

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY 30, 2017
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

GOD HEARS AND ANSWERS OUR PRAYERS (1Kg 3:5-12/Mt 13:44-46)

When King Solomon was given the chance to ask for whatever he wanted, he asked for understanding (wisdom) to rule God's people, to distinguish right from wrong, to offer just treatment and judgement. He thought of his people and placed their wellbeing above his personal needs. He was heard therefore, and was granted wisdom that made him great, respected and pleasing to his people before God.

Jesus, our Lord and Savior, taught us to ask and we shall receive. So we freely pray through to God, the Father, for all our needs. Prayers are beautiful when they have the good of others in view. They ascend like incense to the abode of God if they come from pure minds and loving hearts. Needs are usually granted through a faithful and honest approach. A faithful and honest prayer is a search for a better treasure and a willingness to let go all that has no value. It is a longing for a pearl of better value for oneself and others. It is communal and social links. It seeks both personal good and the good of others.

As a community of believers, all prayers work for us when we seek the common good of all. We should allow faith, hope and love to guide us when we stand to pray. To this St. Paul wrote, "Brothers and Sisters, we know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose...." (Rom 8:28-30).

Let us keep praying for one another, for God always hears and answers prayers in His time.

Father Henry

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 14 FALL FESTIVAL

OUR LADY OF FATIMA 100TH ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGES



Pilgrimages
Saturday, August 5
Saturday, Sept. 2
Saturday, Oct. 7
Call Rose for reservations
573-374-MARY

RAFFLE



1st Prize \$10,000
2nd Prize \$5,000
5 \$1,000 Prizes
TICKETS \$25 EACH OR
5 FOR \$100

Buy your winning ticket today!!!

DRAWING OCTOBER 14TH

Raffle tickets will be sold at all Masses. I will coordinate this year's sales again and will need your help in selling tickets.

**If you are available, please contact me
at 573-374-0662 or 573-286-7617.**

God Bless, Nancy Pate

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKEND COLLECTION St. Pat's \$7136

July 23RD

***includes electronic funds**

Attendance church 549

Attendance, Mother's Shrine 638

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

Visit our website at
www.shrineofstpatrick.org

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MASS INTENTIONS JULY 31-6

MON.	9:00	JANE GROSSMAN SPC.
TUES.	9:00	SCOTT DORMAN FAMILY SPC.
WED.	9:00	TERRY BUCKHOLTZ SPC
THURS.	9:00	FRANK DUSSELIER±
FRI.	9:00	SALLY MACK SPC.
SAT.	5:00	JEANIE A. HATFIELD SPC
	8:00	MOTHERS ON THE WALL OF LIFE
SUN.	8:30	MOTHERS ON THE WALL OF LIFE
	10:00	PARISHIONERS

ST. PHILIP BENIZI MASSES

FRIDAY 10:30 A.M. SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

PARISHIONERS

Julia Curiale, Mike Kuse, Bill Shortino, Ceil Bish, Rosemary Stoltz, Adam Steffen, Bud Raeker, Tom McCann, Tom Costello, Lucy Macek, Carolyn Gentry, Jerry Petersen, Al Vasey, Ralph Baracz, Joy Groves, Bill Groves, Clarence Smith, Norma Emerick, Glenn Gebhardt, Jim Veulemans, Louise Carter, Howard & Rita Smelser, Steve Callahan, Jeanette Trogdon, Barbara Bogaro, Jean Dunn, Barb Miller, Joan Aubuchon.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Natalie Staffieri, 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, 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, Kolton Melcher, Jackie Sinovic, Glen Noyes, Wyatt Newman, Barbara Ott, Mary Groves, Kim Hamilton, Connie Hope, Leroy Berden, Marcella Hope, Anne Conolle, Ruth Ellis, Mike Waeckerle, Brady Noyes, Curt Mather, Wanda Wilde, Eddie Taylor, Baby James Simpson, Mark Walls, Rachael Curiale, Rob Clarke, Sally Mack, Hanna & Jake Hoge, Ike Lynch, Christine Gaul, Brad Bradfield and Kevin Adams, Frances Lueck, Billie Fryer, Tom Brown, Jill Dawson, Judy Carlson, Lana Aumer, Ann Schott, Don Stanzi, Tim Hutton, Anna Smith, Ron Larrington, Rylie Johnson, Christina Troyer, Patty Walkenhorst, Dale Evans, James Sparks, Barbara Miller, Father Mike Rice, Father Pat Shortt.

SCRIPTURE READINGS JULY 31-6

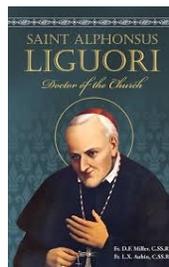
Mon. *Saint Ignatius of Loyola*
Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35
Tue. *Saint Alphonsus Liguori*
Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Mt 13:36-43
Wed. *Saints Eusebius & Peter Julian Eymard*
Ex 34:29-35/Mt 13:44-46
Thu. Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53
Fri. *Saint John Vianney*
Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58
Sat. *The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major*
Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12
Sun. *THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD*
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



TUESDAY, AUG. 15TH
MASSES 9:00 and 5:30
St. Philip 6:30
Holy day of obligation.
Parish Office closed.

SAINT OF THE WEEK



Saint Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787)- August 1

Alphonsus was born near Naples, the oldest of eight children. Because of health issues he could not enter the military, so his father had him educated for the legal profession. He was a successful lawyer, but not happy. Alphonsus liked the world less and less, and finally felt a call to a religious life. His first years as a priest were with the homeless and the marginalized youth of Naples. He became very popular because of his plain and simple preaching and his gentle understanding way in the confessional. He founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (the Redemptorists).

Their goal was to teach and preach in the slums of cities and other poor places.

Alphonsus was a gifted musician and composer and wrote many popular hymns. He was also poet, painter, and author at the same time. He is one of the most widely-read Catholic authors. Alphonsus vowed early to never waste a moment of his life, and he lived that way for over ninety years. Like him may we learn that " all holiness and perfection of soul lies in our love for Christ."

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



THE DOOR IS OPEN - Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place while supporting their Church and protecting and enhancing their family life.

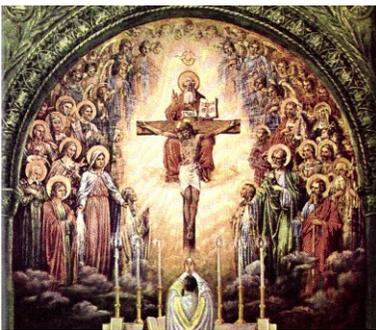
Aug. 26-27 – Shootout

Sept. 15, 16 & 17 – Diocesan Boy Scouts Retreat
23 – Air Show, Camdenon

Oct. 01 - Knights of Columbus State Pilgrimage at Shrine

WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

WHY DO CATHOLICS PRAY TO SAINTS?



The historic Christian practice of asking our departed brothers and sisters in Christ—the saints—for their intercession has come under attack in the last few hundred years. Though the practice dates to the earliest days of Christianity and is shared by Catholics, Eastern Or-

thodox, the other Eastern Christians, and even some Anglicans—meaning that all-told it is shared by more than three quarters of the Christians on earth—it still comes under heavy attack from many within the Protestant movement that started in the sixteenth century. One charge made against it is that the saints in heaven cannot even hear our prayers, making it useless to ask for their intercession. However, this is not true. As Scripture indicates, those in heaven are aware of the prayers of those on earth. This can be seen, for example, in Revelation 5:8, where John depicts the saints in heaven offering our prayers to God under the form of "golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints." But if the saints in heaven are offering our prayers to God, then they must be aware of our prayers. They are aware of our petitions and present them to God by interceding for us. In any event, it is clear from Revelation 5:8 that the saints in heaven do actively intercede for us. We are explicitly told by John that the incense they offer to God are the prayers of the saints. Prayers are not physical things and cannot be physically offered to God. Thus the saints in heaven are offering our prayers to God mentally. In other words, they are interceding.

CHARITABLE ASSISTANCE

Donations to Charitable Assistance are used to assist needy families, with utilities, rent, water, propane, etc. We work together with Community for Christ to help families in certain cases. If a check is written to the Food Pantry, the donation will go to Community for Christ. Thank you for your donations to both.

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST



St. Pat's partners with Community for Christ to assist with providing for their food pantry.

They are in need of CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES, PAN-CAKE MIX, SYRUP, TUNA, TUNA HELPER. Donations welcome made payable to Community for Christ. There have been very little brought in recently!

Please help stock their shelves.

Announcements will be made and containers both inside and outside to collect items for the food pantry.

Please help stock their shelves to make a difference for the many in our community in need. Thanks

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

I have never really read much of the Bible, I don't even have a bible. Will this be a problem?



Remember to notify the Parish Office of any changes with your phone, address, email.

If you are admitted to the hospital, please remember to indicate you are Catholic.

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RCIA

Jesus sent his disciples out to spread the Good News! We are also asked to give His message to others. One way we do this is through the R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). You can share the Good News by telling those you may know who are interested in our faith and encouraging them to join the inquiry group this fall. For questions, call Michele Haggerty (573) 372-8594.

“Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice” (Psalm 105:3).

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process in which adults study the Catholic faith, and if they desire, they become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. Weekly meetings are held to discuss scripture, our relationship with God, and much, much more.

R.C.I.A. begins Wednesday, September 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Religious Education Center.

RESPECT FOR LIFE

Sometimes we are passionate about a subject but lack the words to bring about a good discussion and conversation. In our devotion for Respect of Life, we find it difficult to understand the pro-choice, pro-abortion way of thinking. When we are pro-life, we can see very clearly the harm and evil that pro-abortion is causing, from those who feel trapped by their pregnancy and those who feel they are doing no wrong. How do we find the words to help others see and understand the intrinsic evil, the psychological, physical, and spiritual harm that abortion causes? One way is to try to understand both sides better. It is also helpful to have known talking points to focus on. The pro-abortion group may turn the focus of the discussion away from abortion and onto “Who Decides?” This moves the discussion away from the death an abortion causes and towards a debate of whether the mother or the state should decide to end a pregnancy. This is where we can encourage the respect for life point of view, to remind opponents that the child is a separate life the mother is carrying and that the child is RESIDING in the mother’s body, not a part of the mother’s body. Let us pray for continued understanding of the pro-abortion point of view and find the words to help them understand the sacredness of life.

It is not WHO you are, but rather WHOSE you are that entitles you to life.

VISITORS

WELCOME

We are happy you decided to worship with us today. If you would like information about registering as a new parish member or part-time parishioner, please call the parish office at, (573) 374-7855 or email me at parishsecretary@shrineofstpatrik.com

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

You will receive a gift of a New American Bible, from St. Pat’s Church. Many participants have little or no familiarity with the bible so we are all in the same boat. Don’t worry, you will get acquainted with your bible in a fun, informal way.

To find even more answers contact Priscilla at 314 488-8293 or Rose, 573 280-2537



YOUTH CANS

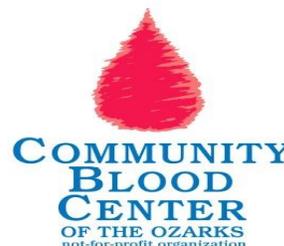


**RECYCLE ALUMINUM CANS
IN THE RECYCLE TRAILER LOCATED ON
THE PARKING LOT. PROCEEDS GO TO
OUR YOUTH. THANK YOU!**



BLOOD DRIVE

GIVE BLOOD



**St. Patrick
Catholic Church**

St. Leo’s Hall

Friday, August 11, 2017
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Score LifePoints on Every Donation!

Photo identification required.
Please eat well and drink plenty of fluids prior to the blood drive.

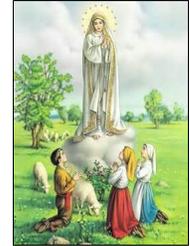
MOTHER'S SHRINE

The National Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Church



PILGRIMAGES

Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima



August 5 - Michael McGlenn, world class singer and Notre Dame football player. "Confidence in God through

September 2 - Donald Hartley, Catholic Defender, "Have I become your enemy for telling you the Truth?"

Oct. 7- Francis Slobodnik, Regional Director for America Needs Fatima, "Fatima Perspectives for 2017"

You won't want to miss this line up of great speakers !! Registration 9 am, Closing Benediction 4 pm. Please call for lunch reservations.

CHILDREN'S READING NOOK

Children are enjoying the new reading nook with the large selection of books just their size! Bring your children, grandchildren, or strangers off the street to see this newly created area.



Please
make your
checks
payable to:

The
Mothers'
Shrine
To support
the Shrine

Thanks.



This beautiful KING size quilt was made by Cheryl Van Bebber as a fund raiser for the Mothers Shrine. Chances are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. The drawing will be at the Harvest Festival, Oct. 14th. The quilt is valued at \$500. Tickets are in the vestibule, the office and the gift shop.

TOTES FOR TATAS

Bring your slightly used purses, wallets, luggage, etc. to support breast cancer. Funds go directly to Lake Regional Hospital to help with things not covered by insurance.



Support the Mothers' Shrine with pre-tax dollars by becoming a member of the Heritage Fund. Call 573-374 -MARY for a brochure or information.



A generous benefactor donated \$1,000 toward a slab of granite and is challenging others to match her \$1,000. Let's see how many matching \$1,000 checks we can receive?

GRANITE panels can be purchased for \$6,000, which entitles you to the top line. Please consider this special gift.

Responsorial Psalm: 7/30 Lord, I love your commands.

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR AUG. 5TH & 6TH

SATURDAY, August 5, 5:00pm**Lector:** Al Vasey**Greeters:**

Ellen Lovell, Marilyn Vasey

Communion Ministers:Pat Wheeler, Michele Haggerty,
Carol Gibson, Ellen Lovell, Barb
Petersen, Mary Jo Eye**Directors of Worship:**

Jim Troia & Jim Klein

SUNDAY, August 6, 10:00am**Lectors:** Cindy Long, Marcus Long**Greeters:**Edrea Eisenhauer, Ron Slaughter,
Marge Van Evercooren**Communion Ministers:**Jim Ellis, Denise Roberts, Liz Pauly,
Marilyn Slaughter, John Pilla, Edrea
Eisenhauer**Directors of Worship:**

Paul Van Evercooren & Jerry Unrein

SATURDAY, August 5, 8:00pm**Lector:** Lorri Steffen**SUNDAY, August 6, 8:30am****Lector:** Hannah Tichy**Pew Angel** Mary Gerant

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.