

OCTOBER 3, 2021
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Respect Life Month



May
the Lord
bless us all
the days of
our lives.

Psalms 128

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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and by appointment only
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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, October 2

5:00 p.m. Marilyn Terando

SUNDAY, October 3

7:30 a.m. Becky Jean Fisher

9:30 a.m. Mike Treon

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

MONDAY, October 4

7:45 a.m. Mike Krall

TUESDAY, October 5

7:45 a.m. Jenny Goode

WEDNESDAY, October 6

7:45 a.m. Dorothy Depweg

THURSDAY, October 7

7:45 a.m. Florence Mary Pearson

FRIDAY, October 8

8:30 a.m. Jack Reddy

SATURDAY, October 9

5:00 p.m. Ron Sweeney

SUNDAY, October 10

7:30 a.m. Dee Collins

9:30 a.m. Thomas Heckman

11:30 a.m. Ada Fogt

12:30 p.m. Baptism – Isabella Marie Horgan

For Mass times of churches throughout the United States, visit: www.masstimes.org.

FR. ERIC – RAMBLINGS

ANNOUNCING A NEW INITIATIVE CALLED “DISCIPLESHIP QUADS”

What is a “Discipleship Quad”? It is a group of four people who journey together as disciples through weekly gatherings of fellowship, ongoing conversion and learning. It is a 12-month path of accompaniment that fosters growth through prayer, accountability and authentic relationships. All members of the quad should be of the same gender to create an atmosphere of intimacy and vulnerability for sharing. If you are interested in learning more about this program, please email Fr. Eric at ebowman@stpattroy.org.

MIAMI COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE –
LIFE CHAIN 2021

The Life Chain 2021 will be held on Sunday, October 3, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Please join us for just one hour of your time for prayer and to show your support for the LIFE of the unborn, the young, the disabled, the handicapped, the ill and the elderly.

The Chain will begin forming near the Courthouse in Troy and spread out 6 feet apart along Main Street. Look for stations along Main Street distributing signs for your use. For additional information, please call Dave Enneking at 937-726-7299. Thank you, Miami County Right to Life

St. Patrick Young Adult Group

A newly forming ministry is coming to St. Patrick this fall for parish members ranging in age from 21-35. The group's first event will be Saturday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. The mission of the group is to bring together young, Catholic adults through casual but engaging social events that foster fellowship and community rooted in Jesus Christ and His Church. Events will be held once a month with no commitment needed. Please contact Matt Wager at mwagner@stpattroy.org or Ellie Miller at emiller@stpattroy.org to sign up for the emails/group messages or for questions.

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.

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.



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.

Congrats!

*** Weekly Raffle Winner ***
September 20 – Joe Girolama

Winner!

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT – SEPTEMBER 19

Sunday Masses	\$ 6,265.00
Sunday Mail-Ins	\$ 1,315.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 5,069.36
Total	\$ 12,649.36
Amount Needed	\$ 13,423.00
Variance (shortfall)	(\$ 773.64)

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

AROUND OUR PARISH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY!

Your spiritually adopted baby was born this month – nine months after her mother conceived her. The only change at birth is a change in the external life support system of the baby. She is no different now than she was before birth except that she breathes and eats differently. She is truly a miracle. What began as a 46-chromosome cell has grown over the past nine months into this unique human baby we now can see. Never before in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist who is exactly like your spiritually adopted baby. Your prayers saved her life. Thank you on behalf of all of the little babies and their mothers for your loving prayers that helped to bring them to birth “so that they might have life and have it to the full!”

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION:

Celebrate the birth of our babies we have been praying for the last 9 months. Fellowship Sunday, October 10 in undercroft after all Sunday Masses. In celebration of the birth of our babies, we will bring items to the undercroft for Right to Life. They mainly need formula, diapers in all sizes and cash to help buy car seats and crib mattresses. Continue praying for the babies.

WE ARE BACK! OCTOBER LUNCHEON RAFFLE 2021

Lunches will be held on October 8, 15, 22, and 29 in-person in the undercroft. Make sure to purchase your ticket (only 200 sold). If you need a ticket, call Bill Rozell at 937-335-2743 or 937-479-7649. Also, call if interested in helping with this wonderful event, the committee can use it. Thank you for your previous and continued support.





WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, October 3

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24

Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Heb 2:9-11

Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Monday, October 4

St. Francis of Assisi

Jon 1:1-2:1-2, 11

Jonah 2:3, 4, 5, 8

Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 5

Weekday

Jon 3:1-10

Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8

Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 6

Weekday

Jon 4:1-11

Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10

Lk 11:1-4

Thursday, October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

Mal 3:13-20b

Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6

Lk 11:5-13

Friday, October 8

Weekday

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2

Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9

Lk 11:15-26

Saturday, October 9

Weekday

Jl 4:12-21

Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12

Lk 11:27-28

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

CREATED TO BE IN RELATIONSHIP

Reflection on Mark 10:2-16

Someone once said that if there are two things that almost everyone knows about the Catholic Church, they are the Church's stance on divorce and its teaching on abortion. The last time this Gospel came around on Sunday, I happened to be traveling and attended Mass as a worshipper rather than a presider. The priest, in his homily, harangued on about the evils of divorce, without any word of compassion or understanding for anyone in the assembly, or their families, who have experienced divorce. Even I, who have three divorced siblings, felt judged and more than a little upset.

Relationships in general, and the marriage relationship in particular, are too complex and rich and difficult and life-giving and holy to attempt to use this Gospel passage alone to portray the faithfulness to which God calls each of us. We are created to be in relationship. Whether we are single or married, divorced or remarried, all of us must live and grow through intimate and nourishing relationships to be fully human.

This is our blessedness, and just as Jesus welcomed the little children in His embrace, so He gathers each of us, whatever our past, into His presence and into relationships with others to strengthen us.

~ Fr. Jay

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Feast Day: October 4 • Patron Saint of Animals, Archaeologists and Italy

The patron saint of Italy, Francis of Assisi was a poor little man who astounded and inspired the Church by taking the gospel literally—not in a narrow fundamentalist sense, but by actually following all that Jesus said and did, joyfully, without limit, and without a sense of self-importance.

From the cross in the neglected field-chapel of San Damiano, Christ told him, "Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down." He must have suspected a deeper meaning to "build up my house." But he would have been content to be for the rest of his life the poor "nothing" man actually putting brick on brick in abandoned chapels. He gave up all his possessions, piling even his clothes before his earthly father—who was demanding restitution for Francis' "gifts" to the poor. A few people began to realize that this man was actually trying to be Christian. He really believed what Jesus said: "Announce the kingdom! Possess no gold or silver or copper in your purses, no traveling bag, no sandals, no staff" (Luke 9:1-3).

Francis was torn between a life devoted entirely to prayer and a life of active preaching of the Good News. He decided in favor of the latter, but always returned to solitude when he could. During the last years of his relatively short life, he died at 44, Francis was half blind and seriously ill.

Read the full article: "Saint Francis of Assisi" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-francis-of-assisi>.
(Accessed 20 Sept 2021).



Dear Parishioners,

Please join us the weekend of October 9/10, 2021 to hear Rev. Carlton Beever speak at all the services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Fr. Beever will share personal witness about Food For The Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Fr. Carlton was ordained to the priesthood in 1974 and has served as pastor at five parishes in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and also served as Chaplain to the Indianapolis Fire Department. El Salvador and Haiti have been blessed as Fr. Carlton has served in their countries as a missionary. Please join me in welcoming Father Beever.

HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN!!!

St. Patrick Parish and School are hosting a Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 30 from 12:00-2:00 p.m. If you are able to help, please join us from 11:00 a.m. (setup) to 3:00 p.m. (cleanup). Contact the School office or Susan Anderson at sanderson@stpattroy.org for registration forms to host a "trunk."

BIBLE FUND

We are collecting donations for Bibles and YouCats for our 5th, 6th and 7th grade St. Patrick School and CCD students. If you are interested in contributing, please mail or drop off your donation to the parish office. You can also put it in the collection basket at Mass in an envelope, to the attention of Amy Schmidt. Any amount is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Susan Anderson by email at sanderson@stpattroy.org. Thank you for supporting our children in their faith journey.

LITTLE FLOWERS AND BLUE KNIGHTS

Little Flowers and Blue Knights begin today 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the undercroft and Parish Center. For ages 5 to 5th grade. For more information, email loribkelleher@gmail.com or come at 2:00 and check out this fun program on virtues.

NEW MEMBERS

We have been blessed to have new members register to be part of St. Patrick Parish. Please take a moment to welcome our new members into the St. Patrick Family. Welcome:

Nick & Erica Voisard and their daughter Cara and sons Jack & Luke

Welcome
New Members

BEACONS 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, sign up for the free monthly Beacons Update newsletter at

www.BeaconsAOC.org

COMMENT ON 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 on **October 1-20** at www.BeaconsAOC.org. Do not miss this opportunity to provide your input to this important initiative which will shape the future of our archdiocese.



Fellowship Sunday IS BACK!!

Hosted by Parents Night Out

Next Weekend after all Sunday Masses, donuts and refreshments in the undercroft.

MUSIC MINISTRY

ST. PATRICK'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

It is finally time to start singing! We are proud to announce the startup of the children's choir! Practices will be after school on Wednesdays, 3:15-4:15 p.m. in the Music Room at St. Patrick School. The directors will be St. Patrick School Music teacher, Mrs. Akers and our Director of Music & Liturgy, Mr. Matt Wagner. Practices have just begun and will run throughout the school year. It is not too late. Cost is \$25.00 per student. Please make checks payable to St. Patrick School. The money will be used for sheet music and special shirts. To sign up, email Matt Wagner at mwagner@stpattroy.org. St. Patrick school students can sign up in the office.



GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER?

There have been some requests to bring back the **St. Patrick Dinner Club**. This is a wonderful way to get to know your fellow parishioners in a more intimate way. You just sign up to join in and we put 4 couples or singles together. Each group decides when to meet and takes turns hosting. The host home provides the main course and coordinates other dishes with the guests. Prefer not to host? That is fine – decide where to meet at a restaurant instead, it is still a nice evening visiting. This is open to everyone, not just couples so get ready for some **Fun Times, Good Conversation & Delicious Food. Form can be found in the bookrack of the church!** Fill it out and send into Parish Office by November 1.



SCHOENSTATT MINI RETREAT

Where: Immaculate Conception Church, Botkins

When: Saturday, October 16th, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

To register, contact: Darla Dietz at 937-693-2753 and timanddarladietz@gmail.com, Colleen

Tebbe at 419-628-2895, 937-726-7377 (cell), and ctebbe4@gmail.com, or Deb Banks at 937-394-7262, 937-638-4681 (cell), and ddbanks9@yahoo.com. Please register by October 9th.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

CELEBRATING MARRIAGE:

A special invitation to all Married & Engaged Couples – **Dinner on Saturday, October 23rd** at 6:00 p.m. in the undercroft. We will be celebrating some significant Anniversaries; 25, 50, 60, and 65 Years! Come help the couples celebrate. Who will tell their **"Love Story"** this year?



Enjoy an evening of good company, food and celebration of all marriages. **Plus, surprise entertainment! Cost: \$40.00 per couple.** Please make reservations by **October 12**. Checks made out to **St. Patrick Church** – Place in envelope, **ATTN: Pat Smith**, and send to office or place in collection basket. Note: If you are celebrating a significant anniversary and did not get a special invitation, please contact Pat Smith at 937-335-2833, ext. 105.



THE TRAVELING SHAMROCKS – LET'S TRAVEL AGAIN!!

We look forward to seeing you back on the road! Any questions about our upcoming trips, please contact Pat Smith at rsmith3055@aol.com or 937-335-2833, ext 105.

Collette – Pacific Northwest & California

Please note the dates for this trip have changed.

The trip will be from March 27-April 3, 2022.

In order to see the electronic flyer, go to: <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1077182>. There will be a Zoom presentation by our Collette representative on Wednesday, **October 6, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.** We ask that you register for the meeting by clicking on this link <https://collette.zoom.us/join/9102828282>. Reservations must be sent in as soon as possible.

Alpine Explorer & the Glacier Express

Passion Play: September 4-15, 2022

If interested in this trip you must act fast as only a few seats left. Check out the electronic flyer: <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/867940>.

Fatima to Lourdes through Spain

Father Eric will be the spiritual director for a pilgrimage beginning in Fatima, across Spain by bus, and finishing in Lourdes June of 2022. For more information, visit 206 Tours website: <https://www.pilgrimages.com/frbowman/fsl/#dates>.

ST. PATRICK CHURCH IS OFFERING "SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS"

Sponsored by The GriefShare Team

Saturday, November 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Are you facing the upcoming holidays after a loved one's death? Please consider coming to "*GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays*" which is a helpful, encouraging seminar that features video interviews with counselors, grief experts and other people who have experienced the holidays after their loved one's death and who offer practical suggestions and reassurance. This seminar will be held in St. Patrick Parish Center, 444 E. Water Street, Troy, Upstairs Room 3.

You'll discover:

- What emotions to expect during the coming days
- How to prepare for the holidays
- How to manage relationships and holiday socials
- How the holidays can help you heal

Those who attend will receive a book with over 30 daily readings providing additional insights and ideas on holiday survival. Please share this information with someone who might benefit from attending this special event. We welcome everyone. Registration is not necessary; if you have questions, please call Pat Smith at the church office at 937-335-2833, ext. 105.

ST. CHRISTOPHER VANDALIA – MEN'S RETREAT

The Men of St. Joseph Catholic Men's Retreat BUILDING A FRIENDSHIP WITH JESUS! Saturday, October 16, 2021 at St. Christopher Church, Emmaus Center 435 E. National Road, Vandalia, OH 45377. Registration 8:00-9:00 a.m. Retreat 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

During their journey to Emmaus, disciples realized that Jesus had been with them all along. It was through their deeper relationship with Him and the breaking of the bread that they realized it. Where are you on your journey to a deeper friendship with Jesus? Guest Speaker will be Chris Jasek.

Please contact Randy Weddle as the contact at 937-898-6775 for more information.

SCHOOL NEWS

The school has been fervently praying for the Whetstone family. Brian Whetstone is having a very serious health issue. A couple of families got together and had a prayer service for the school and friends and family of the Whetstones. I've attached a few pictures of the group doing a prayer walk. The Whetstone have 4 out of their 5 children attending St. Patrick. Zachary is in 5th grade, Cole is in 4th grade, Grant is in 1st grade and Katie is in preschool. Please keep Brian and his wife and family in your prayers.



FAITH FORMATION

CLASSES HAVE BEGUN

CCD classes have begun. To register, go to the St. Patrick website or contact Susan Anderson by email at sanderson@stpattroy.org. Classes are held on Tuesday nights from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the school.

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.

Youth Ministry

OCTOBER YOUTH MINISTRY

High School Ministry

Weekly Discipleship Cells and Monthly Connect Fun Nights

- 3 Connect Fun Night in the Parish Center from 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- 10 XLT Adoration Night at Ascension Parish in Kettering from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- 17 D Cell in the Parish Center from 12:30-2:30 p.m.
- 24 D Cell in the Parish Center from 12:30-2:30 p.m.
- 31 D Cell in the Parish Center from 12:30-2:30 p.m.


Confirmation Ministry

Confirmation Cells in the Parish Center

- 5 Jr. High Family XLT Event at Lehman HS from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- 10 No Meeting
- 17 7th and 8th Grade C Cell Meeting from 10:45a.m.-12:15 p.m.
- 24 No Meeting
- 31 7th and 8th Grade C Cell Meeting from 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Core Team Meeting – Sunday, October 3rd from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

The Pediatric Group

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