

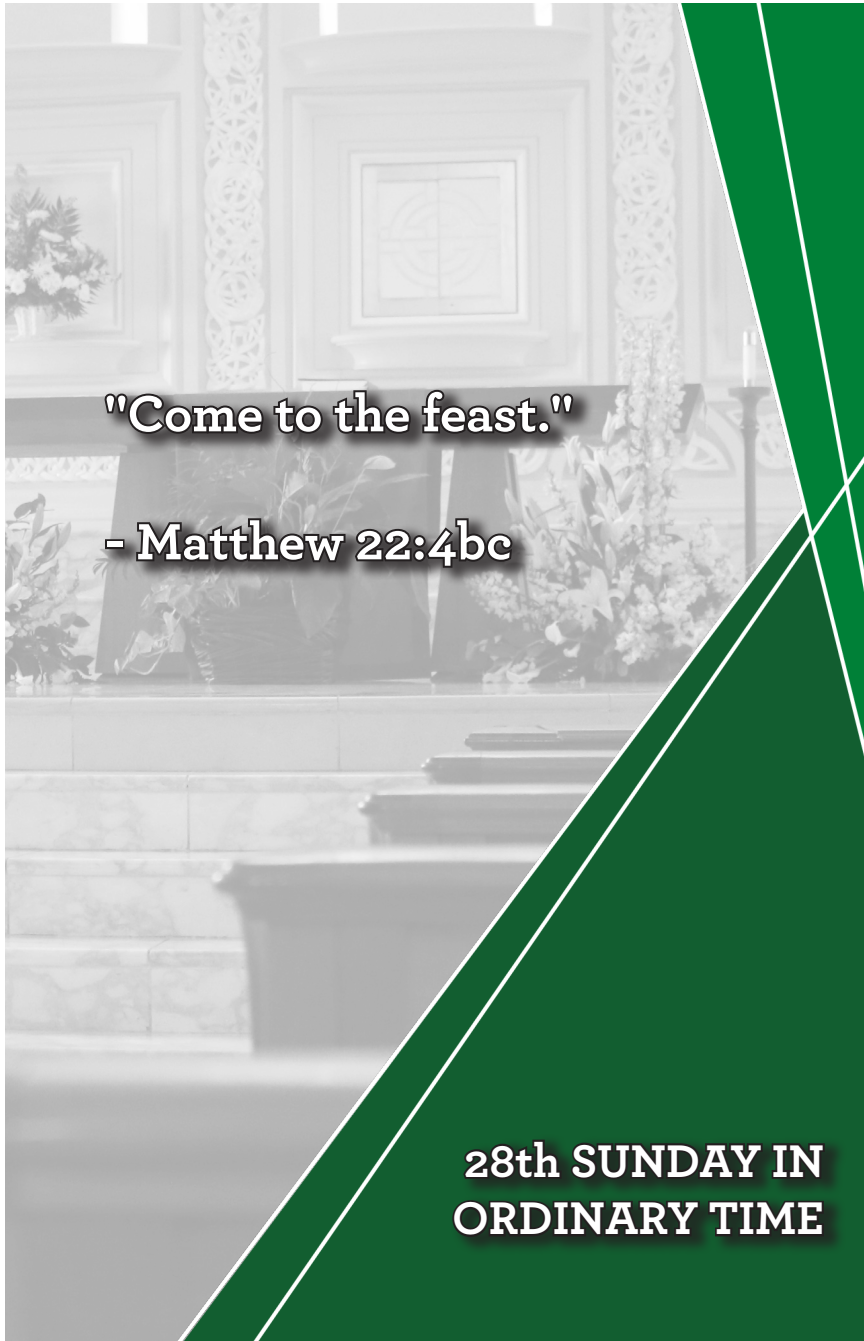


# The CROSSROADS

Old St. Patrick's Bulletin

*A Catholic Community in Chicago's West Loop*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023



**"Come to the feast."**

**- Matthew 22:4bc**

**28th 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>Children's Liturgy of the Word</i>	October 15   9:00 AM   OSP Church and Rectory	Bea Cunningham beac@oldstpats.org
<i>Encounter Young Adult Small Groups</i>	October 15   After 5:00 PM Mass   Rectory	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Monday Evening Rosary Group</i>	October 16   6:00 PM   Zoom	Beth Marek rosaryprayergroup@oldstpats.org
<i>At The Crossroads</i> <i>John G Igwebuike JD PhD</i>	October 18   7:00 PM   Fellowship Hall, 625 W Adams	Bob Kolatorowicz bobk@oldstpats.org
<i>Adoption Connections</i>	October 18   8:00 PM   Zoom	Rachelle Lindo rachelle.lindo@gmail.com
<i>Women's Spirituality</i> <i>(Western Suburbs)</i>	October 19   7:00 PM   8419 Bailey Rd, Darian, IL	Sandie Vaisnoras svaisnoras@gmail.com
<i>My Brother's Kitchen</i> <i>(formerly Bread of Life Breakfast)</i>	October 21   8:00 AM   1241 S Pulaski Rd	Vincent Guider vincentg@oldstpats.org
<i>Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly</i> <i>Annual Fall Food Drive</i>	October 22   All Masses   OSP Church	Beth Marek elizabethm@oldstpats.org
<i>What Do Jesus and Mary</i> <i>Mean to Me as a Muslim?</i>	October 22   10:30 AM   625 W Adams	Mary Kay Slowikowski marykayslowikowski@gmail.com
<i>YANA (You Are Not Alone)</i> <i>Divorce Support Group</i>	October 22   10:30 AM   711 W Monroe	Sarah Thompson saraht@oldstpats.org
<i>Special Friends Mass</i>	October 22   1:00 PM   OSP Courtyard	Bea Cunningham beac@oldstpats.org
<i>Contemplative Day of Prayer</i>	October 23   8:30 AM   Morton Arboretum	Al Gustafson alg@oldstpats.org
<i>Monday Evening Rosary Group</i>	October 23   6:00 PM   Zoom	Beth Marek rosaryprayergroup@oldstpats.org
<i>Pneuma LGBTQ+ Faith Sharing</i>	October 24   6:30 PM   Contact for Details	Brenda Chavez brendac@oldstpats.org
<i>Emerald Ball</i>	October 27   6:30 PM   Hilton Chicago	Sheila Greifhahn sheilag@oldstpats.org
<i>Monday Evening Rosary Group</i>	October 30   6:00 PM   Zoom	Beth Marek rosaryprayergroup@oldstpats.org
<i>Immigrant and Refugee Ministry</i> <i>Monthly Meeting</i>	October 30   6:30 PM   Zoom	Maureen Hellwig maureen.hellwig@gmail.com





**Brenda Chavez**  
**Director of Young Adult Ministry**  
**and Neighborhood Engagement**  
**at Old St. Patrick's Church**

In addition to working at Old St. Pat's, I am a wedding planner so today's Gospel reading truly resonated with me. Jesus compares the kingdom of heaven to a wedding feast and that is beautiful because a wedding feast is a celebration of love.

*Who is invited to the wedding feast?* This is always a difficult question for my couples due to budget constraints, family drama, and more. But in today's parable, the king has no constraints just like God has no limits for the kingdom of heaven. All are invited to the feast, even "bad and good alike." Now, that sounds like a party! Not only are we invited, but we are also called to invite everybody to the feast.

Wedding guests are always so fascinating to me because I don't meet them until the day of the wedding. At this point I have worked with the couple for almost a year and know them well, but not their guests. And at every wedding, something very interesting happens. Each time, the guests are so much like the couple. It blows my mind every time. If the couple are sweet, their guests are all very courteous with the vendors. If the couple are funny and loud, their guests are on the dance floor the whole time. And so on. I love observing this because I see how wedding guests are a representation of the couple. It is almost as if the couple and their guests are one. Wedding feasts are truly a union of love and not just for the happy couple, but their guests as well.

So, if we all are invited guests at the wedding feast, at the kingdom of heaven, I believe that we are part of God and they are part of us. There aren't just chief priests and elders, but everyone is invited and today we ask ourselves what we are doing to continue inviting everyone and make them feel welcome?

## Setting the Tone and Expectations

Pope Francis and the hosts of the Synod are trying to create both an atmosphere of transparency with the larger church and world and an atmosphere of freedom and openness within the small group discussions happening within the Synod. On October 7, Cardinal Fridolin Ambongo of Kinshasa, Congo shared the comments below to help journalists and people all over the world better understand the environment and goals of the synod. His words in the following Catholic News Service story are helpful for all of us in setting the right expectations for this synodal work.



The synod on synodality is not geared to “resolve particular problems” in the Catholic Church, such as the blessing of same-sex unions or women’s ordination, but to explore ways for the church to discuss and address such issues, a cardinal said.

“There are a lot of people who believe that this synod will bring solutions to all problems,” Cardinal Fridolin Ambongo of Kinshasa, Congo, said during a news conference at the Vatican Oct. 7. “But the synod will define the new way of ‘doing’ church, the new way of approaching problems, what the problem is but also how in the spirit of synodality we will approach that problem.”

The cardinal said before he left home for the synod, many people from across Africa asked him to bring solutions back with him for the problems that affect the continent, namely poverty and conflicts. Yet “these are exaggerated expectations,” he said. Asked about the acceptance of blessings for same-sex unions in the church, Cardinal Ambongo said, “We are here for a synod on synodality.”

“Synodality does not mean expressing personal opinions, but walking together,” he added. “On the LGBT question, the Lord himself will show us the way through collective discernment.”

The cardinal said he was confident the synod will “bear good fruits” for the whole of the church and said he was struck by the joy, trust, enthusiasm and hope present among the synod participants.

The cardinal, president of the Symposium of Episcopal Conferences of Africa and Madagascar, spoke with reporters after the fourth day of the assembly of the Synod of Bishops. Assembly participants finished conversations Oct. 6 on the first module of the synod’s agenda dedicated to reflecting on the characteristics of a synodal church. The 35 working groups of 10-12 people each submitted reports summarizing their small-group conversations to the synod general secretariat Oct. 7.

Pope Francis was not present for the small-group work Oct. 7, but attended the general sessions Oct. 5-6 when the small-groups shared their initial reflections.

Cardinal Ambongo told reporters a climate of openness had been established in the synod, noting that participants initially seemed to wonder what they could or could not talk about in their discussions but that by the fourth day everyone felt free to speak about what was on their hearts and minds.

Participants, he said, quickly realized that “nobody among us came with an agenda that they try to pass, as we’ve seen in other synods. We are all there, brothers and sisters, listening to the will of God for his church.”

“People cannot easily say, ‘I know the will of God,’ that would be truly pretentious,” said the cardinal. “That is why the synod rightly chose the method of discerning,” which he said entails seeking together “that which seems today and right now the best solution” to a given issue. He added that this synod is unlike the other three that he participated in because previously “we knew more or less how things would end, but this one, no.”





Old St. Patrick's Church

# At The Crossroads

SPEAKER AND DISCUSSION SERIES



## John G. Igwebuike, J.D., Ph.D.

Oct. 18, 2023 at 7 pm  
Fellowship Hall, 625 W. Adams

### “L-I-S-T-E-N: One of the Greatest Skills Rarely Taught”

This presentation introduces participants to one of the greatest skills rarely taught: effective listening. God has given us two ears and one mouth so that we can listen more than we talk. Listening is a gift we give to ourselves, our God, and our fellow human beings. Bible scholars note that Jesus's most oft-repeated phrases implored each of us to L-I-S-T-E-N. Yet, among the major verbal communication modalities—writing, reading, and speaking—the art, skill, and practice of listening is the least taught, least considered, and least understood. This reflection invites us to tune out the noise, turn off the distractions, and tune in to divine opportunities to L-I-S-T-E-N.



## Marisa G. Franco, Ph.D.

Nov. 8, 2023 at 7 pm  
Zoom Webinar

### “Why Friendship Matters: Building Social Connections and Community”

The need for connection is fundamentally human and underlies everything—our health, our motivation, our work, and our sense of who we are. And yet, we are in the middle of a loneliness epidemic and our communities are disconnected. In this presentation, Dr. Marisa G. Franco will share insights into the science of connection and why belonging makes individuals and communities more resilient. She will share skills and hands-on tips for initiating and maintaining collaboration, community, and friendship.



## Michael R. Simone, SJ, Ph.D.

Dec. 13, 2023 at 7 pm  
Hughes Hall, 700 W. Adams

### “Advent Everyday: How to Pay Attention When Jesus Arrives in Daily Life”

Through the use of scripture, theology and narrative, Fr. Simone will share tips for finding Jesus in everyday life.

For more information and to register for the event, please scan this QR Code or visit the website at: [oldstpats.org/at-the-crossroads](http://oldstpats.org/at-the-crossroads)





# Adoption Connections



Please join us for an online gathering of the OSP Adoption Group's Adoption Connections!

**Get to know others and build relationships!**

**Wednesday, October 18, 8:00pm – 9:00pm**

**RSVP** Rachelle Lindo, Co-chair [rachelle.lindo@gmail.com](mailto:rachelle.lindo@gmail.com)

*(a Zoom link will be sent to those who RSVP)*

### The Adoption Creed

Not flesh of my flesh nor bone of my bone, but still miraculously my own. Never forget for a single minute, you didn't grow under my heart, but in it. ~ Author unknown

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## ANNUAL FALL HYBRID FOOD DRIVE CHURCH STEPS AND VIA AMAZON LINK!

Our Low Income Seniors Need Us more than ever! Covid-19, food deserts, inflation and isolation have greatly increased the need for food in this vulnerable population. The Little Brothers or Old St Pat's Truck will cover all Masses on Sunday October 22nd. Thanks from Outreach at Old St. Pat's. Beth Marek

The Amazon Wish List [www.tinyurl.com/LBFefooddrive](http://www.tinyurl.com/LBFefooddrive)

### Grocery List:

- Boxed low-sugar cereal & regular cereal
- Canned tuna
- Low-salt & regular canned vegetables
- Low-salt canned soup
- Low-salt crackers (saltines, wheat)
- Pasta (in boxes)
- Canned chicken
- Pasta sauce in cans or plastic containers (no glass jars)
- Canned fruit (no sugar added)
- Oatmeal – instant and regular
- Creamy peanut butter
- Macaroni & cheese
- Boxed instant potatoes
- Juice (small cans or individual boxes)
- Individual serving cups of pudding, Jell-O, applesauce or fruit cocktail
- Snack foods individually wrapped (like for school lunches): crackers, cookies, trail mix, chips, nuts, or granola bars

## OLD ST PAT'S OUTREACH - SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12



John Buciak Old St. Pat's American Red Cross Blood Drive

Please save the date of Sunday, November 12, 2023 for a grand celebration of life as we host our 27th Annual Blood Drive. This is the longest continuous blood drive in the history of Chicago! We hope you can join us.



October is **National Domestic Violence Awareness Month**, and as a faith community we want to share information that can help each of us better understand this important issue and the way it affects individuals and communities everywhere. Over the coming weeks, we will offer articles and opportunities to get involved in Domestic Violence prevention and support for survivors.

## How Witnessing Domestic Violence Affects Children



Preschoolers who witness domestic violence, may revert to the habits of younger children: thumb sucking, bedwetting, increased crying, and whining.

School-aged children can develop anti-social traits, struggle with guilt over the abuse witnessed and take on the blame for the abuse their parent deals with. Domestic violence has ability to cause post-traumatic stress disorder in children that are raised around it.

The trauma of domestic violence is enough to cause dangerous changes in the developing brains of children, including nightmares, changes in sleep patterns, anger, irritability, difficulty concentrating.

Routinely witnessing domestic violence places children at a high risk of developing depression, sadness, concentration issues into adulthood. In some instances, children that live in abusive households are also likely to fall victim to this treatment themselves.

### Protecting Children from Domestic Abuse

Make Safety a Priority, Teach Children Healthy Relationship Dynamics, and Educate Children About Boundaries

<https://www.vervwellmind.com/the-impact-of-domestic-violence-on-children-5207940>



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH  
— ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO —  
AWARENESS - SERVICES - PREVENTION

» **If you are a victim or survivor of domestic abuse seeking help:**  
» National Hotline: 1-800-799 SAFE (7233); 1-800-7873224 (TDD)



### A CONTEMPLATIVE DAY OF PRAYER: TRANSITION, IMPERMANENCE & THE PASCHAL MYSTERY

October 23, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm | Morton Arboretum Lisle, IL

Facilitator: Al Gustafson | Cost: \$65

Register: <https://osp.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/816/responses/new>

Spend a fall day at the Arboretum, reflecting on the reality of change, the only constant in our human experience. We will mine the transitions we have already passed through and stand courageously before the uncertainty and mystery that our future holds. Drawing from our Christian tradition and Buddhist spiritual practices, we will discover that change is the portal through which we step toward deepening our experience and trust in the love and mercy of God. This is a day to step out of your routine and step into a time of quiet and structured prayer practices. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. The retreat can accommodate 35 participants. To request a scholarship, please contact Al Gustafson at [alg@oldstpats.org](mailto:alg@oldstpats.org)

To register, please visit: <https://osp.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/816/responses/new>





**"I know how to  
live in humble circumstances;  
I know also how to  
live with abundance." Phil 4:12**

We are reminded daily about the humble circumstances our migrant brothers and sisters experience as busloads continue to bring them to our city. You parishioners have been amazing in your response and passion to help. There is a saying, "If you have more than you need, build a bigger table." Old St. Pat's is working to build that bigger table. But it is very chaotic. We know asylum seekers have been moved into the Parthenon Shelter on South Halsted, but the city is organizing the program there and has not yet directed OSP on how to assist. Migrants are huddled outside police stations, and we worry for them as the weather gets colder. The OSP coat drive will help, but it is sometimes overwhelming to consider how to help all. Our laws accept asylum seekers yet tell them they cannot work for 180 days.

This is the type of chaos that the King in the Gospel reading finds when inviting guests to his feast, to his table. Those who already have more than they need do not respond. Those who feel threatened by the invitation to join the bigger table do violence to silence the invitation. The humble respond and yet the Gospel reminds us to be in awe, to be dressed appropriately, as we approach the bigger table. We are called to be in awe of God's plan.

Back to the chaos...It seems like what we do is just a drop in the bucket. St. Paul reminds us, "I can do all things in him who strengthens me." So we keep building that bigger table, we are humbled by the passion given to us by God; we are in awe of the truth that God's family will celebrate together in dignity, and we keep going out to invite. Thank you OSP for your humble heart.

Some have wanted to drop off donations. OSP does not have the capacity to warehouse donations. Please email [immigration@oldstpats.org](mailto:immigration@oldstpats.org) and we can direct you to locations for your donations.

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## **Immigrant and Refugee Ministry Monthly Meeting**

October 30 | 6:30 PM | Zoom

Please join us for our monthly meeting on the last Monday of every month. Meetings are held virtually over Zoom. If you are interested in attending, please email Maureen Hellwig at [maureen.hellwig@gmail.com](mailto:maureen.hellwig@gmail.com).



## **WHAT DO JESUS AND MARY MEAN TO ME AS A MUSLIM?**

**with Syed Atif Rizwan, PhD**

October 22 | 10:30 AM | Fellowship Hall - 625 W Adams

*An interfaith program hosted by Encore, all are welcome!*

Dr. Syed Atif Rizwan is Assistant Professor of Islamic and Interreligious Studies at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, where he also serves as Director of the Catholic-Muslim Studies Program and is also the Chair of the Department of Intercultural Studies and Ministry. To register, visit <https://osp.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/805/responses/new>





## SPECIAL FRIENDS MASS

October 22 | 1:00 PM | Old St. Patrick's Courtyard

Knowing how challenging it can be on a Sunday morning for families, kids and especially those with special needs, Old St. Pat's hosts an occasional Sunday mass for families who may need something a little different and perhaps a lot simpler, a liturgy designed for kids and adults with special needs. If you, or someone you know, would benefit from joining our Special Friends Masses, we welcome you! Please help us spread the word. Our next Special Friends Mass is October 22 at 1:00 PM, outside in the courtyard.



## YOUNG ADULT SMALL GROUPS

October 15

After 5:00 PM Mass | OSP Rectory

Meet with Encounter every 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month to build community and deepen your faith. Everyone between the ages of 18 and 39 are welcome. Snacks & drinks are provided.



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## ENCOUNTER PNEUMA LGBTQ+ FAITH SHARING

October 24

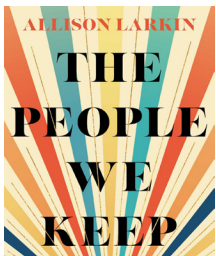
Contact for details

Pneuma is an inclusive and affirming faith sharing group for LGBTQ+ members. The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month. Contact Brenda Chavez at [brenda@oldstpats.org](mailto:brenda@oldstpats.org) for details.

## WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY - WESTERN SUBURBS

October 19 | 7:00 PM | Carmelite Spiritual Center - 8419 Bailey Rd, Darian, IL

Join the Western Suburbs Women's Spirituality Group to share each other's spiritual journey. Each meeting is centered around a discussion of readings led by a member of the group. If you are interested, please contact Sandie Vaisnoras at [svaisnoras@gmail.com](mailto:svaisnoras@gmail.com)



## NORTHSIDE BOOK CLUB (FORMERLY ENCOUNTER BOOK CLUB)

October 23 | 6:30 PM | The Book Cellar - 4736 N Lincoln Ave

The Northside Book Club (formerly the Encounter Book Club) will be reading "The People We Keep" by Allison Larkin. We will be meeting on October 23 from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM at the Book Cellar in Lincoln Square.



visit us at [oldstpats.org](http://oldstpats.org)

# HEALING POLARIZATION: A CATHOLIC AND IGNATIAN WAY FORWARD

with Fr. Pat McGrath, S.J.

November 4 | 9:00 AM | Misericordia Campus - 6300 N. Ridge Ave.



Come to an autumn morning of reflection with Fr. Pat McGrath. Reflecting on Healing Polarization: A Catholic and Ignatian Way Forward. Hosted by Encore, all are welcome! This reflection event is \$30 per person.

Sign up by October 30th at <https://osp.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/813/responses/new>



## Adoption Connections



Please join the Old St. Patrick's Community for a celebration of the adoption triad: adoptee, birth parents, and adoptive family.

### Blessing of Adoption Mass

Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 5 PM  
Reception in Hughes Hall to follow

Please RSVP by November 7 at <https://tinyurl.com/osp-adoption>. All are welcome! If you would like your family's photos included in our adoption montage to be shown during the Adoption Mass, please email 2-4 photos to Steve at [sjlindo@gmail.com](mailto:sjlindo@gmail.com) by October 27.

#### The Adoption Creed

Not flesh of my flesh nor bone of my bone, but still miraculously my own. Never forget for a single minute, you didn't grow under my heart, but in it. ~ Author unknown



THE  
FRANCES XAVIER WARDE  
SCHOOL

## Please Join Us for Preschool & Kindergarten Information Night

Thursday, November 9  
6:30–8:00 p.m.

Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Presentations begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Old St. Patrick's Campus  
120 S. Desplaines St.  
3 & 4 year-old Preschool and Kindergarten  
THIS EVENING EVENT IS DESIGNED FOR PARENTS ONLY

Questions? Call 312-268-2543

Visit [fxw.org](http://fxw.org) to register

Tuition Assistance is Available

## PATHWAY TO WONDER





## NORTH LAWNDALE KINSHIP INITIATIVE

October 21 | 8:00 AM - NOON | YMEN 1241 S Pulaski Road

Through the Kinship Initiative, people of North Lawndale and Old St. Patrick's walk alongside one another in friendship, sharing our talents, and resources to secure justice, opportunity, and the transformation of our communities.



### MY BROTHER'S KITCHEN MEAL HOST

(Formerly Bread of Life Breakfast)

Every 3rd Saturday, 8 AM - Noon

Young Men's Education Network Gym, 1241 S. Pulaski Road

A team of 8 - 12 hosts help to: Set up eating areas, prep, cook and serve a hot, nutritious meal, provide friendly hospitality to 100+ guests from the neighborhood and clean up afterward.

Contact: Vincent Guider,  
North Lawndale Kinship Initiative Director  
at [vincentg@oldstpats.org](mailto:vincentg@oldstpats.org)



TO REGISTER AND/OR DONATE,  
PLEASE VISIT THE LINK OR  
SCAN THE QR CODE:  
[bit.ly/NLKinshipOpportunities](https://bit.ly/NLKinshipOpportunities)



## Giving to Old Saint Patrick's Church

*"As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord."*  
- U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops

Your generosity to Old St. Pat's is a resounding yes to God's call to faith-filled stewardship! Guided by the Holy Spirit, we continue to strive to lead a movement of change for good in our church and world. You are true collaborators in the work of sharing the loving mercy of Jesus.

Gifts to old St. Pat's help fund the myriad ministries and initiatives here at Old St. Pat's, from hosting Sunday masses to weddings and baptisms, to prayer and retreat experiences, to catechesis and sacramental preparation, to lectures, classes and workshops. Your support helps ensure we can continue to be the vibrant, welcoming, justice-minded Catholic community we strive to be.



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IL 60661



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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:

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(312) 798-2355 or  
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Visit [pushpay.com/g/oldstpats](https://pushpay.com/g/oldstpats) to give online.



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**Thank you for your generosity!**



visit us at [oldstpats.org](https://oldstpats.org)



## 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., and 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](mailto: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](mailto:weddings@oldstpats.org) or 312.831.9383

## The Baptismal Program & Schedule

To schedule a baptism, please contact Tammy Roeder at [baptisms@oldstpats.org](mailto: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, cannot receive regular Communion hosts (which contain wheat). At a regular Mass, the Priest will have these in his Communion line. If you would like more information, please contact the Liturgy Department at [liturgy@oldstpats.org](mailto:liturgy@oldstpats.org)

## Hearing Assistance

We have Hearing Assist devices available to the hearing impaired during our Masses and services. Please see a Hospitality Minister to obtain one. For more information, please contact the Liturgy Department at [liturgy@oldstpats.org](mailto:liturgy@oldstpats.org)

## Sign-Language Interpreter

Sign language interpreters are available upon request at our regular Sunday Masses, as well as holidays and holy days of obligation. Five days advance notice is required. To request, please contact Dominic Trumfio at [dominict@oldstpats.org](mailto:dominict@oldstpats.org)

## Old St. Patrick's Website

Be sure to visit our website, [www.oldstpats.org](http://www.oldstpats.org), for the most up-to-date information.

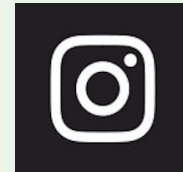
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Old St. Pat's Podcast

## 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, October 15, 2023

Readings: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 (Isaiah 5:7a)/ Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

### Mass Remembrances:

7am: Michelle Maloney (†), Maureen McGuire (†)  
9am: Florentina Valdez Viado (†), Robert 'Bob' Meyer (†)  
11am: Danny Borowicz (†), Kenneth Alexander Monarrez (†)  
5pm: Deacon Michael Guerrieri (†), Nellie Guillory (†)  
8pm: Miguel Estrada Arellano (†)

Book of Patrick: Patricia & John Aiello, Theresa Barlow, John & Lillian Birmingham, Richard Patrick Collins, Clarence M. Dunagan III, Mark Dwyer, Irene Gaughan, William F. & Mary Haskins Jacobs, Bill & Frances Laufenburg, James Robert Miller, Megan & Paul Moffatt, Helen Molloy, Lucille Joyce O'Malley, Barbara C. Williams, Jon Thomas Pettigrew & Carl Zarlenga

## Monday, October 16, 2023

Readings: Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Book of Patrick: Daniel & Eileen Boyce, John Francis Fallon, Suzanne Hanley, Patricia La Gioia, Buddy Lyons, Mark F. Moskop, Edward Neafsey, Mickey Perry, Paul Retzlass, Sue Koelzer-Salter, Elizabeth J. O'Malley

## Tuesday, October 17, 2023

Readings: Jon 3:1-10/ Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42

### Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: Cipriana Deocareza Jalasco (†)

Book of Patrick: Ann Lorraine Iorio, Magnolia Rose Farley, Frieda Wessel, Marshall Cusack Cronin, Wilfredo Dungca, Isabelle C Coupe

## Wednesday, October 18, 2023

Readings: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

### Mass Remembrances:

12:10pm: John F. "Jack" McDonagh, IV (†), Antony Joseph (†)

Book of Patrick: Patrick Anderson, Debra Bernard, William J. Cowhey, Deborah Ebers Klindt, Matthew LeFevour, James Patrick McKay, Edward Point & Family, James Powell, Jim & Audrey Quinn, John R. Schwarz, Dr. Leonard & Margaret Shimandle & family, Mary Julia Ryan, John M. Clair

## Thursday, October 19, 2023

Readings: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:5-13

Book of Patrick: Dr. & Mrs. Anthony L. Barbato, Maria M. Blaz, Ursula S. Blix, Val Dudley, Walter & Lottie Gawron, David P. Helmer, Dorothy Jurkash, Antoinette Koca, Children & Grandchildren of Robert E. Quinn Family, Mary L. Ryan, William D. Smrz, Michael Benjamin Ullem, Veronica Wodrich, Philip Donegan

## Friday, October 20, 2023

Readings: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/Lk 11:15-26

Book of Patrick: Albert Charet, Thomas Dooley, John E. Goggin, Earl Hagberg, Paul G. Hemnes, James Marren, Mary Kay McDermott & Family, George Pandl, Margaret Siebers, Carol Walsh Treadwell, Marlene and Edwin Nedza, Rita Moran, Bernadette "Bernie" Micinski, Mary June Jones

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## Saturday, October 21, 2023

Readings: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

Book of Patrick: Katie Gavin, Bernard K. Hanley & Family, Frances Kulpa, Delia & John Lawlor, Kathleen Gaffrey Magnuson, Mary & Bill Moffatt, George E. Mrazek, Helen Louise nee O'Neil Grove, Catherine & Alva O'Toole, John J. "Tim" Phelan, Leah Janet Phipps, Jack M. Riley, Elizabeth DeVries, Mary Elizabeth Frances Slavik, Jacqueline Johnson

## Sunday, October 22, 2023

Readings: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (6cd)/ Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

### Mass Remembrances:

7am: Kenneth F. Karwowski (†), John Michael Henry (†)  
9am: Robert Philbin (†), Judy and Bob Stanojev (†)  
11am: Jenny Stephani (†), Therese Kueng (†)  
5pm: John Kohlert (†), Laurie Robey (†)  
8pm: Peggy Kelley (†), Remedios Limcaoco (†)

Book of Patrick: Louise Brankin, Audrey Cowhey, Aloysius Hauser, Norma J. Kent, Margaret and Anthony Kosinski, Jack McCarthy, Donald J. Nourie, Florence and Frank Siuda, Father Gene F. Smith, William T. Divane III, Margaret Dell Fitzgerald

## Prayer Requests

### For Those Who Are Sick

Theresa Kearns, Dorothy Kreller, Marge Sevening, Athena James, Gregory Isaac

### For Those Who Have Died

Most Reverend Kevin Michael Birmingham, Ed Moore, Dan Simcox, Michael Anthony

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*Lord, remind us that it is you who give us the breath of life. May the harvest from the fields remind us of the abundance we have been given, and the bounty that we are to share with others. May the dying of summer's spirit remind us of your great promise that death is temporary, and life is eternal. Amen.*

## Women and Men of Faith



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## Saint Teresa of Avila

### Saint of the Day for October 15, 2023

Teresa lived in an age of exploration as well as political, social, and religious upheaval. It was the 16th century, a time of turmoil and reform. She was born before the Protestant Reformation and died almost 20 years after the closing of the Council of Trent.

The gift of God to Teresa in and through which she became holy and left her mark on the Church and the world is threefold: She was a woman; she was a contemplative; she was an active reformer.

As a woman, Teresa stood on her own two feet, even in the man's world of her time. She was "her own woman," entering the Carmelites despite strong opposition from her father. She is a person wrapped not so much in silence as in mystery. Beautiful, talented, outgoing, adaptable, affectionate, courageous, enthusiastic, she was totally human. Like Jesus, she was a mystery of paradoxes: wise, yet practical; intelligent, yet much in tune with her experience; a mystic, yet an energetic reformer; a holy woman, a womanly woman.

Teresa was a woman "for God," a woman of prayer, discipline, and compassion. Her heart belonged to God. Her ongoing conversion was an arduous lifelong struggle, involving ongoing purification and suffering. She was misunderstood, misjudged, and opposed in her efforts at reform. Yet she struggled on, courageous and faithful; she struggled with her own mediocrity, her illness, her opposition. And in the midst of all this she clung to God in life and in prayer. Her writings on prayer and contemplation are drawn from her experience: powerful, practical, and graceful. She was a woman of prayer; a woman for God.

Teresa was a woman "for others." Though a contemplative, she spent much of her time and energy seeking to reform herself and the Carmelites, to lead them back to the full observance of the primitive Rule. She founded over a half-dozen new monasteries. She traveled, wrote, fought—always to renew, to reform. In her self, in her prayer, in her life, in her efforts to reform, in all the people she touched, she was a woman for others, a woman who inspired and gave life.

Her writings, especially the Way of Perfection and The Interior Castle, have helped generations of believers.

In 1970, the Church gave her the title she had long held in the popular mind: Doctor of the Church. She and St. Catherine of Siena were the first women so honored.

Ours is a time of turmoil, a time of reform, and a time of liberation. Modern women have in Teresa a challenging example. Promoters of renewal, promoters of prayer, all have in Teresa a woman to reckon with, one whom they can admire and imitate.

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