COMING UP IN MARCH...

**COOKED SURVIVAL BY ZIP CODE**
All are welcome to a screening and discussion of Cooked: Survival By Zip Code.

**One Earth Film Festival Screening**
Sunday, March 8
2:30 pm
625 W. Adams

**Siamsa na nGael**
A Celtic Celebration of the Arts, Song, Dance and Stories

**Shamrock'n the Block**
Saturday, March 14
12 - 6 pm | Desplaines St. between Monroe & Adams
bit.ly/Shamrockntheblock

**ST. PATRICK’S DAY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION**
Sunday, March 15
Old St. Patrick’s
1:00 pm

Join us for a special celebration of our patron saint!

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In case you're wondering how this all works when it comes to Sunday priest celebrants at Old St. Pat's Church, let me explain and bore you with the details. As you can see from this Sunday's schedule, March 1st, you're getting A LOT of Hurley today and for those for whom that's not good news, I'm sorry.

First of all, yours truly is the ONLY full-time priest assigned to Old St. Patrick’s Church. There’s no better place than Old St. Pat’s so I’m blessed. Thankfully, the people of Old St. Pat's are served and cared for by some of the finest people in church ministry and that’s the full-time team who make up the lay staff of OSP. If not for them, we couldn't function. The names you see listed in the directory make this place and its mission happen. And the excellent team of presiders that you normally encounter on Sundays at the liturgies are all a combination of priests who are either retired or have full-time positions somewhere else in the church world (Wall, Cusick, Novak, Velo, Foley, McGrath, O’Shea, and Ed Shea). As you have witnessed, these are some of the finest priests in the Catholic world today and all of them are here because they are great preachers and caring pastors.

Each month, my assistant Skye Darke, solicits the schedules from these gentlemen to see when they are available to preside at Old St. Pat’s. As you know, they are great people, cherished colleagues, and all of them are very generous with their time and talent, which they offer in abundance to Old St. Pat’s. When Skye and I were working on the March schedule, what to my wondering eyes should appear: none of them were going to be in town this Sunday, March 1st, including me! I was supposed to be in Columbus, Ohio today baptizing a baby for some friend’s third child! When I looked and saw that none of my colleagues were going to be available this Sunday, my eyes nearly popped out of my head and unfortunately, I had to cancel the baptism in Columbus. My next reaction was: eat your Wheaties, Hurley. You’re in for a very long day. So that’s why you have an “all-day” reappearance of Tom as your presider at Old St. Pat’s today.

On one hand, this seems like a trivial article to be writing about simple scheduling and a blip on the radar for one Sunday, but unfortunately, there’s nothing trivial about it. “Okay, so you have to say a few more masses, what’s the big deal?” I think it’s a very big deal and one that should continue to awaken all of us to the reality of Church life today. No one person should be presiding at six masses on a Sunday (and btw, we had to cancel the mass scheduled in the 625 Hall today because of this dilemma. We are doing “Live Feed” at 9:30 today). I can handle it at this point in my life. I’m still young enough. But what will the future hold? I suppose I could have made numerous phone calls and found an ordained man or two to help me out, but I chose not to do that because I think the stark reality needs to be seen. I am not doing this to be a martyr (because that’s not even comparable; that’s insulting to true martyrs) and I’m not doing this as Lenten act of penance. One of the reasons I’m doing this is because I am not willing to put just anyone on the altar for you… especially since all of you, the people of OSP, travel from over 200 zip codes around the city and suburbs. We set the bar high and I want us to hold fast to the quality of our liturgical, corporate prayer that we share together. It might sound a bit arrogant, but I hope you know what I’m getting at.

The church needs change. I’m not sure how or when or what the solutions will be. I’m sure many of you will react in a host of ways. (Please, I value your reactions but I am overloaded with emails already!)

Come, Holy Spirit…..

Thank you for being the hopeful, inclusive, welcoming, vibrant community of Faith that we need right now.

For a renewing Lent,

Fr Tom Hurley
awakenings

The Gospels for the Sundays of Lent might be considered a lesson in “spiritual geography.” They invite us to move from the desert of temptation to the mountain of transfiguration; from a mountain top of illumination to a profound and life-giving encounter at a well; from the well to the place of darkness that comes not from physical blindness but from the refusal to see the presence of God in our daily lives; and from a place of darkness to the limits of the tomb and the promise of life beyond those limits.

For each Sunday of Lent we have asked three Old St. Pat’s members and friends to share a reflection on one of these places we encounter in the terrain of the spirit.

First Sunday of Lent: Desert

“Be still and know that I am Lord.” Psalm 46:11

In the “old” days, in order to hear a radio station clearly, one needed to fiddle with the dial... not too far to the right or the left... just right. But today we simply hit seek and the message is clear. Yet hearing God’s voice requires our doing more than merely hitting that seek button. And isn’t that what Lent is all about? Making adjustments, fine tuning, searching for the voice of the Lord? Often life gets so busy it’s hard to hear him which is why the Lord invites us into the desert this Lent. The desert, a place of quiet, free from distractions, where the Lord himself went to pray. For us that desert may be five minutes of silence on our commute, a whispered prayer at the end of our day, morning Mass... anywhere we can be still, listen, hear. As we journey together these Lenten days may we find ourselves with the dial so that the indicators of our hearts hit the wavelength where God is speaking to us. And our response: “Speak, for your servant is listening.” I Samuel 3:10

Barren. Harsh. Desolate. Dry. These are some of the words that come to mind when we think of the desert, and they are all accurate, but they aren’t the only words. What about quiet, peaceful, free of distraction? Jesus goes into the desert to be tempted, yes, but also to fast, pray, reflect and prepare. While Jesus is tested in the desert, he is also strengthened. He leaves reaffirmed in his identity as the beloved Son of God and ready to face the trials of his public ministry.

As Catholics, we have entered our own Lenten “desert.” As we partake in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, it is tempting to focus on sacrifice and deprivation. Perhaps, though, rather than thinking of our Lenten austerity as something to be endured, we should consider it something to be embraced. If we approach the Lenten desert, and any other deserts in our lives, in an attitude of prayer, reflection, and self-examination, we may emerge renewed in our own identity as God’s beloved ones and strengthened for the journey ahead.

Brooke Buczkowski is a member of Old St. Pat’s and active on the RCIA team. She lives in Old Irving Park with husband Kenny, daughter Lily, and Roxie the wonder dog.

Maureen Kennedy Barney is an Old St. Pat’s member who, through the Jesuit Ignatian Volunteer Corps, serves in the OSP Outreach Ministry with the Trinity Volunteer Corps.

When I think of a desert, each of the descriptors that come to mind are harsh: dry, hot, barren, uninhabited or uninhabitable. In such a setting your basic and most essential needs are either nonexistent or nearly impossible to access. The term, “food desert” also comes to mind; it refers to areas or neighborhoods where access to supermarkets and affordable, fresh produce is limited or exceptionally difficult to produce.

One thing I’ve had to reckon with is the fact that this term is often used to describe low-income and predominantly black and brown neighborhoods similar to where I grew up on the Southside. Neighborhoods which, as a result of a history of discriminatory policies and divestment, have become a sort of “man-made desert.” Riddled with abandoned houses and vacant lots; harsh environments with the nearest oasis of a supermarket miles away. But somehow, in a setting made nearly uninhabitable, individuals, families and communities make do as a result of their resistance, resilience, creativity and innovation. What are we doing to make things more equitable for our neighbors navigating “man-made deserts” such as these?

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March at a glance

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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.

COOKED: SURVIVAL BY ZIP CODE

A FREE ONE EARTH FILM FESTIVAL EVENT
Sunday, March 8 | 2:30 pm | 625 W. Adams

Join us for a film screening and discussion of *Cooked: Survival By Zip Code*. Chicago suffered the worst heat disaster in U.S history in 1995, when 739 residents – mostly elderly and black – died over the course of one week. As “Cooked” links the heat wave’s devastation back to the underlying manmade disaster of structural racism, it delves deeply into one of our nation’s biggest growth industries: Disaster Preparedness. Peabody Award-winning filmmaker Judith Helfand uses her signature serious-yet-quirky-style as interlocutor and narrator to forge inextricable connections between the cataclysmic natural disasters we’re willing to see and prepare for, and the slow-motion disasters we’re not. [View the trailer at vimeo.com/336151320.](vimeo.com/336151320)


Visit us at oldstpats.org
LENT 2020

Sunday, March 1 | 1st Sunday of Lent
Regular Mass Schedule

Sunday, March 8 | 2nd Sunday of Lent
Regular Mass Schedule

Sunday, March 15 | 3rd Sunday of Lent
Regular Mass Schedule with additional 9:45 am Mass at 625 W. Adams

Sunday, March 22 | 4th Sunday of Lent
Regular Mass Schedule

Wednesday, March 25
Lent Reconciliation Service and Evening of Reflection
Reconciliation Service: 5:30 pm in the church
Dinner at 6:15 pm in the Hall (optional)
Presentation: Dr. Jacqueline Bussie
Love without Limits: Jesus’ Radical Vision for Love with No Exceptions at 7 pm in the Hall.

Sign up to receive daily Lenten reflections at bit.ly/lentreflection2020
Visit oldstpats.org/Lent for updates and Lenten resources from the OSP Green Team

THIS LENT PRAY ONLINE

Looking to enhance your prayer life this Lent? Have you ever wanted to participate in a small faith community, but schedule and fighting traffic kept you from doing so? If so, you might find OSP’s new online prayer chapel a helpful resource. You can learn all about it at www.contemplativecommunity.org.

Chapels are hosted by trained leaders Monday – Thursday and Saturday of each week. There is no fee and you can participate when you are able. We connect together in our online chapel through the video conferencing platform, Zoom. In order to participate in any of the online chapels, you will need to register by going to contemplativecommunity.org and completing a simple registration form. Once you have registered, an email will be sent to you with the URL and all the info you will need for participating in any of the chapels throughout the week.

The chapel experience is less than one hour long and takes place in two parts. The first half of our time is spent together in silent prayer/meditation. To see, hear and join with others throughout our community can be a profoundly connecting, expansive and intimate experience. The second half of the chapel time is reserved for reflecting on a short reading chosen specifically for Lent and then some simple faith sharing.

Chapel Schedule:
Date | Time | Host
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Mondays | 6am | John Blumberg & Julia Price
Tuesdays | 7am | Ed Shurna & Ellen Wiggins
Wednesdays | Noon | Al Gustafson
Wednesdays | 8pm | Marci Madaly & Ed Siderewicz
Thursdays | 8am | Marybeth Coleman & Eileen O’Shea
Saturdays | 7am | Kate DeVries & Ellen Wiggins

If you have questions, please contact Al Gustafson at alg@oldstpats.org

Lent 2020

Sunday, March 29 | 5th Sunday of Lent
Regular Mass Schedule
Parents and Tots Easter Egg Hunt - 10:30 am, FXW Cafeteria

Sunday, April 5 | Palm/Passion Sunday
Regular Mass Schedule, with additional 9:30 am Mass for families with young children in Hughes Hall, and additional 9:45 am Mass in 625 W Adams

Thursday, April 9 | Holy Thursday
Please join us for the Mass of the Lord’s Supper in the church at 7 pm

Friday, April 10 | Good Friday
Individual Reconciliations - 10 am - 11:45 am in the church.
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion - 12 pm
Stations of the Cross - 3 pm
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion - 5:30 pm

Saturday, April 11 | Holy Saturday
Join us for the Easter Vigil at 7:30 pm in the church.

Sunday, April 12 | Easter Sunday
Masses at 7, 8, 9:30, 11:15 am and 1 pm (there will be no evening Masses)

Visit oldstpats.org/Lent for updates and Lenten resources from the OSP Green Team
THANK YOU OLD ST. PATRICK’S FOR HELPING TO REMOVE BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT FOR NORTH LAWNDALE NEIGHBORS.

DONATE - Cash, Ventra, Uber, Lyft, Visa or Mastercard gift cards as well as gift cards for major grocery and department stores are needed to ease the financial burdens placed upon job seekers. These donations help to offset expenses of job seekers while they look for work and after they eventually settle into new jobs (until they receive a 2nd paycheck).

Here’s what your donations can provide:

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NETWORK - Please contact business owners, managers, co-workers, friends and family members you know who are in positions to hire adults with criminal backgrounds into entry level jobs. These job seekers have few connections in business networks, so by leveraging yours, you provide opportunities these job seekers cannot find on their own.

Examples of Entry Level Jobs are: food service; driving; equipment operation, maintenance; mailroom; reception; product assembly; administrative aid; tech support; security; customer service; manufacturing; hospitality and more.

ENGAGE - Examine, pray for and get involved in social justice initiatives in the Old St. Patrick’s community and beyond. Learn about these initiatives in the Old St. Patrick’s Crossroads Bulletin and online at www.oldstpats.org.

DONATE, NETWORK AND ENGAGE today at: oldstpats.org/nlw

Your faith, generosity and social action transforms the City of Chicago and God’s Kingdom.

Sincerely:
The North Lawndale Works Team
Reri Barrett, North Lawndale Employment Network
Erin Brinkman Dynek, OSP
Christyn Freeman, North Lawndale Employment Network
Kevin Gallagher, OSP
Vince Guider, OSP and Kinship Initiative Executive Director
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Barry Pollard, OSP
Kathie Stokes, OSP & Cara
Pat Sullivan, Catholic Theological Union and Intern for OSP

Contact us at vincentg@oldstpats.org
Family Updates

“Hurry! Open it!” they exclaimed. By this time all five family members had gathered around. The envelope in Amar’s hand had important information about where he would be attending high school. He wanted a school that was kind and supportive - where his teachers and classmates encouraged him to dream big, and where his ability to learn and follow his interests were limitless.

The teachers and other kids felt almost like family on the day he shadowed at the school. And, he really liked the way students at Loyola Academy thought it was important to help others in the community. After all, there was a time when Amar and his family, as Syrian refugees, really needed help from others, and people had come forward and helped them. Amar knew that he wanted to be there for others when they needed him.

Amar has always taken school seriously and had straight A’s in middle school. But, with only three years of English, he would need to work really hard on his reading comprehension to be able to pass the High School Placement Test and get into Loyola Academy. He doubled down on his English studies, working through his test prep books for many nights and weekends - more than 50 hours by his count. He reached out to his teachers and members of the OSP’s Immigrant & Refugee Rights Committee for additional instruction. Had it been enough? Would his dream take hold?

Amar slid his finger under the envelope flap and opened the letter. “Congratulations Amar!” it read. At that point, the tears in his eyes kept him from reading further. He handed the letter to his mother. “We’d like to welcome you to the class of 2024,” she read. The Alrefaais gathered around Amar and had a family group hug.

Today Amar says, “Shukraan lakum, Loyola Academy! Thank you, thank you for giving me this opportunity.”

And the Immigrant & Refugee Rights Committee, and all of Old St. Pat’s, join Amar and Loyola Academy, in saying “We share in your gratitude and happiness!”

- Kate Bergin

“Are you the lady who knows how to read notes?” asks an enthusiastic, grinning eight year old boy. “After sixty years of teaching music to children, I guess I had better know,” I replied. And so began the adventure of teaching Luis Ramos how to read notes so he could play his keyboard. Luis received a Yamaha keyboard through the generosity of members of Old St. Pat’s Refugee Committee. But, a piano teacher did not come with the musical instrument.

Every Saturday morning, we have a one-hour lesson: Luis at the keyboard, his mother, Maria by his side taking copious notes, his father, Ferney on the couch translating my English to Spanish when needed. It is a family affair. And now Maria is expecting a baby in April, a little girl. It is a hopeful, joyful family who gift my life with hugs galore on Saturday mornings. They have come as refugees from Colombia, arriving in Chicago a year and a half ago. Our OSP Immigrant & Refugee Rights Committee has taken them underwing to help them adjust to life in Chicago. And they bless our lives in return.

- Pat Hamill

To get involved or for more information on the Immigrant and Refugee Rights Committee, please contact Kayla Jackson at kaylaj@oldstpats.org
Wednesday, March 11 | 7:30 pm | Symphony Center

Presenting...

75 Years On: The African American Sailors of the USS Mason Meet the Irish of Derry

This historic program will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. Through music, dance, and narration, we will hear the story of the only African American naval ship in the United States Navy, the USS Mason, stationed in Ireland during the war. This moving performance will bring to light the incredible relationship between the Irish and the sailors.

Special Guest Narrator:
Mark K. Shriver
Author and Social Justice Advocate

Featuring: Metropolis Symphony Orchestra, Old St. Patrick’s Concert Choir, Soloists Gavin Coyle, Catherine O’Connell and Rod Dixon, Irish Trad Band, After School Matters Choir, Trinity Irish Dancers and many more! Created by Bill Fraher, Director of Concert Choirs, Old St. Patrick’s Church. Narration written by Mary Pat Kelly.

TICKETS ARE GOING QUICKLY! ORDER YOURS TODAY

All performance-only tickets are sold through the Symphony Center’s Box Office, 312.294.3000 or www.cso.org

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For Siamsa Sponsorship and Reception Packages, please visit bit.ly/siamsa-sponsorship or call 312.798.2343. We’d love to have you join us in the beautiful Grainger Ballroom after the show for an elaborate display of delicious desserts including a Flambeed Fruit station and ice cream bar with warm sauces, Truffle Bar, and other amazing delicatables as well as Irish Coffee and drinks! Meet the performers and mingle with other Old St. Pat’s members and friends.

THE NEXT CHAPTER

Sunday, March 8 | 9:30 am Mass, 11 am at Manny’s Deli (1141 S. Jefferson)

The Next Chapter March social is here! Please join us for a St. Patrick’s Day lunch at Manny’s deli. If you would like to carpool from OSP, please contact Judy. We will meet outside church after mass.

Don’t be shy, we want to meet you! Please RSVP if you will be joining us/carpooling to jmarshman@att.net. We look forward to lively conversation and companionship. It won’t be the same without you.

We are a group of Widows and Widowers creating new friendships to live, laugh and experience life through social interaction with friends from OSP living in and around the city and suburbs.
Come rock the block at Old St. Pat’s and have a pint at Tommy O’Hurley’s Pop-Up Pub (a heated tent, entrance on Adams & Desplaines)

March 14, 2020 12-6pm

Tickets Now Available Online!
Buy Your Tickets & Pot O’ Gold Raffle Tickets Today at bit.ly/shamrockntheblock

All ages welcome!
- Tasty Irish Fare
- Live Music
- Wee One’s Zone
- Irish Dancers
- Bag Pipes
- and More!

Sponsors

POT O’ GOLD
Congratulations to our first $250 Early Bird Winner... Pat Anderson!

Be sure to get your tickets early for more chances to win. Next week will be a special "Luck of the Irish" Drawing for 2 boat tickets to witness the Chicago River being dyed green and two grandstand seats for the Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade!
THE OLD TESTAMENT BOOK CLUB

Continuing with a series we offer intermittently throughout the year, we are excited to present a slightly different approach to Scripture Study … think book club!

Participants will be asked to pre-read the selection for each session and be ready to engage in lively discussion around some of the most familiar, and perhaps not so familiar, stories from the Old Testament. Our focus for this two-session discussion is the Book of Jeremiah, a book as timely now as when it was composed. Come join us!

**Location:** Old St. Patrick’s Mission Center
711 W. Monroe Street, (3rd floor)

**Dates:** Sundays, March 8 & 22
6:15 p.m. Gathering and Refreshments
6:30 p.m. Session begins
7:45 p.m. Session ends

You are welcome to join us for all or any of our discussions! We ask that you please bring a Bible. The New American Bible, Revised Edition is recommended, but other translations are fine. **For March 8 please pre-read Jeremiah chapters 1-25 and for the March 22 session please pre-read Jeremiah chapters 26-52.**

To help us offer our best hospitality, please register for the program at: [bit.ly/otbclent20](http://bit.ly/otbclent20)

There is no fee for this program.

For more information please contact Bob Kolatorowicz at bobk@oldstpats.org or 312-831-9379.

About our co-facilitators …

Lorraine Kulpa is a member of Old St. Patrick’s Church, an art and travel enthusiast, a retired attorney, and recently completed her graduate studies in Biblical Spirituality at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago.

Bob Kolatorowicz directs the Adult Spirituality/Education Ministries at Old St. Patrick’s and after about thirty years thinks he might be getting the hang of it.

BETTER TOGETHER TRAVEL CLUB

**Spotlight on Santa Fe | October 18-23, 2020**

Love to travel to new and exciting places? Join us October 18 – 23, 2020. Per person rate Double $1,899 | Single $2,499 (land only). Join those 50 and better for an exciting week in Sante Fe because we’re BETTER TOGETHER!

The Better Together Travel Club, a new venture for OSP Encore, has planned a one-week visit to the oldest city in the US and one of the world’s top award-winning and most beloved destinations—four centuries of history and legend, ancient and modern cultures, a majestic outdoor world of recreation and adventure, vibrant visual and performing arts, culinary delights, revitalizing spas, and unique shopping. Expert local guides will provide in-depth knowledge as you enjoy a great time in the company of new friends.

For more information contact Judy Marshman, World Class Travel Ltd. at 630-515-1551 or email info@worldclasstravel.com
Encore: For Those 50 and Better

Inspiring Mind & Spirit Through Learning, Service & Fun

Alfreda Burke & Rodrick Dixon were the special guests of the Encore Cafe last Sunday

Mary Kay Slowikowski, Encore chairperson, started out by interviewing our guests with questions such as, "People often say, that if you can find something you really 'love' doing, it won't feel like work, but more like a privilege. Tell us about your singing careers and how it all started?" After some questions, we learned more about the work and souls of Alfreda and Rodrick. We then heard their PBS video made in England, and finally we listened to them both sing in person. We had 135 in attendance and gave three standing ovations! More than 20 Encore Board Members showed "radical hospitality" by greeting our guests, serving them, and helping them find their seats. It was an event where "our souls were touched" by the grace of Alfreda and Rodrick.

HOPE HOUSE
Sunday, March 14 | Noon | Hope House

Once again, Encore members will be serving lunch to the men at Hope House in the North Lawndale neighborhood.

Hope House is a residential program, designed to help equip and encourage men, striving to re-enter society after prison or recovery from substance abuse, to be productive men. Encore will provide the luncheon and serve the men. For further information, call Don Noe at 815-718-2768.

MASS & DINNER
Sunday, March 22 | After 5 pm Mass | Santorini's - 800 W. Adams

If you enjoy good food and good conversation, please join Encore when we gather for dinner at Santorini's in Greek Town immediately following the 5 pm Mass. Santorini's is located directly across the Kennedy from Old St. Pat's so those of us attending Mass can just walk across the bridge.

We will have our own area of the restaurant where we can order from the menu and pay individually. What a great way to usher in the Spring Season!

For more information, please contact Peggy McCarthy at mccarthypeggy1@gmail.com. Sign-ups are due by March 16 and you can register online at bit.ly/EncoreSantorini
CROSSROADS RUNNERS

We are “Dublin” our fun in 2020!

Crossroads Runners is taking the show on the road for the 2020 Dublin Marathon on October 25. Receive a hundred thousand welcomes from spectators lining the historic Georgian streets of Dublin, Ireland. It’s no wonder this flat, single-lap race is known internationally as the “friendly marathon.” After the race, we will head into the Irish countryside for sightseeing, relaxation and camaraderie. The trip dates are October 22 - 29.

The Chicago Marathon is October 11, 2020

This is YOUR year! Make a difference in your life and the lives of others! Crossroads Runners is one of Old St. Patrick’s outward expressions of living our faith through serving those in need. Whether you are a seasoned runner or are thinking about completing a marathon for the first time, you are invited to join our team and Crossroads will be with you every step of the way!

In addition to helping to eradicate poverty, adding meaning to your run, and joining a team of amazing, like-minded people, running the Chicago Marathon as a Crossroads Runner has its perks. We offer many fantastic benefits including free personalized training, clinics lead by experts of running, nutrition, and fundraising, and a VIP race day experience.

Contact crossroadsrunners@oldstpats.org for more information on both marathons!

WE ARE OSP PHOTOS OF THE WEEK
OSPNext hosted a Mardi Gras luncheon at the Boulevard!
Photos submitted by Beth Marek

OSPNext served traditional Cajun delights to the residents for Mardi Gras!

Melissa and her OSPnext Mardi Gras Kitchen Krewe at the Boulevard.
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, March 14**
8:30 am - 11:15 am
(Every second Saturday)

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

**Tuesday, March 10**
9 am - 12 pm
(Every Second Tuesday)

**Contact:**
Jim Holbrook
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**OSP BOOK CLUB**

Sunday, March 8 | 9:30 - 11 am | 711 W. Monroe, 3rd Floor Library

Join the OSP Book Club for their March gathering. The book this month is *The Death and Life of the Great Lakes* by Dan Egan. All are welcome to read the book and show up on March 8!

Questions? Contact Eileen Sutter at ehsutter@gmail.com

**MERIT SCHOOL OF MUSIC’S CONSERVATORY SPRING CONCERT**

Friday, April 24 | 7 pm | 625 W. Adams

West Loop neighbor and partner with OSP in the arts, Merit School of Music, will perform in our space at 625 W. Adams on Friday, April 24 at 7 pm. The theme for this varied and engaging concert program is “War and Peace” and it will feature a Brass Ensemble, Wind Symphony, Merit Philharmonic, and Voices of Merit & Perfect Cadence. It will conclude with a collaborative performance featuring Merit Philharmonic with two choirs and two soloists performing Vaughan Williams *Dona nobis pacem*.

The mission of the Men’s Group of Old St. Pat’s is simple, straightforward, and clear. It all begins with a handshake. Through fellowship, our mission is to reach out to build a strong community of men anchored in faith to serve the greater good of Old St. Pat’s, its members, and each other. We will build strong and lasting relationships so that we may help one another through our life’s journey and foster a deeper understanding of our relationship with God.

**Our Upcoming Events:**

March 26 | March Madness/Chili Cook-Off | 6 - 9 pm

May 14 | Salute to Service with featured speaker, Coach Troy MacAllister of Phillips Academy Chicago, IL
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.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

If you have ever wanted to dive a little deeper into what’s going on in the scriptures and the context behind the words in our sacred texts, join this group of young adults for weekly sessions before the 5 p.m. Mass at Old St. Pat's.

To sign up, follow this link: bit.ly/YAbiblestudyOSP

JOIN OUR THURSDAY NIGHT FAITH SHARING GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS!

Whether you have been part of a faith sharing/small group before or not, this group would welcome you to join them and check out what faith-sharing communities are all about. This Thursday group meets from 7-8:30 pm each Thursday night on the third floor of the Fr. Jack Wall Mission Center, 711 W. Monroe. For more information, contact kearac@oldstpats.org.

Free parking for this faith sharing group can be found in the garage at 625 W. Adams (entrance on DesPlaines street, press button on Old St. Pat's machine at the top of the ramp after 6 p.m. for pre-paid ticket).

MARCH BOOK CLUB

Monday, March 23 | 7 - 8:30 pm | The Book Cellar

For March, we are reading Lamb: The Gospel According to Biff, Christ's Childhood Pal by Christopher Moore. In this hilarious and bold novel, the acclaimed Moore shares the greatest story never told: the life of Christ as seen by his boyhood pal, Biff.

Newcomers are always welcome! Just read the book and show up.
Integrity - Accept No Substitution

In every aspect of our lives, whether it’s personal, work, social, spiritual or ethical, there is the proverbial “line in the sand”. Sometimes we draw it, other times it is drawn for us. It can be straight and other times undefined. Either way, the goal is not to cross this line which we call Integrity.

Please join us as we welcome the 56th Mayor of Chicago to the podium on March 6th. Ms. Lightfoot will address the issue of Integrity followed by a short Q & A.

Integrity -

Lori Lightfoot
Mayor of Chicago
Friday, March 6, 2020
Noon - 1:15pm

The Union League Club of Chicago*
65 West Jackson Blvd

Reserve Today; Limited Seating

Lunch Included

Members $45 / Non-Members $55

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

Reservations Close
Monday, March 2 @ 5pm

Questions?
Please contact:
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Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, “All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me.” At this, Jesus said to him, “Get away, Satan!” – Mt. 4:8-10a

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Readings: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Mass Remembrances: Bernard Francque (†), Donna Liberatore (†)

Book of Patrick: John Andersen, Celeste and Jim Boler, Mary Cantwell, Edward C. Grogan, Michael Kaczmarek, Lillian Andorfer Morley, Pauline Rossi, John and Anna Mae Schuch, John Stevenson, Linnea Rutkowski

Saturday, March 7, 2020

Readings: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22


Monday, March 2, 2020

Readings: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46

Mass Remembrances: Thomas J. Michael (†), Danny Emmett Cummings

Book of Patrick: Roberto D. Cruz, Sr., Mary Finnegan, A. D. Moyer, John D. Rosenkranz, Robert “Bob” Gallaway, Edward Joseph McMenamin

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

Readings: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [Jn 18b]/Mt 6:7-15

Mass Remembrances: Fernando Munilla (†), Becky Notaro (†)

Book of Patrick: Guiseppe Bruscoli, Virginia Cardello, William Cavanagh, Margaret A. Degenhardt, Patrick Devlin, Carmen Villareal de Parayuelos, Richard & Janeen Schmaedeke, Martin Hanifin, Thomas Joseph Coughlan, Jean Marascia Page

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Readings: Jn 3:1-10/Ps 31:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [Jn 19b]/Lk 11:29-32


Thursday, March 5, 2020

Readings: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cede-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12

(†) = Deceased

Book of Patrick: Geraldine Hanley Brennock, Colleen Burns, Susan Cadman, Rev. Patrick Dowd, Joanne Fermaint, Lisa Fitzsimmons, William Garippo, Kurt W. Huffman, Aloise B. Hyde, Evelyn M. Pavlick, Katherine E. Schramm
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.

Liturgy 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. FEBRUARY 29, 2020
Charles Jacobson & Colleen O’Hara

II. MARCH 7, 2020
NO WEDDINGS

II. MARCH 14, 2020
NO WEDDINGS

This Week at OSP E-Newsletter
Sign up for our weekly Friday morning e-newsletter to stay in the loop on everything happening in our community! Visit bit.ly/opensnewsletter to sign up.

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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.

SATURDAYS (Wedding Parking)
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.

Please refer to oldstpats.org/parking for more detailed parking information.