

CHURCH OF SAINT PATRICK

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday4:15 & 6:00 pm Sunday7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 to 4:00 pm

Wednesday 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Weekdays......6:30 and 8:00 am

Saturdays8:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

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F	Fax 570-622-2593	Webwww.stpatrickpottsville.org			
0 F	Office Administrator	Debbie Walker			
ВH	Office Hours	8:30 am to 4:30 pm, weekdays			
PARISH	Bulletin Deadline	9:00 am, Mondays			
РΑ	Monthly Parish Events Calendar Deadline First day of prior month				

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Please call the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism. Parents wishing Baptism for their children must be practicing Catholics. This means regular attendance at Mass, and supporting the Parish by the use of envelopes. Parents are required to attend a preparatory workshop. Workshops are held bi-monthly.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be married must contact a parish priest at least six months prior to the desired date of the marriage.

 DIVINE MERCY PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL AT ST. PATRICK RECTORY: Please call Aleece at 570-449-7678 or Albert at 570-573-0036 for more information.

ROSARY AND NOVENA: 7:00 pm - Wednesdays in Our Lady's Chapel

COMMUNION CALLS are made monthly. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to be put on the Communion Call list, or would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick.

HOSPITAL/NURSING HOME VISITS: The patient or a member of the immediate family must notify the Parish Office of a patient's admission so a visit can be made. This is in compliance with the Federal HIPAA Law.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process in which adults join the Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Office if interested.

ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATE: Certificates to act as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation are available at the Parish Office. You must be a member of the Parish in good standing to be given a certificate.

ST. PATRICK POTTSVILLE AREA KITCHEN: Please call Terry Alexander at 570-617-2957 for hours and donations.

MEMBERSHIP/REGISTRATION: All parishioners should be registered in our files. New parishioners are asked to register as soon as possible. When moving from the parish, notify the office. Please also report any address change.

St. Patrick's Preschool ... 570-622-0106 at Assumption BVM

Director: Mrs. Sharon Rossi

Assumption BVM570-622-0106 Elementary School

Principal: Mrs. Teresa Keating

Nativity BVM...... 570-622-8110 High School

Principal: Mrs. Lynn Sabol

St. Joseph's Center...... 570-622-4638 for Special Learning

Principal: Mr. Roobhenn Smith

Victim Assistance Coordinator

Wendy Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC DIRECT LINE: 800-791-9209

Safe Environment Coordinator Sr. Meg Cole, SSJ, MS, LMFT 610-332-0442 (x19)

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 5, 2017

Do not light a lamp and hide it. Set it on a stand where it gives light.



Mass Intentions

Monday, February 6 - St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

6:30 a.m. Jean Marie O'Connor (Est)

8:00 a.m. John B. Walsh (Francis & Joanne Campion)

Tuesday, February 7

6:30 a.m. The Dalton & Mott Families (Corinne Dalton) 8:00 a.m. Anne & Stanley Kowalchick (Shirley & Marie)

Wednesday, February 8

6:30 a.m. Kevin Brennan

(Terry, Kelly, Chris, Joe, Mallory, & Bridy)

8:00 a.m. Anthony, Mary Ann, & James Codi

(Sisters, Ann Marie & Josephine)

Thursday, February 9

6:30 a.m. Lynne Tone Starke (Jerry & Kathleen Tone)8:00 a.m. Joseph & Mary Shields (Dennis & Pat Cressina)

Friday, February 10 - St. Scolastica, Virgin

6:30 a.m. Muhammad Ali (Frank Raczka)

8:00 a.m. Mary L. O'Donnell (Joseph & Virginia Welsh)

Saturday, February 11 - Our Lady of Lourdes

8:00 a.m. Mary Modesto (The Lay Carmelite Community)

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Masses of Obligation)
Saturday, February 11

4:15 p.m. Teresa C. & Joseph V. Putsavage

(Son, Joseph Putsavage)

6:00 p.m. Patricia Greenberg (Mary Ellen Roman)

Sunday, February 12

7:30 a.m. Veronica Sullivan (Lucy & Frank) 9:30 a.m. Joan & Jack Monahan (Patti & Mickey)

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

If you are a visitor to the Church of St. Patrick, we want you to know that you are most welcome, whether you come from another State or from another Parish.

Please feel comfortable in our beautiful house of the Father.

Thank you for worshiping with us!



READINGS FOR TODAY:

Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- the sick of the parish our many Benefactors
- those recently deceased Colleen Matalavage

CANDLE INTENTIONS

Sanctuary – IMO Julia Brennan (St. Patrick Seniors)
Sacred Heart – IMO Dick Matthews (Wife, Annette)
Pieta - IMO Stephen & Mary Spleen

- INIO Stephen & Mary Spicen

(John & Susan Spleen & Family)

Pope St. John Paul II – IMO Patricia Greenberg (Mary Ellen Roman)

St. Patrick - IMO Kevin Brennan

(Terry, Kelly, Chris, Joe, Mallory, & Bridy)

Our Lady's Chapel - Sanctuary – IMO Francis G. Roman (Mary Ellen Roman)

Our Lady's Chapel – Blessed Virgin Mary –

IMO Msgr. William Jones (Mary Ellen Roman)

Priest Mass Schedule for Feb. 11/12

4:15 pm – Msgr. O'Connor 7:30 am – Fr. Seifert 9:30 am – Fr. Medve

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 20 in observance of Presidents' Day!

St. Patrick Parish Appreciates!!

Thank you to Diana Gabardi for sponsoring our Children's Bulletins that are in the back of Church each week. The bulletins are a great way for children ages 3-12 to connect with the Gospel through fun and games! Thank you for being so good to God's Children, Diana!



The next <u>Baptismal Workshop</u> will be held on Tuesday, <u>February 14</u>, at 7 pm, in the Rectory Conference Room. Please call Deacon Jack Quirk at 570-622-1802 to register. *Parents are required to attend a preparatory workshop before Baptism.*

St. Patrick Parish is looking to fill an open Maintenance Worker position. Please contact Monsignor O'Connor if interested!



Ashes! Ashes! We All Fall Down! Monsignor is inviting everyone to join him on Sunday, February 26, at 2 pm, outside, in the Church alcove to watch him burn old palm and

make ashes to use on us this Ash Wednesday, March 1. This will take place in the space where the fire is blessed on Holy Saturday. We hope you will join us for this special tradition!

LOTTERY CALENDAR - RECENT OUTCOMES

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Tues., January 24	#279	Loreta D. (\$50)
Wed., January 25	#513	Mary Z. (\$50)
Thurs., January 26	#468	Jimmy H. (\$50)
Fri., January 27	#704	No Winner
Sat., January 28	#343	Stacy T. (\$100)
Sun., January 29	#899	No Winner
Mon., January 30	#022	Vince A. (\$50)

Our monthly lottery calendars are a great fundraiser for our Parish! Please consider being a seller, or buying one in the future by getting one at one of the masses or stopping by the Parish Office! They make great gifts that you can tuck in a Birthday or Get Well card. They would also make a wee bit of fun for St. Patrick's Day! We appreciate the support of everyone who helps to make this so successful!

St. Patrick's Rectory – For information, please call Aleece at 570-449-7678

"What Jesus asks for is that we be willing to do more than go to Mass on Sunday. He wants us to take time out during the week to come and spend some quiet time in His Eucharistic Presence, for He says to us: "Where your treasure, there is your heart."..." Myself am the Living Bread come down from Heaven."... "Could you not watch one hour with Me?"

Fr. Martin Lucia, SS.CC.

OPEN HOLY HOURS

SUNDAY - 12 am, 4 am; TUESDAY - 2 am, 4 am, 10 am; FRIDAY - 10 am, 6 pm; SATURDAY - 7 pm

St. Patrick Preschool at Assumption BVM School in Pottsville is accepting registrations for the 2017-

2018 School year. Please contact our School by email: saintpatricks.prek@gmail.com or phone 570-622-0106 for more information. Our Preschool is a social play-based preschool emphasizing good Christian values. The children will learn:

- *About God's love for them and their family
- *To recognize and write their name
- *To count and recognize numbers
- *To recognize letters
- *Proper pencil grip
- *Prayers and songs
- *To respect others and themselves
- *AND LOTS MORE!!!

Protecting God's Children Workshops in St. Patrick Parish Center, Pottsville

- **Monday, March 6, at 6:30 pm**
- **Monday, July 31, at 6:30 pm**

Everyone who works with our Parish children MUST complete this course if they haven't already! Please call the Parish Office to register!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

January 29, 2017 Stewardship: \$9,331



Thank you for your generosity to your Parish!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO DONATE THIS YEAR'S PASCHAL CANDLE. PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE IF INTERESTED.

SACRAMENTAL NEWS!!! IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

Sunday, February 26 – MANDATORY RETREAT for First Penance and First Holy Communion (2 pm to 5 pm)

Please arrive by 1:45 pm in St. Patrick Church!

Sunday, March 3 – PRACTICE for First Penance (6 pm to 7:30 pm), <u>AND</u> Saturday, March 4 (10 am to 12 Noon) in St. Patrick Church

Sunday, March 5 – FIRST PENANCE (6 pm) in St. Patrick Church

Saturday, March 11, 2017- MANDATORY RETREAT FOR CONFIRMANDI

Monday, April 17 – PRACTICE for Confirmation candidates and their sponsors (6:30 pm) in St. Patrick Church

Wednesday, April 19 – CONFIRMATION (4:30 pm) in St. Patrick Church

Thursday, May 4 – PRACTICE for First Holy Communion (6 pm to 7:30 pm) <u>AND</u> Friday, May 5 (6 pm to 7:30 pm) in St. Patrick Church

Saturday, May 6 – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (10 am) in St. Patrick Church

Homeless Assistance and Emergency Food, Clothing, and Hygiene Products



Those who find themselves in need of <u>emergency</u> shelter, food, clothing, or hygiene products may contact My Father's House, 4 South Center Street, Pottsville. Phone: 570-900-1161 or 570-728-2917. The Center is open

for intake services from 9 am until 1 pm, Monday through Friday. If you spot a homeless person, after hours, sleeping outside in sub 30 degree temperatures, please notify the police or 911.



Our Next Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Sunday, February 12th!

Please note: Due to the Super Bowl, and the St. Patrick Church Gala, our next Spaghetti Dinners will be held on

the second Sunday of the month, instead of the first Sunday. March's will be on the 12th also!

11:30 am to 2:30 pm -- In our Parish Center Adults: \$8.00 - Children: \$3.50 All You Can Eat * Take-outs available All are welcome!!

As always, baked goods are always appreciated! Many thanks to all those who continue to support this wonderful and delicious tradition!

We are pleased to announce that St. Patrick Parish Homemade Easter Candy will be made again this year!

Look in future bulletins for ordering information and volunteer production schedules, as your help in both respects will be most appreciated for this important Parish fundraiser.

Congratulations to Katherine, Richie. Brigid, and Bernadette Joyce on winning the "Share your favorite



Advent/Christmas Tradition with Monsignor". They made Monsignor a part of their Nativity set, and said that "Just like he shepherds our Parish, he was also a shepherd in our home this Christmas"! The Joyce's winning entry was chosen by Donna DiCasimirro, the Pastoral Council President at St. Teresa of Calcutta Church in Mahanoy City. Donna studied all of the pictures, and liked this one the best! We hope they enjoy their \$50 Grand Prize, and look forward to our next Monsignor on a Stick contest this Summer!

THINGS TO DO!

*American Red Cross Blood Drive - February 8, from 1 pm to 6 pm, at the Salvation Army Gym -400 Sanderson Street. Walk-ins welcome!

*Sophy Jewelers Bingo – **February 12**, sponsored by Nativity BVM High School. Doors open at 11:30 am. Bingo begins at 1 pm. For tickets, call Diane at 570-294-0551.

Donations to the St. Patrick Memorial Fund

In memory of Joan E. Smith

by: Monte & Jan McKinney; Suson Belfer: Sarah Donohue: Big Brothers/Big Sisters Board of

Directors; Fran Tkach

In memory of Elizabeth Spotts

by: John & Kathy Bowden; Paul & Joanie Dimmerling;

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In memory of Pasquale A. "Pat" Pilo

by: Helen Weiss; Bob Engle; Marilyn Doyle; Susan B. McCord; Robert & Christine Doyle

In memory of Agnes E. Reiley

by: Susan B. McCord; Joe & Fran Quirk

The Donohue Family

In memory of Julia I. Brennan

by: Sarah Donohue

In memory of Charles J. Bedway, Jr.

by: Paul & Joanie Dimmerling

In memory of Martha Pascuzzo

by: Ned and Nellie Hummel

In memory of Mary Modesto

by: Ned and Nellie Hummel; The Keich Family

In memory of Colleen Matalavage

by: Clare Schneider

A BIG WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!! WE WISH THEM MANY HAPPY YEARS AT ST. PATRICK PARISH!

Carol Fev

John, Janet, Alexandra, Breanna, & Austin Ball *George, Pat, & Adam Forster* *Thomas, Regan, Riley, Rory, & Connor Hutchins* *Vincent, Chastity, Adalia, Gianna, & Domenica LaSelva*

Best Wishes to Henry and Judy Davis who recently moved away from the area! May God Bless Them! They will be missed!

Congratulations to our Princesses, Kali Grochowski and Jessica Turnitza! **Both received Honors at the Greater** Pottsville Winter Carnival last Saturday Night! Kali was the Second Place finalist in the Snowdrop Contest, and Jessica was the Third Place finalist in the Snowflake Contest! We congratulate all of our Parish girls who took part in this FUN Community event! You are all Princesses in our book!



Tu Es Petrus: Upon this Rock

Our 7th Annual Parish Retreat!





What a blessing our Parish Retreat has been year after year, and we are so excited about another weekend of fellowship, fun, and growth in the Lord! This year again, the retreat will be held at the beautiful Villa of Our Lady Retreat House, Mount Pocono from <u>Friday</u>, <u>February 17 to Sunday</u>, <u>February 19</u>, <u>2017</u>. Our theme this year is "Tu Es Petrus: Upon This Rock" as we reflect on St. Peter and the gift of the Papacy.

Here is another AMAZING testimonial from a Past Retreatant and Current Retreat Team Member:

For the first several years, I resisted God's gentle nudge to "Come away with Me" and attend our Parish Retreat. It was so easy to find an excuse: I had a prior commitment on the same weekend (for five years!) . . . I'd be uncomfortable spending so much time with a group of people who were "only acquaintances from church" . . . what if I was expected to share my thoughts and feelings about my personal relationship with God — in front of people I barely knew?

I hadn't attended a weekend retreat since high school (remember "Search Weekends?") and I just wasn't sure that this weekend Parish Retreat was for me. But yet, from December into February, the invitation was constantly there. It was in the weekly bulletin, mentioned at weekend Masses, and even personally extended by fellow parishioners—which I did my best to try and avoid!

I finally stopped scrambling for excuses. In February 2016, I attended the St. Patrick Parish Retreat for the first time, and I now realize that all of those times when I heard the invitation from Monsignor O'Connor, retreat team members, fellow parishioners, etc., it was really God inviting me, through them, to Come Away with Him. He pursued me patiently but persistently (and I'm sure He smiled and shook His head at some of my excuses!)

For those first several years I only considered the sacrifices that I would have to make (my time, the cost to attend, my comfort, etc.) and those things kept me away. I never considered the gifts I would receive, but there have been many. Some have been subtle and some not so subtle, and some are only known to God and me. But, there is no doubt that He has blessed me in many ways for accepting His invitation and trusting Him enough to finally say, "Yes."

Do you hear Him inviting you?

~~Melody Montag

Church of Saint Patrick Retr	tion Form Upon This ROCK				
Mailing Address:		Motthew 15-18.			
Telephone: Home	Cell Confirmation	Name: I Will Build My Church			
Email Address:	Preferred Roomma	te:			
Emergency Contact & Number:					
Circle choice: Double/Triple Occupa	ncy (\$155/person) <u>or</u> Single Occupancy (\$	180/person)			
Deposit of \$50.00 is due at registration					



ST. PATRICK 3RD ANNUAL GALA DINNER DANCE SATURDAY, MARCH 4 FROM 7 PM TO 11 PM

THE LODGE AT SHARP MOUNTAIN - 201 26TH STREET, POTTSVILLE ENTERTAINMENT BY OUR VERY OWN: DALE!! AND THE LEGENDS BUFFET DINNER AND CASH BAR ** \$35 PER PERSON (PREPAID)

MENU INCLUDES: PRIME RIB, CRAB CAKES, SOUP, SALADS, SIDES, AND DESSERTS PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR TICKETS!! JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN!!!





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