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CHURCH OF SAINT PATRICK

319 MAHANTONGO STREET  POTTSVILLE, PA

Pastor Rev. Msgr. Edward J. O'Connor

Parochial Vicar/Hospital Chaplain..... Rev. William N. Seifert

In Residence..... Rev. Kenneth A. Medve

Permanent Deacons Mr. John E. Quirk
Mr. Lawrence J. Lonergan

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday 4:15 & 6:00 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 to 4:00 pm *Wednesday* 7:30 to 8:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE	<i>Phone</i> 570-622-1802 <i>Email</i> dwalker.stpats@gmail.com
	<i>Fax</i> 570-622-2593 <i>Web</i> www.stpatrickpottsville.org
	<i>Office Administrator</i> Debbie Walker
	<i>Office Hours</i> 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, weekdays
	<i>Bulletin Deadline</i> 9:00 am, Mondays
	<i>Monthly Parish Events Calendar Deadline</i> First day of prior month

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.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (PREP): Grades 1 - 8 • September thru May
Sundays after the 9:30 am Mass 10:45 am to noon
Director..... Mrs. Dale Verchick
Phone..... 570-516-0107 *Email*..... dcd2211@gmail.com

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)

**SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**
February 12, 2017



Mass Intentions for the Week 

Monday, February 13

6:30 a.m. Agnes Gotschall (Est)
8:00 a.m. Matt Whitaker (Annette)

Tuesday, February 14 – St. Cyril and Methodius

6:30 a.m. John J. & Mary C. Coyle (Est)
Marguerite Coyle (Est)
8:00 a.m. Anna DeMaria (Children & Grandchildren)

Wednesday, February 15

6:30 a.m. Vincent Lurwick (Est)
Mary T. & Carole Lurwick Mullery (Est)
8:00 a.m. Betty Bruen (Thomas & Mary Ann Heenan)

Thursday, February 16

6:30 a.m. James & Clara Moran & Hummel Families (Est)
8:00 a.m. Joel "Spanky" Connors (Sally Connors)

Friday, February 17

6:30 a.m. Ruth Morans (Est)
8:00 a.m. Robert A. Bernatonis (Wife, Carolyn)

Saturday, February 18

8:00 a.m. Valentina A. Lizak (Est)

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
(Masses of Obligation)**

Saturday, February 18

4:15 p.m. Stephen Andrusisian (Family)
6:00 p.m. Mae & Dennis E. Shay (Son, Kevin)

Sunday, February 19

7:30 a.m. Members enrolled in the Purgatorial Memorial Society
9:30 a.m. Patricia Piccioni (Tom Piccioni)
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 worshipping with us!



READINGS FOR TODAY:

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- the sick of the parish
- our many Benefactors
- those recently deceased
- Russell Kosta

CANDLE INTENTIONS

Sanctuary – IMO Charlotte Green Matz (Debbie Walker)
Sacred Heart – IMO Anna DeMaria (Children & Grandchildren)
Pieta - IMO Joanne Crowley (Husband)
Pope St. John Paul II –
St. Patrick –
Our Lady's Chapel - Sanctuary –
IMO Walter R. & Lucy M. Seifert (Fr. W.N. Seifert)
Our Lady's Chapel – Blessed Virgin Mary –
IMO Anne & Stanley Kowalchick (Shirley & Marie)



Priest Mass Schedule for Feb. 18/19

4:15 pm – Fr. Seifert 7:30 am – Fr. Medve
6 pm – Fr. Seifert 9:30 am – Fr. Medve
11 am – Fr. Seifert

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



The next **Baptismal Workshop** will be held on Tuesday, **February 14**, 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.**

**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!



Ashes! Ashes! We All Fall Down! Monsignor is inviting everyone to join him on Sunday, February 26, at 2 pm, outside the Church, 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!

PS: There is a basket in the back of Church for your old palm. Please try to bring it back before February 26th so that it can be burned for this year's ashes! Thanks!

LOTTERY CALENDAR - RECENT OUTCOMES

Tues., January 31	#899	No Winner
Wed., February 1	#122	Mary Ellen M. (\$50)
Thurs., February 2	#454	Judy T. (\$50)
Fri., February 3	#793	No Winner
Sat., February 4	#817	No Winner
Sun., February 5	#680	Fran D. (\$150)
Mon., February 6	#785	Caryn M. (\$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!

Our January profit was a huge success with a whopping \$1911.80!! Thank you!!

Divine Mercy Perpetual Adoration Chapel at St. Patrick's Rectory – For information, please call Alece at 570-449-7678

And the message of His Sacred Heart to the whole world is that THE EUCHARIST IS JESUS HIMSELF whose Divine Heart is on fire with a personal love for each of us, and who longs to be loved by us in return. For unashamedly He says to us: "I thirst with such a terrible thirst to be loved by you in this Blessed Sacrament....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 and letters
- *Proper pencil grip
- *Prayers and songs
- *To respect others and themselves
- *AND LOTS MORE!!!**

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

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

February 5, 2017

Stewardship: \$9,950

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), AND 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 at St. Ambrose

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) AND 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 emergency 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 is TODAY, 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.

DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, WE SEND "BEST WISHES" TO:



Those who are celebrating "over 90" Birthdays:

- 2/16 Rita Foley (95 years)
- 2/18 Mary Hindman (93 years)
- 2/25 Isabelle Corcoran (92 years)



Those who are celebrating "over 50" Wedding Anniversaries:

- 2/4 Donald & Patricia McKeon (61 years)
- 2/6 Edward & Mary Kathryn Burns (52 years)
- 2/10 James & Elizabeth Stumpp (55 years)
- 2/12 William & Ann DeAngeles (62 years)
- 2/20 Frederick & Dolores Soellner (55 years)
- 2/27 Leo & Marsha Grace (52 years)

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

** Our beautiful "Parish Queen", Claire Pfluger Freeman, who received the honor of being named "Miss Congeniality" at the Winter Carnival last weekend!! Claire is an honor student at Penn State Schuylkill, and not only are her mother, Kristin, and her grandmother, Jayne, proud of her, but St. Patrick Parish is too!! Keep smiling and sparkling, Claire!!!

** Andrew Verchick who won our "Seek and you shall Find" website contest for January! Andrew won a gift card for Walmart! Hey kids...check back soon for more website contests at www.stpatrickpottsville.org/fun-for-kids

DONATIONS TO THE ST. PATRICK MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Michael McDonald
by: Joseph & Kathleen Young

In memory of Elizabeth Spotts
by: Susan B. McCord;
Carl & Andrea Antolick;
Susan D. Mistysyn

In memory of Robert Lash
by: St. Patrick Choir

In memory of Pasquale A. "Pat" Pilo
by: The Lay Carmelite Community; Joseph L. Pilo;
Anna D'Alessandro; Anthony & Karen Pilo

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by: Karen & Gene Stohn; Frani Bonchack;
Kathleen and Kathy Hampford

In memory of Rita Nolan
by: Robert, Christine, Brian, & Darby Doyle;
Paul & Marian Crochunis



St. Patrick Parish Appreciates!!

Thank you to the Republican Herald for publishing this picture of the top of our beautiful Church and the 13 birds, in the newspaper on January 29th.

Photo credit to Jacquis Dormer, the outstanding photographer, for her "good eye" and inspiration!!!! Great job, Jacquis!! We captioned this picture: Matthew 10:29-31. You might want to get out your Bible and read that passage! It speaks of the birds!



Congratulations to Sophia Elizabeth Prock, who was baptized on February 5th! She is marked as Christ's Own Forever!!! May God bless you forever and ever, Sophia Elizabeth!

THINGS TO DO!

*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.

*Chicken and Halupki Dinner – **February 19**, sponsored by St. Nicholas Church – 11 am to 1 pm. Advance tickets only: 570-544-4581.

*Philadelphia Flower Show – **March 13**, sponsored by St. Matthew's Travelers'. Cost \$58. Call Julie: 570-544-5231.



**JOIN US FOR A
SHAM-ROCKIN' PARTY!!!**

ST. PATRICK 3RD ANNUAL GALA
Dinner dance



SATURDAY, MARCH 4
7 PM TO 11 PM



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LIVE BAND!!!

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