

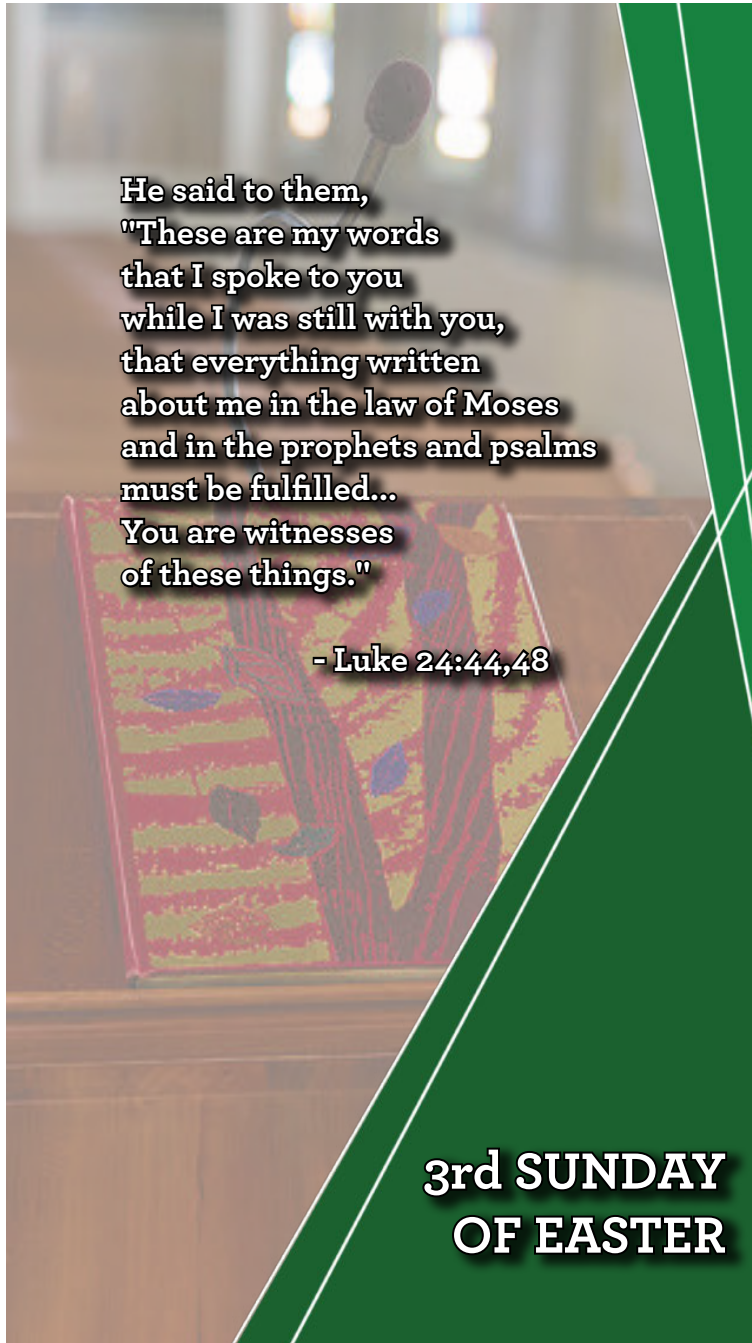


# The CROSSROADS

Old St. Patrick's Bulletin

*A Catholic Community in Chicago's West Loop*

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024



## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 7 AM, 9 AM **(LIVE)**, 11 AM,  
5 PM **(LIVE)**, & 8 PM

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 12:10 PM  
Wednesday: 12:10 PM **(LIVE)**

**(LIVE)** indicates this Mass will be  
available to stream at  
[oldstpats.org/livestream](https://oldstpats.org/livestream)

## RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 11:30 AM

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Third Wednesday of each month  
after the 12:10 PM Mass

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EVENT	DATE   TIME   LOCATION	CONTACT
<i>Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly Annual Spring Food Drive</i>	April 14   All Masses   Church and Virtual	Beth Marek elizabethm@oldstpats.org
<i>Welcome Mass</i>	April 14   5:00 PM   Church	Palmer Meehan palmerm@oldstpats.org
<i>Immigrant and Refugee Ministry Meeting</i>	April 15   6:30 PM   Contact for details	Krista Chinchilla kristac@oldstpats.org
<i>Women's Spirituality Group</i>	April 16   7:00 PM   711 W. Monroe	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>My Brother's Kitchen (formerly Bread of Life Breakfast)</i>	April 20   8:00 AM   1241 S. Pulaski Rd	Vincent Guider vincentg@oldstpats.org
<i>Couples Ministry Tap Into Wisdom</i>	April 20   6:30 PM   Hughes Hall	<a href="https://bit.ly/TapIntoWisdom">bit.ly/TapIntoWisdom</a>
<i>Northside Book Club</i>	April 22   6:30 PM   The Book Cellar	Rachelle Lindo rachelle.lindo@gmail.com
<i>Pneuma LGBTQ+</i>	April 23   Contact for details	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Pinwheels for Prevention Prayer Service</i>	April 25   11:00 AM   Healing Garden, 1080 W Roosevelt	See Page 12 for details
<i>HealingTogether@Home A Grief Support Group</i>	April 25   6:30 PM   Zoom	<a href="https://bit.ly/healingtogetherathome">bit.ly/healingtogetherathome</a>
<i>Beloved Retreat</i>	April 26 - 28   LUREC, Woodstock, IL	Polly Mulhearn pollym@oldstpats.org
<i>At The Crossroads Speaker and Discussion Series</i>	May 5   6:30 PM   Fellowship Hall	See Page 4 for details
<i>Women's Spirituality Group</i>	May 7   7:00 PM   711 W. Monroe	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Pneuma LGBTQ+</i>	May 14   Contact for details	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Adoption Connections Potluck Dinner</i>	May 19   3:30 PM   Contact for details	Rachelle Lindo rachelle.lindo@gmail.com
<i>Immigrant and Refugee Ministry Meeting</i>	May 20   6:30 PM   Contact for details	Krista Chinchilla kristac@oldstpats.org
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## FATHER PAT MCGRATH, S.J.

Pastor at Old St. Pats

Dear Friends,

I am delighted to share with you that Fr. Simone professed his solemn (final) vows as a Jesuit this weekend in a Mass with his local Jesuit community. We all offer our congratulations to him and thank God for the gift of his vocation.

You may wonder why it is only now in Fr. Michael's life as a Jesuit that he is professing solemn vows. He joined the Jesuits in 1997 and was ordained in 2007. As with many Jesuit things, the explanation is a bit complicated!

Members of religious orders take two kinds of vows, simple and solemn. For Jesuits, simple vows, sometimes known as *first vows*, usually happen around two years after joining. After completing a period of training called the *novitiate*, Jesuits profess vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. The biggest change for most Jesuits at this point is that they can start using the initials "S.J." after their name, indicating that they are now a vowed member of the Society of Jesus. Jesuits hoping to become priests after first vows are known as *scholastics* and spend several more years in work and study to prepare for the priesthood. A Jesuit scholastic who is eligible for the priesthood is called to a ceremony called *ordination*, after which time he can say mass and use the title "Father." Only after several more years of work and study are Jesuit priests called to solemn vows. A few months ago, the provincial of the USA Midwest Jesuits informed Fr. Simone that he had been called to make solemn (final) vows. Final vows indicate that a Jesuit has prepared himself to be available to work anywhere in the world that the Society of Jesus has a mission. It marks the transition from preparation to full participation in the order.

Please join me in congratulating Fr. Simone!

Gratefully,  
Fr. Pat



# Welcome to Old St. Pat's

Welcome to all those who are visiting Old St. Pat's for the first time. We are happy to have you with us today and hold you closely in our prayers on this special day.

For anyone that is interested in learning about Old St. Pat's and how to get involved, there will be a short tour of the Church followed by an information session after Mass. Please scan the QR Code below to register.



Register here for the Church Tour and Information Session.

## CELEBRATING **VOLUNTEERS** TO OUR NEARLY 1,000 VOLUNTEERS, WE THANK YOU ALL!



Please use the QR code above to express interest in sharing your gifts with Old St. Patrick's.



## LITTLE BROTHERS FRIENDS OF THE ELDERLY ANNUAL SPRING FOOD DRIVE

Sunday, April 14 | All Masses Covered

Morning Masses - LBFE Truck - Evening Masses - OSP Gondola

Church Steps and Hybrid via Amazon

# TODAY!



Amazon Wish List <http://tinyurl.com/LBFEfooddrive>.

Anyone who wants the virtual option can order from this link and the food will be shipped directly to LBFE.

**Our Low Income Seniors Need Us More Than Ever!!!** This vulnerable population is in a bad way and challenged more to provide nutritious meals to feed themselves. So please join Old St. Pat's on April 14th in providing:

### GROCERY LIST:

- Boxed low-sugar cereal & regular cereal
- Canned tuna
- Low-salt & regular canned vegetables
- Low-salt canned soup
- Low-salt crackers (saltines, wheat)
- Canned tomatoes
- Pasta (in boxes)
- Canned chicken
- Pasta sauce in cans or plastic containers (no glass jars)
- Canned fruit (no sugar added)
- Oatmeal – instant and regular
- Creamy peanut butter
- Macaroni & cheese
- Boxed instant potatoes
- Juice (small cans or individual boxes)
- Individual serving cups of pudding, Jell-O, applesauce or fruit cocktail
- Individually wrapped Snack foods: crackers, cookies, trail mix, chips, nuts, or granola bars

***Please avoid glass jars and check food expiration dates.***

***Thanks for Sharing & Caring, Beth Marek Director of Outreach***



## AT THE CROSSROADS WITH FR. SAM SAWYER

May 5 | 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM | Fellowship Hall

Old St. Patrick's Church is honored to welcome the Editor in Chief of America Media, Fr. Sam Sawyer, SJ. to the spring session of our At The Crossroads Speaker and Discussion Series.

Having thought and written about the "polarization trap" we find ourselves in as a nation and society, Fr. Sawyer will invite us to explore possible ways forward, including moving away from a "threat mentality" to a sense of greater and genuine communion with each other.

The conversation will be moderated by Fr. Michael Simone, SJ.

Entry to the Fellowship Hall and the parking garage is from Desplaines Street. Parking in the garage is free for this program. Light refreshments will be served. There is no fee for this program, but please help us offer you our best hospitality by registering by Friday, May 3 at: <https://osp.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/923/responses/new>





**GREEN NOTES FROM  
OSP GREEN TEAM:  
CELEBRATE EARTH DAY  
AND BE INSPIRED  
BY ONE EARTH FILM FESTIVAL**

April 17 - 23 | Various times and locations

Visit for more details: [www.oneearthfilmfest.org](http://www.oneearthfilmfest.org)

The first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970. Senator Gaylord Nelson from Wisconsin and others advocated for a day in early spring when people everywhere could take time to educate themselves about environmental issues, and advocate for changes that would produce a more sustainable world. About 20 million people participated in the first Earth Day. They attended educational events at schools and colleges; volunteered to collect trash at local parks, forests, rivers, and beaches; participated in tree plantings and other events; and advocated for environmental legislation. Those efforts bore fruit, as the 1970's saw the passage of several important environmental bills, including the Clean Air and Clean Water Act; and the establishment of the Environmental Protection Agency.

In 2024, 54 years after the first Earth Day, Earth Day continues to be celebrated across the world, with one billion people in 193 countries expected to join in. The theme for 2024's Earth Day is "Planet vs. Plastic," calling attention to the effects of single use plastics on our world. The health of our world and ourselves depends on reduction in their use. Microplastics have emerged in recent years as a significant threat, especially to children living in the global South.

Your local forest preserve, park, or nature center likely has activities planned around Earth Day. And you can visit the [earthday.org](http://earthday.org) website for an interactive global map showing Earth Day events.

From its beginnings in 2012, the One Earth Film Festival has grown into the Midwest's premier showcase for environmental films. This year the One Earth Film Festival takes place from April 17 to April 23, spanning Earth Day. In 2024, the festival includes five days of live screenings, and two days of virtual events. Showings take place at multiple locations, including the city itself and its suburbs. Venues include local churches, libraries, theatres, and the Peggy Notebart Nature Museum. Tickets are generally free, with an \$8 suggested donation.

The movies featured in this year's festival cover vital issues like regenerative agriculture, rain forest protection, gentrification, young filmmakers' voices, ecofeminism, and water justice. In "Wings of Dust," learn about a Peruvian Indigenous journalist who risks his life so his son can have a future with clean water. "A Good Neighbor" tells the story of a Latina single mother who campaigns for city council in one of our country's most polluted zip codes. The film "Common Ground" demonstrates the power of regenerative agriculture to heal our soils, our lives, and the world's ecosystems. Check out the full line up and sign up for tickets at [onearthfilmfestival.org](http://onearthfilmfestival.org)

**OSP Green Care Team Welcomes You!**

Are you interested in sustainability and the environment? Want to be a faithful steward of our common home? Then become part of OSP's Green Team. For more information, contact Eileen Sutter [ehsutter@gmail.com](mailto:ehsutter@gmail.com)

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**PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION**

"LAUDATO SI, mi Signore" - "Praise be to you, my Lord". In the words of this beautiful canticle, Saint Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. So opens Pope Francis' letter to the whole world on the importance of protecting and healing our natural world. As we approach this day, let us each commit to doing one thing to celebrate creation.

Good and gracious God of all created things, seen and unseen.

You created all things in this world for our use, and charge us with protecting that creation.

Help us to see in all things the reflection of a parent's love for a child.

When we see your goodness in the face of the moon, we see our sister.

When we feel the warmth of the sun on our face, we feel the love of a brother.

We ask for your strength to give us wisdom and courage to protect our earthly environment from destruction and overuse.

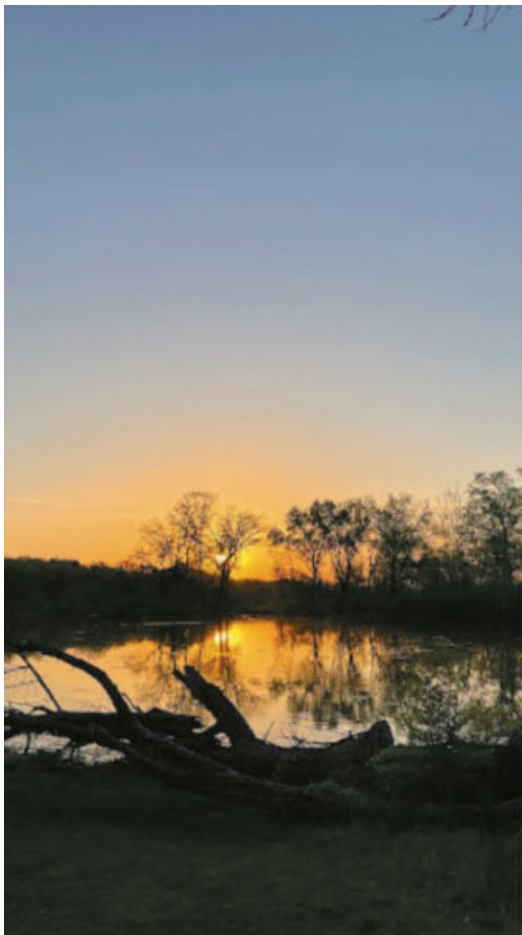
Help us to share the goodness and generosity of the earth with every living person.

We ask all this in the name of Jesus Christ, our brother and savior.

Amen.  
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## Beloved Retreat – In Person!

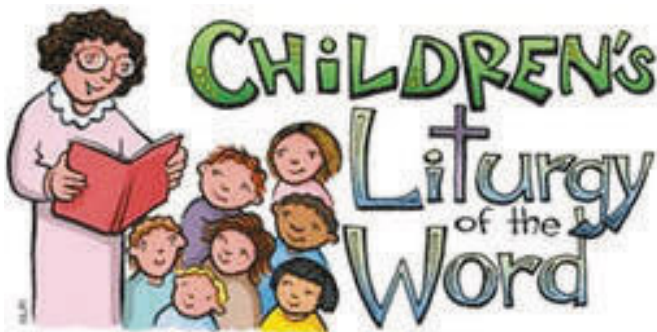
April 26 – 28, 2024

Spend the weekend contemplating the notion that you, just as you are, take God's breath away. We invite you to a weekend of beginnings. Whether you're old or young (at heart), single or married, religious or skeptic, hurt or healing, laid back or caffeinated, you'll fit right in on the Beloved Retreat. Thousands have participated in this retreat like none other... for the past 25 years!

Please join us for the 67th Beloved Retreat – To be held in person April 26, 27, and 28 at the beautiful Loyola University Retreat and Ecology Campus (LUREC) in Woodstock, Illinois

All are welcome. We would be so honored to host you. Please register online at the following link: [bit.ly/3VnfvBv](https://bit.ly/3VnfvBv)

For more information visit [oldstpats.org/beloved](https://oldstpats.org/beloved) or call Polly Mulhearn at 312-798-2316



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

April 14 and 21 | 9:00 AM | Church

A special part of the family Sunday experience at Old St. Patrick's Church for children ages Kindergarten through second grade is "Children's Liturgy of the Word" (CLOW) ministry. Children should sit with their families until they are invited to the altar by the priest. They will then go into the rectory with adult leaders to learn about the readings of the day in a child-friendly manner. We engage in activities to support the children's understanding of the gospel message.





## ***Healing Together@Home,*** **A GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

April 25 | 6:30 PM | Zoom

Support in dealing with the grief experience is a valuable way of helping yourself or someone you know. Support groups often provide an opportunity for grieving persons to better understand the wide range of feelings and behaviors associated with grief and offer a safe place where people can come together for mutual support, to learn that their feelings are normal, and that one need not be alone. Support in dealing with the grief experience resulting from the death of a Loved One is a valuable

way of helping yourself or someone you know. Our program is offered over the course of six consecutive weeks. Our groups are small by design so that they are comfortable and informal. Our next program will start on Thursday, April 25th.



## **NORTH LAWDALE KINSHIP INITIATIVE**

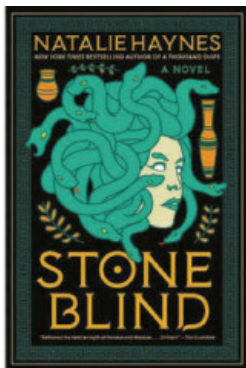
April 20 | 8:00 AM - NOON | YMEN 1241 S Pulaski Road

Through the Kinship Initiative, people of North Lawndale and Old St. Patrick's walk alongside one another in friendship, sharing our talents, and resources to secure justice, opportunity, and the transformation of our communities.

### **MY BROTHER'S KITCHEN MEAL HOST**

(Formerly Bread of Life Breakfast) Every 3rd Saturday, 8 AM - Noon  
Young Men's Education Network Gym, 1241 S. Pulaski Road

A team of 8 - 12 hosts help to: Set up eating areas, prep, cook and serve a hot, nutritious meal, provide friendly hospitality to 100+ guests from the neighborhood and clean up afterward.  
Contact: Vincent Guider, North Lawndale Kinship Initiative Director at [vincentg@oldstpats.org](mailto:vincentg@oldstpats.org)



## **NORTHSIDE BOOK CLUB** **(Formerly Encounter Book Club)**

April 22 | 6:30 PM | The Book Cellar in Lincoln Square

The Northside Book Club's April meeting is on April 22. We will be reading Stone Blind by Natalie Haynes. We will be meeting at the Book Cellar.

We'll catch up and decide on the next book from 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM, and discuss the book from 7-8.







## Mission and Legacy Unite Old St. Patrick's Church and The Children at the Crossroads Foundation Scholarship Sunday

Inspired by the founders of The Frances Xavier Warde School (FXW), Maggie Daley and former pastor of Old St. Patrick's Church (OSP), Fr. Jack Wall, The Children at the Crossroads Foundation (CATC) helps to ensure that every child can access FXW's transformative education. Guided by Mary Ellen Caron, founding FXW principal and current CATC Board Chair, and supported by a passionate board and community of former parents, alumni and friends, CATC embodies a relentless



commitment to breaking down financial barriers, to ensure that every child, regardless of economic circumstances, is given the chance to thrive in an environment that fosters academic excellence and nurtures empathy and understanding - essential qualities for the world today.



### Children at the Crossroads Foundation Scholarship Sunday, April 21

The annual Scholarship Sunday at OSP is not just a collection; it's a declaration of the dedication of the parish community at OSP to educational accessibility and excellence and to the noble mission of FXW. A mission that aligns seamlessly with the vision of OSP to be a movement of change within the Catholic church marked by inclusivity that values hope and transformative kinship.



### How You Can Make a Difference

On Scholarship Sunday, we invite you to join FXW in our mission by making a gift to CATC. Use this QR code for a simple and quick way to contribute. Your support will directly empower students and uphold our commitment to education, justice, and service. 100% of gifts received on Scholarship Sunday fund scholarships, underscoring our collective promise to foster a future where every child has the opportunity for personal and academic success.



For more information contact:  
Mary Perrotti  
Director of Advancement  
The Frances Xavier Warde School  
PerrottiM@fxw.org



# Spirit of St. Brigid

pilgrimage to

# Ireland

Join us for a service based pilgrimage to Ireland in honor of St. Brigid of Kildare's 1500 anniversary.  
\*Open to ages 21-39

August 6-12th 2024



SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION



Service Opportunities



Grow in Faith



Connect with Young Adults



ENCOUNTER  
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY  
At Old St. Patrick's Church



## WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

1st & 3rd Tuesdays of every month  
at 7 PM 711 W Monroe

Encounter, OSP's Young Adult Ministry, space for all women-identified folks to gather for prayer, faith sharing, and community building.



Inclusivity • Worship • Kinship  
OLD ST. PATRICK'S

## PNEUMA LGBTQ+

2nd & 4th Tuesdays of every month

2nd Tuesdays: 6:30 PM at 711 W Monroe

4th Tuesdays: Contact Brenda Chavez at [brendac@oldstpats.org](mailto:brendac@oldstpats.org)

An inclusive and affirming faith sharing group for LGBTQ+ members of OSP Encounter





**HARMONY WITH  
NORTH LAWNSDALE NEIGHBORS**  
April 20 | 7:00 PM | Virtual



North Lawndale's Harmony Community Church will host the 4th Annual Harmony Community Cares (HCC) Gala on Saturday, April 20th, 2024 at 7 pm. Tune in for an inspiring evening focused on HCC's mission to youth in Chicago's North Lawndale neighborhood. There will be a raffle, great prizes, inspirational stories and more. Please support the essential work of our North Lawndale neighbors and the many Old St. Pat's members who volunteer as HCC tutors on Tuesday nights . Funds raised will increase the capacity of Harmony's programming and keep the Kinship vibe alive in North Lawndale!

To register for the Gala or donate, visit the HCC Gala site at <http://bidpal.net/hcc2024gala> or scan the QR Code above. Please tune in on April 20th and consider joining the tutoring team as well. Interested tutors can reach out to **Liza Raino-Ogden** at [Irogden@thereadeasy.com](mailto:Irogden@thereadeasy.com).

**Kinship Mission:**

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OLD ST PAT'S COUPLES MINISTRY PRESENTS  
**TAP INTO WISDOM**  
LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE GOTTMANS' 40 YEARS OF HELPING RELATIONSHIPS HEAL, REPAIR, AND FLOURISH  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 6:30-9PM**  
**HUGHES HALL**

ALL LONG-TERM COMMITTED COUPLES WELCOME!!!

\$25/COUPLE, LIGHT DINNER SERVED.

[bit.ly/TapIntoWisdom](https://bit.ly/TapIntoWisdom)





## **PINWHEELS FOR PREVENTION: 13th ANNUAL PRAYER SERVICE FOR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION**

April 25 | 11:00 AM | Archdiocese of Chicago's  
Healing Garden, 1080 West Roosevelt Rd

Join the Archdiocese of Chicago in its ongoing commitment to the ministry of protecting children at the Annual Prayer Service for Child Abuse Prevention. The service will take place on Thursday, April 25 at 11 a.m. at the Archdiocese of Chicago's Healing Garden (1080 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago), and will be presided by Fr. Aaron Bohr, SJ, with Catholic Schools Superintendent Greg Richmond. Participants will be invited to plant a pinwheel (symbol of child abuse prevention efforts) during the service.

For more information, how to get involved, and for resources, please visit <https://protect.archchicago.org/news-and-events/child-abuse-prevention-month>

### **About the Archdiocese of Chicago's Healing Garden**

The Healing Garden of the Archdiocese of Chicago is a place dedicated to the healing, recovery and reconciliation of child abuse victims and their families, a place where the community comes together each year during the month of April which is observed as National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

"Yes, ours is a Church of many nations and many cultures, a diversity that we must respect, but zero tolerance when it comes to harming children and full accountability are non-negotiable. These are not values to be held in the abstract, or simply codified as a list of procedures to be ticked off as a matter of routine. No, they must be lived values. They must be values that permeate the very air we breathe as a Church—so that everyone from the volunteer tutor to the bishop knows that building a culture of accountability, justice and healing is essential to what it means to be church, to follow Christ's call."

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, archbishop of Chicago, Remarks from Nov. 2018.

### **History of The Blue Ribbon and Pinwheels**

The blue ribbon has been a national symbol of child-abuse awareness since 1989 when Bonnie Finney, a grandmother whose 3-year-old grandson died at the hands of his mother's abusive boyfriend, tied a blue ribbon to her van as a support of her personal commitment to involve everyone in the effort to raise awareness of child abuse.

While the blue ribbon has served the purpose of increasing awareness of the prevalence of abuse and neglect in communities, a new message able to advance the prevention of abuse and neglect in terms of behavior change, societal solutions and policy priorities was needed. The message shifted from the problem of abuse to the solution of effective prevention: Therefore, a symbol that would represent this shift and provide an imagery of healthy child development was identified. In 2004, PCA Florida selected the pinwheel and adopted Winds of Change as the statewide campaign. In 2008, PCA America adopted the pinwheel and created a national signature campaign called Pinwheels for Prevention.

[Source: Pinwheels for Prevention – 2011 Pinwheels for Prevention Toolkit]





# Adoption Connections



Please join us for an in person gathering of OSP Adoption Connections!

Adoption Connections is a forum for people on the adoption journey to connect, share stories, and support each other.

Let's get to know each other over a casual dinner. Steve and Rachelle (along with Evan age 8 and Adrian age 3) will host at their house in Portage Park on Sunday, May 19 from 3:30-7:00. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Children are welcome.

*We hope you can join us!*

RSVP Rachelle Lindo, Co-chair [rachelle.lindo@gmail.com](mailto:rachelle.lindo@gmail.com)  
(address details will be sent to those who RSVP)

### The Adoption Creed

Not flesh of my flesh nor bone of my bone, but still miraculously my own.  
Never forget for a single minute, you didn't grow under my heart, but in it. ~ Author unknown

## WOULD YOU CONSIDER JOINING THE MUSIC MINISTRY AT OLD ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH?



Contribute to vibrant liturgies, expand your musical skills, and utilize your singing experience – all while being part of a tradition of great music in Chicago's West Loop!

Contact Mark Scozzafave, Director of Music Ministries | [marks@oldstpats.org](mailto:marks@oldstpats.org)



### 2024 Company of Grace: *The Power of Sacred Stories!*

You're invited to join the [Ignatian Spirituality Project](#) for our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary *Company of Grace: The Power of Sacred Stories* event at Wintrust Grand Banking Hall on Thursday, April 25 from 6-8pm. David Brooks of the *New York Times* and *PBS NewsHour* join ISP about the transformative power of sacred stories in our world today. This hybrid event will also be livestreamed for virtual audiences. Go to [ispretreats.org/cog](https://ispretreats.org/cog) to register.



# First Friday Club of Chicago

Last Speaker of the 2023-2024 Season

*Look Who's Coming to Lunch*



## Dr. Ngozi Ezike

President & CEO of Sinai Chicago  
Previous Director of the Illinois  
Department of Public Health

## Give it to me straight, Doc

She got us through the pandemic. Now, with her trademark passion and professionalism, Dr. Ngozi Ezike takes aim at the biggest health care challenges facing Chicago.

*Please Join Us & Register Today*

**Friday, May 3rd, 2024**

12 Noon - 1:15pm

The Union League Club | 65 W. Jackson Blvd Chicago

First Friday Club of Chicago  
Welcomes

**Dr. Ngozi Ezike**

President & CEO of Sinai Chicago

**Friday May 3, 2024**

**12pm | Union League Club  
65 W. Jackson Blvd, Chicago**

**Scan the  
Blue QR Code  
to Reserve  
Your Seat Today!  
Reservations close  
Tues. April 30 @ 5pm**



**Scan the  
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to help support  
First Friday Club of  
Chicago**



**For more info,  
go to our website:  
[firstfridayclubchicago.org](http://firstfridayclubchicago.org)**

**First Friday Club of  
Chicago's  
Mission Statement**



Provide a forum for men  
and women to make connections  
between work, faith, values and  
issues that affect their daily lives.

## VISION PRAYER

Lord of Light,  
you have looked upon your creation and affirmed its goodness.  
Sharpen our vision  
so that we may see the world with your eyes.

With your eyes there will be no stranger  
only the children of God  
waiting to be welcomed.

With your eyes we will not miss the exquisite beauty  
present all around us  
that stirs our hearts and gives glory to you.

With your eyes we can see the work you have left for us  
transforming ourselves, our world, and our church  
to bring about your dream for us, that all may be one.

Lord of Light,  
you see all things.  
Sharpen our vision  
so that we may see the world with your eyes.  
Amen.



# Thank You!

**Thank you for your generosity last year.**

2023 Giving Statements will be sent via email this week. The email will come from PushPay, Old St. Patrick's giving system, please check your spam folders.

For questions regarding giving statements please contact: Palmer Meehan 312.798.2316 palmerm@oldstpats.org or Ann McNamara 312.798.2355 annm@oldstpats.org



## Giving to Old Saint Patrick's Church

*"As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord."*  
- U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops

Your generosity to Old St. Pat's is a resounding yes to God's call to faith-filled stewardship! Guided by the Holy Spirit, we continue to strive to lead a movement of change for good in our church and world. You are true collaborators in the work of sharing the loving mercy of Jesus.

Gifts to old St. Pat's help fund the myriad ministries and initiatives here at Old St. Pat's, from hosting Sunday masses to weddings and baptisms, to prayer and retreat experiences, to catechesis and sacramental preparation, to lectures, classes and workshops. Your support helps ensure we can continue to be the vibrant, welcoming, justice-minded Catholic community we strive to be.

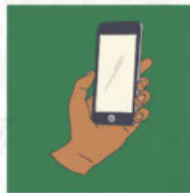


Mail a check, made payable to:

Old St. Pat's,  
711 W. Monroe St. Chicago,  
IL 60661



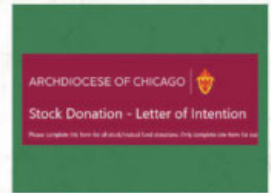
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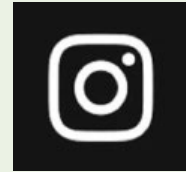
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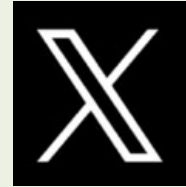
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He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled... You are witnesses of these things." - Luke 24:44, - 48

## Sunday, April 14, 2024

Readings: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

### Mass Remembrances:

7am: Karen Small (†), Patricia Daley Martino (†)  
9am: Michael Sheeran (†), Vera Sto'tomas (†)  
11am: Estelle Disselhorst (†), Laura Leiva (†)  
5pm: Jennifer Czech (†), Archie Kelly (†)  
8pm: Raymond L. Randall (†), Patricia Daley Martino (†)

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## Monday, April 15, 2024

Readings: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

Book of Patrick: Mary Margaret & Michael Shea, Armello Bax, Anne Joyce Brennan, Harry & Virginia Connors, Susan Suliburk Driscoll, Joshua Duda, George Hickey, Sister Mary Kenneth Kreuser OP, Cantwell, O'Brien & Waters Families, Frank J. Pavlica, Tommie Ryan, Anne C. Wrenn

## Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Readings: Acts 7:51-8:1a/  
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

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## Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Readings: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

### Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: Thomas Heneghan (†), Maddalena Ponticciello (†)

Book of Patrick: Mary Ellen Baxa, Stephen Lombardo III, John O'Brien, Theresa A. O'Connor, Nancy Hickman, Paul Pecaric

## Thursday, April 18, 2024

Readings: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

Book of Patrick: Patrick R. Buck, Margaret Cutler, Martha Duenes, Lenora Festa, Robert Genslak, Frank A. Jost, Mary Sturtevant, Robert Widner, Rob Walsh, Thomas Ignatius O'Brien, Susan C. Kuncius-Dykehouse

## Friday, April 19, 2024

Readings: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

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## Saturday, April 20, 2024

Readings: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Book of Patrick: Mary Buchanan, Maureen Carrington, Elaine Connolly, William Henry Dean III, Richard Edward Doner, Sabina Gilmore, Florence Jakielek, The Chips, Ripps & Quinns, Dominick Yocius, Catherine Hirth, Joseph and Elizabeth Blake

## Sunday, April 21, 2024

Readings: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/ Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

### Mass Remembrances:

7am: Freya & Rhett Nielson, Patricia Daley Martino (†)  
9am: Patricia Hofmann Cunniff(†), Elzbieta Walentynowicz(†)  
11am: Mr. Gene Olstead (†), Branko Mihailovic (†)  
5pm: Eileen Sheahan (†), John Charles Friel (†)  
8pm: Barbara Taylor Becker (†), Rose Tibayan

Book of Patrick: Lester Copeland, John George Kent Sr., Mary Katherine Komie, Anne Salvitti, Clare Therese Sara, Swaine & Gosling Families, Susan Louise Tassone, Anne Virginia Power, Lauren, Lynn, Mulhern, Robert James Koscicki

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**  
Alex Kirkland

**For Those Who Are Sick**  
Karen Ette

**For Those Who Have Died**  
Rick Meiners

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*O wonderful Creator, Our hearts are filled with Joy as we celebrate Your Resurrection!  
Thank you for wanting a relationship with us.  
After You rose from the grave on the first Easter, an angel told people, "Do not be afraid."  
Help us to rise beyond fear this Easter Season by trusting in You.*

## Women and Men of Faith



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## Blessed Peter Gonzalez

### Saint of the Day for April 14, 2024

Saint Paul had a conversion experience on the road to Damascus. Many years later, the same proved true for Peter Gonzalez, who triumphantly rode his horse into the Spanish city of Astorga in the 13th century to take up an important post at the cathedral. The animal stumbled and fell, leaving Peter in the mud and onlookers amused.

Humbled, Peter reevaluated his motivations—his bishop-uncle had secured the cathedral post for him—and started down a new path. He became a Dominican priest and proved to be a most effective preacher. He spent much of his time as court chaplain, and attempted to exert positive influence on the behavior of members of the court. After King Ferdinand III and his troops defeated the Moors at Cordoba, Peter was successful in restraining the soldiers from pillaging, and persuaded the king to treat the defeated Moors with compassion.

After retiring from the court, Peter devoted the remainder of his life to preaching in northwest Spain. Having developed a special mission to Spanish and Portuguese seamen, he is considered their patron.

Peter Gonzalez died in 1246 and was beatified in 1741.

How often we have heard stories about some misfortune or disaster only to hear later on that it was now seen as a good thing. Not every "disaster" is truly bad in its consequences for the Lord can bring good out of what appears to be a misfortune. Such was the case for Blessed Peter. His being dumped in the mud by a falling horse turned out to be a good thing in his life.

Blessed Peter Gonzalez is the Patron of:  
Spanish and Portuguese sailors

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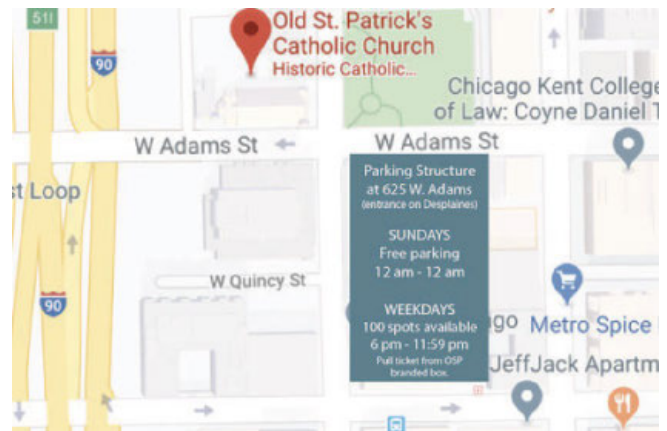
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