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CHURCH OF SAINT PATRICK

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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

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Principal: Mrs. Teresa Keating

Nativity BVM 570-622-8110
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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
OF LENT
April 2, 2017**



Lazarus, come out!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 3

6:30 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Horan (Mick & John)
8:00 a.m. Mary Lou McGinley (Sean & Debbie Reilly, & Adam & Jen Dallago)

Tuesday, April 4 – St. Isidore, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

6:30 a.m. Joseph Hennessey (Tom & Diane Noga)
8:00 a.m. Michael F. Kalovcak (Mary Kalovcak & Family)

Wednesday, April 5 – St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

6:30 a.m. Michael O'Donnell (Sarah Donohue)
8:00 a.m. June McShaw (Bill & Melody Montag)
12:05 p.m. Jean Kaczynski (Family)

Thursday, April 6

6:30 a.m. Beverly McClintock (Friend, Daryl Geiger)
8:00 a.m. Frank & Mary Reilly (Jim & Susan Zimmerman)

Friday, April 7

6:30 a.m. Nicole Royal (Gloria Dolzani & Family)
8:00 a.m. Dick Matthews (Wife, Annette)

Saturday, April 8

8:00 a.m. Mary Kunkel Tone (Jerry & Kathleen Tone)

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
(Masses of Obligation)**

Saturday, April 8

4:15 p.m. Joseph & Anna Snukis (Children)
6:00 p.m. Edward W. Moran (Family)

Sunday, April 9

7:30 a.m. Marjorie L. Wagner (Greg & Melanie Wagner)
9:30 a.m. Alice, Thomas, Sr., Thomas, Jr., & Margie Murphy (Alice Henry)
11:15 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:

Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- the sick of the parish
- our many Benefactors
- those recently deceased - Cardinal William Keeler, Msgr. Raymond Merman, Edward Wade, Charlotte McDonald, Dorothy D'Alfonso

CANDLE INTENTIONS

April 2-8

Sanctuary – IMO Mr. & Mrs. George Conville (Liz Navitsky)

Sacred Heart –

Pieta -

Pope St. John Paul II – IMO Scott Jermyn (Lea Jermyn Coogan)

St. Patrick – IMO Jean Roskosky (Liz Navitsky)

Our Lady's Chapel - Sanctuary – In Honor of Kathryn Coogan's 90th Birthday (Debbie)

Our Lady's Chapel – Blessed Virgin Mary –



Priest Mass Schedule for April 8/9

4:15 pm – Msgr. O'Connor 7:30 am – Fr. Seifert
6 pm – Fr. Seifert 9:30 am – Msgr. O'Connor
11:15 am – Fr. Medve



STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LENT – Every Wednesday at 11:15 am, and every Friday at 7 pm (with Exposition and Benediction).

MORNING PRAYER IN LENT – Every morning, Monday through Friday, at 7:40 am.

CONFESSIONS IN LENT

Saturday: 3 pm to 4 pm, and
Wednesday: 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed on Holy Thursday, April 13; Good Friday, April 14, and Easter Monday, April 17!

St. Patrick Parish happily welcomes the following people to our Parish Family!

We welcome you all with open arms!

****John and Jesarela Carrero****

****Christine Collins and Nathan Fisher****

****Shawn and Ian Donohue****

****Marie Gustama-Coombs****

****Elena Macaluso****

****Courtney, Katherine, and Maxwell McCabe****

****Sean Purcell****

****Guy J. Recla****

****Al and Cyndi Wile****

****Joseph Zelinsky****



Congratulations to Nazarena Pia Refi, who was baptized on March 19th! God bless you Nazarena! You are marked as Christ's own forever!

LOTTERY CALENDAR - RECENT OUTCOMES

Tues., March 21	#288	No Winner
Wed., March 22	#845	No Winner
Thurs., March 23	#521	Justin K. (\$50)
Fri., March 24	#794	No Winner
Sat., March 25	#523	Randy G. (\$100)
Sun., March 26	#583	Pat M. (\$150)
Mon., March 27	#787	No Winner

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 also make nice little Easter gifts....You can fold them and hide them in a plastic egg for a real fun surprise!! We appreciate the support of everyone who helps to make this so successful!

Divine Mercy Perpetual Adoration Chapel at St. Patrick's Rectory – For information, please call Alece 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."... "I Myself am the Living Bread come down from Heaven."... "Could you not watch one hour with Me?"

Fr. Martin Lucia, SS.CC.

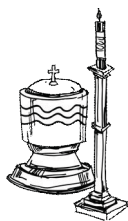
OPEN HOLY HOURS

**SUNDAY - 12 am, 4 am; TUESDAY - 2 am, 8 am;
FRIDAY - 10 am, 3 pm; SATURDAY – 1 pm**

DONATIONS TO THE ST. PATRICK MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Patricia Suender Dolbin
by: Francis X. Morris & Family;
Patricia Raring Heller

The next **Baptismal Workshop** will be held on Tuesday, **April 11**, at 7 pm, in the Rectory Conference Room. Please call Deacon Jack Quirk at 570-622-1802, ext. 7, to register. **Parents are required to attend a preparatory workshop before Baptism.**



The St. Patrick Seniors will meet on Thursday, April 20, at 1 pm, in the Terry Reiley Building on 12th Street in Pottsville. All Seniors are Welcome!

The next Activities Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 9, at 6 pm, in the Parish Center.
ARE WELCOME!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

March 26, 2017

Stewardship: **\$12,505**

Thank you for your generosity
to your Parish!



SACRAMENTAL NEWS!!! IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

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

St. Patrick Parish Appreciates!!

Thank you to all of those who helped to clear the snow away from the Parish properties!!! The Blizzard of 2017 left a lot of digging, pushing, shoveling, and snow blowing in the path of everyone! It was a dedicated snow team who tackled it and cleaned it up!! Great job and special thanks to Jeff Greenberg, Ralph Chiplonia, Joe Putsavage, Dakota Tray, and Dustin Tray!! They beat the Beast! Let's celebrate Spring now!!

Diocese of Allentown Mandated Reporter LIVE Training at St. Patrick Church!

Every adult who works with our children, in any venue, must complete this training (CYO coaches, Catholic Kids' Camp Volunteers, PREP teachers, Teen Night Helpers, Scouts, etc.). As a follow-up to the Mandated Reporter Training Policy, the Diocese of Allentown will be hosting training sessions. The next Live Training will be held on **Wednesday, May 10, from 5:30-8:30 pm, in our Parish Center. Deadline to register is May 5.** There is a \$5 fee for the live training materials and snacks. Please register by calling Ruth Davis at 610-332-0442, ext. 16. Please mail your \$5 check, payable to the Diocese of Allentown, to Office of Safe Environment, 2145 Madison Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

Protecting God's Children Workshops

****Thursday, April 20, at 6:00 pm, at St. Ambrose****

****Monday, July 31, at 6:30 pm, at St. Patrick****

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

Our Last Spaghetti Dinner of the Season will be



held on **Sunday, May 7th**

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!

There will **not** be a dinner in April due to the Easter Candy and Bake Sale!

HEY KIDS... HOP ON OVER TO THE ST. PATRICK PARISH ANNUAL EGG HUNT!

Children ages 1-10 are invited to participate in the Egg-Stravaganza on Holy Saturday, April 15, at 2 pm, in Calvary Cemetery. Join us for an Egg-citing time with fun and prizes!



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Wednesday, April 19th**, for the students of the parishes within our area. Bishop Edward

Cullen will confer the Sacrament within Mass at 4:30 p.m. This year, the Sacrament will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church.

OUR PARISH CONFIRMANDI will be honored on **Sunday, April 23**, at the 9:30 am Mass. We ask the Confirmandi to please meet in the Lower Chapel at 9:00 a.m. to prepare for Mass. All are asked to wear their Confirmation gowns, and all who attend this Mass will receive a Confirmation gift! Please call Debbie at 570-622-1802, ext. 1, by April 12th if you will attend.

Our Parish Graduates will be honored at Mass on **Sunday, May 28**, at the 9:30 am Mass. Children & young adults who are graduating from Kindergarten, 8th Grade, High School, or College are invited to attend, and will receive a gift. Caps and gowns should be worn. Please call Debbie at 570-622-1802, ext. 1, by May 10th if you will attend.



HOLY WEEK CHURCH SCHEDULE



Palm Sunday - April 9 - Masses - Vigil - 4:15 pm and 6:00 pm; Sunday - 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am (**Please note change in Mass time for 11 am!**)

Monday of Holy Week - April 10 - Masses - 6:30 am and 8:00 am; Morning Prayer - 7:40 am; Confessions - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

Tuesday of Holy Week - April 11 - Masses - 6:30 am and 8:00 am; Morning Prayer - 7:40 am.

Wednesday of Holy Week "Spy Wednesday" - April 12 - Masses - 6:30 am and 8:00 am; Morning Prayer - 7:40 am; Confessions - 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Holy Thursday - April 13 - Morning Prayer - 8:00 am; Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 pm; Adoration in the Lower Chapel until 11:00 pm; Night Prayer - 10:45 pm.

Good Friday - April 14 - Morning Prayer - 8:00 am; Stations of the Cross - 12:00 Noon; Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3:00 pm (Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion).

Holy Saturday - April 15 - Morning Prayer - 8:00 am; Blessing of Food - 12:00 Noon; Easter Vigil - 8:00 pm.

Easter Sunday - April 16 - Sunrise Mass at Calvary Cemetery - 7:15 am; Masses at St. Patrick Church - 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am (**Please note change in Mass time for 11 am!**)

DONATIONS TO THE ST. PATRICK CEMETERY FUND WERE GIVEN IN MEMORY OF ANN HECKMAN

From: PCHS Class of 1952; Dolores Malec; Steven Slavinsky; Brian R. Rich



Attention Adults!!! We are starting to prepare, and will need lots of help with this year's Catholic Kids' Camp!! The theme this year is "Tracking Mary - Mysteries and Messages", where the children will track Our Lady all over the World!!! Please call the

Parish Office if you are willing to help! (PS: All adults who help are required to get all of their background clearances. We are starting now so that you have time to complete these requirements!)

CONGRATULATIONS!

And Happy Birthday to our Dear Kathryn "Kay" Coogan, who celebrated 90 beautiful years on March 31st!! Kay is a very active, faithful, and dedicated parishioner! She truly is an inspiration!

To Jason and Leah Clews, who won the Blizzard of 2017 Facebook picture contest!! Enjoy your treat at Roma you two love birds!

THANK YOU!

To Robert and Sharon Piccioni for the very generous donation in honor of their granddaughter's (Nazarena Pia Refi) Baptism!

PLEASE PRAY!

Please pray for our 2017 Confirmandi as they prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit on April 19th: Benjamin Artz, Allison Campion, Katherine Joyce, Richard Joyce, Amy Leymeister, Morgan McKenna, Neil Messaros, Megan Meyer, Joie Najunas, Robert Joseph Quinn, Greta Snukis-Hill, and Isabella Varano

Pope Francis has asked our Parish to support the Good Friday collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. Please be generous!



Prayer and Care Day for Caregivers – June 24, to be held at St. Joseph Center for Special Learning in Pottsville. The morning will be devoted to talks given by Sr. Christen

Shukwit on the Spirituality of care giving. After lunch, a variety of activities for pampering the caregiver will be available. There is no charge for the caregiver for this day. If you are or know someone who is a caregiver for a loved one who is ill or has a disability, this day is for you. To receive an invitation, please contact Sr. Janice Johnson at 610-657-9624.

SCHOOL NEWS

Nativity BVM Drama Club is hosting a Children's/Toy Bingo to raise funds for their Spring musical Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" on **Saturday, April 8**. Doors open at Noon, and Bingo begins at 1 pm. Cost is \$10 for ten regular plus two special games. Prizes include toys and gift cards for children ages preschool through Grade 8. Refreshments available for purchase. Please call Angie at 570-366-0709.

Assumption BVM will have their annual Basket Auction on **April 28, 29, and 30**, at St. Clare of Assisi Parish Hall. Tons of prizes and lots of good food will be available.

Assumption BVM will have an Open House on **Thursday, May 4**, from 6-8 pm.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT OUR STATUES ARE



COVERED, OR VEILED, FOR THE 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT. THIS ANCIENT TRADITION IS ASSOCIATED WITH THE GOSPEL OF JOHN IN WHICH JESUS "HID HIMSELF" FROM THE PEOPLE. NEXT YEAR, WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT WE CAN HAVE ALL OF THE STATUES COVERED (IN THE LOWER CHAPEL AND IN THE

CRYPT). WE HOPE THIS PRACTICE HEIGHTENS YOUR SENSES AS WE BUILD A LONGING FOR A HAPPY AND HOLY EASTER.

HELP IS NEEDED FOR OUR UPCOMING PALM SUNDAY

BAKE AND EASTER CANDY SALE APRIL 8th and 9th



Our Palm Sunday Bake Sale is coming up next weekend! With your help we can fill the tables with cakes, pies, cookies, bread, etc. Please try to put "baking something" on your "to do" list this week. Your donations will be most welcome! Baked goods can be dropped off at the Parish Office during normal office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm) later this coming week or at the Parish Center next Saturday afternoon after 1:30 pm.

Pre-ordered candy may be picked up starting at 2 pm Saturday afternoon and starting at 8 am on Palm Sunday in the Parish Center.

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