to Homebound  
& Hospitalized**  
Sr. Sheila Kelly, RGS..... 962-5050

**Parenting Education**  
Nan Gollogly ..... 962-5050

**Music Ministry**  
Kathey Lewis, *Director* ..... 962-5050  
Barbara Castrataro, *Organist*

**Parish Secretary**  
Ann-Marie Treanor..... 962-5050

**Youth Group**  
Chris & Megan Genn ..... 962-5050



## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday: after 6:55am Mass, and 8:30 to 8:55am.  
Saturdays after 9:00 am Mass, and 4:00 to 5:00 pm.

## BAPTISM PREPARATION

Parents should come to the Rectory to pick up a Baptism Preparation Package to begin the process for Baptism.

## MATRIMONY

Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding. Parishioners who are registered can make arrangements of date and time only after speaking with the Pastor.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Rectory.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

We welcome adults considering membership in the Catholic Church and those Catholics desiring to complete their initiation to inquire into the RCIA process.

## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE †

### Main Church

Saturday 5:15 pm  
Sunday 7:45, 9:15, 11:00 am,  
12:30 & 5:00 pm

### Stone Church

Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 am

## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE †

Monday - Friday 6:55 & 9:00 am  
Saturday 9:00 am

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon. December 8 - Immaculate Conception**

**6:30am** For the People of St. Patrick's

9:00am Lucy Sunshine

12:00pm Louis Antonelli, Sr.

7:30pm Tina & Sal Fragala

**Tues. December 9**

6:55am Christopher Vazeos

9:00am Hedwig Reichert

12:00pm Deceased Members of the Brandon & Farrell Families

**Wed. December 10**

6:55am Lauro DiMaranan

9:00am Frank C. Poli

12:00pm Salvador Barba

**Thurs. December 11**

6:55am Alfred Mellone

9:00pm Eileen Dumser

12:00pm Andrew Olejer

**Fri. December 12**

6:55am Joseph Sorrentino

9:00am Deceased Members of the Milone Family

12:00pm John Oliva

**Sat. December 13**

9:00am Deacon John E. Armo

5:15pm Deceased Members of the Leno & Risi Families

**Sun. December 14**

7:45am Salvatore Ruggerio

9:00am For the People

9:15am Joseph Veteri

10:30am Louis Siano

11:00am Nancy Corcione

12:30pm Kathleen Casey

5:00pm Leona Schueler

Collection - November 30, 2014

Weekly Collection Last Year \$25,287.50

Weekly Collection This Year \$23,737.50

Weekly Children's Collection Last Year \$ 311.00

Weekly Children's Collection This Year \$ 309.00

November Parish Pay Last Year \$20,045.15

November Parish Pay This Year \$24,822.38

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Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12;  
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a,  
12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

| Monday, December 8, 2014     |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| 7:00am                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 8:00am                       | St. Patrick's School <b>CLOSED</b>          |
| 9:45am                       | Parentcare (PCH)                            |
| 4:30pm                       | Rel. Ed. Advent Assembly (MC)               |
| 7:30pm                       | Baptism Class (EC 101)                      |
| 7:30pm                       | Mass & 2 Novenas (MC)                       |
| Tuesday, December 9, 2014    |   |
| 7:00am                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 9:45am                       | Film (PCM)                                  |
| 6:00pm                       | Bereavement (PCM)                           |
| 6:00pm                       | Youth Group Babysitting                     |
| 6:30pm                       | Legion of Mary (MC-CR)                      |
| Wednesday, December 10, 2014 |   |
| 7:00am                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 8:00am                       | SPS Santa Shop (Gym)                        |
| 9:45am                       | Parentcare (PCH)                            |
| 1:00pm                       | Problems With Food - OA (LC)                |
| 4:30pm                       | Basketball (Gym)                            |
| 6:00pm                       | Girl Scout Leader Meeting (PCH)             |
| 7:00pm                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 7:30pm                       | RCIA (Rect.)                                |
| 7:30pm                       | Teen Choir (MC)                             |
| 7:30pm                       | Al-Anon (109/110)                           |
| Thursday, December 11, 2014  |   |
| 7:00am                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 2:30pm                       | After School Program (PCM)                  |
| 4:30pm                       | Rel. Ed. Advent Assembly (MC)               |
| 4:30pm                       | Choristers Grd. 3 & 4 (109/110)             |
| 7:00pm                       | SPS Play Performance for Parents (Gym)      |
| 7:00pm                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 7:25pm                       | EARN Monthly Meeting (PCH)                  |
| 7:30pm                       | New Eucharistic Minister Training (MC)      |
| 8:00pm                       | Prayer Meeting (PCM)                        |
| Friday, December 12, 2014    |   |
| 7:00am                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 8:45am                       | SPS Play Performance for School/Staff (Gym) |
| 11:00am                      | St. Patrick's School Early Dismissal        |
| 6:00pm                       | Youth Group Grd 6 & 7 (109/110)             |
| 6:30pm                       | Gianna Mass & Reception (MC, PCH)           |
| 7:00pm                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 7:00pm                       | SPS Gingerbread House Activity (Gym)        |
| 8:00pm                       | CREDO Business Meeting (EC 101)             |
| Saturday, December 13, 2014  |   |
| 7:00am                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 7:00am                       | Emmaus Men's Ministry (107/108)             |
| 9:00am                       | Basketball (Gym)                            |
| 9:30am                       | Centering Prayer (Art Rm)                   |
| 6:30pm                       | Youth Group (PCH)                           |
| 6:30pm                       | SPS Dance Class (PCH)                       |
| Sunday, December 14, 2014    |   |
| 8:00am                       | AA (LC)                                     |
| 10:15am                      | Hospitality (PCH)                           |
| 10:15am                      | Library Open                                |
| 2:00pm                       | Basketball (Gym)                            |
| 3:00pm                       | Boy Scout Pope Pius XII (PCH)               |
| 8:00pm                       | AA (LC)                                     |



Yorktown Community Help has placed cards in the vestibule of the Main Church with the age of a boy or girl. Please take a card and bring an **unwrapped** gift for that child **with the card attached** to the vestibule of the Main Church on the weekend of **December 13<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you for your support.

A Special Mass for couples experiencing infertility or recurrent miscarriage. All are welcome. Please join us on **Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30pm. The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe & relics of St. Gianna Beretta Molla will be present. Dr. Anne Nolte, MD, of the National Gianna Catholic Healthcare Center for Women will speak after Mass. Please email [GiannaMass1212@gmail.com](mailto:GiannaMass1212@gmail.com) to RSVP.


St. Patrick's Library will show the heartwarming conclusion of **Christmas With a Capital C** on **Tuesday December 9** after the 9:00am Mass and Rosary. The small town of Trapper Falls learns that with the arrival of Christmas, good will should be given to all, even one whose heart seems closed to Jesus.

St. Patrick's School Fundraiser: Pilates class taught by Tina Sferra, MSPT on **December 13** at Country Academy of Dance, 80 Triangle Center from 8:30-10:00 AM with proceeds to benefit St. Patrick's School. The fee for this event will be \$20.00. Please come out and have some fun while supporting the benefits of a Catholic Education in our Community. Thank you.

The Marian Consecration Mass will be on **Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30pm in the Main Church. This is your chance to consecrate your life to Jesus through Mary. Marian Consecration has been called the easiest way to become a saint. Fr. Pomeisl will celebrate this Mass and the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be displayed. We hope all can join us for this exciting culmination of the **"33 Days to Morning Glory" Retreat**. If you'd like more information, please feel free to contact the Ministry for Families at 962-5050.

EARN, our Parish's ministry to the unemployed, will hold its regular monthly meeting on **Thursday, December 11** at 7:25PM in the Parish Center Hall. All are welcome. For further information please visit: [www.earnatstpats.com](http://www.earnatstpats.com).

**FEAST OF THE  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**



Please join us on this *Holy Day of Obligation*. The Masses are:  
**Monday, December 8, 2014**  
6:30 & 9:00 AM, 12:00 Noon  
& 7:30 PM

**Banns**

**III Luigi Gentile & Natalie Fisco  
Wedding**

**Luigi Gentile & Natalie Fisco  
Saturday, December 12, 2014  
@ 2:30PM, Stone Church**

The St. Patrick's Youth Group would like to thank all those who purchased cheesecake pies for Thanksgiving. Our next fundraiser is a babysitting night for those who would like to Christmas shop. The first of two sessions will be on **Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00 - 9:00PM in the Parish Center Hall. The cost is \$25 for the first child and \$15 per child after that. The second session will take place on **Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 1:00 - 5:00PM. Please pre-register for one or both sessions by email to [stpatsyouth137@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsyouth137@gmail.com) or phone the Rectory at 962-5050.

World Youth Day is an international Youth Festival that takes place every 2-3 years. The highlight of the trip is a Vigil and Mass with Pope Francis. This pilgrimage is both fun and inspirational. We are still looking for parishioners who would like to sponsor a young person who wishes to go to World Youth Day by providing the deposit. If you can contribute all or part of the \$800 deposit for one of our young people, please contact Fr. Tom. Thank you for your continued generosity.



**At the request of Parishioners we have added and a 12:00 Noon Mass to be held in the Main Church Monday - Friday during the Season of Advent.**



**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

**Monday, December 15, Main Church**  
**Archdiocesan Day for Confessions**  
 4:00 - 8:00 P.M.

*All parishes in the Archdiocese will have the Sacrament of Reconciliation available.*

There will be no Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> 7:30 PM evening Mass. The *Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers* will be said after the 9:00am morning Mass due to Confession.

**Monday, December 22, Main Church**  
 4:00 - 5:00 P.M. and 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

**Tuesday, December 23, Main Church**  
 5:00 - 6:00 P.M. and 8:00 - 9:00 P.M.  
 (No Confessions on Christmas Eve)

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**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

**Wednesday, December 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE**  
**Main Church:** 4:00 P.M., 7:30 P.M. and 12:00 Midnight  
**Stone Church:** 5:00 P.M.

**Thursday, December 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY**  
**Main Church:** 7:45, 9:15, 11:00 A.M. & 12:30 P.M.  
**Stone Church:** 9:00 and 10:30 A.M.

Do you want to take a more active part in the Mass? Training sessions for Special



Minister of Holy Communion will begin this week. In order to fulfill these roles, a person must be a practicing Catholic, regularly attending Mass, devoted to the Eucharist and, if married, have that marriage recognized in the Catholic Church. If you meet these requirements and would like to train to be a Special Minister of Holy Communion, please contact Fr. Tom at the Rectory as soon as possible.

The Altar Bread & Wine used in the Main Church this week were donated by Nora Lombardi in loving memory of:

Vittorio Ebbri

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Main Church this week was donated by Clara Kaplan in loving memory of:

Hilda Perrinez

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Main Church Chapel this week was donated by The Treanor Family loving memory of:

Marie Carroll

The Altar Bread & Wine used in the Stone Church this week were donated by Rosemary Mills in loving memory of:

Gloria Hill

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Stone Church this week was donated by Diane Vijacki & Family in loving memory of:

Joan & Richard Seiboldt

**Unannounced Masses**

**Deceased:** Armando Mancini, Jack Casey, Carol Martinelli, Francis Klueber, Fred Versaci, Richard Orefice, Robert Whalen, James Sullivan, Joanne Laurenzano's Father, Richard Mondello, Barbara Ann Quinn, Brian Walsh, Madeline Mitchley, Eugenio Heiter, Thomas Fahey, Mary Kehayes

**Special Intention:** Betty Horrigan, Marie McGovern Arline Murphy, Edward Chester  
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**If you are seriously ill at home or in the hospital or are having major surgery and would like a visit, please notify Sr. Sheila Kelly at the Rectory @ 962-5050 ext. 19**  
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St. Patrick's Prayer Meeting invites you to join us in prayer on Thursday nights. We meet at 8pm in the meeting room, downstairs in the Main Church.  
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Gifts for the residents of Holy Comforter Nursing Home are due **this weekend**. These gifts need to be **wrapped** and should include the **resident's name and room number**. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness.

From the desk of Fr. Tom Kreiser

## BITS AND PIECES

Just thought that I would use this week's column to catch you up on some of the latest goings on in the parish.

Many thanks to all who bought pies from the youth group. I have heard only good things about them, but if anyone has a complaint, please let me know. We realized more than \$3000 profit from the sale. This is an excellent start to our fundraising for World Youth Day. We will be having many more fundraisers, so please keep up your support.

Several people have also come forward with partial deposits for the young people who are having trouble affording it. The deposit is \$800 per person. If you can help with all or part of a deposit, please let me know as soon as possible.

The Stone Church looks a little different these days. That is because we put air conditioning units in. They also serve as heaters for the winter if we need them. Although we are not thinking about the warm weather right now, we can be thankful that when it comes, we will be much cooler in the Stone Church this coming summer.

The air conditioning project in the Main Church continues as well. The A/C will be up and running in the spring. Donations are still being accepted to help defray the cost. Many thanks to all who have already contributed.

Did you know that we have instituted a 12:00 Noon Mass for the seasons of Advent and Christmas? For those who are home during the day, this is an excellent opportunity to boost your spiritual life. We have had a noon Mass during Lent for many years, and it was very well received. Those who attended it asked that it be expanded, and we heard you. There will be a Mass at noon until January 9<sup>th</sup>, Monday through Friday. We will resume it during the Lent and Easter seasons.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues from Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 AM until 9:00 PM. We are in **desperate** need of people to sign up for the uncovered half hours. If we do not get people to sign up, adoration hours will be seriously curtailed. It is not permissible to leave the Blessed Sacrament alone, and that is happening with the current schedule. Please consider committing to a half hour a week. The signup sheet is posted outside the chapel.

One last report from the Ministry Fair. If you didn't come down, you missed a great event. Over 30 parish ministries were represented and many people (about 100) signed up to participate in various ministries. What a great testimony to our parish community. We will be holding the Ministry Fair again next year, so keep watch for it.

As we continue the Advent season, may you be blessed with spiritual insight as we await the coming of Our Lord. God bless you.