THANKSGIVING
AT OLD ST. PATRICK’S

THANKSGIVING MASS
Thursday, November 28 | 10 am
Celebrate all there is to be thankful for with friends and family at Old St. Patrick’s.

20th ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE
Canned and dried goods will go to our sister parish, St. Agatha’s in North Lawndale.

THE GIVING TREE BEGINS
Join the Old St. Patrick’s Outreach Group in making Christmas merrier for the thousands of men, women and children who benefit from the many Outreach programs supported by Old St. Patrick’s and staffed by numerous Old St. Pat’s volunteers. Please take an ornament from the Giving Tree and include a person in need on your Christmas list.

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“I am thankful for many things. First of all, I am thankful for the world, because without it we would be floating in outer space. Second of all, I am thankful for mom and dad and sister, because they help me. Last of all, I am grateful for nature because if we didn’t have nature it wouldn’t be pretty. I am thankful for all of these things.”

That’s what one of my bright, kind, adventuresome granddaughters wrote a few years ago (at age 6) in response to a school assignment. On Thanksgiving Day that year — with three generations of our family at the table — we read her words aloud as our blessing. As we did, I thought, “Naiya speaks for me!” Like her, I’m grateful for simple gifts:

• For the ground on which I stand — whether it’s the kind that grows greenery or the kind in which my soul can take root.

• For the people who’ve supported me — from those who know me well and love me nonetheless to strangers who offered help in a moment of need.

• For the natural world, which really does make things pretty — a beauty to which I often turn for solace, healing, inspiration, and peace.

The only way to keep a gift alive is to pass it along. So on Thanksgiving Day this year — in a world where so many have been deprived of so much — I’ll give thanks by finding more ways to share the abundance I’ve been given.

I’ll also re-read this Mary Oliver poem. If I could embrace the idea that “My work is loving the world” — and spend my days living more fully into that job description — I’d be giving thanks not just with my words but with my life.

### Messenger

by Mary Oliver

My work is loving the world.
Here the sunflowers, there the hummingbird —
equal seekers of sweetness.
Here the quickening yeast; there the blue plums.
Here the clam deep in the speckled sand.

Are my boots old? Is my coat torn?
Am I no longer young, and still not half-perfect? Let me keep my mind on what matters,
which is my work,

which is mostly standing still and learning to be astonished.
The phoebe, the delphinium.
The sheep in the pasture, and the pasture.
Which is mostly rejoicing, since all ingredients are here,

which is gratitude, to be given a mind and a heart and these body-clothes,
a mouth with which to give shouts of joy
to the moth and the wren, to the sleepy dug-up clam,
telling them all, over and over, how it is that we live forever.

*This was originally published on November 26, 2014 on onbeing.org.*
By Bernadette Gibson
for Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 28

Let your lives overflow with Thanksgiving...

Our celebration this day in the Eucharist is a call to return to the source of every gift, the God who gave Himself for us. It is the invitation to give thanks and be nourished as a family together. We are truly a blessed people. We are here to honor, with grateful hearts, what God has done for us. As we mature and grow in self-knowledge and in awe of God, our task is to interiorize the expression of gratitude, to live in deeper awareness of God’s presence and providence and His countless gifts.

In truth, many of us are more inclined to focus our attention on our discontents and our perceived insufficiencies throughout the day. And we glut ourselves with the tragic events and angry commentary read in newspapers and online, which only amplifies our negativity. Today’s celebration provides a pause, an opportunity to reflect on the countless blessings that are ours in this life and the mystery of divine providence actively at work in our life. Giving thanks is a vital and necessary part of our relationship with God. And that is because thankfulness, we discover, is a measure of faith. A measure of our dependence on God, and of our own humility.

Most of us know someone who is having a difficult time this Thanksgiving. The woman who is spending her first holiday as a widow. The father who lost his job and is worried about where he will find Christmas gifts for his children. Those friends and neighbors who are hurting or alone. Let’s offer a prayer of solidarity with them and send our gratitude for their persistence in Hope.

Sometimes thankfulness can be hard to express. My grandmother was wonderful at “thank-you” notes. I remember often receiving a note from her just thanking me for my company. The virtue of gratitude is the ability to express our thankful appreciation in word or deed, to the person whose words or actions have benefited us in some way. Fundamentally, cultivating the spirit of gratitude requires us to develop humility. We need to understand that everything that we have and everything that we are is a gift.

Today we celebrate Thanksgiving Day. It is a beautiful holiday. Jesus shows us the importance of giving thanks. By expressing gratitude, we overcome sadness, we cement relationships with each other and with God. Let us today, and everyday, remember the abundant mercies of God in our life, and the power of the present moment given to us to root us more deeply in God. I invite you to be grateful this day for your own goodness. Make this very day a kind of prayer. Beginning here, and now. Every beat of your heart affirms an unmistakable mystery: God has given us life. Extravagant, wonderful, painful, tumultuous, challenging life.

Let’s strive to remind ourselves of God’s blessings, wherever we find them, however they come to us. And to give thanks for them, every day, in every moment. Learning to Love is learning to Live. We are called to be a People of Thanksgiving. We are called to love and we as a staff are so grateful to be in the presence of you as Eucharistic people. Happy Thanksgiving!

Bernadette Gibson is the Director of Pastoral Care at Old Saint Patrick’s Church.
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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.

### OTHER WAYS TO GIVE:

- **Text to Give**
  - Text “Give” to (312) 535-0118 or scan the QR code using your phone camera, then follow the prompts to make a one-time or recurring gift.
  - Visit: careasy.org/old-st-patricks-church

## ALL'S I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

It's time for this year’s All’s I Want for Christmas Raffle! There are lots of great prizes this year like... airline tickets to Ireland, a Windy City Weekend with a two-night stay at the beautiful Hilton Chicago, a Chicago Cubs Game and Dinner, and an Old St. Pat’s Special events package. Tickets are 6/$100 and 1/$20.

Please visit bit.ly/DTH-2019 to purchase tickets!
Thanksgiving— a time of sharing when people come together around the table as a family and community. In celebration of this year’s holiday, we invite you to experience the joy of sharing a variety of gifts. Please join us for a special Thanksgiving Liturgy on Thursday, November 28 at 10 am in the Church. With joyful hearts, we begin the morning with a 20-minute prelude of American music, led by the Old St. Pat’s Choir.

We will then proceed to give thanks for the abundant blessings we have been given throughout the year. As a worshiping community that continues to gather in love around the table of the Lord, may we be reminded this day, we are called to serve one another and to give thanks for God’s unending blessings.

FOOD DRIVE: BE A PART OF THE THANKSGIVING DAY TRADITION
Thursday, November 28

Old St. Pat’s invites you to join us in our traditional food drive (canned and dry goods) for our Sister Sharing Parish — St. Agatha’s food pantry. Drop-off your donations in the truck outside the church. Share in the true meaning of the season by participating in the 18 year tradition of caring.

On behalf of those we serve, Outreach thanks you for your ongoing generosity and support!

Celebrating November as National Adoption Awareness Month
Adoption - Life’s Loving Choice

The Old St. Pat’s Adoption Group expresses sincerest thanks to our Guest Presenters at this year’s Adoption Journey Information Fair

* Gift of Adoption, Ngozi Okorafor
* HelpUsAdopt.org, Karen Sperber
* Noonday Collection, Jennifer Oltrogge
* Sheila Maloney, Attorney at Law
* Foster to Adopt, Susan Tomilo
* On Your Feet Foundation, Birthmothers Monica Tsikretsis and Rebeckah Gray
* Domestic and International Adoption: Joni & Bob Acamovic, Erin & Tom Swanborn, Joe & Bethany Beyer, Cynthia and Ed St. Peter

For more information on the Adoption Journey, contact: Cynthia & Ed St. Peter
MyOSP – Adoption Group Osp.ccbchurch.com
Join the Old St. Patrick’s Outreach group in making Christmas merrier for the thousands of men, women, and children who benefit from the many Outreach programs supported by Old St. Patrick’s and staffed by numerous Old St. Pat’s Volunteers.

Please take an ornament from the Giving Tree and include a person in need on your Christmas list. Unwrapped gifts, with the Giving Tree ornament firmly attached, may be brought to the Giving Tree truck in front of the church beginning November 28 (Thanksgiving) and on any Sunday through December 15, or to the Fr. Jack Wall Mission Center, 711 W. Monroe Street, Chicago, during the week.

The deadline for gifts to be contributed is Sunday, December 15. Contributions of wrapping paper and tape would be appreciated. This year, we will gladly accept cash donations if you would like us to shop for you! Everyone is welcome to join in the fun of the Outreach Wrapping Party from 6 - 8 pm on Sunday, December 15 in the Hughes Hall (following 5 pm Mass). What a great way to get into the holiday spirit as you help those in need. Meet new friends while enjoying Christmas cheer and refreshments! If you have any questions about the Giving Tree or wrapping party, contact Donna Kamuda at dgkamosp1@gmail.com, 312.636.9848 or Beth Marek at elizabethm@oldstpats.org, 312.831.9361.
For many people, a speeding ticket usually means a bit of embarrassment, a fine, or the inconvenience of appearing in court. But for those living in poverty, a speeding ticket can become a life-altering event.

In New Orleans, Donald lost his license years ago because he was caught speeding, could not pay the fine, and could not take off work to go to court. Contempt of court citations and unlicensed driving tickets quickly compounded the initial fine. Donald was losing hope that he could clear the backlog, get a better-paying job, and support his growing family while living right above the poverty level.

Thanks to your generosity to CCHD, the New Orleans Workers Center for Racial Justice (NOWCRJ) was able to provide Donald with the support he needed to change his situation. NOWCRJ hosted a clinic where Donald set up payment plans for his fines and got his license reinstated. Now Donald has a new job and has been able to save money to move into his own apartment. NOWCRJ is also working with the judicial system to reduce backlogs, expunge records, and change how penalties are issued. With your contributions, our brothers and sisters across the country are breaking out of the cycle of poverty.

To learn more about the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, visit www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

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An Advent Evening of Reflection
Wednesday, December 18 | Church and Hughes Hall, 700 W. Adams Street

Please join us for a very special and prayerful evening of reflection on the themes of the season. The evening begins in the Church with a Reconciliation Service that includes the opportunity for individual sacramental reconciliation. You are then invited to join us for a buffet dinner in Hughes Hall. Following our meal, we are most pleased to welcome renowned author, theologian, and storyteller Jack Shea as he leads us through new and inspiring reflections on the joys, challenges, and deepest meanings of Christmas.

"Christmas at Home: Meet Your Creche"
An Hour of Poetry and Song to Open our Hearts to the Christmas Spirit
led by Jack Shea

5:30 p.m.  Reconciliation Service in the Church
6:15 p.m.  Buffet Dinner in Hughes Hall
7:00 p.m.  Presentation in Hughes Hall

We hope you will join us for the entire evening, but please feel welcome to join us for any part of the evening. Registration and payment is required only for the buffet dinner.

Please register at: bit.ly/AdventEve2019

Dinner buffet: $12 per person | Cash bar Some free seating will be available for guests attending the presentation only (no dinner). And, of course, no registration is required for the Reconciliation Service.

OSP BOOK CLUB - DECEMBER
Sunday, December 8 | 9:30 - 11 am | 711 W. Monroe - Library

For the month of December, we are reading The Book of Joy by the Dalai Lama, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, and Douglas Abraham.

The OSP Book Club typically meets the second Sunday of each month, September to June, from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. This allows people to attend the 8 am or 11:15 am mass, and to attend book club. We gather in the library on the third floor of the 711 Building. For more information, contact Eileen Sutter at ehsutter@gmail.com

DIRECTOR OF YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Old St. Patrick’s Church is looking to hire a Director of Young Adult Ministry and Neighborhood Engagement who can lead relationship-based ministry focused on individuals in their 20’s and 30’s, with particular attention to increasing engagement with young adults living in and around the West Loop neighborhood.

This professional is responsible for the critical work of building bridges between those in their young adult years and the spiritual, intellectual, and community-focused aspects of the Catholic Tradition. If you are interested, please visit bit.ly/YAMinistryDirectorOSP to apply.
IʼM DREAMING OF A GREEN CHRISTMAS: CHRISTMAS NOTES FROM OSP CREATION CARE TEAM

“Less is more. A constant flood of new consumer goods can baffle the heart and prevent us from cherishing each thing and each moment.” - Pope Francis, Laudato Si

This Christmas, by acting with intention, we can live the message of Laudato Si and give the gift of a healthier planet to ourselves, our family, and our friends. We hope these ideas resonate with you and allow you to simplify your Christmas, while celebrating the blessings in your life and each moment of this joyous season.

- Slow down and allow yourself to say “No” to too many commitments. Focus on the things that should mean the most to us: exploring the deeper spiritual meaning of the season, experiencing the gradual return of light to our common home, and giving thanks for the rebirth of the child Jesus in our lives.
- Take an ornament or two from the Giving Tree at OSP and bring gifts for a person experiencing homelessness, a child with a serious illness, or a family struggling with income inequality.
- Donate to non-profits in a friend or family member’s name.
- Continue the Solidarity Market experience by shopping at the Chicago Fair Trade Holiday Pop up Shop at 2717 N. Clark. The shop features over 40 locally owned Fair Trade vendors, many familiar from our own Solidarity Market. Hours are 11 am - 6 pm in November, and 11 am - 7 pm in December; closed every Monday. The shop is open November 1 to December 23.
- Explore sustainable gift options that cut into the market for single use plastics. Reusable shopping bags, water bottles, produce bags, and metal straws are great ways to say no to single use plastics.
- Focus on experiences rather than consumer goods and shopping trips. Search out and attend a local holiday concert. Visit a nature center and join their holiday programming. Lincoln Park and Garfield Park Conservatories have spectacular free holiday plant displays. Enjoy Zoo lights at Brookfield and Lincoln Park zoos.
- Give a gift of time: offer help to family and friends with meal preparation, driving to appointments, babysitting, yard work, household chores, and running errands.
- Agree to a one gift rule so that both giver and receiver can focus on thoughtful giving.
- Share homemade gifts: cards the kids have decorated, a collection of family recipes, baked goods. Create homemade decorations: paper snowflakes for windows, popcorn strings for the tree.
- Reuse old Christmas cards and wrapping paper as gift tags. For a pop of color, wrap gifts in bright fabrics that can be used again and again. Newspapers, old maps, posters, and pages from books and magazines all make excellent gift wraps.

THE SUCCESS OF THE SOLIDARITY MARKET

Thanks to all who supported the Solidarity Market by giving gifts that give twice! Our spacious, light and bright space at 625 West Adams is a fantastic venue for the market. Unloading merchandise with no stairs to negotiate is a bonus for vendors. Market goers appreciated our famous OSP hospitality. Sales set a new record at over $40,000! Many families across the globe will have better lives thanks to your participation in this event.

OSP CREATION CARE TEAM WELCOMES YOU!

Are you interested in social justice and the environment? Want to be a faithful steward for our common home? Then join OSP Creation Care Team. For more information, contact Kayla Jackson at (312) 798-2399 or kaylaj@oldstpats.org
BETH KATSAROS WINTER COAT DRIVE - TODAY!
November 24, 2019

As we have our first day of snow and slush, we’re reminded of those for whom winter weather is especially difficult – even life-threatening.

As your family pulls out the winter wear and realizes some of it won’t be worn this season, please remember our Winter Coat Drive. We are hosting our drive on November 24, so that the recipient organizations can get the donations into the hands of those who need them before the weather gets too treacherous.

Today, in the FXW School Cafeteria, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., families are asked to donate coats, mittens, scarves and boots for the benefit of the families of needy families in the Chicago area.

This clothing drive is named in memory of Beth Katsaros, a champion of the less fortunate.

The Katsaros Family joined the OSP community in 1987. Beth, her husband Peter, and children Sarah, Matt, and Kathryn, as was their way in many aspects of their lives, became active participants immediately. They became involved in helping at the Block Party, in the FXW School, the Celebration of Life, and Clothing Drives, to name just a few of their commitments. Beth was one of the original Family Advisory Board members, responsible for creating faith opportunities for the families of Old St. Patrick’s Church. She served in this capacity until 1999.

Throughout her life, Beth was committed to non-for-profit work, education, and public housing. Upon learning of the assassination of a school-aged child from Cabrini Green who was on his way to school, Beth made it a point of going to see the principal of that school – Sojourner Truth. They established a close relationship, and it became Beth’s mission to help out the school in whatever way she could. She began by raising money for their Drum Corps which desperately needed uniforms and instruments. Appealing to the OSP community, Beth was able to raise the needed monies and eventually bring the students here to gift us with their music during mass. Soon afterwards, Beth and Dee Leonard began collecting coats and winter clothing for the Sojourner Truth School families. Beth’s efforts to help those in need continue to this day.

She departed this life January 20, 2001.

Beth’s passion, service, and activism live on in so many, many different ways. Unfortunately the Sojourner Truth School is now closed, but the need for winter coats extends throughout Chicagoland, and we will continue to donate to them in Beth’s honor.

Please look through your closets to see if you might have any winter coats, boots, etc. which you might be able to share. Collections will be taken ONLY in the FXW School Cafeteria.

Please contact Beth Marek at elizabethm@oldstpats.org with any questions.

Many thanks for your generosity and for helping to continue Beth Katsaros’s mission to share life and love, remembering that “family” extends beyond the people living within our own four walls.
ENCORE: FOR THOSE 50 AND BETTER

Inspiring Mind & Spirit Through Learning, Service & Fun

ENCORE IDEAS FEST – SAVE THE DATE
Sunday, January 19, 2020 | 11:00am – 2:00pm | 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 several speakers and workshops.

“Disrupt Aging. Be Resilient” - Mary Kay Slowikowski
"Bonus Life - Living a New Adult Life Stage" - Kate Coughlin
“Laughing Wellness” - Sherry Avila

MEET OUR SPEAKERS:

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 10 Reinvention Seminars at the Church and now she is back with "Disrupt Aging, Be Resilient" for Encore Ideas Fest on January 19.

Kate Coughlin 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 Tzouroukis. Sherry received a Laughter Leader Certificate (2013) and a Teacher Certificate (2016) from Lynda Tzouroukis. 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.

Register at: bit.ly/ideasfest2020
“Most Christians think that Advent is preparation for the ‘birth of Jesus,’ but we cannot prepare for a past event. It is also not simply the preparation for his annual ‘birthday.’ Rather, this season is an intense rehearsal of what Christian living is supposed to be each day: paying attention to the sacred revelations and surprising Incarnations that the Holy One springs on us each day. Every day of our lives ... every moment of our lives is a potential ‘divine ambush.’ Advent is a four week intensive that each year re-certifies us ... recalibrates Christians for detecting God’s unpredictable yet constant reincarnating in the world.”

Join Us For More Speakers at the Podium...
January 10
Rev. Father Charles Rubey,
Founder & Director of Catholic Charities’ LOSS (LOVING OUTREACH to SURVIVORS of SUICIDE)
**OSP ONLINE MEDITATION CHAPEL**

Have you ever wanted to participate in a small faith community, but schedule and fighting traffic kept you from doing so? Have you found it difficult to stay faithful to a meditation practice or regular prayer? If so, you might find OSP’s new online meditation chapel a helpful resource. You can learn all about it at [www.contemplativecommunity.org](http://www.contemplativecommunity.org).

Chapels are hosted by trained leaders Mondays – Thursdays and Saturdays each week. 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. 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 one hour long and takes place in two parts. You are welcome to stay for part or all of the experience. 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 scripture and simple faith sharing.

For many of us, this time in community binds us together in love. In order to foster a respectful and supportive community, we need to be especially sensitive to each other. We observe these guidelines for effective sharing. Know you are always welcome and can come and go as you are able.

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**OCTOBER BAPTISMS**

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

~ Matthew 28: 19-20

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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
Sunday, December 8 | 6 pm - 7:45 pm | Hughes Hall

Join us in December as we celebrate the holidays with a good old-fashioned Christmas movie! We’ll have pizza, popcorn... and of course some fun beverages, too.

These 2nd-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!

OSP NEXT ZOO LIGHTS NIGHT
Friday, December 13 | 6 - 9 pm | Lincoln Park Zoo

Save the date for Zoo Lights Night! More information is coming soon.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP
Sundays through December 22 | 3:45 - 5 pm | 711 W. Monroe

Come join Bible Study through Old St. Pat’s! We are a coed group seeking to gain greater spiritual insight and understanding through studying and discussing weekly scripture. We will be reading the Sunday Gospels leading up to and progressing through Advent. Since our group meets right before 5 pm Mass, this is a great opportunity to focus on the upcoming Gospel and engage with the homily. If you are interested in deepening your faith in a supportive environment before this Christmas season, this is the place for you.

We hope that you’re able to join us! Register here: bit.ly/YAbiblestudyOSP
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, December 14
8:30 am - 11:15 am
(Every second Saturday)
Contact: Mary Beth Riley
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or 630-655-9447

Tuesday, December 10
9 am - 12 pm
(Every Second Tuesday)
Contact: Jim Holbrook
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WTTW Firsthand

Gun Violence

5 Chicagoans surviving gun violence and fighting back

Watch their stories:
WTTW.com/firsthand

FIRSTHAND is a multiplatform initiative from WTTW, in partnership with The Trace.

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Chicago's Annual Homeless Persons' Memorial

In the shadows of the Magnificent Mile...

Our brothers and sisters without homes...

Are losing the struggle for their lives.

They will not go unremembered.
Please join us.

December 17, 2019
As we approach the longest night of the year, we honor them.

6:30 PM
Old St. Patrick's Church
700 W. Adams St.
Chicago, IL

For more information:
312-226-9184 or www.ispretreats.org
Facebook: Chicago Homeless Memorial
As they approached to offer him wine they called out, “If you are King of the Jews, save yourself.” – Lk 23:35-37

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, “He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God.” Even the soldiers jeered at him.

**Women and Men of Faith**

**Saint Catherine of Alexandria**

(d. c. 310)

**Saint Catherine of Alexandria’s Story**

According to the Legend of St. Catherine, this young woman converted to Christianity after receiving a vision. At the age of 18, she debated 50 pagan philosophers. Amazed at her wisdom and debating skills, they became Christians—as did about 200 soldiers and members of the emperor’s family. All of them were martyred.

Sentence to be executed on a spiked wheel, Catherine touched the wheel and it shattered. She was beheaded. Centuries later, angels are said to have carried the body of Saint Catherine to a monastery at the foot of Mt. Sinai.

Devotion to her spread as a result of the Crusades. She was invoked as the patroness of students, teachers, librarians and lawyers. Catherine is one of the 14 Holy Helpers, venerated especially in Germany and Hungary.

**Reflection**

The pursuit of God’s wisdom may not lead to riches or earthly honors. In Catherine’s case, this pursuit contributed to her martyrdom. She was not, however, foolish in preferring to die for Jesus rather than live only by denying him. All the rewards that her tormentors offered her would rust, lose their beauty, or in some other way become their tormentors. She was beheaded.

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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 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

May the winds of heaven dance between you.

I. NOVEMBER 23, 2019
Elizabeth Erazmus & John Callinan
Elizabeth Slawin & Neil Trainor
Casey E. Coker & Daniel W Sawyers

II. NOVEMBER 30, 2019
NO WEDDINGS

III. DECEMBER 7, 2019
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.
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.