



# St. Patrick Parish

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## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

212 Meredith Street, Kennett Square, PA 19348

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### MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM

### Weekday Mass:

7:30 AM — Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

7:00 PM - Wednesday

8:00 AM - Saturday

### CONFESIONS

Reconciliation Room located in Narthex

Wednesday: 6:00PM-6:45PM in Church

Saturday: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM in Church

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mondays 8:00 AM—7:00 PM in Church

### PARISH OFFICE

205 Lafayette Street

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Hours: 9:00 AM—4:00 PM Monday-Thursday

9:00AM-12:00PM Friday

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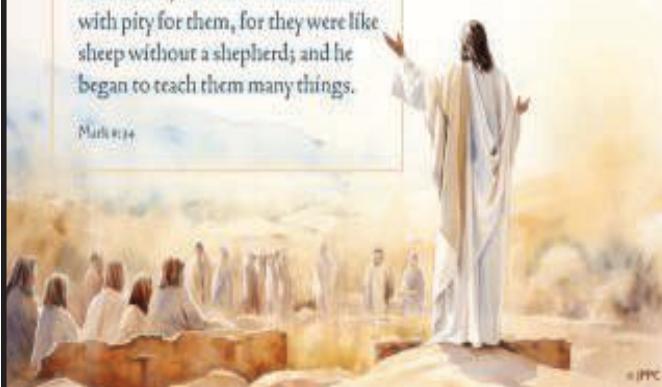


JULY 21, 2024

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

Mark 6:34



### Clergy

Rev. Christopher B. Rogers, **Pastor**

Rev. Andres Garcia, **In Residence**

Deacon Alan T. Haley

Deacon James K. Madonna , Retired

### Sunday Assistance:

Rev. James T. McCabe

Oblates of St. Francis DeSales

### MISSION STATEMENT

*St. Patrick Church, in the process of strengthening its Catholic Community, seeks to make the gospel of Jesus Christ better known and loved through prayer, stewardship and good works.*

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# Mass Intentions

**Monday, July 22, St. Mary Magdalene**

7:30AM Frank McCourt  
r/o Wife

**Tuesday, July 23, St. Bridget**

7:30AM Mark Gustafson  
r/o Barbara A. Curtis

**Wednesday, July 24, St. Sharbel Makhluf**

7:00PM Patrick Hearn  
r/o Rose Hearn

**Thursday, July 25, St. James**

7:30AM Kate Schneider Kisseler  
r/o Elaine Schneider

**Friday, July 26, Sts. Joachim & Anne**

7:30AM Edward Kavanagh  
r/o Piero & Millie Piperis

**Saturday, July 27, Weekday**

8:00AM Special Intention

**Vigil, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00PM Doris DeHart  
r/o Paul Hart & Susan Zaleski

**Sunday, July 28, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30AM Parishioners  
9:00AM Joseph Merglano & Fr. Gus Paleo  
r/o O'Donnell Family  
10:30AM John David Woodward, Jr.  
r/o Rose Hearn  
12:00PM John Virgilio  
r/o Madonna Family

*"The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." ~ John 6:51*



**Eucharistic Etiquette:**

A weekly word about reverence for the Eucharist.

St. Sharbel:

*"Only the Eucharist can sanctify you, only the Eucharist can raise you, only the Holy Sacrament can protect you."*

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

All praise and glory is yours, Lord our God, for You have called us to serve You in love. Bless our sick: Rosa Maria Santos, Thomas Layug, Steven Mangini, John Pellegrino, Thomas Kelleher, Diane Jones, Giovanna Sankus, Frankie Knowles, Richard Reynolds, Marc Palfy, Joshua Brown, Maria Rowe, William Morey, Eufemia Ortega Milagros, Ada Maldonado, Bryan Pudelka, Miles Kennedy, Diane Stansberry, Diane & Jeff Jones, Robert "Mack" Marc-Aurele, Pamela Maldonado, Mary Anne Proch, Aaron Pogue, Susan Walker, Kathi Lafferty, Barry Fragale, David Brice, Jim Feiler, Dianne & Anthony Smith, Shannon Quinn, Florence Ciliberto, Clint Norris III, Samantha Brown, Mary Ellen Rorke Ventrella, Diane Jones, Chris Baker, Linda Harris, Millie Basile, Vira Smith, Bob McCaffrey, Ed Homa, Chris Santos, Alan Hobbs, Jeff Hammaker, Karen Amato, Jessica Moorhead, Carmen Rossini, Joe Posse, Maria Ireson, Karen Neyerson, Brent London, J. A. Shiner, Kaia Rae Watson-Seery, Tony Brown, Joan Ricevuto, Tracy Conway, Lucy Carroll, Randy Myers, Ronald J. Caputo, Gary Levon, Sutton & Daphne Greene, Nancy Maillie, Gina Serra, Patti DeFazio, Melissa MacCleery, Rebekah Simunek, Anne Marie McCarthy, Susan Gore, Theresa Evans, Alyssa Pierangeli, Joyce Pellegrino, Doris Gillis, Conrad Szablewski, Mia Staley, Megan Heller, Dee Chandler, Brian Chandler, Bob Regenye, Tom Gore that they bear this illness in union with Your Son's obedient suffering, restore them to health, and lead them to glory.



Good and loving Father, watch over and protect all who serve in the Armed Forces of our nation. Surround them with your love and care and bring them safely home.

**SGT Richard Baffa**

**SFC Raymond Burke III**

**LCDR Michael Crawford**

**Major Dominic Paul DellaPelle, USMC**

**SPC Joseph Dettore, Jr.**

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**LCPL Ben Farrell, USMC**

**1st LT. USAF Natalie King**

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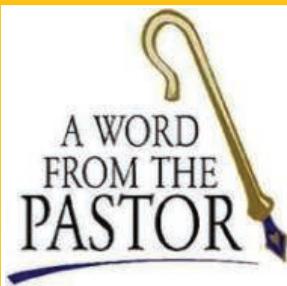
**SFC Tyler Nellens**

**Airman U.S. Navy Francis M. Raimato**

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**Major Ian C. Whiteman**



My Dear Parishioners,

Praised be Jesus Christ! With the MLB All Star Game in the rear-view mirror, the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of Baseball Season has begun and my "High Hopes" for the Phillies continue. So far this Season in both watching the games on TV and being at the Ballpark, I've noticed an advertisement behind home plate for "NFP". Apparently, NFP are the initials of an insurance agency; but when I saw those letters I thought of something very different...Natural Family Planning! I wonder what came to your mind?

To a generation of Catholics, the very initials NFP may trigger all sorts of ideas: Perhaps teachings about the evils of contraception, sexual ethics, the rhythm method or Humane Vitae. But to a younger and growing generation all of that would be news to them; and the news of Natural Family Planning is really good news, refreshing and fruitful! News that communicates respect for husband and wife; respect for the body and soul; respect for marriage and family. There is truly a generational difference here.

Why? In part, it's because many in the younger, growing generation have experienced such bad news. The news that Paul VI prophesied 56 years ago this week when he wrote of contraception's consequences:

- 1) *"Marital infidelity and a general lowering of moral standards."*
- 2) *"Men forgetting the reverence due to a woman, and, disregarding her physical and emotional equilibrium, reducing her to being a mere instrument for the satisfaction of his own desires."*
- 3) *"The danger of this power passing into the hands of those public authorities who care little for the precepts of the moral law.... Who will prevent public authorities from favoring those contraceptive methods which they consider more effective? Should they regard this as necessary, they may even impose their use on everyone."*

These realities – not to mention infertility -- now so familiar to young people are provoking an interest in realizing another way. And that way, enlightened by greater medical science, respect for the body and persons, is Natural Family Planning. In working with young people and preparing them for marriage, I've seen a real change in this regard and I do have "high hopes" for the future as I see them embracing NFP and saying "no" to contraception. And that's a VERY GOOD thing! If you are interested in more information on this topic, visit the US Bishops Website; or call our parish office. We have several couples in our parish who are well-versed on NFP.

Peace,

Fr. Rogers

**MISSIONARY APPEAL WEEKEND**  
**JULY 27 - 28, 2024**

**St. Patrick Welcomes  
Father Mapara, OSB**

Next week is our Annual Missionary Appeal Weekend. Fr. Mapara, a Benedictine monk of St. Maurus Hanga Abbey in Tanzania will be here. He currently works in the diocese of Baker, Oregon and will speak with us about the need for safe drinking water in Tanzania. A collection will be taken for his religious community which serves the rural population of Tanzania.

**BLESSING OF THE COLUMBARIA**  
**Monday, July 29, 2024**  
**Feast of Saints Martha, Mary, & Lazarus**

**Join us on this special day as we  
dedicate, bless, and name our new Columbaria.  
9:00 AM ~ St. Patrick Cemetery**



## CULTURE OF LIFE CORNER

### NATIONAL NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP) AWARENESS

WEEK – *Love Beyond Measure*

July 21 – 27, 2024

*"Love Beyond Measure, Natural Family Planning, Supporting God's gifts of love and life in marriage"* is the theme of this year's national Natural Family Planning Awareness Week (July 21–27, 2024). These dates highlight the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae vitae* (July 25) which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, marriage, conjugal love and responsible parenthood.

As an educational campaign of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), "NFP Week" celebrates God's design for married love and the gift of life and raises awareness about Natural Family Planning (NFP) methods. "NFP," as the U.S. bishops have written, are supportive of Catholic beliefs about married love because NFP "respects the God-given power to love a new human life into being" (USCCB, *Married Love and the Gift of Life*).

The Lord God calls us to love Him and each other as He loves us. In marriage, this takes on a unique quality as the complementarity of husband and wife become the "one flesh" union that Sacred Scripture so beautifully teaches. And, God's gift of children are the fruit of such a noble love!

The Catholic Church invites all the faithful to embrace God's plan for married love. Learn more about these beautiful teachings which support the use of NFP in marriage at [www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/church-teaching](http://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/church-teaching).

Want to learn more about the methods of NFP offered in our diocese? See, <https://ccli.org/> or visit the NFP section of the USCCB website at: [www.usccb.org/nfp](http://www.usccb.org/nfp).

### ROSARY FOR LIFE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2024

6:30 PM in Church

All are welcome to join the Respect Life Ministry this week as we pray a ROSARY FOR LIFE.

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### SAVE THE DATE

**ABBEY FEST-Faith, Music & Family Festival**

Saturday, September 14, 2024

**Daylesford Abbey in Paoli, PA**

Abbey Fest is celebrating its 10th anniversary! This day-long festival will include food trucks, merchandise tents, kid-friendly activities, music, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession and Holy Mass celebrated by Archbishop Nelson J. Perez. This year's music lineup features headliner Matt Maher. You won't want to miss it!

**St. Patrick Church has a limited number of FREE tickets to this year's Abbey Fest.** To reserve your tickets, contact Jen Keller:

jenkellersp@gmail.com or call 610-444-4364. For more information and full schedule, visit [www.theabbeyfest.com](http://www.theabbeyfest.com)

To Saint Patrick Church Family:

We have contracted with John Patrick Publishing Company to update our bulletin for our congregation that will be available at the Church. The printing is being provided at no cost to our Church. Local businesses are being asked to be featured in the bulletin in the way of advertising and support of the Church.

If you own or manage a business or know someone that does want to be featured please call Marlene Richards 845-492-1547 cell directly, or email her at [mrichards@jppc.net](mailto:mrichards@jppc.net) at any time for more information on how to advertise.

### CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP AT SACRED HEART CHURCH, 101 CHURCH ROAD IN OXFORD, PA.

Come enjoy a personal experience with the Holy Spirit and our Lord Jesus Christ on Wednesday evenings in the chapel from 7:00-8:30PM with fellowship, song, praise and sharing in the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Every second Wednesday of each month is an "information night." Come and see "Praise and Worship" and have any questions you may have answered.

For more information about Sacred Heart's Charismatic Prayer Group, you can contact:

Jean Gottel at 610-507-2586 (text) or [gotbean77@yahoo.com](mailto:gotbean77@yahoo.com)



You guide me along the right path for the sake of your name.

**Psalm 23:3**

In today's Gospel Jesus' message "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest awhile." Once again

shows us how much God loves and understands our human needs. The apostles are encouraged to deliberately go to the desert to rest from activity and truly renew their relationship with God. In our hectic lives we need to take deliberate time for rest, reflection, and confrontation with God just like the apostles. Quietly reflect on the time and place you can go without distractions. Where can I listen deeply to the voice of God within me?

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**PREP Registration**

Online registration has closed

Paper forms may be found on the parish website under the

YOUTH Tab-PREP

\$25.00 late fee applies to all returning families



**EMMAUS BREAKFAST**

**Tuesday, July 23, 2024**

**7:30AM Mass and gathering afterwards in St. Joseph Room**

Join us on Tuesday, July 23 for the 7:30AM Mass followed by an "Emmaus Breakfast" in the St. Joseph Room. Like the disciples of Emmaus, we will reflect on the Word of God and His Presence among us. Following the Eucharistic Congress, there will be much to share. Read and pray with Luke 24:13-35 and bring your reflections.



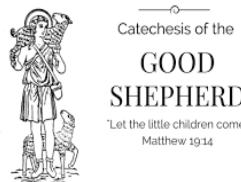
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My name is Tony Basilio and late last year, I had the very good fortune to be invited on a pilgrimage to visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. That visit was a life altering event. I would like to share that event with you. I am organizing a pilgrimage to the shrine for St. Patrick Parish. The dates for the trip are November 6-13, 2024. The cost is \$1700.00, which includes ground transportation in Mexico. (Please note: airfare is NOT included) a full time bilingual Mexican guide, room accommodations, most meals, visits to at least 8 holy sites and three other tourist attractions and daily Mass. If you are interested or have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at tbasilio@verizon.net or on my mobile phone (302-218-0954).

**PLEASE NOTE-**It is time again to submit your scheduling dates for the fiscal year and reserve your meeting space. The calendar will run from August, 2024 through July, 2025.

Please submit your requirements to the parish office no later than July 31, 2024 to ensure that the space you require is available. Scheduling will be done on a first come, first served basis.



Catechesis of the

**GOOD SHEPHERD**

"Let the little children come"  
Matthew 19:14

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

**Serving children ages 3-6**

Taking part in the practical life activities is part of the fun in the atrium. The children will work individually or in small groups while learning to talk to God through play.

Children will select their activity from work already presented to them. Children will be able to return activities over many weeks or months until they have mastered the skill. Older children that have mastered a skill will be able to help young children in the atrium. All activities tie in with the direct aim of order, concentration, coordination and independence.

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**Register for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

forms may be found on the parish website under the YOUTH tab-CGS

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For inquiries about CGS contact

Kelly Pin or Maria Miller

Kpin.teacher@gmail.com or mmillerdresp@gmail.com

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK PARISH

Sunday, July 21

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before/after Masses

Monday, July 22

Adoration	8:00AM	C
Rosary	7:00PM	C

Tuesday, July 23

Flame of Love Prayer Group	1:00PM	C
Emmaus Breakfast after 7:30AM Mass		SJR

Wednesday, July 24

Family Friendly SoulCore	9:30AM	SJR
Confession	6:00PM	Narthex
Respect Life Rosary	6:30PM	C
Mass	7:00PM	C

Thursday, July 25

Men's Group	6:15AM	SJ
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Friday, July 26

Rosary	8:00AM & 4:30PM	C
Confession	3:30PM	Narthex

## SUMMER SOULCORE OPPORTUNITIES



## FAMILY FRIENDLY SOULCORE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24 FROM 9:30AM-10:30AM

## Parish Religious Education Center

For those not familiar with SoulCore, it is a beautiful prayer experience that integrates the prayers of the Rosary with gentle stretching and movement. Since spiritual fitness through prayer is the main focus of SoulCore, there is no specific fitness level. The prayers are the focus – staying centered on the mysteries and virtues – and the movements are simply invitations. All you need is a fitness mat or towel, comfortable clothing and an open heart!

Heather Smalley, fellow parishioner and SoulCore Leader, will be offering a **FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY SOULCORE Experience on Wednesday, July 24 from 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM in the Parish Religious Education Center.** Parents and any child entering 4<sup>th</sup> grade or older are welcome to join Heather for this unique way to pray the Rosary while any younger children participate in age-appropriate activities related to the Gospel. Younger siblings will be separated into two groups: Children who are potty-trained ages 3 - 5 (entering Kindergarten) and those entering 1st - 3rd Grade. To help us plan accordingly, we do ask that you RSVP. Please use the QR code below or contact Maria Miller at [mmillerresp@gmail.com](mailto:mmillerresp@gmail.com).



SIGN UP HERE

**SOULCORE, WEDNESDAY, JULY 31 FROM 9:30am-10:30am-Parish religious Education Center. SAVE THE DATE-**This SoulCore morning will be for anyone ages 18 and older. No RSVP required. August dates coming soon!

JULY 21, 2024



## SUNDAY COLLECTION

July 14, 2024

\$15,047.00

Last Year

\$13,410.00

Registration is now open!  
Catholic Women's Conference  
October 19, 2024 ~ Doylestown, PA  
[catholicwomensconference.org](http://catholicwomensconference.org)

2024 Catholic Women's Conference-The Joys of Womanhood: Sacred, Beloved & Beautiful, Saturday, October 19, 2024 from 9AM-4PM at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, 654 Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA.

masstimes.org  
MASS TIMES FOR TRAVEL

Don't take a vacation from your faith. It can be difficult to find a Catholic Church while traveling and vacationing in unfamiliar locations. Mass Time Ministry at [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) is a convenient way to locate a Church so you can continue to receive Holy Eucharist and Celebrate Mass.

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Fr. Rogers' homilies are available online:

[www.cbr.podbean.com](http://www.cbr.podbean.com)

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**Baptism:** celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Please call the parish office to schedule.

**Matrimony:** celebrated throughout the year. Please contact Fr. Rogers.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration is held on the First Sunday of Each Month or at the parish office. Roman Catholics who live within the boundaries of the parish should register in the parish. This will regularize one's status and allow for the issuance of certificates and make possible the arrangements for Baptism, Weddings and Confirmations.

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