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THE SEASON OF LENT

TO ME
WITH YOUR
WHOLE HEART,
WITH FASTING,
WEEPING,
AND MOURNING.
JOEL 2:12



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*
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Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
or by appointment

409 East Main Street, Troy, Ohio 45373

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m.
	9:30 a.m.
	11:30 a.m.

www.stpattroy.org

Mission Statement

*St. Patrick Catholic Church
accompanies people
in becoming
disciples of Christ
through community,
Sacrament, scripture
and prayer.*

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, March 12

5:00 p.m. Ron Sweeney

SUNDAY, March 13

7:30 a.m. Kathryn Monnin

9:30 a.m. Lawrence & Eleanor Huter and Family

11:30 a.m. Jack Black

12:30 p.m. Baptism Elizabeth Jane Pittenger

MONDAY, March 14

7:45 a.m. Marie Lammers

TUESDAY, March 15

7:45 a.m. Jerry Goode

WEDNESDAY, March 16

7:45 a.m. Peggy Borgerding

THURSDAY, March 17

7:45 a.m. Gene Gretch

FRIDAY, March 18

8:30 a.m. Gregory & Monica Gross

SATURDAY, March 19

5:00 p.m. Robert & Marjorie Sink

SUNDAY, March 20

7:30 a.m. Mark Dobbs

9:30 a.m. Residents and Employees of Troy Rehab & Healthcare

11:30 a.m. Karen Lewis and Family

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

FR. MICHAEL'S VOICE

Lent is a time to listen to Him and see Jesus with new eyes.

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is my chosen Son; listen to him." (Luke 9:35) That is what Lent is about, listening to Jesus. Are we giving God sufficient time to speak to us?

Is the Lord asking something of us this Lent? If so let us follow the Father's advice, "This is my chosen Son, listen to him." It took the apostles a long time to get to know Jesus and the longer they were with Jesus, the better they got to know Him. It is the same for us. We also gradually grow in our love for and knowledge of Jesus, and we also grow in understanding what Jesus is asking of us.

"Open our hearts to the voice of your Word and free us from the original darkness that shadows our vision. Restore our sight that we may look upon your Son, who calls us to repentance and change of heart..."

DRIVING LICENSE AND DRIVING A LITTLE ELEPHANT IN TROY

"Have you got your driving license?" "Have you got your driving license?" So many were asking the same question. Back in India, I learned to drive a car, but did not drive a car. There are few who gave their cars to practice at the parking lot. Once, with a temporary driver's license, I was driving a little elephant [Honda Ridgeline] towards Troy on Wilson Road, when suddenly, there was a big shout – "STOP!" I was shocked and stopped. I asked Dennis, "Why? No cars are here." Then he said, "There is a stop sign." So I stopped, looked to both sides and proceeded; a very important lesson learned. I went to search for used cars. It was too pricey and I could not afford them. The following day, Charlotte Menker met me in the office and said "I am planning to sell my Honda Accord 2005 for \$6,000.00. If you want, you can see my car." It was such a surprise and my first gift. I gave her a big hug and thanked her. On August 31st, 2017, I got my driver's license and started driving my "BLACK CAT" Honda Accord for the past four years and four months.

I will take care of your head.... What? Yes, I will take care of your head! *Next week.*



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION EVERY TUESDAY

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday at 2:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Envelopes for the Easter Flower Memorial Donations are in the vestibule and on the table at the ramp door entrance. Be sure to print clearly on the envelopes. If you choose to do an online payment, please email sanderson@stpattroy.org with the memorial information. The envelopes and information must be turned in or emailed by April 4 so that your loved one may be remembered in the church bulletin on Easter Sunday. For a list of 2022 Lenten Activities for St. Patrick Parish, go to the St. Patrick Church website.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE**St. Patrick Confession Times:**

Tuesday-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-Friday: 7:30-8:00 a.m.
 Thursday: 6:00-6:45 p.m.
 Saturday: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

***** WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER *******February 28 – Connie Buchert****Month of February – Ryleigh Stangel****SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT – FEBRUARY 27, 2022**

Sunday Masses	\$ 8,190.00
Sunday Mail-Ins	\$ 740.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 4,044.47
Total	\$ 12,974.47
Amount Needed	\$ 13,423.00
Variance (shortfall)	\$ (448.53)

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

NEW MEMBERS

St. Patrick has been blessed to have new members register to be part of our parish.

Please take a moment to welcome our new members into the St. Patrick Family

Jerry Richard and his son, Cooper
 Amy Wiford and her son, Theodore

NEWLY BAPTIZED

We welcome you to St. Patrick Faith Community

Russell Crew Elking, son of John and Rachael (Puthoff) Elking

LOOSE CHANGE COLLECTION FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**MARCH 19-20 AT ALL MASSES**

Thank you for your continued support of St Vincent de Paul! Last month, you gave \$2,446.87 through Loose Change Collection, Electronic Funds and Envelope donations. We received 46 calls and helped 29 Troy families with emergency utility, medical, rent, food and transportation assistance, with February's distributions as follows:

Electric	\$ 993.84	Natural Gas	\$ 470.15
Furniture	\$ 100.00	Water	\$ 503.50
Rent	\$ 3,538.56	Total	\$ 5,606.05
Transportation	\$ 24.00		

May God continue to bless you and your families.

John Tishaus

President, St. Patrick Conference

BEACONS OF LIGHT UPDATE

With the recent announcements of the priest assignments, I have had several individuals ask "What is the next step in the *Beacons of Light*?" Each Family of Parishes will follow the Pastoral Planning Pathway to guide its future. This Pathway will assist each Family of Parishes in creating a pastoral plan for the parishes in each Family, articulating how they will live out the six Beacons principles and abide by each of the parameters, all aimed towards vital, mission-driven parish life within the Family of Parishes, and ultimately, as one canonical parish. Phase 1 of the planning will begin in all parishes in July, 2022. In the meantime, we are in Phase 0, which is an opportunity for parish leaders to spend time in prayer, in learning about the parishes and preparing for the important work of pastoral planning. Please continue to pray.

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 and 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.

GOD LOVES YOU

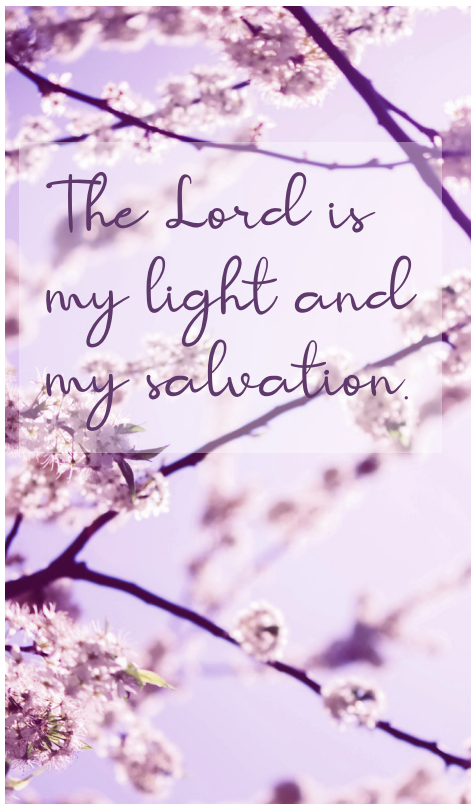
Reflection on Luke 9:28b-36

The transfiguration of Jesus in this weekend's Gospel is closely linked to the Baptism of Jesus, for on both occasions the sky speaks those words of generative love, "This is my Beloved Son..." Each of us hears these same words spoken to us at Baptism, when we begin the life-long journey of faith, the journey of embracing and living the gift of faith.

The word "faith" is sometimes understood as accepting something you cannot prove or understand. People often say, "Such and such cannot be explained, you simply have to believe it, you must have faith." However, it seems clear that when Jesus speaks of faith, He means first of all and last of all to trust unreservedly that you are loved.

One of my most powerful memories of my grandmother is the words that she spoke repeatedly to each of us, her grandchildren, whenever we took leave after visiting her. As we walked out the door, she would say, "Remember, God loves you, and there isn't a d---- thing you can do about it!" (She was rather feisty in character and language!) I recall these words whenever doubt enters and faith falters, and I am transfigured.

~ Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18

Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14

Phil 3:17-4:1

Lk 9:28b-36

Monday, March 14, 2022

Lenten Weekday

Dn 9:4b-10

Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13

Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Lenten Weekday

Is 1:10, 16-20

Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Lenten Weekday

Jer 18:18-20

Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16

Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Saint Patrick, Bishop

Jer 17:5-10

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

Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 18, 2022

Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a

Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 19, 2022

Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

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

SAINT JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF MARY

Feast Day: March 19

Patron Saint of Carpenters, Families and Fathers

The Bible pays Joseph the highest compliment: he was a "just" man. The quality meant a lot more than faithfulness in paying debts.

When the Bible speaks of God "justifying" someone, it means that God, the all-holy or "righteous" one, so transforms a person that the individual shares somehow in God's own holiness, and hence it is really "right" for God to love him or her. In other words, God is not playing games, acting as if we were lovable when we are not.

By saying Joseph was "just," the Bible means that he was one who was completely open to all that God wanted to do for him. He became holy by opening himself totally to God. The rest we can easily surmise. Think of the kind of love with which he wooed and won Mary, and the depth of the love they shared during their marriage.

It is no contradiction of Joseph's manly holiness that he decided to divorce Mary when she was found to be with child. The important words of the Bible are that he planned to do this "quietly" because he was "a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame" (Matthew 1:19).

The just man was simply, joyfully, wholeheartedly obedient to God – in marrying Mary, in naming Jesus, in shepherding the precious pair to Egypt, in bringing them to Nazareth, in the undetermined number of years of quiet faith and courage.

The Bible tells us nothing of Joseph in the years after the return to Nazareth except the incident of finding Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41-51). Perhaps this can be taken to mean that God wants us to realize that the holiest family was like every other family, so that when Jesus' mysterious nature began to appear, people couldn't believe that He came from such humble beginnings: "Is he not the carpenter's son? Is not his mother named Mary...?" (Matthew 13:55a). It was almost as indignant as "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" (John 1:46b).

Read the full article: "Saint Joseph, Husband of Mary," Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-joseph-husband-of-mary>. (Accessed 25 Feb. 2022).

AROUND OUR PARISH

YOUNG ADULTS

The Saint Patrick Young Adult Group is planning some fun spring and summer time events. If you are interested in getting involved or would simply like to meet some friendly faces, please reach out to Matt Wagner at mwagner@stpattroy.org or Ellie Miller at emiller@stpattroy.org. If you have not been added to the GroupMe or Facebook groups, please reach out to us again! The Saint Patrick Young Adult Group is open to those ages 21-35.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS FOR PARENTS

Families preparing to have their child baptized must be registered members of the parish. First-time parents or those who have not attended a class in three years must plan to attend a preparation class. To register for this free class, please call the Parish Office at 335-2833. Babysitting is available upon request.

Next class is Monday, March 14 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Room #3 in the Parish Center.

BICENTENNIAL BOOK UPDATE

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati Bicentennial books have arrived! After overseas shipping delays, the books are available in the Parish Office. If you have paid in advance or if you would like a book, please stop by during office hours to pick up. Each book is \$30.00 and make great gifts! We are limited to 50 books, some of which are already spoken for, so don't delay!



Holland, Chris, Jim, Mike and Tim, with their sponsors, now begin a time of Purification and Enlightenment for RCIA. During these weeks in Lent, they will reflect on the Word of God with the Sunday Scrutinies, ponder all they have learned and pray and participate with Lenten traditions for preparation of Full Reception into The Catholic Church. Please keep them and all the RCIA Elect and Candidates around the world in your prayers.

ST. PATRICK LENTEN PROJECT – SHARING LOVE

Help us bring love and put a smile on the faces of our parishioners who are in Nursing homes, assisted living facilities or are homebound. We would like to do this again this year for Easter. We would like to ask you to drop off some items that our seniors would enjoy, such as new books, notecards and stamps, activity books, mechanical pencils, adult coloring books and colored pencils, socks, lotions, shampoos, conditioners, body wash, sanitizers (small to medium bottles, please), etc. Maybe you have some other suggestions. We will also collect money, which we will use to purchase more items needed, plus Mass cards and the bags to place gifts for delivery. You can place an envelope with your money, with checks made out to "St. Patrick Church, memo Lenten Project," in collection baskets or bring to the office. Prayers are always welcome, too. Please have all items in by Monday, April 4th, so we can prepare bags for delivery the week of April 10th.

The tubs are located in the back of the church and at the ramp door.

HEALING SERVICE

On Monday March 14 at 7:30 p.m., there will be a Healing Service for anyone who has lost a child. It will be at St. Mary in Piqua, OH. This is for anyone who has suffered this painful loss or if you know of someone who has and you want to pray for them.

Lehman Catholic High School presents its 44th annual musical, *The WIZARD of OZ*, March 17 at 7:00 p.m., March 18 at 8:00 p.m., and March 19 at 8:00 p.m. at the Historic Sidney Theatre, 120 West Poplar Street in downtown Sidney. To purchase tickets, go to www.sidneytheatre.org.

2022 AREA COMMUNAL LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE/ EXTRA CONFESSION TIMES

March 15	6:00-7:30 p.m.	St. Patrick – Troy
March 17	7:00-8:30 p.m.	St. Mary – Piqua, extra time
March 18	6:00-7:30 p.m.	St. Boniface – Piqua, extra time
March 23	6:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.	Immaculate Conception – Botkins, Day of Grace
March 24	6:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.	Holy Angels – Sidney, Day of Grace
April 1	7:00 p.m.	St. Joseph – Egypt
April 2	7:00 p.m.	St. Denis – Versailles
April 4	6:30-9:00 p.m.	St. Augustine – Minster, extra time
April 5	6:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.	St. Joseph – Wapakoneta, Day of Grace

SOUP AND STATIONS

Come join us Wednesday nights in the parish hall for soup and fellowship followed by the stations of the cross.

Starting March 9th through April 6th |
Wednesday nights from 5:30 - 6:45 pm
@Transfiguration
Contact Annie Canavan @ 937-703-2798
with questions.

A NIGHT WITH THE PRODUCER

Morgan's Place Cemetery invites you to **A Night With The Producer**, featuring Christian Movie Producer, Joe Knopp, the award-winning producer of the movies *Unplanned*, *I Can Only Imagine*, *Woodlawn* and *The Trump I Know* will be at St. Michael's Hall in Fort Loramie on April 4th.

6:00 p.m. Cash Bar and music by Danny Schneible

6:30 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Presentation by Joe Knopp

7:30 p.m. Viewing the movie *I Can Only Imagine*

Meet-and-Greet opportunities during the movie and directly after and a raffle following the movie.

Tickets are \$25.00 per person and can be purchased at Silver Cross in Fort Loramie, Believe Art in Anna, Right to Life of Shelby County in Sidney, and Shelby County Historical Society in Sidney.

For more information, please call Morgan's Place Cemetery at 937-726-9988.

LENTEN ANGELS

You now have your Lenten Angel, so be sure to send a note, card, or Holy card to your person, so they know they have someone praying for them during this Lenten Season. The fun part is not letting them know who you are until just before Easter. Reveal who you are by sending a note, phone call or even a visit with a little gift, if you'd like, with your name. Enjoy and also know you, too, have a Lenten Angel and someone praying for you.

HELP WANTED

Full-time phone services operator needed at the Marianist Mission, located in Beavercreek, Ohio. Must be proficient in Microsoft Office, a good listener and detail-oriented. Please call 937-222-4641 for an application.

The Father's of St. Joseph

1st Wednesday Evenings

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in the Church



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5:30am – 7:00pm

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in the undercroft

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For more information email: FOSJ.Troy@gmail.com

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Bible Study – ***Fulfilled: Uncovering the Biblical Foundations of Catholicism – Part One.*** For questions, contact Pat Smith at rsmith3055@aol.com or Parish Office at 937-335-2833, ext. 2008.

GRIEFSHARE

Offers help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. The current 13-week sessions began on **February 16, 2022**. St. Patrick Parish Center, upstairs in Room 3, from **1:00-2:30 p.m. or 7:00-8:30 p.m.**, each Wednesday. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Pat Smith at 937-335-2833, ext. 2008, or rsmith3055@aol.com.

SCHOOL

The first week of March we celebrated Right to Read week and Dr. Seuss' birthday by doing a Read-a-thon. Students tracked their reading minutes all week. We had character dress-up days. As you can see in the picture, the staff had a great time, too!! We did book trivia every morning. We had a "campfire" reading day. Students got to pick prizes from

our treasure chest. It was a lot of fun. As a school, we tracked almost 30,000 minutes of reading for the week!! Thank you, Mrs Reinmann, for heading up this reading week!

Have a wonderful week

Pray, hope and don't worry! – St. Pio

Cyndi Cathcart

FAITH FORMATION**CCD**

MARCH 15 – Class

22 – Class Reconciliation, Grades 2-6

29 – Class

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



The Fourth Grade CCD class made a spiritual bouquet as a Lenten offering to God. The petals list prayers, donations, and things the students plan to give up during Lent.

The fifth-grade TOB Lesson, Original Nakedness, uses a timeline to reflect on three time periods: God's creation of man and woman in His own image, as gifts for each other; Fallen man in need of a Redeemer; and The Parousia, when Jesus returns at the end of time.

**YOUTH MINISTRY****MARCH****HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY**

Weekly Discipleship Cells in the Parish Center

13 – D Cell in the Parish Center from 12:30-2:30 p.m.

20 – D Cell in the Parish Center from 12:30-2:30 p.m.

27 – No D Cells because of Confirmation

CONFIRMATION MINISTRY

Confirmation Cells in the Parish Center –

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

13 – 7th Grade C Cell Meeting

20 – 7th and 8th Grade C Cell Meeting

27 – 8th Grade Rehearsal/Lunch at 12:00 p.m.
and Confirmation Mass at 2:30 p.m.

The Pediatric Group

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