

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Patrick Church of Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes in the Sidney Deanery with Church of the Transfiguration in West Milton, St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus Catholic Church in Covington, St. Boniface and St. Mary Catholic Churches in Piqua Ohio

Fr. Eric Bowman, *Pastor* Fr. Steven Shoup, *Parochial Vicar* Fr. Matthew Lee, *Parochial Vicar* Fr. Jim Duell, *Parochial Vicar*

PARISH OFFICE | 937-335-2833Monday-Thursday8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
or by appointment

409 East Main Street, Troy, Ohio 45373

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Sunday

www.stpattroy.org

7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

Mission Statement

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

Sacramental Emergency After Hours 937-335-2833

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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SATURDAY, De	cember 10	
5:00 p.m.	Dee Collins	
SUNDAY, Decen	nber 11	
7:30 a.m.	Janet Rayve	
9:30 a.m.	Jack Black	
11:30 a.m.	Gene Gretch	
12:30 p.m.	Baptism – Roman Lou Foster	
MONDAY, Dece	mber 12	
7:45 a.m.	Alton Ording	
TUESDAY, Dece	mber 13	
7:45 a.m.	Jack Reddy	
WEDNESDAY, I	December 14	
7:45 a.m.	Connie Robinson	
THURSDAY, De	cember 15	
8:30 a.m.	Bob and Tom Widener	
FRIDAY, Decem		
7:45 a.m.	Rick Erchenbrecher	
SATURDAY, De	cember 17	
5:00 p.m.	David and Mary Jo Enneking for their 50th Wedding Anniversary	
SUNDAY, Decen	nber 18	
7:30 a.m.	Lawrence & Eleanor Huter and Family	
9:30 a.m.	Daniel Kerber	
11:30 a.m.	Tom Pepiot	
For Mass times o	of churches throughout the United States, visit <u>www.masstimes.org</u> .	
FR. ERIC - RAMBLINGS		
Wednesday, De	et Evangelization event hosted by Deacon Jeff and Fr. Eric on ceember 21st from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Anyone interested in joining d Fr. Eric walking around Downtown Troy offering to pray for	

Jeff and Fr. Eric on interested in joining Deacon Jeff and Fr. Eric walking around Downtown Troy offering to pray for people, talking to them, and just spreading Christian love, please meet outside the front of the Church at 4:00 p.m. We would also like individuals to spend time in the church praying for our event. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Eric.



BEACONS CORNER

Please keep Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes' priests in your prayers.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Envelopes for Christmas Memorial Flowers can be found in the vestibule. Please return your donation to the parish office by December 12 to ensure your loved ones are listed in the Christmas bulletin. Be sure to print clearly on the envelopes. If you choose to make a donation online, please be sure to contact Susan Anderson at sanderson@stpattroy.org with the information for who the Christmas flowers are in memory of and whom they are from.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

St. Patrick's Confession Times: Wednesday, 6:00-7:45 p.m. with Holy Hour; Saturday, 4:00-4:30 p.m. Please see the parish website for a list of Confession Times at our Parish Family Churches.

GIVING TREE 2022

If you know of a family or individual in need and would like more information, please contact Kate Lins at 937-418-1371 or klins@woh.rr.com. Forms are available in the Parish office. If you would like to help someone in need this Christmas season, our tree with Angel tags is up. Please return wrapped gifts with Angel Tags attached by December 11. This year, we are supporting Miami County Right to Life, Partners in Hope, and our own St. Patrick parishioners in need. Volunteers are needed to help take the gifts to the holding room after each Mass. Please contact Kate if you can help. Special thank-you to the Lins family for taking lead on the Giving Tree.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT - NOVEMBER 27, 2022

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Sunday Masses	\$ 7,099.00	
Sunday Mail-Ins	\$ 498.00	
Electronic Giving	<u>\$ 3,113.05</u>	
Total	\$ 10,710.05	
Amount Needed	\$ 14,230.00	
Variance (shortfall)	\$ (3,519.95)	

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!_____

NEW MEMBERS

• Omar and Maria Hernandez Vargas and their children, Steven and Monica.

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.

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the families of Jewel Curtis and Daniel Bowman, who recently passed away. *May their souls rest in the glorious peace of heaven.*

WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER: November 28 – Patricia Goode Monthly Raffle Winner for November – Bruce Muir

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Next 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.

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

This online class is a requirement for anyone who wants to volunteer or work at any parish in the Archdiocese. To register or for more information, please contact Susan Anderson at the office at 937-335-2833, ext. 2006 or email <u>sanderson@stpattroy.org</u>. **All old accounts from VIRTUS will be deleted after December 31.**

THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND FORMED

FORMED allows you to get thousands of movies, programs, audio and books instantly, pulling together the best in Catholic movies, children's programming, stories of the Saints, audio drama and books. They also provide Bible Studies, sacramental prep materials, documentaries, and talks from leading Catholic experts – all to help you grow in understanding your faith. This is a gift from the parish for all of us to enjoy. It is like a Catholic Netflix; you will be surprised at all that it has to offer. Go to <u>www.stpattroy.</u> <u>formed.org.</u> Find St. Patrick Church, Troy, OH. Add your name and email and start watching.



BIBLE BOURBON & BROS

Bible, Bourbon & Bros will be meeting Tuesday, December

13 at 7:00 p.m., Minster Knights of Columbus. Father Andrew Reckers is the guest speaker.

PARTNERS IN HOPE CHRISTMAS SHOP

December 14 and 15, 2022

We ask that cookies (homemade are the best) be prebagged with three cookies per sandwich bag. This eliminates any extra handling of cookies. Each client's household will receive a box of assorted prebagged cookies to take home. Cookies can be delivered to the **First Presbyterian Church** on December 12 or 13, 2022 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please use the Walnut Street door and the secretary will buzz you in. The PIH Christmas Committee thanks you. Questions? Contact Deanna at 937-335-2332 or Lynn at 937-335-4187.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like your statement of contributions for 2022, you need to request one by contacting the Business Manager, Amy Schmidt, at 937-335-2833, ext. 2003, email <u>Aschmidt@stpattroy.org</u> or place your request in the collection basket. If you have an email address on file, the system will automatically send it to you via that email address. All others will be mailed. We ask that you make sure that we have your updated information on file. Please do not wait until the day you need this information to ask!



ST. CLARE ADORATION CHAPEL

(attached to St. Boniface in Piqua) Saturday 6:00 a.m.

Open for visitors Saturday, 6:00 a.m. throughout each night until Thursday at 9:00 p.m. Open Friday from 6:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

Substitute guardians are needed, especially during the snowbird season. Ask for a trial hour or how this might work with your schedule.

Contact Mike Epperly at 937-622-0112 or Mary Jane Karn at 937-778-0496.

CHURCH INFORMATION

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

Wednesday: 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 into 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.

THE LORD IS COMING

Reflection on Matthew 11:2-11

A message of hope resounds through the readings for this third Sunday of Advent. Isaiah's word of hope came nearly three millennium ago to people suffering the turmoil and indignity of invasion by the Assyrians: Fear not! You will see the glory and splendor of the Lord who will come to save you! James encourages his community with yet more words of hope: Be patient! Do not lose heart! The Lord's coming will be soon!

And the message of hope comes to us in the response of Jesus to John's questions from a Galilean jail. John, who proclaimed the coming wrath of God and pointed to the One coming who is stronger than he, now sits in Herod's prison awaiting death because he spoke truth to power. Is John questioning his life's work? Perhaps, to a degree, but his question to Jesus: "Are you the one?" sets up the response of Jesus, a hope-filled message describing what His ministry will look like: the blind see, cripples walk, lepers are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the poor have the Good News preached to them. Echoing the dream and vision of Isaiah and all the prophets, the Kingdom of God comes to rule our hearts and the world. We who are privileged to be least in God's Kingdom continue this mission and message of hope. ~ Fr. Jay

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, December 11, 2022

3rd Sunday of Advent Is 35:1-6a, 10 Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11

Monday, December 12, 2022

Our Lady of Guadalupe Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Jth 13:18bcde, 19 Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23 Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25 Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday, December 15, 2022

Advent Weekday Is 54:1-10 Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b Lk 7:24-30

Friday, December 16, 2022 Advent Weekday Is 56:1-3a, 6-8 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 Jn 5:33-36

Saturday, December 17, 2022

Advent Weekday Gn 49:2, 8-10 Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 Mt 1:1-17

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

AN ADVENT PRAYER OF

The Season of Advent JOY LORD, COME AND SAVE US. Brain 140



My glorious King, You sent to us Saint John the Baptist to preach repentance and to call us to Yourself. Open my mind and heart, dear Lord, to the message John spoke and help me to more fully heed his words so as to share in the greatness of life to which I am called, Jesus, I trust in You.

AROUND OUR PARISH

ADVENT

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Rejoice! An Advent Pilgrimage into the heart of Scripture.

Experience a more peaceful, more joyful, and more meaningful Advent than ever before. What does God want this Advent? Simple. **He wants you.** He wants a personal encounter with you. This year, as we journey through Advent with *Rejoice! Finding Your Place in the Advent Story*, we'll learn about the places, people, and events that shaped the story of the very first Advent and shape our own lives today. Together with the guided meditation videos, this journal will help you to see how the people, places, and events of the first Advent affected Jesus' story. You will take time to look at the people, places, and events in your own life, to see how the Lord is shaping your story today. *Rejoice!* will help you open your heart to the peace and joy of the Advent season as you prepare for the coming of Jesus this Christmas. We look forward to journeying with you.





Partners In Hope
Family Christmas Shop
December 14th & 15th



Partner with our community to bring HOPE to local families and seniors this ChristmasI www.partnersinhopeinc.org



ST. BONIFACE PARISH 26TH ANNUAL QUILT RAFFLE:

This year's raffle offers three quilts: (1) Queen-size (92x92") *Cathedral Window* quilt pieced, quilted, and donated by Michelle Patrizio and Janet Lee. (2) Full-size (72x85") *Welcome to My Garden* quilt pieced by Connie Bonifas, Rita Mayor, and Gloria Stonerock; quilted by Rita Mayor; materials donated by Donna Johnson and Rita Mayor. (3) Lap Quilt/Wall Hanging (32x50") *Amazing Grace* pieced by Rita Mayor and quilted by Janet Lee. The quilts can be viewed at <u>http://</u>stbonifaceoktoberfest.org.

Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00. Raffle tickets may be purchased by dropping off/sending donation to St. Boniface Parish, 310 S. Downing, Piqua, Ohio 45356. Please include name/phone number and write "quilt" on the envelope, or purchase online at the above web address. The winning tickets will be drawn on December 31, 2022. The first name drawn will have his/her choice of the three quilts and so on. All proceeds from the quilt raffle benefit the parish's Oktoberfest. For additional info, send email to <u>stbonifacequilt@gmail.com</u> or call the parish office at 937-773-1656.

LEHMAN CATHOLIC MUSIC DEPARTMENT GIFT WRAPPING FUNDRAISER

LET US WRAP YOUR GIFTS! We have a great selection of papers and bows, or if you prefer, you can bring your own. We promise to make your gift extra special! Drop your gifts off in the Art Hallway while you're at Lehman for a game or concert! We will be accepting gifts through the beginning of the fourth quarter.

Thursday, December 15, Opens at 5:30 p.m.

Girls Basketball Game vs. Troy Christian, 6:00 p.m.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer to wrap gifts, please contact Maura Gavit at <u>m.gavit@lehmancatholic.com</u>.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



The Traveling Shamrocks presents... THE TRAVELING SHAMROCKS

Colors of New England – October 16-23, 2023; Mark your calendars also for Tuesday, January 17th at 6:00 p.m. in the church undercroft to see a presentation for our travel to Paradise on a *Hawaiian Adventure with Fr. Eric* – travel dates *January 25-February* 3, 2024. Go to <u>gateway.gocollette.com/link/1116563</u> to see the electronic flyer. If you have any questions about either of these trips, or you have suggestions for other trips, please contact Pat Smith at <u>rsmith3055@aol.com</u> or the Parish Office at 937-335-2833, ext. 2008.

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH



Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr invites you to join him in exploring the wonder of the Mass through a special video series featuring Bishop Robert Barron. Each Sunday from January 8 through February 12, Archbishop Schnurr will email you his own brief insights along with a 25-minute episode from Word on Fire's *The Mass*. Also available in Spanish.

Join Archbishop Schnurr and fellow Catholics across the archdiocese and

experience the Mass in a whole new way.

Sign up for free at CatholicAOC.org/theMass

SCHOOL

This past week was such a fun week. On Monday, St. Nick visited the students and passed out candy canes. We learned a lot about St. Nick! We also had our Christmas Shoppe for the students to buy gifts for their families. Thank you, Mrs. Whetstone, for organizing this and all of your volunteers for your help. The staff held its annual Christmas party at the Troy Hayner on the 6th. It was a wonderful evening spending time with a wonderful group of people. On December 15th, we will have our school Christmas Program. Grades K-8 will be participating along with our students in the 5-8 grade band program. December 16 is our last day before Christmas break. I hope your Advent is blessed and you are all preparing your hearts for the coming of Our Savior.

Pray, hope and don't worry! – St. Pio Cyndi Cathcart



The preschool classes have been preparing for the coming of Baby Jesus. We continue to pray for those who are sick. We offer God our fears, so we can be free to help one another. We wish you a wonderful Advent Season!



CCD

December 13 LAST CLASS FOR 2022

- 22 No CCD
- 25 Merry Christmas
- 29 No CCD

Classes for Kindergarten-sixth grade and a special class for those students with special needs. The registration information can be found on the website or contact Susan Anderson by email at <u>sanderson@stpattroy.org</u>.

DECEMBER YOUTH MINISTRY

High School Ministry Weekly Discipleship Cells Sundays 12:30-2:30 p.m. in the Parish Center 11 Dudes Day and Beloved Daughter, 1:00-5:00 p.m. 18 D Cell Advent Party December 25-January 14 Off for Christmas and New Year's 7th-8th Grade Confirmation Ministry

Confirmation Cells

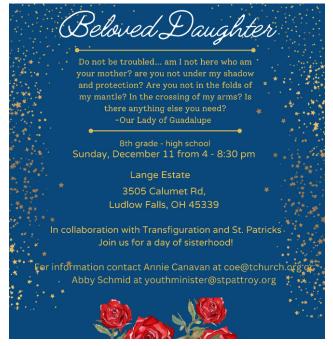
10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Parish Center

11 7th Grade C Cell

18 8th Grade C Cell

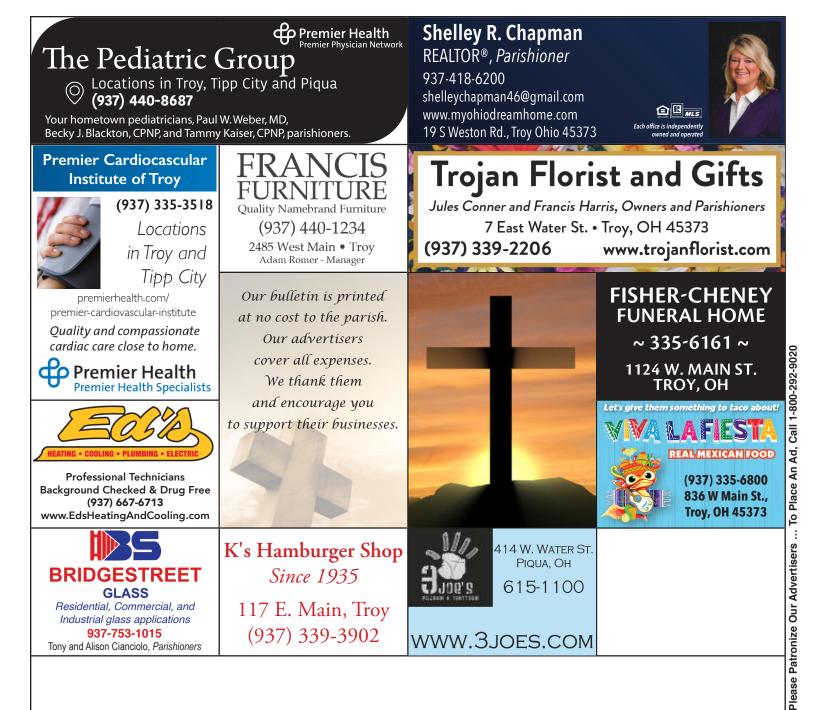
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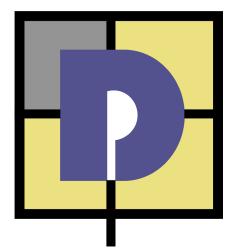
Confirmation (C Cell) Registration for 7th-8th graders and High School Discipleship Cell (D Cells) Registration is going on now on our Youth Ministry website at <u>www.stpattroyym.org</u>.



ST. PHILOMENA MOTHER-DAUGHTER RETREAT

The St. Philomena Mother-Daughter Retreat will be held at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein, 2365 St. Johns Road, Maria Stein, OH 45860, July 7-9, 2023. This retreat, for girls ages 11-14 and their moms, explores the gifts of feminine identity, chastity, and marriage through Biblical wisdom and the teachings of St. Pope JPII. See our website at <u>www.philomenaretreat.org</u> for registration information or contact us via email at <u>admin@philomenaretreat.org</u> or local facilitator, Jodie Blindauer, at <u>jblindauer@sacredheartohio.org</u>.





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