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myOSP is a digital, community-building platform meant to be a tool that allows the people of Old St. Pat’s to connect with one another and more deeply engage in ministries by effectively communicating with the other members of their ministry groups.

Join us downstairs in the hall today after all masses for a data café and learn how to get started!
I was very blessed during my theological formation to have had the privilege of taking classes from two very renowned Catholic scholars, Avery Dulles and Raymond E. Brown. The former was an ecclesiologist whose books often became textbooks which were prescribed reading in seminaries and theology schools. The latter was a scripture scholar whose scholarship stands out, almost singularly, still nearly 30 years after his death. Nobody questions the scholarship, the personal integrity, or the faith-commitment of these men.

They were in different theological disciplines but what they shared, beyond the high respect of scholars and church persons everywhere, was a passion for ecumenism and a capacity to form deep friendships and invite warm dialogue across every kind of denominational and inter-religious line. Their books are studied not just in Roman Catholic circles, but in theological schools and seminaries in Protestant, Evangelical, Mormon, and Jewish seminaries as well. Both were deeply respected for their openness, friendship, and graciousness towards those who held religious views different than their own. Indeed, Raymond Brown spent of his most productive years teaching at Union Theological Seminary in New York, even as he, a Sulpician priest, more than anything else cherished his Roman Catholic identity and priesthood. After losing his own father and mother, he spoke of the Roman Catholic Church and his Sulpician community as “the family that still remains for me.”

And what these two shared in their vision for ecumenism was this: The path towards Christian unity, the road that will eventually bring all sincere Christians together into one community, around one altar, is not the way of somehow winning the other over to our own particular denomination, of getting others to admit that they are wrong and that we are right and of them returning to the true flock, namely, our particular denomination. In their view, that’s not the route forward, practically or theologically. The path forward needs to be, as Avery Dulles puts it, the path of “progressive convergence”. What is this path?

It begins with the honest admission by each of us that none of us, no one denomination, has the full truth, incarnates the full expression of church, and is fully faithful to the Gospel. We are all deficient in some ways and each of us in some ways is selective in terms of which parts of the Gospels we value and incarnate and which parts we ignore. And so the path forward is the path of conversion, personal and ecclesial, of admitting our selectiveness, of recognizing and valuing what other churches have incarnated, of reading scripture more deeply in search of what we have ignored and absented ourselves from, and of individually and collectively trying to live lives that are truer to Jesus Christ. By doing this, by each of us and each church living the Gospel more fully, we will “progressively converge”, that is, as we grow closer to Christ we will grow closer to each other and thus “progressively converge” around Christ and, as we do that, we will eventually find ourselves around one common altar and will see each other as part of the same community.

The path to unity then lies not in converting each other over, but in each of us living the Gospel more faithfully so as to grow closer to each other in Christ. This doesn’t mean that we do not take our divisions seriously, that we simplistically assert that all denominations are equal, or that we justify our divisions today by pointing to divisions that already existed in the New Testament churches. Rather we must all begin by each of us admitting that do not possess the full truth and that we are in fact far from being fully faithful.

Given that starting point, Raymond E. Brown then gives this challenge to all the churches: “recognition of the range of New Testament ecclesiological diversity makes the claim of any church to be absolutely faithful to the Scriptures much more complex. We are faithful but in our own specific way; and both ecumenics and biblical studies should make us aware that there are other ways of being faithful to which we do not do justice. … In short, a frank study of the New Testament ecclesiologies should convince every Christian community that it is neglecting part of the New Testament witness. … I contend that in a divided Christianity, instead of reading the Bible to assure ourselves that we are right, we would do better to read it to discover where we have not been listening. As we Christians of different churches try to give hearing to the previously muffled voices, our views of the church will grow larger; and we will come closer to sharing common views. Then the Bible will be doing for us what Jesus did in his time, namely, convincing those who have ears to hear that all is not right, for God is asking of them more than they thought.”

Indeed: God is asking more of us than we think.

This article was originally published on February 4, 2019 on ronrolheiser.com
For this week’s *Awakenings*, we would like to touch on the five most important first steps in myOSP...

### Getting started in myOSP

1. **Tell us about yourself (including cell phone carrier)**
   - My Profile -> Edit Profile
   - a.) We will text you in case of any emergency closings and/or changes in locations of your events.
   - b.) Edit your information once and every ministry you are a part of will have your correct information.

2. **Upload your photo and a family photo!**
   - My Profile -> Click on the Camera
   - a.) With so many people at OSP, we like to put a face with a name.

3. **Update your privacy settings**
   - My Profile -> Actions -> Privacy
   - a.) We value your privacy and treat your information with the utmost care. It’s easy to select the information you want (and don’t want) to share with others. By default, all information except your name is private.

4. **Set your communication preferences**
   - My Profile -> Actions -> Communication Preferences
   - a.) You can choose how frequently you would like to receive updates (via e-mail and/or text) from your ministry groups and if you would like them to be able to text you.

5. **Take an opportunity to check out the different ministry groups at OSP**
   - a.) Can’t find something you’re looking for? Let us know!

*Are you in?*

Join us at osp.ccbchurch.com -> Create Account
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BLACK HISTORY MONTH REFLECTION - Sunday, February 10

**Fr. Augustine Tolton, First Recognized Black Roman Catholic Priest in Chicago and the United States**

Augustine (nicknamed Augustus) Tolton was born to Catholic slave parents who were owned by Catholic slave masters in Bush Creek, Missouri in 1854. While his father fought with the Union Army during the Civil War, his mother crossed the Mississippi River and ran to freedom in Quincy, Illinois with young Augustus and his siblings. Later in Quincy, Augustus met an Irish Immigrant priest who provided him with a controversial opportunity to attend a parochial school. He enrolled, began to study under the tutelage of priests there and eventually felt a calling to the priesthood. Yet despite his faith and impressive qualities, Tolton was rejected by every American Catholic seminary to which he applied. He eventually was accepted for seminary studies in Rome where he became fluent in Italian, Latin and Greek.

Tolton was ordained in Rome in 1886 at the age of 31 and afterward attempted to organize a parish there, but he met racial resistance over several years. He was later reassigned to Chicago’s St. Monica Church at 36th and Dearborn Streets on the South Side. Under his leadership the parish grew from 30 to 600 parishioners in a few short years. His eloquent preaching and pastoral leadership drew national acclaim and he won active support from both black Catholics and also whites willing to worship with a black congregation.

In 1895 Tolton took a temporary leave of absence due to illness. At the age of 43 he collapsed and died as a result of the heat wave in Chicago. After his funeral that included 100 priests, Tolton was buried in Quincy, Illinois where he and his family had first escaped from slavery. Today Fr. Tolton’s cause for canonization to sainthood is under review by the Vatican.

**Fr. Augustine Tolton**
1854 - 1897
Presents:
THE MOST DANGEROUS WOMAN IN AMERICA:
IRELAND’S MOTHER JONES

Narrated by:
Anna Eleanor Roosevelt
Granddaughter of Franklin D. Roosevelt and Great Niece of Teddy Roosevelt. Both presidents were crucial in passing labor laws championed by Mother Jones.

Carol Marin
Award Winning Journalist

Tuesday, March 12 | 7:30 pm | Symphony Center

Tickets on sale now!

Having survived the famine in County Cork, Ireland; yellow fever in Tennessee; and the great Chicago fire, at age 60 she started over yet again. Through song, dance and story, this year’s Siamsa showcases the life of a fierce Irish woman who devoted herself to organizing on behalf of workers from coast to coast. Mother Jones dedicated her tireless efforts to improving the plight of children and the working class claiming her address to be “wherever there is a fight against oppression.”

On March 12, we will tell the story with performances by soloists Gavin Coyle, Catherine O’Connell, Beverly O’Regan Thiele and Rodrick Dixon; the Siamsa concert choir; After School Matters choir; Metropolis Symphony; Irish trad band; Irish Trinity Dance, bag pipers and many more!

Tickets range in price from $30 - $60 and are on sale through the Symphony Center Box Office. Call 312-294-3000 or go to cso.org.

Sponsorship and post-performance reception packages are available by calling 312-798-2348

You will not want to miss this amazing performance!
As a continuation of the Season for Social Justice here at Old St. Pat’s, we are using February to deeply examine racial justice. **What does racial justice look like? What does a healthy conversation on racial justice feel like? And just how do we achieve it?** There are no quick fixes, but there is real work for us to do as people of faith who seek justice. We invite you to participate in this month’s programming for an introduction to systemic racism.

**Where do I start?**

**Read:** *Racial Justice and the Catholic Church* by Fr. Bryan N. Massingale

Stop by Hughes Hall after today’s morning masses or come to the 3rd floor of the Fr. Jack Wall Mission Center on a weekday in the coming weeks to pick up a copy at a bargain rate of only $18. The book can also be purchased online. Mark your calendars and prepare to share your thoughts and reflections at a book discussion meeting on **Sunday, March 3 or Thursday, March 7.**

**Upcoming Programs:**

**Racial Wealth Gap Learning Simulation**

Weds. Feb. 13 | Doors - 6 Program - 6:30 pm | 711 W Monroe, 3rd Floor, Room 25 AB.

How will we ever end hunger and poverty in the United States? Racial equity actually plays an important role. In the simulation, participants learn how federal policies created structural inequalities—property ownership and education are just two among many areas affected—and how these policies increase hunger and poverty in communities of color. The hope is that participants, in becoming more aware of structural inequality, can support policies that undo and/or reduce disparities.

Please register at: tinyurl.com/y84u9bel

**‘63 Boycott Film Screening**

Friday, Feb. 22 | 6:30 pm | 625 W. Adams

On October 22, 1963, more than 200,000 students boycotted the Chicago Public Schools to protest racial segregation. Many marched through the city calling for the resignation of School Superintendent Benjamin Willis, who placed trailers, dubbed ‘Willis Wagons,’ on playgrounds and parking lots of overcrowded black schools rather than let them enroll in nearby white schools.

Blending unseen archival 16mm footage of the march shot by Kartemquin founder Gordon Quinn with the participants’ reflections today, ‘63 Boycott connects the forgotten story of one of the largest northern civil rights demonstrations to contemporary issues around race, education, school closings, and youth activism. The screening will be followed by a discussion facilitated by Rachel Dickson, a producer on the film.

Please register at: tinyurl.com/yczb6tyk

**FR. MICHAEL PFLEGER RACIAL JUSTICE PRESENTATION**

Thursday, Feb. 28 6:30 - 8 pm | 625 W. Adams

We are honored to welcome Fr. Michael Pfleger to Old St. Pat’s for a discussion on racial justice and the role of the Catholic Church.

Fr. Pfleger will lead us through an intriguing conversation enabling us to:

- Develop and hone our understanding of systemic-level racism.
- Connect the work of racial justice to our Catholic faith & Catholic Social Teaching principles.
- Explore ways we can continue the process of undoing racism individually and communally.

Please register at: tinyurl.com/y8dzea4u

**Questions?** Contact: Kayla Jackson, kaylaj@oldtstpats.org or Vincent Guider, vincentg@oldtstpats.org
OLD ST. PATRICK’S ADOPTION CELEBRATION MASS
February 17, 2019 | 5 pm | Old St. Patrick’s Church

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

A celebration of life and love for adoptive families, adoptees, birthparents, friends, and anyone whose life has been impacted by the miracle of adoption.

Casual dinner reception follows the mass in the church hall.
Please bring a dish to share.

Sign up to participate at: tinyurl.com/AdoptionMass

OSP Adoption Group
Cynthia and Ed St. Peter, Co-chairs

Contact us with any questions and/or comments, to be placed into our Adoption Group database for future communication and activities, and/or to RSVP for the Adoption Mass and dinner.

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SPIRITUAL MAKEOVER: BECOMING A NEW CREATION
Back by popular demand, a women’s retreat | April 5 - 7, 2019

What is it about the quiet that invites us deeper – the darkness that wraps herself around us or the stillness that urges us to ponder? No doubt about it, something about the quiet calls us home.

“Come inside,” she whispers. “Come rekindle the fire.”

Join us for a women’s weekend of renewal in the midst of the city. We will pause together at the Cenacle Retreat House just minutes from Lake Michigan to assess our spiritual homes, consider opportunities for our own interior makeovers and strengthen our foundations.

Together, we’ll pray ourselves into a new creation in anticipation of the coming Easter season. Sign up by February 28 for Early Bird pricing! Act quickly, as space is limited to 35. Please go to bit.ly/2DegvSJ for pricing and to register.

The retreat will be facilitated by Laura Field, Kathleen Quinn, and Al Gustafson. Registration fee includes meals, retreat direction, materials, and housing for the weekend. You may choose to request a ‘single’ room (no roommate) or ‘double’ room (you will be assigned or can request a specific roommate).
More on myOSP: Frequently Asked Questions

Why?

We live in a digital age! Many of our groups are already taking advantage of digital platforms to communicate. Not only will myOSP allow you more easily to manage your involvement at OSP online and communicate with your ministries, but it also allows for significant efficiencies on the staff side allowing the staff to spend more time in ministry to you. We can also better reach out to you about events that might interest you, no more wishing you would have known about a certain event!

What’s in it for me?

• Control all privacy and communication settings.
• Search for and find ministry groups you are interested in joining.
• Communicate directly with fellow group members.
• Save time when you register for events by logging in before registering and your information will automatically populate.
• No more trying to find registration links, there is now a centralized home for all events.
• A personalized and family calendar you can sync to your phone with the OSP events that interest you and when you are serving.
• View your giving history, print off year end financial statements, and view pledge progress.
• Set-up a recurring gift or change your credit card on your current recurring gift.
• A new way to connect with other OSP Members near and far!

Is my data secure?

Yes, your data is secure and Old St. Pat’s takes all possible steps necessary to ensure it is protected! Security is of the utmost importance. Your information is secure and well protected. myOSP’s software has been vetted by a number of private and public organizations and is used by thousands of churches across the country.

Can you explain the privacy setting options?

You have three different privacy setting options which “dial” up or down who can see specific pieces of information. For every piece of information you enter, you can select a privacy setting:

Everybody: This is the highest level for viewing. If someone has a username and password in myOSP, they can see the information in this field.

My Group Members: Fields with this setting can be viewed by members of ministry groups where the members are allowed to communicate with one another. Appropriate OSP staff can view the information as well.

Church Leadership Only: This is the lowest level for viewing. Fields with this setting can only be viewed by appropriate OSP staff.

What are you doing with my data?

We are doing nothing different with your data now than we were doing before: we analyze general trends to help cater our ministries to the needs of our community.

Is myOSP another form of social media?

No. Although we are excited by the many ways myOSP can help strengthen the OSP community and increase connectivity; it is not a social media tool. myOSP does not allow for personal broadcasting and there are no blogs, tweets, posts, or “likes”.

Can I add people to my family in myOSP?

Only the church administration can add people to myOSP database. If you would like to add a family member, submit this form: bit.ly/2SuLgfZ

Where can I go if I need help getting logged in or using the system?

We will be doing data cafes on February 10 and 17 and then about once monthly for the near future. You can always email myosp@oldstpats.org or call our main office phone number (312-648-1021) and we will be happy to help you!

Who can see children’s names?

Users cannot see information on children if they are under the age of 18. Only appropriate staff and trained volunteer leaders can see their names.

Please go to oldstpats.org/myosp for many more questions and answers!

Questions? Email myosp@oldstpats.org
Congratulations to the Broadway on Adams cast on three incredible sold out shows! Thank you to all who came out to enjoy a fabulous night of entertainment. We’ll see you next year! Photos by Mike Lyons
PHOENIX HALL: SUPPORTING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT FOR STUDENTS IN NORTH LAWNDALE

By: Jenny Merritt

North Lawndale College Preparatory Charter High School (NLCP) is an award-winning charter school on Chicago’s West Side, striving to prepare young people from under-resourced communities for graduation from high school with the academic skills and personal resilience necessary for successful completion of college. NLCP, which has a rich history of supporting students and their families, recognizes that many of their students experience housing instability. Chicago Public Schools identified more than 18,000 students as homeless in 2016–17, and NLCP estimates that 8 to 10% of their student body, around 100 students, struggle with this challenge.

In an effort to better support these students, NLCP reached out to Old St Patrick’s Church because of its relationship to the North Lawndale neighborhood through the North Lawndale Kinship initiative. The Kinship Initiative is a collaboration between the people of Old St. Patrick’s Church and those who live in and work on behalf of the North Lawndale community. Old St Patrick’s eagerly began fundraising for this effort through its Journey Forward Capital Campaign, and created Empower to Succeed, a nonprofit organization, to oversee the development of housing supports for North Lawndale’s students facing housing insecurity.

The Night Ministry, a nonprofit organization with a history of pioneering effective shelter and outreach programs for Chicago youth, was selected to develop and oversee programming for the student housing initiative. The result, guided by insight from NLCP’s staff, students, families, and the greater North Lawndale community, was Phoenix Hall.

Phoenix Hall is a year-round residence serving NLCP students by providing safe, stable dorm-like housing and support for the achievement of their educational goals. Residents of the eight-bedroom home, which is located within close proximity to both NLCP campuses, receive a comprehensive range of opportunities, including individualized case management, life skills development, and a focus on educational support and job and college readiness training. Students and families are also connected to community-based resources such as health care, counseling, parenting support and recreation. In addition, families of students are connected to a supportive network of community services.

Phoenix Hall is staffed around the clock with experienced adult professionals trained in positive youth development. Staff also facilitate relationship building and connections within residents’ families.

Potential residents may qualify and apply for Phoenix Hall if they attend NLCP, often recommended by their teachers or counselors. If placement is appropriate, students have the opportunity to visit the home, meet the staff, learn about the program, and agree to its expectations before making the decision to enter. Phoenix Hall staff also meet with the students to develop a plan to move through the program to achieve their educational goals and secure permanent housing. If the student is younger than 18 years of age, The Night Ministry requires permission from the parent or guardian for the student to live in the house.

Phoenix Hall’s first year-and-a-half was wonderful and exciting. Since opening in August of 2017, the residence has served 12 students and has been welcomed to the community by North Lawndale’s local neighbors, elected officials, and community partners, who continue to support the program’s students and their families. Students have also actively participated in many efforts to make North Lawndale a healthy and vibrant community.

Learn more about Phoenix Hall, ways to support its programs and view a video tour at oldstpats.org/phoenix-hall

Jenny Merritt is Community Engagement Manager at The Night Ministry and Community Liaison for Phoenix Hall. For more information, Jenny can be contacted at jennifer@thenightministry.org
ENCORE JAZZ CAFE
Sunday, February 17 | 10:45 am - 12 pm 625 W Adams | Cost: $15

The Polar Vortex is over, the groundhog predicted that we’ll have an early spring, and Valentine’s love will soon be in the air. That means that it’s the perfect time to gather your friends and join Encore at the annual Jazz Cafe on Sunday, February 17! Enjoy the music of the students from The Vandercook School of Music and a New Orleans style brunch in the beautiful new space on Adams. Park in the garage - easy in - easy out.

Reservations can be made online at bit.ly/2SMTxc6 or with Marion O’Connell at moconnell33@gmail.com or 312-819-7453.

ENCORE GOES TO THE THEATRE
Saturday, March 30 | 8 pm | Steppenwolf Theatre - 1700 N Halsted St, Chicago, IL

OSP member Michael Patrick Thornton, co-founder and artistic director of The Gift Theatre, presents this powerful and timely drama at Steppenwolf. Running time is 90 minutes, no intermission. Optional mix and mingle with post show discussion with cast and crew.

Sister Aloysius, a Bronx school principal, takes matters into her own hands when she suspects the young Father Flynn, played by Michael Patrick Thornton, of improper relations with one of the male students. Winner of the 2005 Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award for Best Play.

More details are forthcoming. Questions? Contact encore@oldstpats.org

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...
Loneliness and the feeling of being unwanted is the most terrible poverty. — Mother Theresa

ENCORE/OSP NEXT COMBINED EVENT
SAVE THE DATE!
Sunday, March 10 | 6:15 pm | Hughes Hall
Cost: $10

Encore and OSPNext will meet downstairs after 5 pm mass on Sunday, March 10 for dinner and drinks! Keep your eyes here for more information coming soon.
THE FIRST FRIDAY CLUB OF CHICAGO
Friday, March 1 | Noon | Presidents Hall - 65 West Jackson Blvd

The First Friday Club of Chicago Welcomes...

Ms. Joy Loverde

Author: Who Will Take Care of Me When I’m Old? and The Complete Eldercare Planner.

The Baby Boom Generation has become the new senior citizen generation, with more than 6000 Americans turning 65 every day. At the same time more and more people are living into their 90s. This data presents us with two fears: the fear of dying and the fear of living too long.

Many of us might become—if we aren’t already—the caregivers for grandparents, parents, spouses, siblings, and beloved friends. Without careful planning, that role as caregiver can put our own physical, emotional, financial, housing, and legal needs at risk.

But wait—what about you and me, especially if we have no children or others to rely on as we grow older? Joy Loverde points to the increasing percentage of the middle-aged and Baby Boomers who are aging solo: the never married, separated, divorced, and widowed. Given this reality, the number one question we all need to ask ourselves is, “Who will take care of me and be my advocate when I’m old?”

Please make plans to attend the March 1st gathering of the First Friday Club. We have invited Joy Loverde to explain this two-sided issue of the current “longevity revolution,” and to help us learn how to plan for a quality old age.

To make your reservation, please visit our website: www.firstfridayclubchicago.org by MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25th, before 5 pm. There is no processing/registration fee to reserve online. For additional information please call (312.466.9610) or email: ffcc@firstfridayclubchicago.org

A NUTRITIONAL APPROACH TO ABUNDANT FERTILITY
Thursday, February 21 | 6 - 7pm 711 W. Monroe, Room 23

Is getting pregnant harder than you anticipated?
Are you looking for a natural solution to your fertility related issues?
Are you thinking about trying for a baby in the next six months?

Join Alisha M. Fox, Registered Dietitian Nutritionist and Founder of Modern Fox Fertility for an educational and insightful evening to learn how you can optimize your nutrition for abundant fertility.

MODERN FOX FERTILITY
ADVENTURES IN CONTEMPLATION
Sunday, March 10 | Noon - 4:30 pm & Sundays, March 17, 24, 31, April 7 & 14
6:15 – 8:15 pm | 711 W. Monroe 25AB | $50 | Facilitator: Al Gustafson

The Gift of Life will explore the process of death and dying as part of, rather than the end of, life’s journey. This experience will be made up of a daily meditation practice, spiritual reading and small group conversation that will keep our relationship with death and dying at the center of our prayer throughout Lent. The experience will begin with a Sunday afternoon retreat (lunch provided) and include five more Sunday evenings for additional learning and small group companionship.

Can death become something more than an enemy to fight and a tragedy when it arrives? We will find out together by committing ourselves to daily meditation as we explore the insights of psychology, religious wisdom, and medical science looking at the end of life. This experience is intended for people with an established Centering Prayer or meditation practice, but all are welcome, and a brief orientation to Centering Prayer will be part of the Sunday retreat.

The written and video materials we will be using are from Contemplative Outreach, Fr. Thomas Keating and the former hospice worker and Buddhist teacher, Kathleen Dowling Singh.

Please go to bit.ly/2FG8NEw to register.

HARMONY, HOPE & HEALING

Come sing and celebrate with Harmony, Hope & Healing on Sunday February 17 at the 11:15 am mass.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Harnessing the resources and networks of Old St. Patrick’s Church to generate new employment opportunities for job seekers in Chicago’s North Lawndale neighborhood.

Learn more at oldstpats.org/nlw
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.

**FEBRUARY AFTER FIVE: WINE AND CHOCOLATE - TODAY!**
February 10 | 6:15 - 8 pm | Hughes Hall,

Now that we have your attention, join us in Hughes Hall for our February After Five event. We will be making Valentine’s Day cards for those that may not otherwise receive a special note on this holiday.

While making cards, we will be enjoying chocolate fondue and wine along with some non-alcoholic drinks! If you have a favorite wine that you would like to share with the group (and that pairs well with chocolate) please bring a bottle.

**FEBRUARY BOOK CLUB**
Monday, February 25 | 7 - 8:30 pm | The Book Cellar - 4736 N. Lincoln Ave

For our February book, we are reading *In the Midst of Winter* by Isabel Allende. This novel is about about three very different people brought together by circumstance in a story that journeys from present-day Brooklyn to Guatemala in the recent past to 1970s Chile and Brazil.

Newcomers are always welcome! Just read the book and show up.

**OSP NEXT MEN’S BIBLE STUDY**
Mondays, 7 - 8 pm | 711 W. Monroe, Room 21

Are you a man who’s interested in growing in faith by engaging with the scriptures? Come join the second session of OSP Men’s Bible Study! If you’re not very talkative, that’s ok! You can participate as much or as little as you like.

If you have a Bible, that’s a plus but we will discuss necessary materials at your first meeting. Hope to see you there! Please contact Nathan at nathangartlan@gmail.com with any questions.

Next meeting: Monday, February 11 at 7 pm

**OSP NEXT WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY**
Sunday, February 10 | 4 - 5 pm | Board Room, OSP Rectory - 718 W. Adams

OSP Next’s Women’s Bible Study is back for spring! This group is open to all young women, from Biblical experts to those just starting their journey.

Our study is a perfect way to be part of a small, close-knit faith community in the city. Join us for wine, snacks, and real conversations of how we can translate the Bible into our lives today.

We will meet on Sundays in the rectory at 4 pm before Mass from February 10 - April 7. For more information, please contact Patty at (262) 894-5244 or Pattyanewby@yahoo.com.
YOU ARE NOT ALONE
Peer Led Divorce Support Group
Meets every other Sunday at 10:30 am | 711 W. Monroe, Room 21

This is a networking group for 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.

2019 Dates:

February 10 & 24 | March 10 & 24
April 7 & 21 | May 5 & 19 | June 2, 16, & 30

For more information, please contact Heather at heather.w.saylor@gmail.com

Mark your calendar for the OSP Parents and Tots Group Easter Egg Hunt and Celebration!

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 DATES:

Saturday, March 9
8:30 am - 11:15 am
(Every second Saturday)

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

Tuesday, February 12
9 am - 12 pm
(Every Second Tuesday)

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

For more information, please contact Mary Beth Riley at mbriley07@yahoo.com or 630-655-9447

OSPs Parents and Tots Group
Easter Egg Hunt and Celebration
March 31
10:30am-12pm
FXW Cafeteria and Courtyard
Greet the Easter Bunny
Enjoy an Egg Hunt
Arts and Crafts
Contact Kellydolyniuk@gmail.com with questions!
Sunday, February 10, 2019

Readings: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Mass Remembrance:

7:00 am Marco Frischella
John D. Carney (†)

8:00 am Linda Syputa (†)
Lisa Ryan
Cesar Hernandez (†)

9:30 am Antonio DeRosi (†)
John J. Wall Sr. (†)

11:15 am Jack Dillon (†)
Nolan Michael Thomas (†)

5:00 pm Dorotha Bratcher (†)
Patricia Munaretto (†)

8:00 am Narciso Ramos (†)
Gloria DaRodda (†)

Book of Patrick: Jacqueline Allen, Raymond Carroll, Dorothy Francine Cooney, Brian & Dorothy Costello, Rita Finnegan, Mildred Fitzgerald, Joanna Theresa Francik, Joanne Grant, Andrew James, Sears Lavender, Mildred & James Lebeda, Kevin Michael McGuire, Bernice Miller, John J. Wall, Sr.

Monday, February 11, 2019

Readings: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c (31b)/Mk 6:53-56

Mass Remembrance: Barbara J. Evans (†)

Book of Patrick: Frances and her sisters, Maureen Buettner, Mary Jeanne & Dick Burke, Robert R. Gifford, Francis J. Harmon, Bea Healy, Lenore Madden, Sheila Mehigan, Eve T. Kraszewski-McHugh, Mary Kay and Norb Slowikowski, Keith Wilson, Janske Bys

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

Readings: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13


Wednesday, February 13, 2019

Readings: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23

Mass Remembrance: John Mulhearn (†)

Thursday, February 14, 2019

Readings: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30


Friday, February 15, 2019

Readings: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 22:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37

Book of Patrick: Shane Patrick Donlan, Mary Virginia Krone, Gerald E. Lynch, Jerry Martin, Colin Patrick McAndrews, Jane O'Shea, Dorothy O'Brien

Saturday, February 16, 2019

Readings: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1/Mk 8:1-10

Book of Patrick: Mary Jane Ashenden, Susan Carroll, Eleanor Daley, Josie Hughes, Descendants of Joseph P. McNally, Norman & Patricia Murdock, Jack D. Nicholson, Dina Zarlenga

Sunday, February 17, 2019

Readings: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

Prayer Requests

For Those Who Are Sick
Mollie Boinski, Cath Molloy

For Those Who Have Recently Died
Tim James, Antoinette Rose Mannella, Jessica Bryan

Please contact Bernadette Moore Gibson at 312-798-2389 for Pastoral Care Services.

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 Josephine Bakhita
(d. February 8, 1947)

For many years, Josephine Bakhita was a slave but her spirit was always free and eventually that spirit prevailed.

Born in Olgossa in the Darfur region of southern Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped at the age of 7, sold into slavery and given the name Bakhita, which means fortunate. She was resold several times, finally in 1883 to Callisto Legnani, an Italian consul in Khartoum, Sudan.

Two years later, he took Josephine to Italy and gave her to his friend Augusto Michieli. Bakhita became babysitter to Mimmina Michieli, whom she accompanied to Venice’s Institute of the Catechumens, run by the Canossian Sisters. While Mimmina was being instructed, Josephine felt drawn to the Catholic Church. She was baptized and confirmed in 1890, taking the name Josephine.

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The first steps toward her beatification began in 1959. She was beatified in 1992 and canonized eight years later.

Josephine’s body was mutilated by those who enslaved her, but they could not touch her spirit. Her Baptism set her on an eventual path toward asserting her civic freedom and then service to God’s people as a Canossian Sister.

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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 Lauren Gaffey at 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 tinyurl.com/ospworshipaid 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

May the winds of heaven dance between you.

I. FEBRUARY 9, 2019
NO WEDDINGS

II. FEBRUARY 16, 2019
Lucy Stubler & Timothy Sutton
Madona Cumar & Pushkar Malhotra
Carlota Janet Lou & Joseph Vincent Nasti

Book of Patrick & Mass Intentions

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

You can also contact contact Deniese Montgomery at deniesem@oldstpats.org or 312-648-1021
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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 Lot 1: Parking is available in this lot until 9:30 pm on Sundays.

Parking Lot 2 & 3: Parking is available in these lots until 1:00 pm on Sundays.

Lot 5: All spaces are complimentary for OSP guests. Please pull a ticket from the OSP branded parking box upon entry and use this for validation upon exit. Please utilize this lot and then kindly free up space for those attending the next Mass.

**WEEKNIGHTS (AFTER 5:30 PM)**

You may park in the roped off section of Lot 1 until 9:30 pm on weeknights (entrance on Monroe). Once this section is full, you may park in the remainder of the lot. Please retrieve a time stamped parking pass from the security desk in 711 W. Monroe and place it on the dashboard of your vehicle.

In Lot 5 there are 100 spaces open nightly from 6pm - 11:59pm; early arrival or extended time charged at posted rates.

**SATURDAYS (Wedding Parking)**

Parking Lot 2-3: Parking is available in these lots from 10 am until 7 pm on Saturdays. Parked cars must be moved following the ceremony, to make space for wedding guests arriving after.

Lot 5: 200 spaces are open for Wedding guests. Lot gates open for OSP guests during ceremonies; please be considerate of guests arriving for later ceremonies.

Please refer to the Directions and Parking page on oldstpats.org for more detailed parking information.