



# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	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, August 28

5:00 p.m. Wayne Traughber

## SUNDAY, August 29

7:30 a.m. A.J. Holter

9:30 a.m. Oliver Massey

11:30 a.m. Jenny Brueckman

## MONDAY, August 30

7:45 a.m. John H. Walker

## TUESDAY, August 31

7:45 a.m. Frank &amp; Marion Wilson

## WEDNESDAY, September 1

7:45 a.m. Dorothy Depweg

## THURSDAY, September 2

7:45 a.m. Dee Collins

## FRIDAY, September 3

8:30 a.m. Gene Gretch

## SATURDAY, September 4

5:00 p.m. Norris Monnier

## SUNDAY, September 5

7:30 a.m. Mike Treon

9:30 a.m. John Mathes

11:30 a.m. Living &amp; Deceased Members of the Ridenour and Evendon Families

For Mass times of churches throughout the United States, visit: [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).

## ST. PATRICK MINISTRY FAIR – TODAY

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 a.m. Mass. **Come Celebrate St. Patrick Parish & Friendship!**



**Beacons of Light Update: BE HEARD, STAY INFORMED, SIGN UP** – Beacons of light, the archdiocese-wide pastoral planning process currently underway, will impact every parish in the archdiocese, including ours. To stay on top of the latest developments of Beacons of Light, sign up for the free monthly Beacons Update newsletter at [www.CatholicAOC.org/Beacons](http://www.CatholicAOC.org/Beacons).



**COMMENT OF DRAFT "FAMILIES OF PARISHES"** – Make sure your voice is heard! Beacons of Light, the archdiocese-wide pastoral planning process currently underway, will result in all parishes being grouped into "Families" under the leadership of one pastor. A draft of this plan will be shared for public comment October 1-20 at [www.CatholicAOC.org/Beacons](http://www.CatholicAOC.org/Beacons). Do not miss this opportunity to provide your input to this important initiative which will shape the future of our archdiocese.



# FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Led by Fr. Michael

Friday September 3, 2021

Confession – 5:30-6:00 p.m.

Adoration – 6:00-7:00 p.m.

First Saturday September 4, 2021

Rosary – 7:20 a.m.

Mass – 7:45 a.m.

*Congrats!*

\*\*\* Weekly Raffle Winner \*\*\*

August 16 – Joan Thayer

*Winner!*

## SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT – AUGUST 15

Sunday Masses	\$ 8,250.00
Sunday Mail-Ins	\$ 1,198.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 834.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,282.01</b>
Amount Needed	\$ 13,423.00
<b>Variance (shortfall)</b>	<b>\$ (3,140.00)</b>

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**St. Patrick 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.

\*No Confession Thursday, August 26

## EUCCHARISTIC 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. \*No Adoration Tuesday, September 7



## AROUND OUR PARISH

### MUSIC MINISTRY

The 9:30 a.m. adult choir is seeking new members for the 2021/2022 choir season!

The adult choir rehearses Wednesdays from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Church. New members should have a love for music and be able to "carry a tune." A basic ability to read music is *preferred*, though not required. Rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m.

*Interested* but not sure if choir is right for you? Join us for a trial period during the month of September and see if choir is the right fit for you!

### NOW FORMING!!! FAITH FORMATION SPECIAL EDUCATION CLASSES

Attention parents/caregivers of special needs children and adults: St. Patrick Catholic Church is now forming Faith Formation Special Education classes. Students will learn about the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Faith, as well as how to receive Sacramental Rites such as Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. Please contact Susan Anderson at sanderson@Stpattroy.org for more information. We are also looking for anyone interested in becoming an aide for this classroom. Please contact Susan Anderson for more details.

## CHURCH INFORMATION

### BULLETIN DEADLINE:

3:00 p.m. Thursday for the following week; submit via email [info@stpattroy.org](mailto: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 29

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8

Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

### Monday, August 30

Weekday

1 Thes 4:13-18

Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13

Lk 4:16-30

### Tuesday, August 31

Weekday

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11

Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14

Lk 4:31-37

### Wednesday, September 1

Weekday

Col 1:1-8

Ps 52:10, 11

Lk 4:38-44

### Thursday, September 2

Weekday

Col 1:9-14

Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6

Lk 5:1-11

### Friday, September 3

St. Gregory the Great

Pope and Doctor of the Church

Col 1:15-20

Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5

Lk 5:33-39

### Saturday, September 4

Weekday

Col 1:21-23

Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8

Lk 6:1-5

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

## WHAT COMES FROM WITHIN

Reflection on Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

If I thought much about it at all when I was a child, I probably would have said that I went to Sunday Mass because that is what we did as Catholics. There wasn't anything unusual about going to Mass as a family.

But here is my confession: In my first semester of college, I think I went to Mass only once. Perhaps that was typical for an 18-year-old on his own for the first time, beyond the reach of house rules. When home for Thanksgiving, however, house rules applied and I attended Mass with my family. I remember vividly realizing that weekend that this grounding, this gift of the Mass, was an experience that I missed terribly. The Mass centered me, and helped me remember who I was and what I was supposed to be about in the world.

We can approach our life of faith as a series of obligations and keep a close, calculating watch on our actions and those of others, making sure we, and they, are in conformity with all the laws, customs and traditions of our church. This seems to be what the scribes and Pharisees are about in today's Gospel, as they have a close eye on the actions of Jesus and His disciples.

Jesus is more interested in what comes "from within people, from their hearts." He lists a lot of evils that can come from within, and I suspect we are all too familiar with them. However, there are also many virtues that are enacted in our lives that also come from within. This is where we are beckoned to go.

~ Fr. Jay

## ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

Feast Day: September 3 • Patron Saint of Students

Educated by the greatest and most knowledgeable teachers in Rome, Gregory was the son of a rich Roman senator and Silvia, who would later also become a saint. He grew up to be prefect of Rome and then, only a year later, sold all of his belongings and turned his house into a monastery. He built seven monasteries in Rome and Sicily and became a monk. When he witnessed children from England being sold in the Roman Forum, he became a missionary to England to put a stop to these horrific injustices. He was later elected pope and is also known as the initial collector of melodies and plainchant now known as Gregorian chants. The patron saint of students, Gregory's love for children and education was immeasurable.

*St. Gregory the Great, father of the fathers  
I implore your prayers for all of the  
students who need guidance.*

*Pray they make their studies a top priority  
And that their teachers are sound and committed.  
Ask God to let the knowledge flow readily  
to their hearts and minds*

*And reward them for their sacrifice  
and dedication to their education.*

*Through the Lord, Jesus Christ,  
I pray this solemn prayer.*

*Amen.*

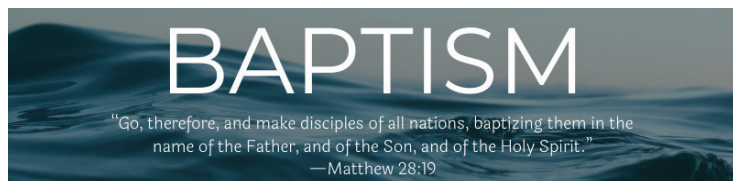
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## MASS ON THE GRASS

The parish Mass on the Grass will take place at the Lange Estate, West Milton, on Sunday, September 12 at noon. Lunch will follow at the conclusion of Mass. The parish will provide sloppy joe sandwiches, hot dogs, baked beans and dessert. Bottled water will also be provided, but parishioners are welcome to bring their own drinks. We are asking those attending to please bring a side dish to share. This might include casseroles, salads, vegetables or some fruit. We hope to see everyone there! We look forward to worshipping together and sharing a meal. Please bring your chairs.



**PLEASE WELCOME OUR  
RECENTLY BAPTIZED MEMBER OF ST. PATRICK:**  
Layla Anne Patrick,  
daughter of Michael and Jennifer (Bermudez) Patrick

## 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. These make great gifts but we will have a limited amount available so get your order in early! This book is available to view in the parish office. Please contact the parish office if you would like to order or would like more information.

## 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 healthcare to greater Dayton and beyond. Please call 513-407-8878 or visit us at [RWpsych.org](http://RWpsych.org) to learn more.

## SAFEPARISH – THE NEW CHILD PROTECTION PLATFORM FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI



By now, all volunteers and employees should have received an email from SafeParish inviting them to register for their SafeParish account. If you did not receive the email, please check your spam or junk mail folders. You can also find a copy of the SafeParish registration instructions by going to the AoC's Safe Environment Office webpage at <https://catholicaoc.org/offices/safe-environment> and going to Top Resources and then clicking the link for SafeParish.

All new volunteers and employees should follow the SafeParish registration instructions for creating a SafeParish account. During the registration process, new volunteers and employees will be invited to complete their online background check and their child protection training online.

If you have not received an email or if you have any questions, please contact Susan Anderson at [sanderson@stpattroy.org](mailto:sanderson@stpattroy.org).

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

## 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 a.m. 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

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

CCD and Preschool will be back in live session in the fall. We are in need of a Kindergarten teacher and a few aides for Tuesday nights and a Preschool teacher for Sunday mornings. We are looking for volunteers who demonstrate a strong love of the Catholic Faith. Those interested should contact Susan Anderson by email at [sanderson@stpattroy.org](mailto:sanderson@stpattroy.org) Please prayerfully consider being a part of this great ministry for our children.

### REGISTRATION

Registration for CCD 2021-2022 has begun. Registration information can be found on the St. Patrick website or by contacting Susan Anderson at [sanderson@stpattroy.org](mailto:sanderson@stpattroy.org). 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.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### 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 needing formula, diapers in all sizes and cash to help buy car seats and crib mattresses. Prayers will continue into the fall.

## RICA



**Baptized Christians, those unbaptized, Catholics wanting to come home, individuals, couples and families: Are you eager to learn more about the Catholic Faith?**

### INQUIRY SESSION

Monday, August 30th; 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

St. Patrick Church Parish Center – Room 3

444 East Water Street (beside St. Patrick School)

Review of RCIA 2021-2022, Session Topics and Dates, Questions/Answers

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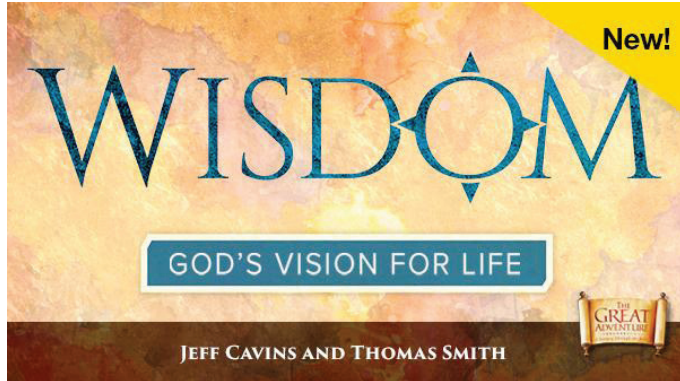


Don't forget **FORMED – The Catholic Netflix – Lots to check out!**  
**FORMED:** <http://www.stpattroy.formed.org/>

### 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.



### FALL BIBLE STUDY: THE BOOK OF WISDOM

***“Wisdom is seeing with God’s eyes.” – Pope Francis***

Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply it to our lives. To help you learn to gather and live with greater wisdom, St. Patrick Parish will begin ***Wisdom: God’s Vision for Life***. There will be 8 sessions, Sundays at 6:00 p.m. beginning September 12th, and we offer sessions on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. beginning September 15th. Both sessions will meet in the church undercroft.

Ascension has changed their dashboard so to register, just visit **AscensionPress.com**. Order your workbook for ***Wisdom*** and you will get an email from Ascension that will link you to the videos for each session. We will be meeting live but the videos will be available to you whenever you want. If you choose to do the study on your own or with your own Small Christian Community, this will allow you to do so. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study, you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together. We are so happy to be able to once again meet in person.

***Wisdom*** invites you to experience the transforming power of taking time to apply God’s wisdom to your own life. You will learn to see with His vision. You will experience the peace of knowing God cares for you, and you will see how God—and only God—can show you a path through any circumstance. Participants of ***Wisdom*** will receive a journal and will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. The eight 30-minute videos, presented by Jeff Cavins, will guide you through a variety of themes drawn from the wisdom literature of Scripture. Jeff will explain Scripture’s wisdom on decision-making, finances, relationships, peace of mind, and speaking to one another and will look at the beauty of wisdom gained through age and at how Christ Himself is the embodiment and fulfillment of all wisdom.

We look forward to seeing you as we study ***The Book of Wisdom***. Questions contact Pat Smith at [rsmith3055@aol.com](mailto:rsmith3055@aol.com).

## SCHOOL NEWS

### SO HAPPY TO BE BACK TO SCHOOL!

The staff started out the school year on August 16 attending an all day retreat to kick off ***School of Faith***. The School of Faith is a faculty faith formation program that we participate in with the faculties from Piqua Catholic, Holy Angels and Lehman High School. On the Holy Family website, you will find the following statement about faculty faith formation:

The Vatican Congregation for Catholic Education recently published a guideline concerning formation of catholic school faculties entitled, ***Educating Together in Catholic Schools: A Shared Mission Between Consecrated Persons and the Lay Faithful***. The guideline emphasized that “lay [teachers]... should have the opportunity of receiving the specific experiential knowledge of the mystery of Christ and of the Church that priests and religious automatically acquire in the course of their formation.”

- Catechesis is a lifelong project, all the more so for those formally entrusted with the religious education of children.
- Most Catholic school educators have not had the advantage of the intensive spiritual and theological formation that religious brothers and sisters of past generations received.
- The challenge is to offer an ongoing “lay novitiate” for Catholic educators to arouse and deepen their own faith, with the consequence of better equipping them to foster the Catholic identity and mission of the school.

Our first retreat reminded us that Catholic education is more than just a curriculum. It is a pedagogy. Catholic education is a contemplative attitude that gazes and collects what it can from the beautiful things in this world. Catholic education educates the heart. In our heart is where Christ resides. CCC 2563

Our school theme this year is Radiate Christ. We will be showing by example who Christ is in all we do.

Please keep us in your prayers this school year and we will keep you in ours! Pray, hope and don’t worry. – St. Pio  
 Cyndi Cathcart

### SEMINARIANS BACK IN SCHOOL

Recognize these young men. Our seminarians are back at school. Please keep them and all of their classmates in your prayers. Thank you for a great summer Jeff Stephens and Kevin Greishop.





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