



The CROSSROADS

Old St. Patrick's Bulletin

A Catholic Community in Chicago's West Loop

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

Then Jesus said to her
in reply, "O woman,
great is your faith!
Let it be done for you
as you wish." And the
woman's daughter was
healed from that hour.

- Matthew 15:28

20th SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 7 AM,
9 AM (livestream),
11 AM,
5 PM (livestream),
& 8 PM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 12:10 PM
Tuesday: 12:10 PM
Wednesday: 12:10 PM (livestream)
Thursday: 12:10 PM
Friday: 12:10 PM

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 11:30 AM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

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EVENT	DATE TIME LOCATION	CONTACT
<i>Monday Evening Rosary Prayer Group</i>	August 21 6:00 PM Zoom	Beth Marek elizabethm@oldstpats.org
<i>Individual Reconciliation</i>	August 23 11:30 AM OSP Church	Dominic Trumfio liturgy@oldstpats.org
<i>Monday Evening Rosary Prayer Group</i>	August 28 6:00 PM Zoom	Beth Marek elizabethm@oldstpats.org
<i>Northside Book Club</i> <i>(formerly Encounter Book Club)</i>	August 28 6:30 PM The Book Cellar 4736 N Lincoln Ave	Rachelle Lindo rachelle.lindo@gmail.com
<i>Immigrant and Refugee Ministry</i> <i>Monthly Meeting</i>	August 28 6:30 PM Zoom	Maureen Hellwig maureen.hellwig@gmail.com
<i>Individual Reconciliation</i>	August 30 11:30 AM OSP Church	Dominic Trumfio liturgy@oldstpats.org

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<i>Monday Evening Rosary Prayer Group</i>	September 4 6:00 PM Zoom	Beth Marek elizabethm@oldstpats.org
<i>Encounter Young Adult's</i> <i>Women Spirituality Faith Sharing</i>	September 5 7:30 PM 711 W Monroe	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Individual Reconciliation</i>	September 6 11:30 AM OSP Church	Dominic Trumfio liturgy@oldstpats.org
<i>Encounter Young Adult</i> <i>Baseball Night</i>	September 7 6:30 PM Wrigley Field	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Monday Evening Rosary Prayer Group</i>	September 11 6:00 PM Zoom	Beth Marek elizabethm@oldstpats.org
<i>Individual Reconciliation</i>	September 13 11:30 AM OSP Church	Dominic Trumfio liturgy@oldstpats.org
<i>OSP Men's Group Pig Roast</i>	September 14 6:00 PM OSP Courtyard	mensgroup@oldstpats.org
<i>Monday Evening Rosary Prayer Group</i>	September 18 6:00 PM Zoom	Beth Marek elizabethm@oldstpats.org
<i>Individual Reconciliation</i>	September 20 11:30 AM OSP Church	Dominic Trumfio liturgy@oldstpats.org

SAVE THE DATE

MEMBER APPRECIATION DAY

Old St. Patrick's Church
After the 9 am, 11 am, &
5 pm Masses

ACTIVITIES:

- Music
- Ice Cream, Donuts, and Coffee
After 9 & 11 AM
- Pizza and Beverages
After 5 PM
- Arts and Crafts Table
- Banner for First Responders in Honor of 9/11
- myOSP Hub & Prizes



We hope you will plan on joining us after Mass on
Sunday, September 10 for the Old St. Patrick's
Fall Member Appreciation Day.



For more information, please visit
oldstpats.org/memberappreciation



SAVE THE DATE

We hope you can join us for our 36th Emerald Ball - a fundraiser celebrating friendships, family and faith on Friday, October 27, 2023 at the Hilton Chicago. This year we are thrilled to be honoring Fr. Tom Hurley and Katie Nee Hobbs & Mike Hobbs! Tickets will go on sale at the end of August. For more information about the event or sponsorship, visit our website at oldstpats.org/emeraldball



Honoring
Fr. Tom Hurley

Heart of the Crossroads
Award Recipients
Katie Nee Hobbs
& Mike Hobbs

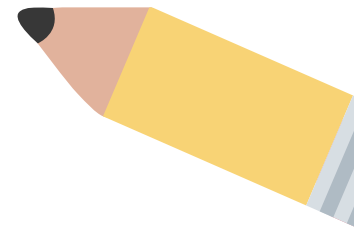
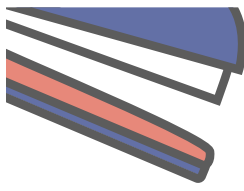
• **SAVE** *the* **DATE** •

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023 • SIX-THIRTY IN THE EVENING


Hilton Chicago
Reception • Dinner • Dancing
Cocktail Chic Attire

Entertainment provided by Becca Kaufman Orchestra

Emerald Ball
OLD ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH



TODAY!



Children's Place
ASSOCIATION


**ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL
BACKPACK AND SUPPLIES DRIVE**

Sunday, August 20th after all Masses

NEEDS: #2 pencils	Colored pencils	Washable Markers
Glue sticks	Crayons - box of 24	Tissue Boxes
Glue Bottles	Spiral Notebooks	Wipes
Child safety scissors	NoteCards	Wide lined paper
Plastic Pocket folders (any color)	Rulers	Wide lined notebooks
Backpacks (ages 5-7)	Pink Erasers	Blue or black pens
Colored construction paper		Hard Pencil Cases

Thank you for your interest in donating to our annual back to school backpack and school supplies to a child in need. Your donation will help a child successfully prepare for the 2023-2024 school year!

Thank you for caring and sharing!
Beth Marek, Director of Outreach
elizabethm@oldstpats.org, 312.831.9361





RCIA

September 12

"COME AND SEE."

These are the words Jesus used when some of his earliest followers wanted to know who Jesus was and what he was doing. And so it is that the Old St. Pat's community invites people who are curious about Jesus, about Christianity, and about Catholicism to 'come and see' through our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The RCIA (also known as the OCIA) is a community experience of learning, reflection, prayer, discussion, and discernment - all hosted by leaders and members of Old St. Pat's who are excited to accompany you on your journey, help host space for your questions, and support you as you listen for where the Holy Spirit is calling you.

If you are interested in joining us for our Introductory Session on Tuesday evening, **SEPTEMBER 12**, please visit bit.ly/OSP_RCIA or search "RCIA" on our website: oldstpats.org.

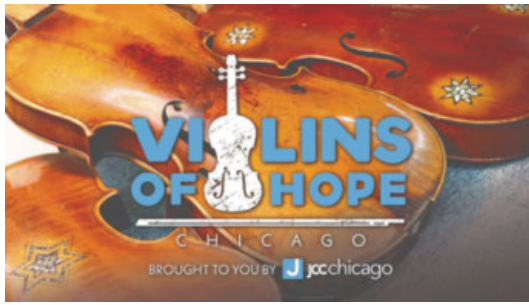
Are you interested in singing in the 30th annual **DECK THE HALL CONCERT?**

*If you love to sing, have experience singing in a choir,
and can learn your own vocal part, this may be a good fit!*

**Auditions are required for all—new and prior, novices and experts—and
are held on September 5, 7, and 9. Sign up is required.**

*for more information or to schedule an audition, contact our Director of Music
Mark Scozzafave at marks@oldstpats.org*





**THE INTERFAITH FAMILY SCHOOL
INVITES THE OSP COMMUNITY
TO A VERY SPECIAL EVENT,
CELEBRATING OUR 30TH ANNIVERSARY!**

September 6 | 7:30PM | Old St Patrick's Church

The Interfaith Family School invites the OSP community to a very special event, celebrating our 30th Anniversary Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 7:30pm in Old St. Patrick's Church. Kathleen Brauer and Qing Hou (violins), Lawrence Neuman (viola), and Mark Brandfonbrener (cello), will perform works composed in the Terezin Concentration Camp on instruments rescued from the Holocaust.

Reservations are \$5 each and will be available at 9am, Monday August 21 at www.oldstpats.org
Sponsored by the Family School with appreciation for Old St. Patrick's hosting of our interfaith education program since 1993.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

JOIN US FOR

THE 6TH ANNUAL OSP MEN'S GROUP PIG ROAST



Thursday, Sept. 14th at 6 PM

OLD ST PAT'S COURTYARD
ADAMS AND DESPLAINES

\$35 PER PERSON

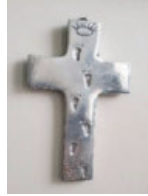
Includes Pork/Chicken Dinner & 3 Sides
Beer, wine, soda and water

(\$40.00 paid at the door)

ALL MEN WELCOME ... 21 & over

Questions? Email: mensgroup@oldstpats.org





“Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.” Mt 15:26

As Jews, Jesus and his early followers were confident that God’s reward was meant for them – God’s chosen people. But as word got out about what Jesus was saying and offering, it was a challenge for Jesus and his followers to understand for whom God’s Mercy and Love was meant. Biblical scholars cite this Gospel reading and a few others as the impetus for Jesus to embrace the people beyond the Jewish community. What was the faith that Jesus so admired in the woman and why did this compel him to answer her plea? He had just called her a dog scrounging around God’s children! She did not deny her title of ‘dog’ but instead pointed out that even dogs find dignity. Her faith was in the dignity of her daughter and what her daughter deserved – life, health, and hope!

Our immigrants and refugees have this same kind of faith. There is no denial of their marginalized status but nothing others do or say to them will take away their faith in the dignity their children deserve, and they deserve. By virtue of being a child of God, a holy creation, they know the dignity granted to them by God. It includes food, water, shelter, health, safety, employment, and education. There are many ways to be Jesus who says to them “Let it be done as you wish.” Your support of our ministry is one way. Below we list other opportunities to ‘let it be done’ in action or through advocacy. And when you ponder where God wants you to go, be awed by the faith of the migrants who show us what dignity should look like.

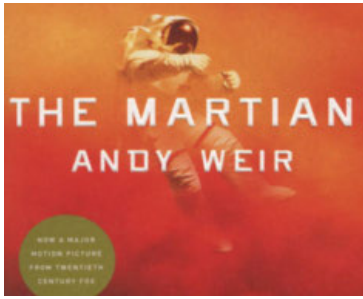
- ICDI (Illinois Community for Displaced Immigrants) has begun management of the shelter in the Loop and is providing case management for two police stations in the Loop. They are welcoming volunteers; to volunteer, visit icdichicago.org/volunteer
- The police stations still need meal deliveries. You can sign up for the volunteer organization that delivers meals to the police stations at bit.ly/ResponseTeamVolunteer
- Urge Congress to support the Vulnerable Immigrant Youth Act and ensure communities have access to immigrant religious workers. Visit the Action Center Page at the USCCB's [votervoicenet](http://votervoicenet.org) and take action: bit.ly/ProtectVulnerableYouth
- Tell President Biden: NO FAMILY DETENTION / Dile al presidente Biden: NO A LA DETENCIÓN DE FAMILIAS - Action Network <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-president-biden-no-family-detention>
- Lawmakers Push Biden for Earlier Green Card Applications (bloomberglaw.com) news.bloomberglaw.com/daily-labor-report/lawmakers-push-biden-to-let-immigrants-seek-green-cards-earlier



September 30th | 9:00 AM | 3750 W Ogden Ave.

We invite you to join the Old St. Patrick's Community for the Lawndale 5k on Saturday, September 30th to raise funds for the Lawndale Christian Fitness Center. There will be prizes, food, and kinship with our neighbors! For race information and to sign up visit: bit.ly/Lawndale5K





NORTHSIDE BOOK CLUB (FORMERLY ENCOUNTER BOOK CLUB)

August 28 | 6:30 PM | 4736 N Lincoln Ave

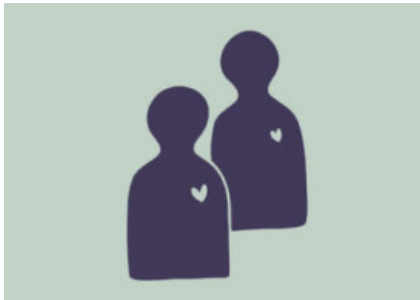
The Northside Book Club (formerly the Encounter Book Club) will be reading *The Martian* by Andy Weir. We will be meeting on August 28th at the Book Cellar in Lincoln Square, from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM.



YOU ARE NOT ALONE (YANA) DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

September 10 | 10:30 AM | Zoom

Old St Pat's Divorce Support Group (YANA) is a networking group which gives one a chance to talk with other men and women who are separated or divorced which meets every 2nd Sunday of the month. Topics of importance are discussed for those seeking to heal during and after one of life's most difficult transitions. Peer facilitated by those who have been there and simply wish to listen and offer encouragement. Please contact Doreen Oleszczuk at doreenoles@yahoo.com for additional information and Zoom link.



SAVE THE DATE: NEXT COUPLES MINISTRY EVENTS

September 23 and November 11

Need an excuse for a date night? Want a little time to connect with your significant other? Looking for a chance to meet other fantastic OSP couples? Then mark your calendars for our upcoming Couples Ministry events taking place the evenings of Saturday, September 23 and Saturday, November 11. All long-term committed couples are invited! Registration info coming soon!



Worktour Sharing

Sunday, August 27th

10: 00am -11:15am

625 W Adams

**Family, friends, and OSP
community are welcome.
Hope to see you there!**



FOUNDATIONS YOUTH MINISTRY



WORK TOUR REFLECTIONS

St Louis, Missouri

WORKTOUR REFLECTION

By Lena Valenti, a rising senior at the University of Chicago Laboratory School

Over the past three years of high school, going on Worktour with the other Foundations teens has become my favorite week of the year. Although we are traveling to serve others, I have always returned to Chicago and the Old St. Pat's community each summer having gained more than I could ever imagine receiving from my own acts of service. Often at the beginning of the worktour journey, we bring up the idea of a "thin place" or a small moment where you feel God's presence in an unexpected way. This year in St. Louis, being able to work alongside many other rising seniors and upperclassmen, my thin places appeared in the many moments of childlike joy that we were blessed to experience. From getting to play with animals at an urban farm to wearing funny traffic jackets while weeding, I discovered that when personal joy is found within the service you do, the communion between the people serving and those being served is far stronger than ever imaginable.

Growing up at Old St. Pat's, I have experienced many moments of childlike joy, such as singing with the choir on Christmas Eve, and seeing the Easter Bunny on Easter Sunday. None of these experiences match the intensity and appreciation I have for the moments of joy that I experienced in St. Louis. Our worksite in St. Louis was an urban farm called New Roots, located in the northern part of the city, across from a prison for young incarcerated boys. On our first day, it was cloudy and drizzling (horrible conditions for pulling weeds), but our supervisor was more than happy to lead us regardless of the weather. As he shared about his work, he told us that we could best serve if we came with the mindset of being ready to help him and to work in collaboration with him to make a difference. Only then—when both our community and his worked in conjunction with one another—both sides could be served in ways that lifted them up. Although the rainy clouds didn't lift as he spoke, something shifted in the air, and regardless of who we were or where we came from, the drive to work and the pure enjoyment in just being at the farm came alive within all of us. We were thankful for Antwon, our supervisor and newfound collaborator.

Although we did an immense amount of work for Antwon and the farm, pulling weeds for hours, planting countless seeds, and taking care of his many animals, I believe he did far more for all twenty-six of us. By encouraging us to jump in the muddy puddles, get dirty, and even giving us bubbles to play with, he gave us a piece of our childhood back and let many of us highschoolers experience the pure, simple joys of childhood one last time before we began focusing on college and our adult lives. The opportunity he gave us to feed his bunnies, his ducks, and his chickens was a great help to him, but allowed us to return back to our childhood memories of petting animals and watching their every move with awe and adoration.

Similarly, on our first day in St. Louis, we had the opportunity to serve at an old cemetery where deceased former slaves had been buried. The cemetery had suffered greatly from a storm earlier in the week so we picked up fallen trees and leftover sticks. We served the family owners by cleaning up and improving the appearance of the site greatly, but through this collaboration, they served us in return by allowing us to run around the big fields, ride in the wheelbarrows, and act like kids again, throwing sticks into the huge piles, and laughing throughout the whole experience.

Our group had traveled to St. Louis for the purpose to serve those who needed it, but through the experience, it became more and more apparent to me that that was only a sliver of what this experience could bring. Since we were able to and encouraged to chase those moments of childlike joy, the service was not a one sided relationship, but a communion between communities. In serving, we were also being served. We hadn't traveled the six hour drive to only work in a community. We traveled to create a meaningful and holy connection, and to feel God's presence in all the little places where each of us needed it the most.





JOIN ENCOUNTER'S LEADERSHIP TEAM

Calling all leaders! If you are interested in volunteering for Encounter's Leadership Team, scan the QR code below and fill out the Interest Form by August 20th. There are a variety of positions open and they are a 1 year commitment starting September 2023 and ending August 2024.



If you have any questions, please reach out to Brenda at brendac@oldstpats.org. We hope to have you join our team!



YOUNG ADULT SMALL GROUPS

August 6 and August 20
After 5:00 PM Mass | OSP Rectory

Young Adult Small Groups will meet TONIGHT!
Join us after the 5 pm Mass in the Rectory. Open to ages 18-39.



PNEUMA LGBTQ+ FAITH SHARING

August 8 and August 12 |
Contact for Details



Pneuma is an inclusive and affirming faith sharing group for LGBTQ+ members.

For details or questions, please contact Brenda Chavez at brendac@oldstpats.org

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY

August 15 | 7:00 PM |
711 W. Monroe



Encounter hosts a space for all women-identified folks on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month.



JOB OPPORTUNITY AT OLD ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Old St. Patrick's Church is hiring a Development Coordinator.

If you are interested in applying to the position, please send your resume and cover letter to **jobs@oldstpats.org**

Scan the QR code to read the full job description.



A SUMMER OF FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE | ONLINE CHAPEL

Please join us for some sacred silence and reflective reading in a welcoming community of fellow seekers. It is a path to deepen your relationship with God and so expand your capacity to live with greater faith, hope and love.

Register at bit.ly/OnlineChapel to receive the Zoom link to participate. For further details about the experience go to www.contemplativecommunity.org



Giving to Old St. Patrick's Church

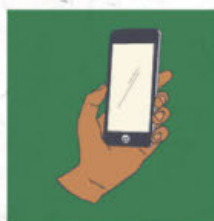


Mail a check, made payable to:

Old St. Pat's,
711 W. Monroe St.
Chicago, IL 60661



Scan this QR code and follow the prompts



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



Drop a check in the Sunday collection basket



To make a gift of stock, please contact:

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

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



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



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

Thank you for your generosity!



Mass Schedule

Sunday

7 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m., and 8 p.m.

Weekday

Monday 12:10 p.m.

Tuesday 12:10 p.m.

Wednesday 12:10 p.m.

Thursday 12:10 p.m.

Friday 12:10 p.m.

Reconciliation

Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m., 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 liturgy@oldstpats.org to learn more about training, scheduling, and serving.

Weddings

If you are engaged and would like to be married at Old St. Patrick's Church, please contact Jo Ann O'Brien, wedding scheduler/coordinator, at weddings@oldstpats.org or 312.831.9383

The Baptismal Program & Schedule

To schedule a baptism, please contact Tammy Roeder at baptisms@oldstpats.org or 312.798.2350

Low-gluten Host

Old St. Pat's has low-gluten hosts available for those members who, for health reasons, could not receive regular Communion hosts. If you would like to receive a low-gluten host, please contact Dominic Trumfio at dominict@oldstpats.org

Sign-Language Interpreter

As we seek to be more flexible to the various and shifting needs of the Deaf community of Old St. Patrick's, we are introducing a system of providing interpreters by request. As there will no longer be an interpreter on a regular basis at any one Mass, we welcome your requests for a sign language interpreter at the 10 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, please contact Dominic Trumfio at dominict@oldstpats.org

Old St. Patrick's Website

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

Wedding Schedule

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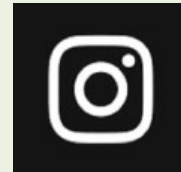
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Old St. Pat's Podcast

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

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

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Sunday, August 20, 2023

Readings: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/
Mt 15:21-28

Mass Remembrances:

7am: James O'Connor (†), Brendan Ward (†)
9am: Mary Shannon, Donna Wollenberg (†)
11am: Kenneth Monarrez,
Col. James and Charlotte Murtha (†),
Vincent Whelton (†)

5pm: Steve Woods (†), John Romano (†)
8pm: Michael Pruitt (†), Michael Rosario Costa (†)

Book of Patrick: Mary Walsh O'Neill, Thomas G. Healy,
Donna Doyle O'Doherty, Michael Robert De Salvo,
Paulette Mulligan, John & Patricia Andersen, Michael Koller,
Sam DiMartino, John J. Collins, Judith-Marie Bergan,
Virginia Walther, Catherine Berney, Dennis Eslick,
Patricia McInerney, Barbara Locke, Theresa Cecelia Coghlan

Monday, August 21, 2023

Readings: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/
Mt 19:16-22

Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: Veronika Tatarin (†)

Book of Patrick: Bob and Jeanne Crossen,
Francis & Mary Point, John T. Rowan,
Howard & Rosemarie Sullivan,
Thomas & Elizabeth Gannon,
Arthur & Dolores Danowski, Florence Siuda,
Aurora Mata, Billy Sullivan, Ray & Geri Brennock

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

Readings: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:3, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: Lisa McLaughlin (†)

Book of Patrick: Richard & Bernice McKillip,
Martha H. Butler, George Matheson, Mary Shea,
James Woodrow Family, Florence Siuda

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

Readings: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: Michael Maloy (†), Theodore McNeilly (†)

Book of Patrick: Margaret McNally, Robert W. Schoeffler,
James Bowler, Jim & Chris Purinton, John M. Dullovan Family,
Callista P. Wicklander, Milica Brkic, Edward Weinheimer,
Frank & Helen Piwowar, Edward Hogarty, Danny Sullivan

Thursday, August 24, 2023

Readings: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: Rita C Damko (†)

Book of Patrick: Rudolph Melchiorre, James E. Hayes,
Tom Camden, Eileen McCarthy, Dorothy McHugh Meyers,
Robert & Sarah O'Keefe, Terence Shea Family, Marc Guerino,
Private First Class Julie Shanahan, Angelica Shanahan

(†) = Deceased

Friday, August 25, 2023

Readings: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/
Mt 22:34-40

Book of Patrick: Alicia Hughes, Lisa Kearns Lanz,
Bob Geraty, Harry Sullivan, Dolores Mick,
Frank & Beth Wall, Robert Collins,
Gloria Jean Dorn, John Barney

Saturday, August 26, 2023

Readings: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Mt 23:1-12

Book of Patrick: Therese R. Vincent,
Terrence J. Costello, Mary O'Leary McMahon,
James McGowan, Ervin A. Stefanik, Christa Vrabel,
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Mulcrone, Daniel Robert Golden,
Clarence Wodrich, Basil Libovicz, Donald E. Swibes Sr,
Nancy Elizabeth McGowan

Sunday, August 27, 2023

Readings: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/
Mt 16:13-20

Mass Remembrances:

7am: Derrick Echols (†), Kathy Kane (†)
9am: Richard McAvoy (†), Brian Lisula (†)
11am: Anthony Joseph Zack (†), Robert Beh (†)
5pm: Perry Petrich (†), John Brennan (†)
8pm: Robert Donatelli (†), Vicente Almeda (†)

Book of Patrick: Francis Xavier Brogan, Grace Price,
Judge Frank & Mary D. Crowe, Vita & Eugene Marchlewski,
Carl & Dorothy Moe, The Catholic Community of St. Monica,
Marlene Myers, Jim and Mary Finnegan, Margaret C. Basile,
Michael & Eileen Nolan

Prayer Requests

For Those Who Are Sick

Annie Calteaux, Estelle Disselhorst,
Gene Semmelhack, Ed Moore

For Those Who Have Died

Marge Nykaza, Susan Duffy, Mike Dougherty,
Kathy Marconi Kane, Roger Conrad, RoseAnn Higgins

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

*Jesus, we thank You for the gift of education.
As our children adapt to a new and exciting
year of learning, may Your joy be their strength!
We pray they would meet each day with positivity
knowing that whatever comes their way,
they do not have to face it alone.
In Jesus' name, Amen.*

Women and Men of Faith

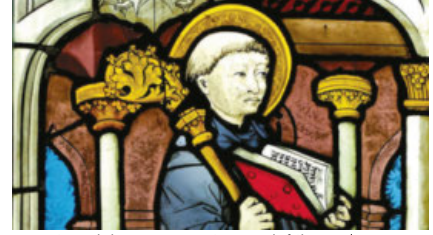


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Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

Saint of the Day for August 20, 2023

Man of the century! Woman of the century! You see such terms applied to so many today—"golfer of the century," "composer of the century," "right tackle of the century"—that the line no longer has any punch. But Western Europe's "man of the twelfth century," without doubt or controversy, had to be Bernard of Clairvaux. Adviser of popes, preacher of the Second Crusade, defender of the faith, healer of a schism, reformer of a monastic Order, Scripture scholar, theologian, and eloquent preacher: any one of these titles would distinguish an ordinary man. Yet Bernard was all of these—and he still retained a burning desire to return to the hidden monastic life of his younger days.

In the year 1111, at the age of 20, Bernard left his home to join the monastic community of Citeaux. His five brothers, two uncles, and some 30 young friends followed him into the monastery. Within four years, a dying community had recovered enough vitality to establish a new house in the nearby valley of Wormwoods, with Bernard as abbot. The zealous young man was quite demanding, though more on himself than others. A slight breakdown of health taught him to be more patient and understanding. The valley was soon renamed Clairvaux, the valley of light.

His ability as arbitrator and counselor became widely known. More and more he was lured away from the monastery to settle long-standing disputes. On several of these occasions, he apparently stepped on some sensitive toes in Rome. Bernard was completely dedicated to the primacy of the Roman See. But to a letter of warning from Rome, he replied that the good fathers in Rome had enough to do to keep the Church in one piece. If any matters arose that warranted their interest, he would be the first to let them know.

Shortly thereafter it was Bernard who intervened in a full-blown schism and settled it in favor of the Roman pontiff against the antipope.

The Holy See prevailed on Bernard to preach the Second Crusade throughout Europe. His eloquence was so overwhelming that a great army was assembled and the success of the crusade seemed assured. The ideals of the men and their leaders, however, were not those of Abbot Bernard, and the project ended as a complete military and moral disaster.

Bernard felt responsible in some way for the degenerative effects of the crusade. This heavy burden possibly hastened his death, which came August 20, 1153.

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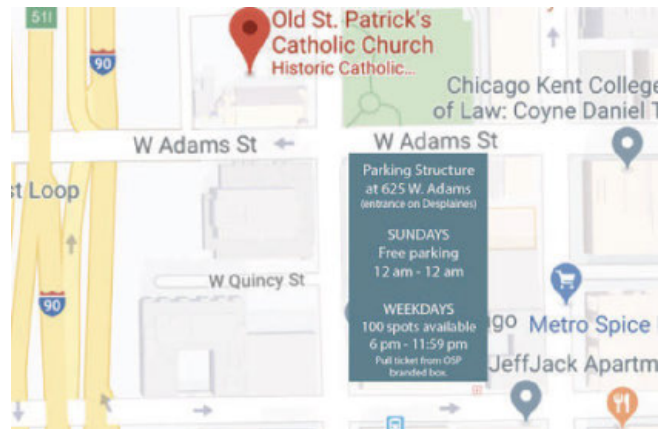
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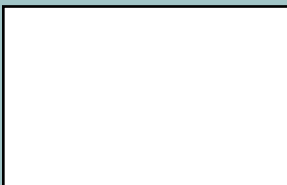

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