

# **CHURCH OF** SAINT PATRICK

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#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

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

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

**WEEKDAY MASSES** 

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturday ...... 3:00 to 4:00 pm

Wednesday .......7:30 to 8:30 pm

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Office Hours	8:30 am to 4:30 pm, weekdays
Bulletin Deadline	9:00 am, Mondays
Monthly Parish Events Calen	dar 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.

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

DIVINE MERCY PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL AT ST. PATRICK RECTORY: Please call Aleece at 570-449-7678 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 BVM**......570-622-0106 **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

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

# FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME July 9, 2017



#### **EXCEPT THROUGH JESUS**

# Mass Intentions for the Week 😾 🔿

#### Monday, July 10

6:30 a.m. Nellie McDonald (Marie Johnson) 8:00 a.m. William Doran (Millie & Debbie)

#### Tuesday, July 11 – St. Benedict, Abbot

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

8:00 a.m. Harold R. Brigade

(Daniel & Maryellen O'Donnell)

#### Wednesday, July 12

6:30 a.m. Kevin Brennan

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

8:00 a.m. Mary & James Zimmerman

(Jim & Susan Zimmerman)

#### Thursday, July 13

6:30 a.m. George H. Roxandich (George & Ann Marie Lill)

8:00 a.m. Olga Frances Lizak (Son, Leonard Lizak, Jr.)

#### Friday, July 14

6:30 a.m. Joan Monahan (Mr. & Mrs. Bob Long)

8:00 a.m. Jane Dries (Mary Dries)

#### Saturday, July 15 - St. Bonaventure, Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Dorothy Purcell (Richard Purcell)

# Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Masses of Obligation)

#### Saturday, July 15

4:15 p.m. Francis Heenan (Thomas & Mary Ann Heenan)

6:00 p.m. Alice McDonald (The Taronis Family)

#### Sunday, July 16

7:30 a.m. Members enrolled in the Purgatorial Memorial

Society

9:30 a.m. Francis Bierman (Cousin, Francis Bierman)

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:**

Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

### **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**

Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- the sick of the parish our many Benefactors
- those recently deceased Doris Lonergan,
   Catherine Schock

### CANDLE INTENTIONS

**July 9 - July 15** 

Sanctuary – IMO Joe Kocher (Joann)

Sacred Heart -

Pieta - IMO The Mary E. O'Connor Family

(The Donohue Family)

Pope St. John Paul II -

St. Patrick - IMO Kevin Brennan

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

Our Lady's Chapel - Sanctuary -

Our Lady's Chapel - Blessed Virgin Mary -

#### **Priest Mass Schedule for July 15/16**

 4:15 pm - Msgr. O'Connor
 7:30 am - Fr. Medve

 6:00 pm - Fr. Karpyn
 9:30 am - Msgr. O'Connor

11:00 am - Fr. Karpyn

The next <u>Baptismal Workshop</u> will be held on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>August 1</u>, 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 register and attend a preparatory workshop before Baptism.* 



Protecting God's Children Workshop
\*\*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 Office to register!



Who would like the honor of serving at our Lord's Altar??? Boys and girls who have received their First Holy Communion are eligible to be altar servers. We are going to start training soon!!! Please call the Parish Office to sign up for this very important ministry.

\* Training will be held on August 1 at

**11 am, and August 10, at 6 pm, in the Church.** You only have to come to one session, but you can come to both if you like. Servers will then "shadow" a seasoned server!

\* The new servers will be commissioned at the 9:30 am Mass on August 20.

And.....Speaking of our Awesome **Altar Servers**... All altar servers and their families are invited to join us for our annual Altar Server Trip which will be to **Knoebel's Amusement Park** on **Wednesday, August 16**th. We will leave from in front the St. Patrick Church at 5 pm, by bus, and ride the rides from 6 pm to 10 pm!!! We will pay for the rides for all of our altar servers, including our NEW servers!! (All adults (18 and over) MUST have the proper background clearances to ride the bus. Please call the Parish Office if you need to get them done.)

#### LOTTERY CALENDAR - RECENT OUTCOMES

Tues., June 27	#236	Jean G. (\$50)	
Wed., June 28	#016	Nancy B. (\$50)	
Thurs., June 29	#100	No Winner	
Fri., June 30	#622	Rose R. & Sydney R.(\$50)	
Sat., July 1	#724	Evan L. (\$100)	
Sun., July 2	#698	No Winner	
Mon., July 3	#042	Gina D. (\$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. We appreciate the support of everyone who helps to make this so successful!

**St. Patrick's Rectory** – Please call Aleece at 570-449-7678 to commit to your Holy Hour with Our Lord. Whenever you are unable to cover your Holy Hour, for whatever reason, we are always able to get a sub.

"Consider your allotted hour of adoration as an hour of paradise ... Sweetly keep alive the desire for it in your heart. Tell yourself: in four hours, in two hours, in one hour, I will go to our Lord's audience of grace and love; he invited me, he awaits me, he desires me." (St. Peter Julian Eymard)

#### **OPEN HOLY HOURS**

SUNDAY - 12 am, 4 am; WEDNESDAY - 12 am, 1 am; SATURDAY - 1 pm, 9 pm

# CEMETERY RULES

PLANTS, FLOWERS, AND WREATHS during the Grass Cutting Season



Artificial decorations, potted plants and flowers, or ornaments of any kind are not permitted in the cemetery during the grass cutting season (April  $15^{\rm th}$  to November  $15^{\rm th}$ ) except on:

Fathers' Day: 6/18/17 Removal date: 7/1/17

All Saints' Day: 11/1/17 Removal date: 11/14/17

All Souls' Day: 11/2/17 Removal date: 11/15/17

Veterans' Day: 11/11/17 Removal date: 11/24/17

# Here it Comes!!!! Please Save the Date!!

Our Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 3, 2017, from 12 pm to 10 pm at South Cass in Primrose!! We will need your help so please watch the bulletin for more information! For now, please start collecting BRAND NEW and UNOPENED items for our Luck of the Irish Stand! Watch for those Sidewalk Sale Bargains!!!!

### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

July 2, 2017

Stewardship: \$9,631

Thank you for your generosity to your Parish!



STARTING IN AUGUST, THE "ENERGY" ENVELOPE WILL BE CALLED "UTILITIES"!



Online Giving is now here, and we are off to a great start! Thank you to the parishioners who signed up already!!!

St. Patrick Parish now offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure, and is convenient for you!

To sign up or make a donation online today, go to the OSV website: osvonlinegiving.com/4339. To download the Online Giving App, go to OLGapp.com.



Parish Religious Education Program Early Registration for PREP (aka CCD) for the 2017-2018 School year is now open! Our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) is offered to children in Grades 1 through 8 on Sundays immediately following the 9:30 am mass from September through May (10:45 am to Noon). If you are returning back to PREP, you must still

register. Registration forms are available in the Church vestibule, the Parish office, and on our Parish website at www.stpatrickpottsville.org. Tuition and fees have stayed the same as last year! Plus, As an incentive, we are offering you a chance to win a \$50 gift card to Walmart for your back to school shopping needs! If you register early for PREP, by July 21<sup>st</sup>, we will enter your name for a chance to win the gift card!! Registration deadline for PREP is August 18<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Please call Dale Verchick at 570-516-0107 or email her at dcd2211@gmail.com.

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## CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK

(Pictures, information, reminders, fun!)





Hey kids... Don't forget to pick up your "Monsignor" for the vacation contest where you can win the \$50 grand prize!! The contest runs from June 1 to August 31. Submit pictures from your vacation on your trip to California, Arizona, Alaska, Hawaii, or wherever the Lord takes you this year! Please call the Parish Office for more information.

#### SCHOOL NEWS

\*Nativity Little Girls Volleyball Camp for girls entering 3th through 8th grade - July 17-20 at Nativity High School. Cost is \$45. Camp includes individual instruction, team concepts, competitions. Please call Jennifer at 570-622-8110 for more information.



\*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
- \*Prayers and songs
- \*To respect others and themselves
- \*AND LOTS MORE!!!

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



Those who are celebrating "over 90" Birthdays:

7/4 John Mataka (93 years)

7/9 Jayne Pfluger (91 years)

Josephine Tananis (93 years) 7/20

7/23 Alex Semanski (92 years)

Those who are celebrating "over 50" Wedding **Anniversaries:** 



7/16 Earl & Jane Murphy (62 years)

7/16 Edward & Madeline Welsh

(57 years)

7/30 George & Doris Purcell (69 years)

7/30 Richard & Theresa Shanoskie (57 years)

7/31 Lamar & Ellen Fisher (52 years)



Not only can we support St. Patrick Parish now, but well into the future

by remembering it in our Will. This would be a special way of helping to spread the Gospel well into the future. Please contact the Parish Office for more info.

## **HEY VOLUNTEERS!! HEY BUSINESSES!!**

We know that our volunteers freely offer themselves without any financial compensation. They literally sacrifice for the betterment of others, and we are very grateful to them. We would like to do something nice for



them! A little perk! Beginning in August, we will have a volunteer box in the back of Church. Anyone who volunteers to do anything for the Parish is welcome to put their name in the box (once per month). On the first day of each month, we will draw a name. That volunteer will win a prize!

Businesses...here is how you can help us out!! We are asking our businesses (one business per month) to sponsor the prize for the volunteer. It could be a gift card to a restaurant, department or grocery store. It could be a gift card to a hamburger/hotdog or ice cream joint. It could be a fruit or gift basket. It could be something creative! The choice and the amount are yours. For that entire month, your business will be highlighted right inside our bulletin. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to volunteer to treat a volunteer!!

#### **BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**



As of today, our parishioners have raised \$40,664 from 251 parishioners, representing 14.98% of our total number of registered families in our Parish. We need the support of all of our Parish families

to reach our financial goal and to reach the 100% participation goal. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the Parish Office or make your gift online. We need the support of all of our Parish families to reach our goal. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. Every dollar helps those in need. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the Parish Office or visit the Appeal website at FaithHopeCharityGives.org.

The celebration of Mass is one of the most solemn celebrations of our faith. A collision of Heaven and Earth! It is the leaving of our mortal world and entering into that which is of Christ. Catholics worship God in a variety of ways, but the chief act of corporate or communal



worship is the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Because of this, there is a proper etiquette that one should follow when in God's house to offer worship to him. From time to time, we will give reminders so that you

can enjoy a more Holy encounter with our God:

Fast before Mass. It is Church law that one fasts for at least 1 hour before receiving Holy Communion. Water and medicine can be consumed, of course. The purpose is to help us prepare to receive Jesus in the Eucharist.

# St. Patrick Parish Appreciates!!

THANK YOU for being so GOOD to God's Children!!! St. Patrick Parish wishes to acknowledge two awesome helpers who were omitted last week from the Catholic Kids Camp Thank You. Thank you to Tara Davis who was very helpful in the creative snack department, and to Julian Harley who was the infamous "Greg" in the skits, and a big helper with games, and the set up and clean up of games. We are grateful to both of these fine people for stepping up and helping us provide a great Catholic experience for our kids!

What a blessing we have in St. Patrick Parish! Her name is Helen Weiss!!! Helen has been a great example of kindness, love, compassion, and generosity, and we are very lucky that she loves to be involved in everything! From Retreat, to fundraising, to helping to coordinate fireworks and other parties, to decorating, to Catholic Kids Camp, and to everything in between, we are blessed with her creativity and dedication! At Catholic Kids Camp, she was Bob's helper by constantly giving him ideas for the train station set up, making sure all of the children had engineer hats on the last day (complete with pink ones for the girls, nonetheless), and helping to make our life a lot easier by getting the balloons filled with helium and getting them to Pottsville safely so that our beautiful floating Rosary could sail on to Heaven! In Matthew 13, we read about the Parable of the Pearl of Great Price. Dear Helen, YOU are our Great Pearl! God treasures you completely, and so do we! Thank you for ALL you do!

Attention All Middle School, High School, and Adult Helpers who helped with this year's Catholic Kids Camp!! We are going to have a Post Camp Celebration for YOU on Thursday, July 27, at 6 pm, in the Parish Center. Lasagna, Salad, Bread, and a Goodie are on the menu! Please RSVP by July 24th if you will attend! Let's eat, drink, and be with our Mary once again!

### The Intercessor's Corner: St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Born to a family of Venetian merchants in Brindisi, Naples, St. Lawrence's parents died when he was young. Educated by an uncle, he entered the Capuchin Order when he was sixteen. He was ordained seven years later.

A Biblical scholar and preacher, St. Lawrence had a gift for languages, including Italian, Latin, Hebrew, Greek, German, Bohemian, Spanish, and French. He worked to spread the influence of the Capuchin Franciscan order, establishing monasteries in German and Austria.



Oh Yes It's Ladies Night!! It is quite evident that our Parish Ladies are really enjoying creating, socializing, and learning about the faith in a fun and informal way! Our Summer Ladies Night will be held on Tuesday, July 25, at

6:30 pm, in the Parish Center where we will create a choice of a beach or a summer mesh wreath, while getting a faith lesson. The cost is \$25 for supplies. We are asking all of our Ladies to bring a potluck appetizer or dessert, a pair of scissors, and a glue gun (if you have one)! We'll provide lemonade, iced tea, and water. As always, you might want to B.Y.O.B.! Please RSVP no later than July 17th! We hope to see lots of our beautiful women there!

#### **BORED? DON'T BE!!**

\*Schuylkill and Carbon Young Adult Listening Session for ages 16-29 – July 12<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 pm, at Roma Pizza in Pottsville.

\*St. John's Church in Pottsville will host its Mid Summer Festival July 14<sup>th</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 9:30 p.m. each night on the parish grounds at 9th St. & Schuylkill Ave. in Pottsville. Great food, varied games of chance, children and teen games, and featuring again this year "Splash the Clown", balloon making, face painting, and much more. Music each night!!

\*Divine Mercy Parish Block Party - July 14-16 in Shenandoah. Homemade food, entertainment, raffles, Bingo!

\*Mandated Reporter Live Training on August 21, from 5:30-8:30 pm at St. Ambrose. To register, please call 610-332-0442 (x16)



The Flowers in Front of the Altar this Weekend were donated by Annette in Memory of Her Husband, Dick Matthews. We thank Annette Matthews for enhancing the Liturgy with live flowers.

If you would like to donate flowers for the sanctuary in memory or in honor of someone, please call the Parish Office or check out our website at stpatrickpottsville.org, and look under the "Home" link "Church Flowers" for more information. We will order the flowers for you. We need at least two weeks' notice to honor your request.

## St. Patrick Parish Applauds!!

Yep! The sun did come out on our stars, and they are our parishioners! Congratulations to Julian Harley, Madison Eroh, and Marcus Smith for their performance in "Annie Kids"! They performed to a sold out crowd, and you can bet your bottom dollar that we will love them Tomorrow!!

Congratulations to parishioners Bella Varano, Lauren Ferhat, and their awesome coach, Krista Varano, who earned the title of Sapphire Division Champions in the Girls Junior National Volleyball Championship! The squad won three gold medals and three silver medals! They had the skills to make the kills!

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