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ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Patrick Church of the Pastoral Region #6 in the Sidney Deanery with Transfiguration Church, West Milton, Ohio

Fr. Eric Bowman, *Pastor* Fr. Michael Samala, *Associate Pastor* Fr. Joseph Kozar, SM, *Sunday Associate*

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Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and by appointment only 409 East Main Street, Troy, Ohio 45373

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Sunday

5:00 p.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

SPANISH MASS

Every second Sunday of the month 6:00 p.m.

Mission Statement

We are a community of Faithful Disciples who choose to seek the truth passionately, to love the Lord and others intensely, and to give freely of our gifts, because we believe that we are called to make the Kingdom of God visible in the world today.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, Augu	st 14	
e	Gene Gretch	
SUNDAY, August 1		
•	Mary Carlin	
	Mike Treon	
10:30 a.m.	Baptism – Layla Anne Patrick	
	Ruth Koverman	
MONDAY, August	16	
7:45 a.m.		
TUESDAY, August	17	
7:45 a.m.	Gerald Stevens	
WEDNESDAY, Au	gust 18	
7:45 a.m.	Fred Hoying	
THURSDAY, Augu	ıst 19	
7:45 a.m.	Jack Black	
FRIDAY, August 20	0	
7:45 a.m.	Joan McDonald	
SATURDAY, August 21		
-	Joann Neff	
SUNDAY, August 2	22	
	Jim & Mary Kirves	
	Ladd Michael Orr	
11:30 a.m.	Carl Goubeaux	
For Mass times of churches throughout the United States, visit: www.masstimes.org.		

FR. ERIC - RAMBLINGS

ARRIVING IS PART OF THE JOURNEY...

St. John Paul II started a world youth event called World Youth Day which would take place every 3 years in a different part of the world. Youth would flock to this week-long event that culminated with a "world Mass" with the Holy Father as the celebrant. On the Saturday before the Mass, all the pilgrims would pack up their stuff and would walk for most of the day to a huge open field and would settle in for the evening, camping outside. The first time I went to World Youth Day was in 2002 and I really struggled with the hike/pilgrimage to the field for Mass. But the next time



I experienced World Youth Day was in 2005, and I was more prepared for the pilgrimage to the open field. I entered into the "pilgrimage experience" and found that Mass was even more amazing. Each Sunday is an opportunity for you and your family to go on a pilgrimage, not to Rome or the Holy Land, but to the Heavenly Liturgy celebrated by Christ Himself in the person of the priest.

If we go to church, consciously aware that we are being drawn there by the Holy Spirit, and if we have a sense that we are approaching something very special and impactful on our lives, we can prepare ourselves and our family to enter the church in this spirit. It is different from entering a museum or a movie theater. We are entering the house of God in which we become God's People, giving God thanks and praise for God's tremendous love and for the nourishment we are about to receive.



PLEASE WELCOME OUR RECENTLY BAPTIZED MEMBER OF ST. PATRICK:

Louise Marie Neargarder, daughter of Logan & Sara (Bostick) Neargarder

THW ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

ST. PATRICK MINISTRY FAIR – SUNDAY, AUGUST 29TH FROM 8:30-11:30 A.M.

Let's come together to meet and greet our Parish Family There will be a free breakfast, Chef Todd Smith's Omelet Bar, pastries, juice and coffee. Fellowship with friends you haven't seen for a while. Free gifts for those who check out the Ministries we offer here at St. Patrick Church. Maybe find one you can volunteer for or come and say thanks to all those volunteers who keep the ministries going. You will be amazed at all we offer. Special gifts for



our new Parishioners at the Welcome Station. Plus, if you want to register, you can do that at the Fair, too. Saturday night goers, come for breakfast, and come early if going to 11:30 Mass. **Come Celebrate St. Patrick Parish & Friendship.**





SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT - AUGUST 1

Sunday Masses	\$ 7,349.00	
Sunday Mail-Ins	\$ 2,152.00	
Electronic Giving	<u>\$ 2,948.25</u>	
Total	\$ 12,449.25	
Amount Needed	\$ 13,423.00	
Variance (shortfall)	\$ (973.75)	
Thank you for your continued support and generosity!		

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

St. Patrick's Confession Times: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 7:00-7:30 a.m.

Tuesday: 6:00-7:00 p.m. with Holy Hour

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Transfiguration Confession Times:

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 7:30-8:00 a.m. Thursday: 6:00-6:45 p.m.

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION EVERY TUESDAY

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We welcome you to come and spend some time in prayer and worship of Our Eucharistic Lord.



AROUND OUR PARISH

TREASURES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI

We hope you had an opportunity to look at the Bicentennial book of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati that has been on display in the vestibule of the church for the past few weeks. This beautiful book is the result of months of collaboration and a celebration of the great beauty of many of the churches and other holy places across our Archdiocese. We are currently taking orders for these books which will be shipped to us in early November. Each book is \$30.00 with checks made payable to St. Patrick's. These make great gifts but we will have a limited amount available so get your order in early! This book will continue to be on display in the Narthex after Masses until August 15th and available to view in the parish office after this date. Please contact the parish office if you would like to order or would like more information.

CHURCH INFORMATION

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

3:00 p.m. Thursday for the following week; submit via email info@stpattroy.org.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 7:00-7:30 a.m.

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m. In Church

Tuesday: 6:00-7:00 p.m. With Holy Hour In Church

Anytime by appointment (In Parish Office)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month, 10:30 a.m. following Mass

2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month, 12:30 p.m. following Mass

Saturday after the 5:00 p.m. Mass with permission only

Attendance at the Baptismal Program is required – held every other month on the second Monday in January, March, May, July, September, and November at 7:00 p.m. Call the Parish Office to reserve a date for both program & sacrament reception.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

During Office Hours, call 937-335-2833. Anointing between Sunday Masses with prior notice. In Emergencies or After Hours, call 937-335-2833.

MATRIMONY

Contact the Parish Office at least 8 months in advance; must be a registered parishioner at least 9 months prior to marriage. Preparation program is required.

CARE OF THE SICK

Visitation Ministers visit homes and nursing facilities with Eucharist for those unable to worship on Sundays. Facilities no longer share this information with the Parish Office. Help identify those in need of Visitation by calling the Parish Office.

HOSPITAL VISITATION

Please notify the Parish Office if you or a family member is hospitalized. Hospitals no longer share this information with the Parish Office.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Registrations are taken at the Parish Office during regular business hours. Registration form is also available on our website to complete and mail in to the Parish Office. When leaving the parish, please notify the Parish Office.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Parish Office when you have a change of address or phone number.



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE Sunday, August 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56

Monday, August 16 Weekday Jgs 2:11-19 Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 Mt 19:16-22

> **Tuesday, August 17** *Weekday* Jgs 6:11-24a Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 18 Weekday Jgs 9:6-15 Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 19 *Weekday* Jgs 11:29-39a Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Mt 22:1-14

Friday, August 20

St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 21

St. Pius X, Pope Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Mt 23:1-12

Access Daily Readings from the New American Bible, Revised Edition (NABRE) online at https://bible.usccb.org

AN EXAMPLE OF FAITH

Reflection on Luke 1:39-56

A woman from the crowd proclaims to Jesus: "Blessed is the womb that carried you and the breasts at which you nursed." And Jesus says: "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it." The Greek word that is used for "blessing" in this gospel reading is *makarios*. It connotes a mark of righteousness for those who are blessed, in which they know the gift and joy of sharing divine life.

Not only is Jesus referring here to those who are and will become His disciples, but He is also raising up His Blessed Mother. Mary has an "eyes wide open" faith. She was not afraid to question Gabriel, the angel messenger – "How can this be...?" And that faith flowed into her fiat – "let it be done to me..."

This example of Mary's faith is a powerful pattern for us to follow. Accepting the divine strategy for our lives is an ongoing fiat; it is okay, like Mary, to have questions. But in the end, like Mary, God asks of us our quiet consent to His will and purpose for our lives. We are blessed, indeed, when with patience, courage, and joy we carry on the work of God's kingdom in every age and place. Mary, our Mother, knows how perplexing our ministry can be for us at times. She, who was assumed body and soul into heaven, prays for us to be strong!

~ Fr. Jay



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY *Feast Day: August 15*

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. There were few dissenting voices. What the pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's assumption into heaven. Nevertheless, Revelation 12 speaks of a woman who is caught up in the battle between good and evil. Many see this woman as God's people. Since Mary best embodies the people of both Old and New Testaments, her assumption can be seen as an exemplification of the woman's victory.

Since Mary is closely associated with all the mysteries of Jesus' life, it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit has led the Church to believe in Mary's share in His glorification. So close was she to Jesus on earth, she must be with Him body and soul in heaven.

In the light of the Assumption of Mary, it is easy to pray her Magnificat (Luke 1:46–55) with new meaning. In her glory she proclaims the greatness of the Lord and finds joy in God her savior. God has done marvels to her and she leads others to recognize God's holiness. She is the lowly handmaid who deeply reverenced her God and has been raised to the heights. From her position of strength she will help the lowly and the poor find justice on earth, and she will challenge the rich and powerful to distrust wealth and power as a source of happiness.



MUSIC MINISTRY

The 9:30 a.m. adult choir is looking for more members this coming year. Rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m., in the Church. Come and learn about the riches of Catholic music in a fun and inviting environment. No formal training or prior experience is necessary, just a love for music!

Interested, but not sure if choir is right for you? Come to our "amateur hour" on Sunday, August 22nd at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Sing with the choir in the loft and get a feel for what we do – no strings attached. Contact Matt Wagner, Director of Music, at 937-335-2833, ext. 103 with questions.

THE WELCOME COMMITTEE

The Welcome Committee is starting back up with a meeting on August 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Undercroft. This is a newly forming group, so please do not hesitate to join and provide your input and fresh ideas! For more information, contact Pat Cartwright at the Parish Office.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION MONTH 7

You are in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. Beginning this month, the baby uses all four senses. He can see, hear, taste, touch, cough, yawn and hiccup. He now recognizes his mother's voice. During this time he will also receive antibodies from his mother protecting him from a wide variety of diseases.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking forward to our Mass on the Grass and lunch. This will take place on Sunday, September 12. In the past, this event has been sponsored by Parish Council. This year, we would like to open it up to others who might want to be involved. Do you have the gift of planning and organizing that you would like to share with your parish family? Any help will be appreciated. If you are interested, please call Carolyn Putnam at 937-418-1155 or Charlotte Rehmert at 912-713-3686 and leave a message.

AUGUST 15, 2021

RUAH WOODS OPENS NEW DAYTON-AREA COUNSELING OFFICE

Desiring to experience the fruits of the Holy Spirit in a greater way in your life or relationship, including peace, patience and joy? Thought about counseling, but not sure where to turn or what provider will respect and uphold your Catholic faith? Discouraged by the potential need to drive to Cincinnati to pursue such services? Good news: With a new location at the Transfiguration Center, Ruah Woods Psychological Services is bringing Catholic faith-informed mental health care to greater Dayton and beyond. Please call 513-407-8878 or visit us at RWpsych.org to learn more.

FUNERAL LUNCH HELP NEEDED

Our wonderful volunteers who provide bereavement lunches to our families of the parish could use some help. The funeral lunches have been on hold since COVID but will resume again in September. Volunteers are needed to help in various areas of this ministry. If you are interested, please call Amy in the parish office at 335-2833, ext.102.

SAFEPARISH CHILD PROTECTION PROGRAM

The Child Protection Program for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati is now SafeParish. If you were active in VIRTUS, your account should have switched over and you should have received an email on how to register for the new program. If you have not received an email or if you have any questions, please contact Susan Anderson at sanderson@stpattroy.org.



RCIA Dia

RCIA, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, is a learning and loving journey in which conversion of the heart brings one to Jesus Christ.

RCIA St. Patrick Church is here to help and guide you through this beautiful Journey in Faith. *Baptized Christians and those Unbaptized, Catholics wanting to come home, couples and families, this is a blessed journey of a lifetime. Are you eager to learn more about our Catholic faith? Or, do you know someone like this?* Journey in Faith continues Monday, August 30th; 6:30 p.m. at St. Patrick Church. For information and to register, please contact: Ken Vendryes at 937-545-9197, ksvend80@roadrunner.com or Susan Anderson at 937-335-2833, ext.104, sanderson@stpattroy.org.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL – SHEETS/BLANKETS & FOOD DRIVE August 28-29 (All Masses)

Join us in keeping the residents of St. Joseph House warm this winter. St. Vincent de Paul is collecting <u>new sheet sets and blankets</u> (Twin and Twin XL sizes) for Troy's low-income boarding house for men. That same weekend, we are hosting a <u>food drive</u> for First Place Food Pantry in Troy. Bins will be posted in the back of church and the Parish Center during the Ministry Fair. Any nonperishable food or toiletry item will be accepted, and there is a special need right now for: breakfast bars, pasta cups (just add water), soups, canned fruit, PB&J, Hamburger Helper, mac and cheese, canned meats, dried or canned beans, rice (1 or 2 lbs), pasta sauce, instant oatmeal packets & toiletries (soap, toothbrush/paste, toilet paper, etc.) Thank you in advance for your support!!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This weekend is Loose Change Collection for St. Vincent de Paul. After Mass there will be representatives at the door of the church with red baskets to collect your loose change. All money collected is kept local for people of Troy. Thank you for your generosity.

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

ENCOUNTER JESUS CHRIST WITH A VISIT

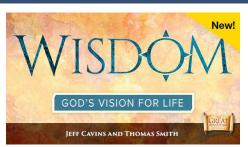
Do you want to volunteer visiting our brothers and sisters who are unable to attend Mass? **Every** Sunday during the year, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from St. Patrick Church visit 5 different health care communities in Troy. We share with each parishioner the Bread of Life we are able to receive attending Mass. Along with other ministries of St. Patrick Church, we are asking for your gift of time. Time to share the Sacrament of Holy Communion. *Previous experience not required; no special "knowledge" needed.* For information of this blessed experience, please contact: Deacon John Carlin at 937-339-0726 or Ken Vendryes at 937-545-9197, ksvend80@roadrunner.com.

DIVORCED OR SEPARATED?

Too many people stay stuck in their pain and don't know how to find their way past the pain of divorce or separation. A 12-week group begins Wednesday, September 1 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at our Parish Office Center, 33 Elm Street, Fort Loramie. Cost of \$25.00 includes materials for 12 weeks. Topics included in the series include shock, denial, fear, anger, depression, loneliness, financial issues, battles in court, custody and visitation, & annulment. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Call Rose Meyer at 937-295-2891 or rosem@nflregion.org to find out more information or to register.

Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley fundraiser – A CELEBRATION OF CARING – will be held Saturday, August 21 at the Round Barn at Orrmont Farm, 150 Fox Drive, Piqua. Mass at 5:00 p.m., Event 6:00-10:00 p.m. Admission is \$50.00 per person and includes complimentary beer and wine, dinner catered by Mrs. B's, entertainment by the Brass Tracks Band, raffle prizes, and a silent auction. To register, visit www.cssmv.org/Events. For more information, call 937-498-4593, ext. 1141 or email snydere@cssmv.org.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



FALL BIBLE STUDY: THE BOOK OF WISDOM

8 Sessions will begin Sunday, September 12 at 6:00 p.m. or on Wednesday, September 15 at 9:00 a.m. All sessions will be held in the undercroft. In everything from friendships to finances, from making decisions to attaining peace of mind, Scripture offers a vision for happiness and well-being. With this program, you will learn how to gather, gain, and grow in wisdom, and you will experience the joy it brings to your life. You can sign up at ascensionpress.com to order your workbooks.

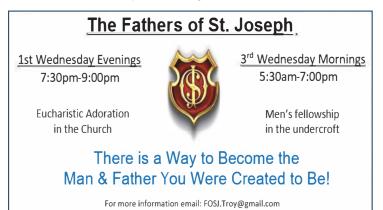
SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Sunday, October 10 – Coffee 'n Donuts in the undercroft. Celebration for our babies in the Spiritual Adoption Prayer Group. Items for Right to Life will be collected. Mainly need formula, diapers all sizes and cash to help buy car seats and crib mattresses. Prayers will continue into the fall.

CELEBRATING MARRIAGE

Saturday, October 23 at 6:00 p.m. in the undercroft. We are excited to be able to celebrate all anniversaries but especially those celebrating significant ones, 25, 40, 50, 60, 65. Special anniversaries, watch for your invite early October.

Don't forget FORMED – The Catholic "Netflix" – Lots to check out at http://www.stpattroy.formed.org/.



FIRE OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Fire of Life prayer group is an intercessory group that prays for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon St. Patrick Parish and the universal Church. We intercede for all priests to be holy priests. We pray for the protection of all priests. We pray for an outpouring of God's grace to give priests courage, wisdom and strength in all they do. We meet on Thursday mornings after the 7:45 a.m. Mass from 8:30-11:30 in the church basement, following regulations required by the church. Our meetings consist of prayer, song, Scriptural Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Anyone who feels called to pray for priests and our church is welcome.

FAITH FORMATION



CCD

Registration for CCD 2021-2022 has begun. Registration information can be found on the St. Patrick website or contact Susan Anderson by email at <u>sanderson@stpattroy.org</u>. Classes will begin September 7 with Mass at 6:00 p.m. Classes will be held on Tuesday nights from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

WE NEED YOU!!

CCD and Preschool will be back in live session in the fall. We are in need of a preschool teacher and a few aides for Tuesday nights. Those interested should contact Susan Anderson by email at <u>sanderson@</u> <u>stpattroy.org</u>.

CONFIRMATION AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Registration for Confirmation and High School Youth Ministry are happening now! Head to the Youth Ministry website at <u>www.</u> <u>stpattroyym.org</u> to reserve your spot in the small faith sharing communities that are restarting. Contact Abby Schmid for further questions and check the website for upcoming events. Sign up ASAP!



