

St Patrick Catholic Church



AT THE BEAUTIFUL LAKE OF THE OZARKS

Welcome to all our visitors, our parishioners and guests, who have joined us at today's liturgy to share our faith and our joy in Our Lord Jesus Christ. Please enjoy the beauty of our spacious grounds and the Mother's Shrine dedicated to Mary Mother of the Church and to all Mothers.

**THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF
MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**



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MASS TIMES

MON.—FRI.

9:00 A.M. MASS

PRAY THE ROSARY

1/2 HOUR BEFORE MASS

CHAPEL OPEN FOR PRAYER

8:00— 4:00 MON.—FRI.

RECONCILIATION

3:00—3:45 SAT.

MASSSES SAT. 4:00 P.M.

SUN. 9:00 A.M.

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ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD DEC. 25, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Do not be afraid.” The message spoken to the shepherds by an angel nearly two millennia ago still holds true for us today. God wanted to draw the hearts of all people to Himself, and so He appeared as an innocent, humble baby in a manger. That plan continues to bear fruit, as we see so many families pause to visit the manger scene in their churches and reflect on God’s love for them.

Could you imagine what the world would be like if all of us became fully aware that we were created in the likeness of this same Lord? Let us together pray for this peace in our lives, that only the Prince of Peace can give through His grace, as we celebrate His glorious birth.

With best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend John R. Gaydos

How blessed we are. How wondrous is our God. To come down from heaven and become one like us. May the Joy and Good Will of the New Born King be yours today and the year ahead. I pray that you and all your family members have a beautiful, Merry Christmas and find the peace that is offered by the Christ Child.

Merry Christmas,

Father Schmitz Father Henry

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC. 25 SEMINARIAN & PRIEST COLLECTION

FROM THE OFFICE

NO MASS MON. DEC. 26TH
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
DECEMBER 26TH—30TH

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST

Community for Christ is STILL IN NEED of **spaghetti, pancake mix, syrup, crackers, jelly, tuna this month.** It is the time of year when the needs are greater. Thank you, for the donations brought in!!

We thank you for your assistance and support to the food bank in helping others.

Together we help make a difference in feeding those in need so families are not hungry!!

SECOND COLLECTION

The Christmas Assessment for the **Seminarians and Retired Priests** for our parish is \$5,247. A collection will be taken at all the Christmas Masses. This collection assists our 7 Seminarians and the 17 Retired Priests of our diocese. Please be generous.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKEND COLLECTION

DEC. 18 \$1,995 (inclement weather)

*includes electronic funds

Attendance 106 (inclement weather)

Average weekly collections needed for church \$6,800

Electronic fund transfer available for the 1st, 15th etc. available for weekly contribution, building & maintenance, Charitable Outreach, Christmas and Easter.

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OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.SHRINEOFSTPATRICK.ORG

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MASS INTENTIONS DEC. 26—30

MON 9:00 NO MASS
TUES. 9:00 MARY TROIA & DOT HANARAN±
WED. 9:00 JOY GROVES HEALING
THURS. 9:00 JOSEPH MORGAN±
FRI. 9:00 PRUDENCE KELLY ±
SAT. 4:00 PARISHIONERS
SUN. 9:00 TERRY TEEL

ST. PHILIP BENIZI MASSES

FRI. 10:30 A.M. SUN. 10:30 A.M.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

PARISHIONERS -

Julia Curiale, Mike Kuse, Jim Eades, Addie Walters, Rich Rowan, Bill Shortino, Ceil Bish, Duane Kennedy, Sandy Vossen, Rosemary Stoltz, Adam Steffen, Barb Miller, Danny Deluca, Bud Raeker, Tom Mc Cann, Tom Costello, Dennis Devine, Lucy Macek, Carolyn Gentry, Clarence Smith, Mary Bogle, Jerry Petersen, Mitzi Chase, Bill Sayers, Mike Greenwald, Ed Seaton, Ray Hamilton, Joy Groves, Al Vasey.

FRIENDS & FAMILY OF PARISHIONERS

Natalie Staffieri, Crystal Raeder, Elmer Henry, Chuck Behrens, Phil Whitworth, Louise Starzynski, Mackenzie Trost, Richard Dascher, Bill O'Bryan, Gay Brumagin, Cheryl Kerfeld, Oleta Jones, Jennifer McKinney, Carrie Sheeley, Rilie Johnson, Luke Brooks, Ron Larrington, Brianna and Brody Decker, Darren Bozich, Arianna Cooper, Tony Marie Rinella, Ann Reilly, Abby Kunneman, Dorothy Bos, Michael Switalwski, Hal Trokey Jr, Kathy Egan, Sue Dunn, Addison Nichols., Irma Webster, Sandra Poates, Haley Browning, Collette Moscato, Laura Keal, Anne Erola, Amy Schmitz, Elizabeth Gilreath Ryllie Foust, Chris Kuse, Christopher Bonick, Alma Thompson, Jacob and Crystal Miller, Ann Reilly, Janet Lloyd, Bill Sonner, Billie Johnson, Steve Callahan, Kolton Melcher, Jackie Sinoveic, Glen Noyes, Diantha Muzingo, Allan Kilburn, Wyatt Newman, Barbara Ott, Mary Groves, Kim Hamilton, Connie Hope, Leroy Berden, Lindsey Baracz, Dave Aumer.

SCRIPTURE READINGS DEC. 26-30

Mon. Saint Stephen Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22
Tue. Saint John, Apostle Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Wed. The Holy Innocents 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Mt 2:13-18
Thu. Saint Thomas Becket 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35
Fri. The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Sat. Saint Sylvester I 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18
Sun. **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD** Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

CHRISTMAS



NATIVITY OF THE LORD

SAT. DEC. 24 CHRISTMAS EVE
MASS 4:00 ST. PHILIP 7:00

SUN. DEC. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY
MASS 9:00

FRI. DEC. 30

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,
MARY AND JOSEPH MASS 9:00

SAT. DEC. 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE
MASS 4:00

SUN. JAN 1 MARY MOTHER OF GOD
MASS 9:00

SUN. JAN. 8 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
MASSES SAT. 4:00 & SUN. 9:00

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FAITH BUILDER

VOCATIONS CROSS:

We need families to pray for our young people. Please consider signing up to take the Vocations Cross home for a week and pray as a family at each meal for young people to find their vocations in life. Our youth need your prayers and support. Sign up sheet is in the vestibule. Simply tell the Director of Worship at whatever Mass you attend that you will be taking the Vocations Cross. He will inform the priest to call you up after communion for a special blessing and to present you with the cross.

BE A SEED SOWER:

Remember over the holidays when you are surrounded by the young people in your family to find an opportunity to plant a seed of encouragement for them to find their vocations in life. If you see spirituality, suggest religious orders. If you see nurturing, suggest medicine or counseling or teaching. A great harvest requires careful planting. Don't be afraid to sow a little seed.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Stephen- December 26

Saint Stephen is the protomartyr, the first martyr. When the apostles chose deacons to help with their ministry, he was among the first seven. He was a man filled with grace and power, who worked great wonders among the people. Certain Jews debated with Stephen but proved no match for his wisdom. They persuaded others to make the charge of blasphemy against him. He was arrested and tried by the Sanhedrin. He was taken out to be stoned to death by a mob, which included Saul (later called St. Paul). Stephen died as Jesus did: falsely accused, because he spoke the truth fearlessly. His death was violent, but he died with courage, total trust, and forgiving love. Like him, may we learn to forgive our persecutors and pray,

"Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

MEMORIAL FLOWERS



In Honor of

Father C.D. Ryan
Father Patrick Dolan
Father Joe Abah
Father John Schmitz
Father Henry Ussher
Deacon Dave Lovell

In Memory of

Father Fred Barnett
Father Edwin Cole

Tom Gerant Sr.
Charlie Stoltz
Joe & Eliese Brown
Raymond Macek
Marilyn Bauer
Keith Gromer
Joe Thomas
Myrtle Bobenchik
James Raeder
David Naher
Bob Gentry
Shirley Dennis
Phyllis Bock
Bob Grady
Gregory Petersen
Joe & Isabelle Petersen
Russell & Geneveive Lane
Nora Wolff
Anna Coldwell
William Crossland
Eleanor Penno
Rose Marie & Louis Cimiotta
Terry Teel
Austin & Marianne Teel
John & Odette Armstrong
John Calahan
Rosemary McKenzie
Mary Troia
Stephen & Stella Konuch
Daniel & Helen Madden
Ron Madden
Karen Collier
Payne & Noyes Families
Dave Gilbert
Sharon, Kelly, Brett Nevins

Irma Schmitz
Marcia Schweiss
Parents of Bernie Marco
Parents of Millie Marco
Anna Curiale
Grace Nation
Denne Family
Szemplenski Family
Michael Miller
Jack Shepherd
Frank Schleicher
Harold & Marie Ellis
Leland Reilly
Al & Ivy Debert
Harry & Regina Kuykendall
Dean "Doc" Lee
Wilgen Family
Leigh Bellus
Bill & Helen Doherty
Billy & Joe Doherty
Joseph Morgan
Dan Watts
Ted & Lucille Madden
Bob & Mary Estelle Van
Evercooren
Dave Bozich
Gerry Rector
Cecilia & Glenn Williams
Frank Cobb
Buzz Steffan
Mike Brown
Nick Mohs
Lowell & Frances Shiray
Henry & Berna Baracz
Red Morrison
John Berlette
Hal Trokey
Gertrude Spacher
Ruth Klein
Vicki Yarmas
Lowell & Virginia Myers
Mary Rose & Dick Peeler
J. Raymond Macek
Helen Samson – Feik
Mamie Hoppel Vreeland
Kathryn Hoppel
The Wheeler Family

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



**Knights of Columbus
Council 10831**

**JAN. 8 PANCAKE BREAKFAST
JAN. 20 FISH FRY**

RESPECT LIFE PERSPECTIVE

Since the legalization of Abortion, our nation has sacrificed the lives of over 50 Million babies on the altar of Abortion. Please join me in praying for an end to this terrible sin. In the words of Pope St. John Paul II, "Ultimately, God will not judge our nation on its economic prosperity, military strength, or international influence and prestige, but on how well it promotes and protects the dignity of every human being. May the Judge of Nations not find us wanting"...

GIVING TREE

Thank you to Mike Hutton, Jim Gerke, Dennis Dor-man, Joe & Marcy Brown, Kathy Woodward, Reagan Brodersen and the Maintenance Staff for helping prepare food & gift baskets for the Advent Giving Tree. Special thanks to all of our generous parishioners for donating gifts to the needy families. Mary Gerant & Lisa Brodersen.

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- Melvin & Jane Grossman, 59 years
- Clarence & Sandy Smith 48 years
- Bob & Judy Raeth, 46 years
- George & Kathy Tankersley, 45 years
- Gary & Rhonda Burris, 36 years

Congratulations!

May the Lord Bless you!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



Family Blessing for Christmas Break

*Let us put ourselves into the hands of the Lord
and pray that God will bless us and our families
during the coming holy days.
May all of us help to make our homes
places of joy, love, peace, and safety.
May we be generous and considerate,
not thinking only about ourselves
but helping others enjoy
the blessings of Christmas.*

Questions/Comments... you can reach me at my NEW office phone number – Michele Haggerty (573) 372-8594.

THOUGHTS OF THE LITURGY

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

St. Jerome (d. 420) lived in a cave near Bethlehem while he translated the Bible into Latin. He commented about the pilgrims from distant lands coming to Bethlehem in great numbers. He wrote that "the pilgrims hymned God's praise in every imaginable tongue." We gather in our church for our Christmas Mass to "hymn God's praise." There are four sets of readings for our Christmas Masses. Matthew gives some genealogy of Christ; Luke describes the humble circumstances of Jesus's birth; John wrote poetically about the Incarnation. In previous centuries, popes celebrated Masses in various churches in Rome called Stational Churches.

The midnight Mass was in the Basilica of St. Mary Major, at the Altar of the Crib. Legend has it that St. Helena brought back to Rome a piece of wood thought to have been from the manger in Bethlehem and placed it under the altar of this church.

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DEC. 31 & JAN. 1

SATURDAY, December 31 4:00

Lector: Mitzi Chase

Greeters: Dave & Mitzi Chase

Communion Ministers: Janice & Steve Mandl
Michele Haggerty, Barb Petersen

Directors of Worship: Jim Troia & Jim Klein

SUNDAY, January 1 9:00

Lectors: Hannah Tichy, Eric Tichy

Greeters: Eric & Frances Tichy, Jean Lee

Communion Ministers: Leslie & Allison Owen, Mari Pat
Brooks, Donna Griffith

Servers: Connor Souders & Jeremiah Trokey

Directors of Worship:

Paul Van Evercooren & Jerry Unrein

Pew Angel for the week of January 1: Mari Pat Brooks



Each of the ministries you are involved with is important to the vitality, prayerfulness and beauty of our liturgical celebrations. We are always looking for dedicated people to fill these roles. Think about, pray over, consider the ministry that is calling you. Contact:

*Eucharistic Ministers—Deacon Dave Lovell,
Lectors—Ellen Lovell, Liturgical scheduler—Michele Haggerty*

OFFERTORY GIFT BEARER

It is an honor to be a offertory gift bearer. If you are interested, please let the Director of Worship know when you arrive at Mass. Three people are needed to carry the bread, the wine, and the offertory collection. If you have a special event and would like you or your family to be gift bearers, please call the parish office.