

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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YOUTH FAITH FORMATION, MICHELE
HAGGERTY
MAINTENANCE , TOM GERANT
CODY TAYLOR, PAT HAGGERTY

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC. 11, 2016



CONGRATULATIONS FATHER HENRY USSHER ON YOUR PRIEST ORDINATION OF 17 YEARS

"GOD'S CALL AND OUR RESPONSE"

The God who created us called Abraham, our father in faith that through him he would bless the land. True to his words, God made Abraham the father of nations as a result of his faithful response. By giving her 'Yes' to the spoken words of God, from the mouth of Angel Gabriel, Mary gave joy to the whole world at the Savior's birth. Like Abraham and Blessed Virgin Mary, you and I have been called and chosen at our baptism. We are called to witness to the life of Christ that all people shall see the glory of God. As Christians our life, words and relations are to give joy and peace to all we meet. To us the Lord says "strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak, say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God..." (Is 35:1-6a, 10) Yes, not too long ago, I was called and ordained to herald the good news of salvation. By my humble response in 1999, I am given the task to lead, teach, guide, encourage and serve you in the vineyard of God. You too are special in the eyes of God by being mothers, fathers, grandmas and granddads whose actions witness to Jesus in your homes and work places. The underlying fact is that we all have been called and chosen that salvation in the Lord shall reach the corners of the world. Peace!

Fr Henry Ussher

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC. 10 ST. NICHOLAS PARTY
DEC. 11 ADVENT PENANCE SVC ST. PAT'S
DEC. 12 BLOOD DRIVE 1 to 5:00
DEC. 13 ALL CRHP GATHERING
DEC. 18 ADVENT DINNER & MOVIE
DEC. 25 SEMINARIAN & PRIEST COLLECTION

BULLETIN DEADLINE

BULLETIN ITEMS FOR THE DEC. 25 BULLETIN ARE DUE BY FRIDAY DEC. 16TH AT NOON.

ITEMS FOR THE JAN. 1 ARE DUE ON MON. DEC. 20TH AT NOON.

ON THE GO

Merry Christmas at Main Street Opera, Osage Beach
Tuesday December 13th at 7:00 pm.
The cost per ticket is \$20 plus tax due before show.
We will meet you there with the tickets at 6:15.
Mary or Dan Noyes at 573-374-5545 or
lezak24@yahoo.com.

DECORATING THE CHURCH

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday December 18 after 9:00 Mass. Please mark your calendar and plan to join in the enjoyment of preparing our worship area for the Christmas season Masses.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKEND COLLECTION

DEC. 4TH \$7,332

*includes electronic funds

Attendance 474

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.

VIEW OUR BULLETIN ON
OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.SHRINEOFSTPATRICK.ORG

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MASS INTENTIONS DEC. 12-18

MON 9:00 ALBERT WALDVOGEL±
TUES. 9:00 JOHN OWEN ±
WED. 9:00 GREG PETERSEN±
THURS. 9:00 EUGENE CWIOK±
FRI. 9:00 BOB GRADY±
SAT. 4:00 PARISHIONERS
SUN. 9:00 LEIGH BELLUS ±

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, Elizabeth Rourke, Rich Rowan, Bill Shortino, Ceil Bish, Duane Kennedy, Sandy Vossen, Rosemary Stoltz, Adam Steffen, Barb Miller, Rosemary McKenzie, Danny Deluca, Bud Raeker, Jim Kemp, Tom Mc Cann, Tom Costello, Dennis Devine, Lucy Macek, Carolyn Gentry, Clarence Smith, Mary Bogle, Jerry Petersen, Jim Ellis, Mitzi Chase, Bill Sayers, Mike Greenwald, Ed Seaton, Ray Hamilton, Groves Family.

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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS DEC. 12-18

Mon. Our Lady of Guadalupe

Zec 2:14-17/ Lk 1:26-38

Tue. Saint Lucy Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32

Wed. **Saint John of the Cross** Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/
Lk 7:18b-23

Thu. Is 54:1-10/Lk 7:24-30

Fri. Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Jn 5:33-36

Sat. Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17

Sun. **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

WITH SYMPATHY

ROSEMARY MCKENZIE

**Mother of James, Rosemary and
sister of Jerry Siebenmorgen**



Please remember Rosemary and her family in your prayers.

THE PRESENT OF PRESENCE

God sent a present into the world, the Gift of loving presence named Jesus. The gospel stories indicate that Jesus gave few material things to people. What he gave most was his personal presence, gift that were treasures of the heart: belief in self, inner healing, peace of mind, compassion, forgiveness, dignity, and justice.

Like Jesus, we can give from our inner abundance, gifts from the heart. Moments lovingly spent with another through prayer or through personal presence carry more beauty and have more endurance than anything material we could give.

Advent is a good season to be more deliberate in sharing the present of our presence every day. It may be through a phone call, letter, a visit, or through the bonding of prayer as we focus love and attention toward those who need the strength of God to be with them.

From "Out of the Ordinary by Joyce Rupp

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

ADVENT GIVING TREE



There are two tags this year for each child.

Rose tag, keep with information on child.

Purple tag, write your name/phone number and place in basket below.

Please return wrapped gifts with your tag **FIRMLY** attached to the gift and place under the tree in the entrance of Church by Dec.11.

Thank you for caring and sharing!

Mary Gerant 573-286-1516

Lisa Brodersen 573-789-2221

SAINT OF THE WEEK



DECEMBER 17: ST. OLYMPIAS

This Saint was born around 361. She belonged to a great family of Constantinople. St. Olympias was left an orphan, but was left to the care of a wonderful Christian woman. She

was married, but soon was widowed and refused to marry again. With a number of other pious women, Olympias spent her life performing works of charity. She dressed plainly, gave her money away, and prayed much.

Guided by the archbishop, Olympias and her disciples started a home for orphans and they opened a chapel. Later her community of widows were forced to stop their charitable works, her health was deteriorating, and she was being criticized. Olympias died in 408, when she was about forty. Someone described her as "a wonderful woman, like a precious vase filled with the Holy Spirit."

Reflection: The generosity of St. Olympias touched many lives. How might I become more giving to those around me today?

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST

Community for Christ is in **NEED** of **spaghetti, pancake mix, syrup, crackers, jelly, tuna this month.** You can also make a donation. Thank you for your assistance in helping others.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



Oh my, what a jam packed day our Youth Faith Formation group had last Sunday!!



We had a big mock check presentation to the Midwest Burn Camp with the proceeds from last February's Bean Soup Supper. For those that have never at-

tended, you have missed out on lots of fun. The delicious feast is skillfully crafted by Jim Neff and Brad Deters. The YFF students serve and clean up. We have a silent auction, a cake raffle with elegant cakes designed by various parishioners, and music bingo with Troy Wormsley to round out the night. Last year the proceeds totaled \$2,900 that went to the Burn Camp. The next Bean Soup Supper is scheduled for Saturday, February 18, 2017. It is rumored that Father Schmitz may have a donation or two for the silent auction table!

The seventh through twelfth graders had selected two families totaling five children from the Giving Tree. They went shopping with their Catechist, Micah Becker and her husband Clay. The students were asked to bring in their own money and to keep quiet about the amount they had to offer. A black bag was passed from student to student under the table so that no one had any idea what each one donated. They divided the cash up so that the same was spent on each child. They returned with great excitement over their experience.

This weekend was the Parish St. Nicholas Party after the 4:00 Saturday Youth Mass. St. Nicholas provided gifts to all youth that attended the celebration.

?s/Comments: Michele Haggerty (573) 372-8594

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



**Knights of Columbus
Council 10831**

12/18 – Knights Sunday, please proudly wear your badges to show you are a Knight. Breakfast will be at the Elks Lodge.

ADULT FAITH

Celebrate Advent

Prepare for the light of God coming into the world through the birth of His Son.

*Dinner and a Movie
December 18 @ 3 pm
St Leo's Hall*



*All are invited to a special viewing of **The Christmas Candle**, a timeless holiday film for the entire family, followed by a wonderful spaghetti dinner prepared by our very own ~*

Chef Schmitzini.



No reservations are needed. For more information contact Amy Luebbering (280-6489) or Lisa Cluver (480-2754).

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY DECEMBER 18TH

IF YOU ARE CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY IN DECEMBER, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS 2016



**SUN. DEC. 11th ST. PAT'S
COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE 3:00**
Please mark your calendars and make reconciliation part of your spiritual plans. Several visiting priests will be with us to celebrate this sacrament.

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

SUN. JAN 1 MARY MOTHER OF GOD
MASSES SAT. 4:00 & SUN. 9:00

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

MON. JAN. 9 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
MASS 9:00

MEMORIAL FLOWERS



Purchase a flower in memory of or in honor of your loved one. Envelopes are in the back of church or you can drop in the collection or parish office. Please include your name and the person you are remembering by Dec. 18. Names will be included in the Christmas bulletin and will be remembered at the Christmas Masses.

MOTHER'S SHRINE

The National Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Church

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

We hope you are enjoying our lights this year.

A special thanks to all who made this beautiful display possible: Tom Gerant, Pat Haggerty, Cody Taylor, Jim Gerke, Ken Nicholson, Joe Brown, John Pilla, Jim Stoltz, James & Alvina Allis, Mary Jane Gorbet, Steve Mandl, Tom Castella, & Mike Hutton.



Chance for Name
on Mothers' Wall
of Life.

\$5.00 each or 5
for \$20.00

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

GIVE THE GIFT THAT LASTS

MORE THAN A LIFETIME:

What a wonderful Christmas Gift...their name on The Mothers' Wall of Life!

It is never too late to give the gift of a name on the Mothers' Wall of Life.

You will receive a gift card to give as a Christmas gift although the name won't be engraved until next spring. \$400.00.

Support the Mother's Shrine with pre-tax dollars. Become a member of the Heritage Fund. Call 573-374-MARY for a brochure or additional information.

GIFT SHOP

Children's Christmas Books

In Your Gift Shop

1/2 of Retail Value

Please remember—The Mothers' Shrine

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DEC. 17 & 18

SATURDAY, December 17 4:00

Lector: Al Vasey

Greeters: Dave & Mitzi Chase

Communion Ministers: Ellen Lovell

Dave & Mitzi Chase, Mary Jane

Gorbet

Directors of Worship:

Jim Troia & Jim Klein

SUNDAY, December 18 9:00

Lectors: Hunter Deters, Rick Purdon

Greeters: Eric & Frances Tichy, Jean Lee

Communion Ministers: Donna Griffith,

Cindy & Marcus Long, Joyce

Szemplenski

Directors of Worship:

Paul Van Evercooren & Jerry Unrein

Servers: 9:00

Cooper Deters & Jacob Wormsley

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.