

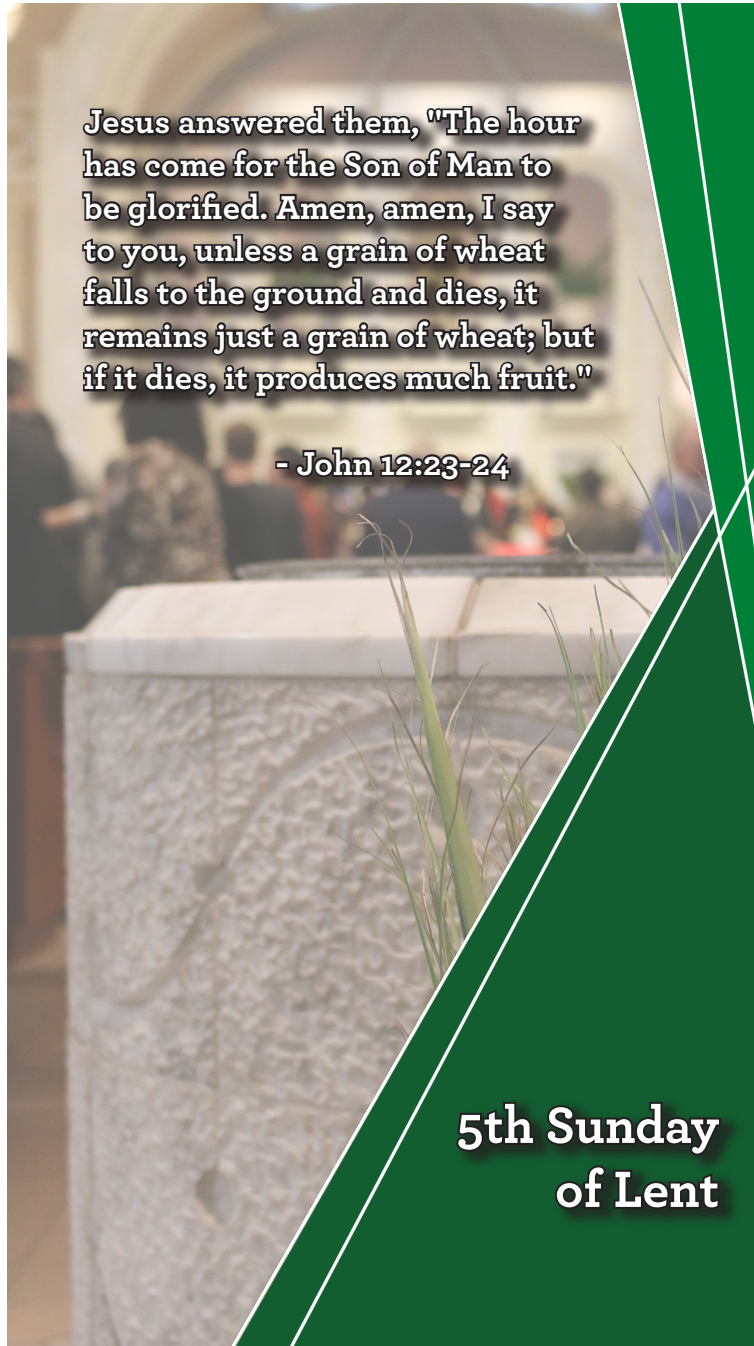


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Old St. Patrick's Bulletin

A Catholic Community in Chicago's West Loop

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024



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- John 12:23-24

**5th Sunday
of Lent**

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

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 11:30 AM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

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Visit oldstpats.org/whats-happening-in-the-osp-community for more.

EVENT	DATE TIME LOCATION	CONTACT
<i>Online Book Discussion "Come Forth" by James Martin SJ</i>	March 17 4:00 PM Zoom	Al Gustafson alg@oldstpats.org
<i>Immigrant and Refugee Ministry Meeting</i>	March 18 6:30 PM Contact for details	Krista Chinchilla kristac@oldstpats.org
<i>Women's Spirituality Group</i>	March 19 7:00 PM 711 W. Monroe	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Evening of Adoration and Contemplative Music</i>	March 20 7:00 PM Church	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Young Adult Lenten Retreat</i>	March 22 - 23 2710 S. County Club Rd, Woodstock, IL	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Greater Chicago Food Depository</i>	April 9 9:00 AM GCFD, 4100 W. Ann Lurie Place	Sally Anderson andsally@gmail.com
<i>Greater Chicago Food Depository</i>	April 13 9:00 AM GCFD, 4100 W. Ann Lurie Place	Mary Beth Riley mbriley07@yahoo.com
<i>Immigrant and Refugee Ministry Meeting</i>	April 15 6:30 PM Contact for details	Krista Chinchilla kristac@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>HealingTogether@Home A Grief Support Group</i>	April 25 6:30 PM Zoom	bit.ly/healingtogetherathome





BERNADETTE GIBSON
Director of Pastoral Care



*Easter in the letting go,
the emptying, the leaving behind,
and the dying that makes space
for new life to arise.*

In reading the year B readings of the day I was particularly moved when , Jesus, says, with reference to himself, “Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.” - the Gospel of John 12:20-33.

This Gospel of John takes place in Jerusalem, right after Jesus’s triumphal entry, close to the feast of Passover, and in the period leading up to his crucifixion on Good Friday. It’s the pattern of loss and renewal that runs throughout our lives and our world. Jesus’ comment on the grain and its death resonates a lot with me because I am a firm believer that all living creatures that die serve a greater purpose for something else to be born. When plants die and fall to the ground, eventually, they become nutrients and soil for other plants. This same pattern is in all of nature. You can see it in the changing of the seasons, falling leaves and new blooms, and the setting and rising of the sun. Over and over again on Ash Wednesday I repeated the prayer... “Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return”. The life I live in the reflection of what others will think of me and how I move about in the world. The decisions that I make, the way I treat others, and the direction that I walk is the resemblance of my own lifestyle. I enjoy belonging to something greater than myself because I have a purpose in life, and I know that God has a plan for me.

The secret is out. It’s everywhere. It is a pattern of loss and renewal, dying and rising, letting go and getting back, leaving and return. It’s at the core of our baptism and it’s what we declare every Sunday in the Eucharist. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Today Jesus tells his disciples that he is deeply troubled. Jesus realized that pain, sorrow and death were in his future. I think we can all imagine the emotion, pain and fear that Jesus must have been experiencing. True, Jesus was God. However, he also was fully human. Yes, he was committed to this path. But he also experienced fear, sorrow and loss. Jesus had committed himself to this journey and to his people and yet he knew fear. Then Jesus hears a voice speaking to him from heaven, affirming him in his decision. What a comfort it must have been when Jesus heard God’s voice from heaven reassuring him. This experience must have strengthened Jesus for the path that he would walk.

In our lives, we also have moments like Jesus, when we know we need to take a path that will be difficult and painful. Today may we ask Jesus to give us a share of Jesus’ trust and faith in God. We die a thousand deaths throughout our lifetime. The loss of a loved one, a relationship, health, opportunities, a dream; all deaths we didn’t want or ask for. Other times we choose our losses and deaths. We give up parts of ourselves for another. We change our beliefs and values so that we can be more authentically ourselves. And sometimes there are things we need to let go of, things we cling to that deny us the fullness of life we want and God offers: fear, anger or resentment, regret and disappointment, guilt, the need to be right, approval.

Seeing Jesus is a way to be followed, a truth to be embodied, a life to be lived. It’s being a grain of wheat that falls into the ground and dies so that it might bear much fruit. May we get closer to Easter in the letting go, the emptying, the leaving behind, and the dying that makes space for new life to arise.



Welcome to Old St. Pat's

On the second Sunday of every month, Old St. Pat's (OSP) hosts a special Mass for new members and those who are interested in learning about OSP. After Mass, there will be a short tour of the Church. Please invite a friend to Mass. The Welcome Mass is the perfect time to introduce them to the Old St. Patrick's community.

*The next Welcome Mass is
Sunday, April 14 at 5 PM*



Register here for the Church Tour
and Information Session.

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



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





LENT & EASTER

Old St. Patrick's Church



EVENINGS OF ADORATION AND CONTEMPLATIVE MUSIC

March 20 | 7:00 PM | OSP Church, 700 W Adams

Throughout the season of Lent come for Evenings of Adoration and Live Contemplative Music. This experience will be hosted by Encounter younger adults and Old St. Pat's music ministry and open to anyone and everyone. Prayer, reflection, and guidance materials will be available for those praying in this way for the first time. No registration is necessary.

after | **WORD**

Every Sunday during Lent | after 9:00 AM Mass | OSP Fellowship Hall, 625 W Adams

after|WORD will not be meeting this Sunday, March 17th.

Please join us again next week on Palm Sunday, March 24th

We hear the Gospel proclaimed every Sunday. Perhaps we even read the Gospel as a personal spiritual practice. But where can we go if we just want to talk with others about what we hear in the Sunday Gospels? *after|WORD* is a thirty minute session, scheduled for five Sundays in Lent, that invites us into dialogue with the Sunday Gospel and one another. No registration is necessary.

ONLINE BOOK DISCUSSION: COME FORTH BY JAMES MARTIN SJ

March 17, 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM | ZOOM

Facilitators: Al Gustafson and Vince Keenan | Register at bit.ly/ospComeForth

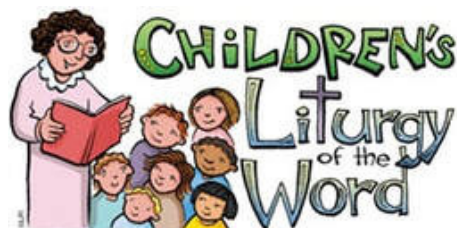
In this wise and compassionate book, Father James Martin, SJ explores the story of Jesus's greatest miracle—the raising of Lazarus from the dead—and what Jesus means when he calls each of us to “come forth.” Meditatively and carefully, Martin leads us verse by verse, offering profound reflections on Jesus's lessons on love, family, sadness, frustration, fear, anger, freedom, and joy.

ENCOUNTER YOUNG ADULT LEARNING RETREAT

March 22 - March 23 | 6:00 PM | Loyola University Retreat and Ecology Campus (LUREC)

To be part of a movement of change in the church and in our world, we must have the courage to look in the mirror we consider the opportunities we have been given - including the ones we have missed - to be bearers of Christ's love in the world. Let us join together as a community for an evening of prayer and reconciliation, with God, with our world, and with one another.

For more resources to guide you prayerfully through the Lenten season and to register for the programs above, visit oldstpats.org/lent or scan the QR code.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

March 17 | 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. On the dates below, 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.





A TALE OF TWO CITIES: CHICAGO AND EL PASO

By Maureen Hellwig

There are two stories (among so many more) that the Immigrant and Refugee Ministry (IRM) would like the people of Old St Pat's to know about and pray about this week.



First of all, we are pleased to welcome our fifth Venezuelan family, referred to us by Catholic Charities. This is the Jimenez family of three – Yahir, Anyla, and their daughter. An apartment has been found for them in Pilsen, and the IRM apartment set-up crew was there on March 1 to prepare the space with household goods that were donated by so many of you at the IRM “Valentine Shower” on February 11.

And, as always, furniture was selected for them from the Chicago Furniture Bank by our “queen of all furniture shopping,” Penny Davoren, assisted by Peggy Burke. More will be shared about this family as IRM members get to know them better.

Our second story pertains to a sad situation at the border, in El Paso, Texas. El Paso is the home of Annunciation House, founded by Ruben Garcia and some of his friends and colleagues in 1978. For more than 45 years, Annunciation House (<https://annunciationhouse.org>) provided temporary shelter and respite to those crossing the border, whether with refugee status or as asylum seekers. When Garcia shares the story of how he began his lifelong work, he underscores his realization that “God identifies first and foremost with the poor and the marginalized.”

At this point, Annunciation House finds itself under attack. Texas Attorney General, Ken Paxton, has filed a lawsuit, accusing Annunciation House of being involved in human trafficking. As Pauline Hovey reported in her article in *The National Catholic Reporter*, February 28, 2024, by the summer of 2014, the nature of migration had changed from mostly single Mexican men seeking work, to entire families arriving from Central America. And again, Ruben Garcia was at the helm, creating a network of temporary shelters to house these families. They got the opportunity for a hot shower, a change of clothes, and a phone call to relatives to help them complete their journey to be with family.

By 2016, following her husband’s death, Pauline left Virginia and relocated on the southern border to become part of the work of Annunciation House and other organizations as they worked with the ebb and flow of migration. While some believe it peaked, worldwide, in 2018, there seems to be little sign of migration numbers receding. Meanwhile, Pauline said she witnessed Border Patrol and ICE agents not only admire the structure of the shelter network that Annunciation House initiated, but even bring them donations. She concluded her NCR article saying, “Those who serve immigrants and refugees . . . anyone endeavoring to follow Christ, should and must take this lawsuit as a wake-up call.”

To donate to support IRM at OSP, please go to oldstpats.org. Click on GIVE TO OSP (upper right-hand corner). Click on GIVE ONLINE and select IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE FUND from the drop-down menu. For any questions about IRM, email us at immigration@oldstpats.org.





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Second Tuesdays and Saturdays of every month

Tuesday, April 9 from 9 AM to NOON
Saturday, April 13 from 8:30 AM to 11:15 AM

For complete information, contact our coordinators. Please provide your email address and phone number(s)

Tuesday: Sally Anderson | 202.243.9414 | andsally@gmail.com
Saturday: Mary Beth Riley | 630.460.7889 | mbriley07@yahoo.com



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

TO REGISTER AND/OR DONATE,
PLEASE VISIT THE LINK OR
SCAN THE QR CODE:
bit.ly/NLKinshipOpportunities





HealingTogether@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.

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.

JOIN AMERICA MAGAZINE FOR A GREECE PILGRIMAGE

We are delighted to offer you the opportunity to join Fr. Sam Sawyer, S.J., editor-in-chief of America Media, and Fr. Michael Simone, S.J., on America's 2024 pilgrimage to Greece.

"A Pilgrimage to Greece: In the Footsteps of St. Paul & the Early Christian Community" provides a unique opportunity to visit and worship at some of the holiest sites in the life of St. Paul and his first Christian followers. Daily masses at sacred places, faith sharing, reflection, and spiritual exploration make this pilgrimage opportunity deeply meaningful.

The full brochure which includes all the details related to dates, itineraries, and pricing is at bit.ly/AmericaMagazineGreece



If you discern you are interested in this trip, please register promptly. Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis in the order your registration form(s) and deposit(s) in the mail at our headquarters at America Media. Don't delay in sending your registration forms and deposits as soon as possible as recent pilgrimages have filled within days of registration opening!

For questions, please contact Alessandra Rose at Arose@americamedia.org





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

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

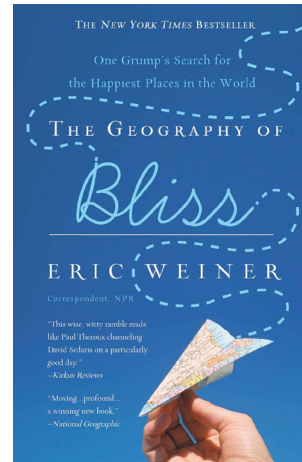
Spirit of St. Brigid
pilgrimage to
Ireland
August 6-12th 2024




SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION


Service Opportunities Grow in Faith Connect with Young Adults

NORTHSIDE BOOK CLUB
(Formerly Encounter Book Club)
March 25 | 6:30 PM |
The Book Cellar in Lincoln Square



The Northside Book Club's March meeting is on Monday, March 25. We will be reading *The Geography of Bliss: One Grump's Search for the Happiest Places in the World* by Eric Weiner.

We will be meeting at the Book Cellar. We'll catch up and decide on the next book from 6:30-7, and discuss the book from 7-8.



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.



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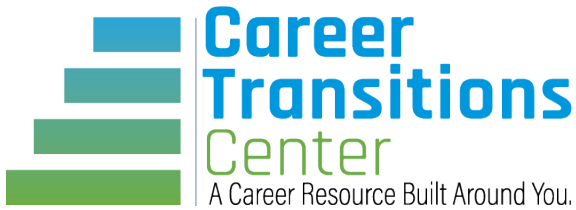
2nd & 4th Tuesdays of every month

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

4th Tuesdays: Contact Brenda Chavez at brendac@oldstpats.org

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





Please volunteer at CTC's annual fundraiser Passport to Taste, which will be held on Thursday, May 9th from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

Sign up here: <https://ctc33.wildapricot.org/event-5651734>
We will schedule a volunteer orientation in late April.
We really appreciate your support!

We need help as follows:

1. 2:00pm - Loading supplies from CTC offices at 703 W. Monroe to take to Little Toasted at 300 S. Riverside Plaza.
2. 3:30 to 5:30pm - Setting up the silent auction and wine draw at Little Toasted
3. 5:30pm to 7:30pm - Fundraiser takes place
4. 7:30 to 8:30pm - Pack up and return supplies to CTC offices

Between 5:30 and 7:30pm:

- Greet Guests
- Monitor Silent Auction Tables
- Work at the Wine Draw Table
- Assist with checkout
- Pack up the supplies and take back to CTC offices

Sincerely,
Anita Jenke, Executive Director
cell 708-785-1938

First Friday Club of Chicago

✓ Register Early for April 5th!

Look Who's Coming to Lunch



Mary Meg McCarthy

Heartland Alliance's Executive Director of National Immigrant Justice Center

The Border Has Moved To Chicago. Now What?

A closer look at the new realities of immigration for Chicago and for our nation. The busing of tens of thousands of migrants to our city has strained our resources, caused some to reconsider their positions, and also called out the best in our communities.

Please Join Us
Friday, April 5, 2024

12 Noon - 1:15pm | The Union League Club | 65 W. Jackson Blvd Chicago

First Friday Club of Chicago Welcomes

MARY MEG MCCARTHY
Executive Director of National Immigrant Justice Center
Friday, April 5, 2024

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

Scan the **BLUE QR CODE** to Reserve Your Seat Today!
**Reservations close
Tues. April 2 @ 5pm**



For more information, go to our website:
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.



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.

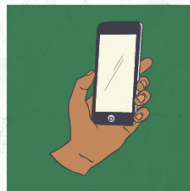


Mail a check, made payable to:

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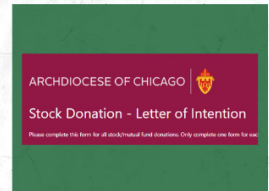
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Text OLDSTPATS to (833) 245-7641, and follow the prompts



Drop a check in the Sunday collection basket



To make a gift of stock, please contact:

Ann McNamara at
(312) 798-2355 or
annm@oldstpats.org

Visit pushpay.com/g/oldstpats to give online.



Select Old Saint Pat's shopping on Amazon or visit careasy.org.



Old St. Patrick's Church is a tax-exempt charitable organization. Contributions are tax deductible to the full extent allowable by law. Our tax i.d. number is 36-2171102.

Thank you for your generosity!



Mass Schedule

Sunday
7 AM, 9 AM (LIVE), 11 AM, 5 PM (LIVE), and 8 PM

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

(LIVE) indicates this Mass will be available to stream at oldstpats.org/livestream

Reconciliation
Wednesdays at 11:30 AM, and upon request.

Liturgical Ministry

If you feel called to serve as a Hospitality Minister, Eucharistic Minister, or Lector for one of our Sunday liturgies, please contact liturgy@oldstpats.org to learn more about training, scheduling, and serving.

Weddings

If you are engaged and would like to be married at Old St. Patrick's Church, please contact JoAnn O'Brien, wedding scheduler/coordinator, at weddings@oldstpats.org or 312-831-9383.

The Baptismal Program & Schedule

To schedule a baptism, please contact Tammy Roeder at baptisms@oldstpats.org or 312-798-2350.

Low-gluten Host

Old St. Pat's has low-gluten hosts available for those members who, for health reasons, cannot receive regular Communion hosts (which contain wheat). At a regular Mass, the Priest will have these in his Communion line. If you would like more information, please contact the Liturgy Department at liturgy@oldstpats.org.

Hearing Assistance

We have Hearing Assist devices available to the hearing impaired during our Masses and services. Please see a Hospitality Minister to obtain one. For more information, please contact the Liturgy Department at liturgy@oldstpats.org.

Sign-Language Interpreter

Sign language interpreters are available upon request at our regular Sunday Masses, as well as holidays and holy days of obligation. Five days advance notice is required. To request, please contact Dominic Trumfio at dominict@oldstpats.org.

Old St. Patrick's Website

Be sure to visit our website, www.oldstpats.org, for the most up-to-date information.

Stay Connected to Old St. Patrick's



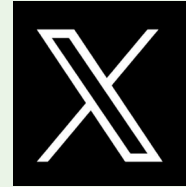
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Old St. Pat's Podcast

Tune-in to the Old St. Pat's Podcast!

Our podcast aims to welcome all into a Catholic experience like no other. Welcome to the Old St. Pat's Podcast hosted by Kate Anderson with music by Mark Scozzafave.

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Sunday, March 17, 2024

Readings: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/
Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Mass Remembrances:

7am: Willie John O'Shea (†), Robert "Bob" Landsee (†)
9am: Mary Joan Livingston (†), James A. Murphy Jr. (†)
Jim Maguire (†)
11am: Mary Pat Baubly (†), Dr. Gene R. Sterritt (†)
5pm: Terrence Michael McKenna (†), Marilyn A. Cronin (†),
8:00pm: Mr. Fitzgerald (†), Archie Kelly (†)

Book of Patrick: Cathy Ahern, Robert Bigibrey,
Jozef K. Bondarowicz, Detta Burke, Joseph Burns,
Bill Butler Family, Mae and Jim Carney, John Michael Carney,
Cleary Family, Marion Darrah Cloud, Dan Lydon,
Jennifer Christine Corrales, Michael Crawley,
Sara Lucas Cunningham, William & Jean Divane,
Anna M. Dolan, Patrick Dooley, Vincent Duncan,
Mildred Duris, Salvatore & Rhoda Eraci, James Fitzgerald,
Marty & Kitty Gaughan, Irene Gazarek, Mary Jo George,
Sr. Virginia Healy BVM, John Higgins, Gene Hughes,
Peace in Ireland, Patrick J. & Catherine M. Kamp Holbrook,
Patrick Kane, James & Patricia Kelly, Patrick Kennedy,
Patrick Lynch, Patrick & Catherine Maloney Family,
John Mitchell, John R. McKenzie, Patrick Thomas McNamara,
William Morrissey, Patrick Murdock, James F. Murphy,
Margaret & Daniel O'Brien, The O'Brien Family,
John O'Connor, Catharine O'Connell,
Joseph J. O'Shaughnessy, Phyllis Ann Pope, Red Powers,
Daniel M. Riordan, Timothy Patrick Scanlan, Timothy Scanlan,
Colleen Schiesser, Patrick Scully, Donal Stephens,
Jamieson & Sullivan Families, Michael J. Sullivan,
Mary Teach, John Tuohy, Delia Tully, John V. Hagan Jr.,
Dr. and Mrs. Patrick Marsho, Patrick Francis Cimprich,
Dr. John Hurley, Pat Harney, Richard H. Driehaus,
Marianne Harte Schnabel, Brian Schneider, Michael Sheeran

Monday, March 18, 2024

Readings: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12a, 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: Fidel Ramos (†)

Book of Patrick: Maxine Booyer, Robert D. Gibney,
John Jurkash, Frank M. Karbarz, Margaret Leonard,
Emily Popowski, Rocco Rotolo, Ann & ED Burke,
Partners Confirmation Class 2023

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Readings: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Book of Patrick: Mildred Abenonti, Ronald Alghine,
Deborah Blum, Jozef K. Bondarowicz, Karen Brown,
Colleen Burns, Judge William J. Campbell, Clayton Carrico,
Janina Carrico, Louis Celano, Christine Centoducati,
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Wednesday, March 20, 2024

Readings: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: Gregory E Wagner (†), Michael Sheeran (†)

Book of Patrick: Eugene Brock,
John Patrick "Jack" Callahan, III, Charles W. Danis,
Peg Lombardo, Micaela Lucia McGreal, Kyle McNulty,
Margot Schlenker, Lorelee & Charles Vasquez, Jack Weber,
Margaret Monahan, Albert Greene

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Readings: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Book of Patrick: Edmund Burke, Thomas Wm. Burke Sr.,
Shelley "Jack" Cary, Diane Crifase, Jim Finnegan,
Carl J. Mada, Margaret & Walter Sheridan,
Anna Moore Thomas, Pedro Orlando Tratch,
Ray and Carol Wright, Barbara A. Tortorello Cavanagh

Friday, March 22, 2024

Readings: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20-23/Jn 7:1-10, 25-30

Book of Patrick: Thomas Joseph Borger,
Sr. Bernadita Finnegan, Catherine C. Jones, Mary Joyce,
Kevin Patrick Lanigan, Dorothy C. Morris, John T. Salt,
Catherine A. Shannon, Florence and Frank Siuda,
Patrick Casey Tierney, Kathie Cowles, Ken Alexander

Saturday, March 23, 2024

Readings: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Book of Patrick: Paul & Christa Belcaster, Marie Bnester,
Tim Clark, Kate Delaney, Mary Catherine & Robert Lavin,
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Sunday, March 24, 2024

Readings: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/
Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Mass Remembrances:

7am: Robert "Bob" Landsee (†), Paul A. Vallone (†)
9am: Melanie Linn (†), Vestalia DiVito (†)
11am: Anna Janevicius (†), Shirley M. Dolack (†)
5pm: Marianne Doran (†), John Osborne (†),
8:00pm: Patricia Filan Trudelle (†)

Book of Patrick: Jim & Charlie Donnelly, Gilbert Gonzales,
Joseph E. Stewart, Mary Ellen Waldron, Albert Greene

Prayer Requests

For Those Who Are Sick

Dr. John Smith

For Those Who Have Died

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Walk intentionally toward Easter Joy!

Women and Men of Faith



Image: Sculpture of Saint Patrick of Ireland |
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Saint Patrick

Saint of the Day for March 17, 2024

Legends about Patrick abound; but truth is best served by our seeing two solid qualities in him: He was humble and he was courageous. The determination to accept suffering and success with equal indifference guided the life of God's instrument for winning most of Ireland for Christ. Details of his life are uncertain. Current research places his dates of birth and death a little later than earlier accounts. Patrick may have been born in Dunbarton, Scotland, Cumberland, England, or in northern Wales. He called himself both a Roman and a Briton. At 16, he and a large number of his father's slaves and vassals were captured by Irish raiders and sold as slaves in Ireland. Forced to work as a shepherd, he suffered greatly from hunger and cold.

After six years Patrick escaped, probably to France, and later returned to Britain at the age of 22. His captivity had meant spiritual conversion. He may have studied at Lerins, off the French coast; he spent years at Auxerre, France, and was consecrated bishop at the age of 43. His great desire was to proclaim the good news to the Irish. In a dream vision it seemed "all the children of Ireland from their mothers' wombs were stretching out their hands" to him. He understood the vision to be a call to do mission work in pagan Ireland. Despite opposition from those who felt his education had been defective, he was sent to carry out the task. He went to the west and north—where the faith had never been preached—obtained the protection of local kings, and made numerous converts.

Because of the island's pagan background, Patrick was emphatic in encouraging widows to remain chaste and young women to consecrate their virginity to Christ. He ordained many priests, divided the country into dioceses, held Church councils, founded several monasteries and continually urged his people to greater holiness in Christ. He suffered much opposition from pagan druids and was criticized in both England and Ireland for the way he conducted his mission. In a relatively short time, the island had experienced deeply the Christian spirit, and was prepared to send out missionaries whose efforts were greatly responsible for Christianizing Europe.

Patrick was a man of action, with little inclination toward learning. He had a rock-like belief in his vocation, in the cause he had espoused. One of the few certainly authentic writings is his Confessio, above all an act of homage to God for having called Patrick, unworthy sinner, to the apostolate. There is hope rather than irony in the fact that his burial place is said to be in County Down in Northern Ireland, long the scene of strife and violence.

What distinguishes Patrick is the durability of his efforts. When one considers the state of Ireland when he began his mission work, the vast extent of his labors, and how the seeds he planted continued to grow and flourish, one can only admire the kind of man Patrick must have been. The holiness of a person is known only by the fruits of his or her work. Saint Patrick is the Patron Saint of Engineers, Ireland, and Nigeria.

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