Removing barriers to employment for North Lawndale neighbors.

Please see pages 6 & 7 for part one of a ten-part series of stories examining the complex socio-economic issue of poverty and unemployment in Chicago’s North Lawndale community.
A universal pattern
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Christ is before all things, and in Christ all things hold together. — Colossians 1:17

Anything called “Good News” needs to reveal a universal pattern that can be relied upon, and not just clannish patterns that might be occasionally true. This is probably why Christianity’s break with ethnic Judaism was inevitable, although never intended by either Jesus or Paul, and why by the early second century Christians were already calling themselves “catholics” or “the universals.” They believed God is leading all of history somewhere larger and broader and better for all of humanity.

Yet, after Jesus and Paul—except for occasional theologians like Gregory of Nyssa, Athanasius, Maximus the Confessor, and Francis of Assisi—the most widely accepted version of Christianity had little to do with the cosmos, creation, nature, or even history. Our beliefs did not generally talk about the future, except in terms of judgment and apocalypse. This is no way to guide history forward. It is certainly no way to give humanity hope, purpose, direction, or joy.

Christianity puts itself in a limited and precarious position when it is tied to any culture-bound Jesus or an expression of faith that does not include the Eternal Christ. Without a universal story line that offers grace and caring for all of creation, Jesus is kept small and seemingly inept. God’s care must be toward all creatures, or God ends up not being very caring at all, making things like water, trees, animals, and history itself accidental, trivial, or disposable. But grace is not a late arrival, appearing only two thousand years ago when Jesus came, or when a few lucky humans read his words in the Bible. God’s grace cannot be a random problem-solver doled out to the few and the virtuous—or it is hardly grace at all! (See Ephesians 2:7-10 if you want the radical meaning of grace summed up in three succinct verses.)

For me, a true comprehension of the full Christ Mystery is the key to the foundational reform of the Christian religion. Understanding the expansive reality of Christ will move us beyond any attempts to corral or capture God into our exclusive group. As the New Testament dramatically puts it, “Before the world was made, we have been chosen in Christ . . . claimed as God’s own, and chosen from the very beginning” (Ephesians 1:4, 11) “so that God could bring everything together, in heaven and on earth, as a plan for the fullness of times” (1:10). If all of this is true, we have a theological basis for a very natural religion that includes everybody. The problem was solved from the beginning.

Reference: Adapted from Richard Rohr, The Universal Christ: How a Forgotten Reality Can Change Everything We See, Hope For, and Believe (Convergent: 2019), 21, 97-98. Image credit: Healing of a Bleeding Woman, Catacombs of Marcellinus and Peter, Rome, Italy.
The Epiphany of Our Lord
Sunday, January 5

The wise men follow the star, find the new king, and, upon seeing him, place their gifts at his feet. What happens to them afterwards? We have all kinds of apocryphal stories about their journey back home, but these, while interesting, are not helpful. We do not know what happened to them afterwards and that is exactly the point. Their slipping away into anonymity is a crucial part of their gift. The idea is that they now disappear because they can now disappear. They have placed their gifts at the feet of the young king and can now leave everything safely in his hands. His star has eclipsed theirs. Far from fighting for their former place, they now happily cede it to him. Like old Simeon, they can happily exit the stage singing: Now, Lord, you can dismiss your servants! We can die! We’re in safe hands!

(Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI)
### January at a glance

**EVENT** | **DATE | TIME | LOCATION** | **CONTACT**
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Children’s Liturgy of the Word | Sun., Jan. 5 | 9:30 am - 10:15 am | Ministry Center Dining Room | Bea Cunningham beac@oldstpats.org
First Friday Club | Fri., Jan. 10 | Noon | Union League Club | fffcc@firstfridayclubchicago.org
You Are Not Alone | Sun., Jan. 12 | 10:30 am | 711 W. Monroe, Room 21 | Heather Saylor heather.w.saylor@gmail.com
Divorce Support Group | Sun., Jan. 12 | 1:30 pm | 625 W. Adams | Kayla Jackson kaylaj@oldstpats.org
Immigration Ministry Film Festival | Sun., Jan. 12 | 6:15 - 7:45 pm | Hughes Hall | ospnext@oldstpats.org
January After Five | Sun., Jan. 12 | 6:15 - 7:45 pm | Hughes Hall | ospnext@oldstpats.org
OSP Next | Sun. Jan. 12 | 6:15 - 7:45 pm | Hughes Hall | ospnext@oldstpats.org
Mass of Healing | Thurs., Jan. 16 | 12:10 pm | Old St. Patrick’s Church | liturgy@oldstpats.org
Special Friends Mass | Sun. Jan. 19 | 12:30 pm | FXW Cafeteria | Erin Downs edowns76@aol.com

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**CHICAGO ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE**

**Saturday March 14, 2020**

Old St. Pat’s and the Chicago Plumbers Local 130 UA are excited to announced the 2020 Grand Marshal...

**Fr. Thomas Hurley**

You won’t want to miss this year’s parade – the kick off to our 175th Anniversary year! To celebrate, we’re planning a post-parade family-friendly party at Old St. Pat’s. Details coming soon!

Please visit www.chicagostpatricksdayparade.org for more information on the parade.

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**GIVING TO OSP**

Sunday Giving comprises 96% of Old St. Pat’s operating budget. Everything we do here – from liturgy and music to educating our youngest members to our Kinship Initiative in North Lawndale to Pastoral Care to our transformative RCIA experience to Encore, Gay+, the Men’s Group, OSP Next, etc. – is made possible by your generous support of Sunday Giving. To make a one time gift or set up a recurring gift, please visit oldstpats.org/giving or scan the QR code below to pay through our secure payment processor on your smartphone.

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**OTHER WAYS TO GIVE:**
Old St. Pat’s Immigration and Refugee Rights committee is proud to present the film Icebox as a part of the 2020 Archdiocese of Chicago Immigration Ministry Film Festival. This deeply moving film follows Óscar, a 12-year-old Honduran boy, who is forced to flee his home and seek asylum in the United States. Apprehended by Border Patrol and placed in “the icebox,” a processing center for Hispanic migrant children, Óscar finds himself trapped inside the U.S. immigration system and struggles to navigate a path to freedom.

The Immigration Ministry of the Archdiocese of Chicago supports undocumented and documented immigrants and promotes Christ’s desire for communion between immigrant and non-immigrant communities. We are pleased to participate in the 2020 Archdiocese of Chicago Immigration Ministry Film Festival. Join us as we explore immigration issues through film and discussion.

There is no cost to view the film, but please be sure to RSVP (tinyurl.com/u7mvor9). For questions, contact Kayla Jackson, Social Justice Ministries Coordinator, kaylaj@oldstpats.org.

#WEAREOSP: Christmas Edition

We are so grateful to Mike Lyons for capturing these wonderful photos on Christmas Eve!
PART 1: NORTH LAWNDALE PAST AND PRESENT
By: Patricia Sullivan

Vision of Solidarity and Vitality
North Lawndale, a Chicago West Side community and close neighbor to Old St. Patrick’s, has a rich history and potentially bright future. Its close proximity to the Illinois Medical District, convenient access to the Eisenhower Expressway and placement as a corridor between the western suburbs and Chicago Loop along Ogden Avenue (Historic Route 66) make it a geographically desirable location in the city. Many view it as a model of revitalization and hope because of the proactive measures the North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council (NLCCC), other community organizations, businesses, churches, schools and elected officials are taking together. They are rallying the community to head off the displacing effects of wholesale gentrification. Through strategic alliances and initiatives, these coalitions are improving the quality of life in North Lawndale at present and positioning it to be a destination community in the future. Many Old St. Patrick’s members and I are honored to walk with our neighbors at this pivotal time for both our communities.

Earlier Years
The Lawndale Christian Health Center’s “North Lawndale History” tells how this neighborhood doubled its population between 1910 and 1920, from 46,226 to 93,750, and added 18,000 more people by 1930, when almost half of the 112,000 residents were Russian Jews. Roosevelt Road became the best-known Jewish commercial street in Chicago. Then, between 1930 and 1950, the Jewish population began to move into communities to the north as African-Americans began to replace them. This decade of “white flight” dropped the white population from 87,000 to less than 11,000 in 1960. Subsequently, the African-American population grew from 13,000 to more than 113,000, due to the continuing Great Migration from Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, Louisiana and other southern states. By the mid-1960’s North Lawndale was at its all-time population high, nearly 125,000, with 91% being African-American.

Civil Rights in the North
In 1966, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. traveled from the south and took up residence at 15th and Hamlin in North Lawndale to launch the Chicago Freedom Movement. The aim of this collaboration between King’s Southern Christian Leadership Conference and Chicago’s Coordinating Council of Community Organizations was to advocate on behalf of people suffering from housing discrimination in Chicago’s slums.

After Dr. King’s assassination on April 4, 1968, rioting ensued in Chicago West Side communities and in other United States cities as well. I personally remember being terrified as I watched the news on TV showing smashing of storefronts, luting and buildings set ablaze. Three years later, in my senior year of high school, I traveled on the Kedzie bus from the South Side to work at the Sears Roebuck main headquarters on Homan and Arthington where Nichols Tower still stands. It was on this journey that I witnessed scarred, burnt out buildings and empty lots where buildings had once stood. The area continued to be plagued by poverty, violence and unemployment, the effects of which are still evident today.

Rally Against Housing Discrimination
On July 10, 1966, more than 30,000 braved the 98-degree heat wave to hear Dr. King speak at a rally at Soldier Field. He said, “We are here because we’re tired of living in rat-infested slums. We are tired of having to pay a median rent of $97 a month in Lawndale for four rooms while whites in South Deering pay $73 a month for five room. We are tired of being lynched physically in Mississippi, and we are tired of being lynched spiritually and economically here in the North.”
Corporations that left North Lawndale, 1970-1990
- International Harvester
- Sears
- Sunbeam
- Western Electric
- Zenith

**Divestment and Neglect**
During the next two decades a series of economic and social disasters occurred for this increasingly isolated and segregated community. Pessimism, destruction of infrastructure from the 1968 riots and disinvestment accelerated declines in the neighborhood’s population and local commerce. By 1970, 75% of the businesses that helped stabilize the community had left. Subsequently, housing deteriorated or was abandoned so much so that North Lawndale lost almost half of its homes. African-Americans who could also leave North Lawndale beginning a sharp population decline that extended through 2010. A Community Data Snapshot released by Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CCMP) in June 2019 shows the total North Lawndale population today at 35,947.

**The Situation Today**
So what is the state of North Lawndale in 2020? Community leaders along with engaged residents, workers, worshippers and civil servants are working diligently to revitalize the community through heightened civic engagement, affordable housing, improved infrastructure, better opportunities in education, health and employment and reductions in the types of despair and violence I saw decades ago. Today I see hope. The North Lawndale Kinship Initiative helps facilitate the Old St. Pat’s community and our west side neighbors coming together to improve the quality of life in both our communities. North Lawndale Works will be one significant way of making it happen.

Pat Sullivan is a North Lawndale Works Intern from the Catholic Theological Union, involved in Old St. Patrick’s North Lawndale Kinship Initiative. Pat is working towards completing her Master’s in Pastoral Studies.

**SUGGESTED READING:**
*Family Properties: How the Struggle Over Race and Real Estate Transformed Chicago and Urban America - Beryl Satter*

The story of racial injustices against African American homeowners in North Lawndale in the 1950’s-70’s, including redlining and contract buying. Read about the destabilizing residual effects these injustices had on that neighborhood and other similar ones across the United States. The book gives a vital context for understanding the Chicago West Side’s housing patterns and economic repercussions to this day. It provides foundational understandings of the need and invitation for true kinship between the North Lawndale and Old St. Patrick’s communities.

**NEXT WEEK - PART 2 IN THE SERIES:**
“A Call for Compassion and Justice for North Lawndale’s Job Seekers” by Vincent Guider
PREPARE ENRICH PREMARITAL COUNSELING

Preparation coaching provides an opportunity to explore various facets of a couple's relationship, including many that couples may not yet grasp as important. Utilizing an assessment process by the successful Prepare/Enrich Inventory, developed by the University of Minnesota, Old St. Pat's is the largest user of this powerful program and couples from a wide variety of backgrounds continue to share positive feedback about its positive effect on their relationship.

Working with licensed therapist, Sarah Thompson, couples identify strengths and potential areas for growth and explore healthy conflict resolution as well as other skills that contribute to long-term relationship success.

Contact Sarah Thompson at saraht@oldstpats.org for further details.

DIVORCE RECOVERY GROUP

Next Session Starts Monday, February 10 | 6 - 7:30 pm | 711 W. Monroe St.

Divorce Recovery Group is a seven-week support group led by parish counselor, Sarah Thompson. The next session begins Monday, February 10 and runs through March 23.

The divorce process often brings about unexpected and unimaginable heartache, questions, and challenges. Divorce Recovery was created to bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Sessions include education, discussion, and prayer.

Each meeting focuses on a different aspect of the divorce healing process such as grief, stress, anger, blame, guilt, loneliness, family issues, forgiveness, and happiness. Cost: $70, but scholarships are available for those who need assistance.

Registration details are coming soon to oldstpats.org.
The Christmas season is joyfully and appropriately associated with Gifts. And Valentine’s Day is Joyfully and appropriately associated with Love.

And so, how about Giving someone (or yourself) a Christmas or New Year’s season Gift that will be ‘Delievered’ right around Valentine’s Day. The retreat will be held on the beautiful campus of St. Mary’s of the Lake in Mundelein — February 21st to the 23rd.

The sole, or perhaps, Soul purpose of the retreat is to remind us who we really are — Which is Loved — Baptized. This sounds so simple, and in our heart of hearts we know that it is both crucial and anything but simple. Please consider this gift!

See oldstpats.org/beloved for details regarding the retreat and how to sign up.
JOIN OUR 2020 SIAMSA NA NGAEL CHOIR!

Come and join our concert choir and be part of our annual Siamsa na nGael now in its 24th year. We will be commemorating the end of World War II 75 years ago from a Chicago and Irish perspective, centering around the only African American naval ship in the United States Navy, commissioned through the efforts of some Chicagoans and stationed in Derry, Northern Ireland.

The program of song, dance, story, and slide – created and written by Bill Fraher and Mary Pat Kelly – will tell the story of the USS Mason crew and their time in Northern Ireland and the radical hospitality they experienced. Joining the concert choir will again be the Metropolis Symphony Orchestra; Irish trad band; soloists Gavin Coyle, Rodrick Dixon, Catherine O’Connell; After School Matters Choir; and a few more surprises. “If You’re Irish, Come Into The Parlour” and “Anchors Aweigh.”

Auditions and first rehearsal will be this Thursday, January 9, 2020 from 7 - 9 pm in Old St. Patrick’s Hughes Hall.

The rehearsal schedule is as follows: January 9, 14, 23, 28, 30 | February 6, 11, 13, 20, 25, 27 | March 3, 5, 10

All the above rehearsals will be in Hughes Hall from 7 - 9 pm. The March 11 rehearsal will be at 4 pm at Chicago’s Symphony Center on Michigan Avenue. Contact Bill Fraher, Director of Concert Choirs, at billf@oldstpats.org for more information.

Members of OSP Next & OSP Music Ministry announce the 9th annual:

YOU ARE NOT ALONE:
DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP
Meets every other Sunday,
from 10:45 am - 12:30 pm
711 W. Monroe, Room 21

Our next meeting in Sunday, January 12.

This is a networking group for men and women who are separated or divorced. “You Are Not Alone” is a chance to talk with other men and women who are separated or divorced. This group meets to discuss topics of importance to those seeking to heal during and after one of life’s most difficult transitions. This is not a group of professional counselors, but a group of your peers who have been there and simply wish to listen and offer encouragement.

For more information, please contact Heather at heather.w.saylor@gmail.com
ENCORE: FOR THOSE 50 AND BETTER

Inspiring Mind & Spirit Through Learning, Service & Fun

ENCORE IDEAS FEST  
Register at: bit.ly/ideasfest2020

Sunday, January 19, 2020 | 11:00 am – 2:00 pm | 711 W. Monroe Street | Cost: $15

An afternoon to explore the possibilities and latest ideas around living a fulfilling and healthy life with the prospect of increased longevity! Featuring the following speakers and workshops...

"Disrupt Aging. Be Resilient" with Mary Kay Slowikowski. Mary Kay is a Professional Trainer/ Speaker in her own Company. An internationally known speaker, she was the first female speaker to appear in her own Emmy nominated PBS special. Formerly a victim of panic attacks and agoraphobia, she was unable to leave her home - now she speaks to thousands... She is an expert in delivering Human Resources training and customer service applications in companies, health care and educations systems today. Mary Kay is the President of Encore and the Founder of Off/Site Programs for Old St. Pats. She gave ten Reinvention Seminars at the Church and now she is back with "Disrupt Aging, Be Resilient" for Encore Ideas Fest on January 19.

"Bonus Life - Living a New Adult Life Stage" with Kate Coughlin. Kate has been exploring her bonus life in various organizations and by creating numerous experiences. After raising her three sons, she has served in executive positions in a Fortune 100 company, theater, philanthropy and academia, most recently at Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Management. Kate speaks, teaches, creates curriculum and provides coaching for those exploring their own bonus life. Three years ago, Kate embarked on a solo trip throughout Europe in order to deepen her understanding of what can be created at this stage of life.

"LAUGHTER WELLNESS" with Sherry and Frank Avila. Sherry and Frank Avila have participated in Laughter Wellness since 2004 when they attended a weekly Laughter Club in Park Ridge with Master Laughter Teacher Lynda Tournouquis. Sherry received a Laughter Leader Certificate (2013) and a Teacher Certificate (2016) from Lynda Tournouquis. Sherry and Frank each received a Laughter Teacher Certificate (January, 2017) from medical doctor Madan Kataria in Bangalore, India. Sherry presented "The Blue Bird of Happiness" at the 2018 Annual Laugh Fest in Ferryville, WI. They have presented Laughter to churches, Laugh Fest, Conferences, Boy and Girl Scouts, Seniors, hospitals, and more. Sherry and Frank will engage you in Laughter combining prolonged unconditional laughter with eye-contact, breathing, movement, and a child-like playfulness. You do not need a sense of humor, jokes, or comedy to participate. Laughter exercises are combined with breathing bringing oxygen to the body and brain so that you feel more energetic and healthy. Briefly, Laughter increases: (1.) Happiness; (2.) Hopefulness; (3.) Heartfeltness; (4.) Health; and (5.) Harmony. Laughter Wellness is found in over 53 countries. There are about 5,000 Laughter Yoga clubs worldwide, with about 200 of those in the United States.

THE ENCORE CAFE

More an experience than a place, the Encore Café seeks to bring together good people for a great meal, stimulating conversation, and the best fellowship! Your morning at the Encore Café begins with a catered breakfast buffet followed by a thought provoking presentation by inspiring guest speakers. And there's always time for great conversation at tables!

On Sunday, February 23 we are thrilled to host television and classical crossover stars, Alfreda Burke and Rodrick Dixon. The couple and their remarkable gift of song have been a part of the Old St. Patrick’s Church family, featured in ‘Siamsa na nGael’ and ‘Deck the Hall’, for over 20+ years. They’re celebrating 15 years of ‘Too Hot to Handel’ at the Auditorium Theatre and are currently livestreaming to prisons and correctional facilities including Louisiana Penitentiary at Angola. Their Prague PBS Special is ‘Hallelujah, Broadway!’ and they’ve sung in major venues throughout Chicago and internationally. Please join us for what is sure to prove to be an unforgettable morning. All are welcome!

10:40 am Breakfast Buffet | 11:15 am Presentation | 12:15 pm Program Ends

The February 23 Encore Café takes place at Fellowship Hall in 625 W. Adams Street. The program fee is $15 per person and includes the breakfast buffet. Reservations are required and can be made online at: bit.ly/Encorecafefeb23
GRIEF MINISTRY: Companions on the Journey

The Grief Support Group, Companions on the Journey, has been organized for those who are grieving the death of a loved one: parent, spouse, significant other, child, family member, sibling, extended family member, friend… it hurts! You may be experiencing some of the most powerful and painful feelings of your life. The many feelings of grief may seem uncomfortable and threatening to you. And, sadly, there are too few people who want to talk to you about this pain.

Support in dealing with the grief experience is a valuable way of helping yourself or someone you know. Support groups provide an opportunity to better understand the wide range of feelings and behaviors associated with grief. More importantly, support groups 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.

The 6-session program is offered over the course of six consecutive weeks. Our groups are small by design so that they are comfortable and informal. The group meets at the Jack Wall Mission Center, 711 West Monroe Street. The next group will begin on Wednesday, January 15, from 6:30 to 8 pm. For more information, or, to reserve a place in this group, you may contact Bernadette Moore Gibson, Pastoral Care Ministry, at (312) 798-2358. You can also email your inquiries to bernadettieg@oldstpats.org

We know the path on which you are walking because we have walked it as well. Our prayers are with you…
COMMUNITY RENEWAL SOCIETY

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
FAITH IN ACTION ASSEMBLY

January 20, 2020
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

8:00 AM - Registration
9:00 AM - Service Begins

Childcare will be provided.

Register at tinyurl.com/wxtmslz

#WeAreCRS

Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church
2151 West Washington Boulevard Chicago, IL, 60612

visit us at oldstpats.org
OSP Next is the community for Young Adults at Old St. Pat’s! There’s no “signing up” - if you’re here, you’re part of the community!

Simply join us anytime for one of the events or opportunities listed. Email OSPnext@oldstpats.org with any questions.

Want to stay up to date with OSPNext events? We’ve made it even easier for you!

Go to goo.gl/elWLGA to access the OSPNext calendar and/or add it to your own personal calendar.

AFTER FIVE GATHERING
Sunday, January 12, 2020 | 6 pm - 7:45 pm | Hughes Hall

These second-Sunday-of-the-month gatherings are meant to bring young adults (20’s and 30’s) together for conversation, community, and fun.

No RSVP necessary - newcomers are especially welcome!

OSPF NEXT BOARD GAME NIGHT
Sunday, January 26, 2020
6 pm - 9 pm | Dining Room - Ministry Center (Rectory)

SAVE THE DATE!
More info is forthcoming.

OSPF NEXT ADULT FAITH SHARING
Thursday nights & Sunday afternoons

We have young adult faith sharing groups on Thursday night and Sunday afternoon - if anyone is interested in being part of these small communities, please contact Keara at kearac@oldstpats.org.

JANUARY BOOK CLUB
Monday, January 27 | 7 - 8:30 pm | The Book Cellar

Our January book is Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love by Dani Shapiro. This memoir asks the questions: What makes us who we are? What combination of memory, history, biology, experience, and that ineffable thing called the soul defines us? In the spring of 2016, through a genealogy website to which she had whimsically submitted her DNA for analysis, Dani Shapiro received stunning news. She woke up one morning and her entire history – the life she had lived – crumbled beneath her.

Newcomers are always welcome! Just read the book and show up.
"Finding Work Without Losing Heart" Retreat

Friday, January 24, 2020
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

This ALL DAY retreat invites participants to put aside the resume, job boards, etc., in order to explore the personal, emotional, and even spiritual dimensions of career transition on your life. Use this retreat to find purpose, encouragement, and hope needed to persevere in the search for meaningful work – especially in the current economic environment. Participants may find this understanding helps them gain perspective and resolve to engage better and with more confidence in their job search.

OSP BOOK CLUB
Sunday, January 12 | 9:30 - 11 am 711 W. Monroe, 3rd Floor Library

Our January book is The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri.

Please read the book and join us on January 12!

The First Friday Club of Chicago

Welcome

Rev. Charles T. Rubey
Founder & Director of LOSS
(Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide)
A Ministry of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago

Suicide: The Aftermath
“Nothing is ever the same once one has experienced the death of a loved one from suicide. Nothing”

Friday, January 10, 2020
Noon - 1:15pm
The Union League Club of Chicago*
65 West Jackson Blvd

Register & Pay by Credit Card at www.firstfridayclubchicago.org/events

Reservatons Close Monday, January 6 @ 6pm

Questions?
Please Contact: Judy Murphy @ 312-466-9610 or ffcc@firstfridayclubchicago.org

*ULC Dress Code: Business Attire/collared shirt

GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY AND OUTREACH

Help Stamp Out Hunger in Chicago

We have been partnering with the Greater Chicago Food Depository here at OSP for over 25 years. By volunteering at GCFD, our Outreach Partners (Su Casa, The Boulevard, and House of Mary and Joseph Shelter) receive food credits for their programs.

These food credits help feed the residents while providing nutritional food items too.

Upcoming Outreach Dates:

Saturday, January 11
8:30 am - 11:15 am
(Every second Saturday)

Contact:
Mary Beth Riley
mbriley07@yahoo.com or 630-655-9447

Tuesday, January 14
9 am - 12 pm
(Every Second Tuesday)

Contact:
Jim Holbrook
jamesjholbrookjr@yahoo.com or 773-237-2625

visit us at oldstpats.org
Hearts & Prayers

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

Parish Counselor: If you or someone you know is in need of counseling services, please contact Old St. Patrick’s Parish Counselor, Sarah Thompson at saraht@oldstpats.org or 773-234-9630.

Saint Angela of Foligno

Saint of the Day for January 8

Some saints show marks of holiness very early. Not Angela! Born of a leading family in Foligno, Italy, she became immersed in the quest for wealth and social position. As a wife and mother, she continued this life of distraction.

Around the age of 40, she recognized the emptiness of her life and sought God’s help in the Sacrament of Penance. Her Franciscan confessor helped Angela to seek God’s pardon for her previous life and to dedicate herself to prayer and the works of charity.

Shortly after her conversion, her husband and children died. Selling most of her possessions, she entered the Secular Franciscan Order. She was alternately absorbed by meditating on the crucified Christ and by serving the poor of Foligno as a nurse and beggar for their needs. Other women joined her in a religious community.

At her confessor’s advice, Angela wrote her Book of Visions and Instructions. In it she recalls some of the temptations she suffered after her conversion; she also expresses her thanks to God for the Incarnation of Jesus. This book and her life earned for Angela the title “Teacher of Theologians.” She was beatified in 1693, and canonized in 2013.

Visit us at oldstpats.org
Mass Schedule

Sunday
7 am, 8 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am, 5 pm, and 8 pm

Monday – Friday (Daily Mass)
7 am and 12:10 pm

Church is open for Personal Prayer:
Monday – Friday: 7 am – 1 pm

Reconciliation
Fridays at 11:45 am, or 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 Tom Micinski at tmicinski@oldstpats.org.

The Baptismal Program & Schedule
To schedule a baptism, please contact baptisms@oldstpats.org.

Nursery Service
Nursery service is available during the 9:30 am and 11:15 am Masses in the Frances Xavier Warde School building. Enter the school on Des Plaines Street.

Low-gluten Host
Old St. Pat’s has low-gluten hosts available for those members who, for health reasons, could not receive regular Communion hosts. If you would like to receive a low-gluten host, please contact Tom Micinski at tmicinski@oldstpats.org.

Sign-Language Interpreter
Upon request, a sign language interpreter can be available at the 11:15 am or 5 pm Mass on Sundays, as well as for holidays and holy days of obligation. It would be most appreciative if you would give us 5 days of advance notice. To request access to a sign language interpreter at Mass, please contact liturgy@oldstpats.org.

Old St. Patrick’s Website
Be sure to visit our website, www.oldstpats.org, for the most up-to-date information.

Livestream Services
Our 5 pm Mass is available LIVE online every Sunday. To join us, visit livestream.com/oldstpats. Questions? Contact Leanne Kelly at leannek@oldstpats.org.

Go to bit.ly/worshipaid to follow along with a worship aid PDF.

Feedback
A new opportunity for feedback is now online so you can quickly share thoughts about your experience of liturgy here at Old St. Pat’s. Go to oldstpats.org/feedback to contribute!

Wedding Schedule

If you are engaged and would like to inquire about a possible wedding date at Old St. Patrick’s, please complete the wedding inquiry form and send to weddings@oldstpats.org

For general wedding information, please refer to Sacraments/Marriage at www.oldstpats.org.

Wedding Banns

I. JANUARY 4, 2020
Margaret Daniels & Nicholas Dankler

II. JANUARY 11, 2020
NO WEDDINGS

III. JANUARY 18, 2020
NO WEDDINGS

Book of Patrick & Mass Intentions

For Book of Patrick or Mass Intentions requests, please visit www.oldstpats.org/book-of-patrick or www.oldstpats.org/mass-intentions

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PARKING AT OLD ST. PAT’S
For your convenience, we are providing information to make parking easily accessible for everyone who visits Old St. Pat’s. Please continue to check back on the parking availability in these lots. We will continue to have updated information for you. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

SUNDAYS
Parking structure at 625 W Adams: Free parking available from 12 am – 12 am on Sundays. Please be sure to pull a complimentary ticket from the OSP branded parking box as you pull in to the lot. There are 400 spots available.

Parking Lots 2 & 3: Free parking is available in these lots from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm on Sundays.

Parking Lot 1: Free parking is available in these lots from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm on Sundays.

WEEKNIGHTS (AFTER 6 PM)
Our parking structure at 625 W. Adams is available from 6 pm – 11:59 pm, early arrival or extended time charged at posted rates. There are 100 free spots available.
Please be sure to pull a ticket from the OSP branded parking box as you pull in to the lot.

All outdoor surface lots are paid parking only during the week.

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Parking structure at 625 W. Adams: 200 free spaces are open for Wedding guests. Please pull a ticket from the OSP branded box. Lot gates open for OSP guests during ceremonies; please be considerate of guests arriving for later ceremonies. The entrance for the garage is on Desplaines street.
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