

# St. Patrick Parish

## 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

#### CONFESSIONS

Reconciliation Room located in Narthex Wednesday: 6:00PM-6:45PM Saturday: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mondays: 8:00 AM—7:00 PM in Church First Fridays: 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM in Church

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

205 Lafayette Street
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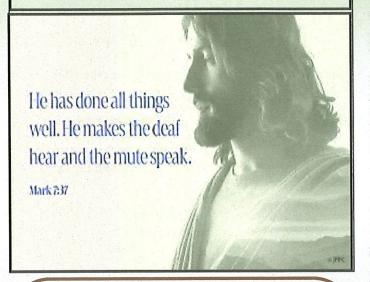
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#### SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### 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 Antentions

Monday, September 9, St. Peter Claver

7:30AM Edward & Mildred Rabatin

r/o McNeely Family

Tuesday, September 10, Weekday

7:30AM William & Valentina Caputo

r/o Charlie & Dianne Smith

Wednesday, September 11, Weekday

7:00PM Mirsurda Family (living)

r/o Avedisian Family

Thursday, September 12, Weekday, The Most Holy Name of Mary

7:30AM James Burke

r/o Pat & Joe Hines

Friday, September 13, St. John Chrysostom

7:30AM Valentina Caputo (20 year anniv.)

r/o Dianne & Charlie Smith

Saturday, September 14, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00AM Special Intention

Vigil, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00PM Wendell J. Smith

r/o Otterblad Family

Sunday, September 15, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Parishioners

9:00AM Houck Family (living)

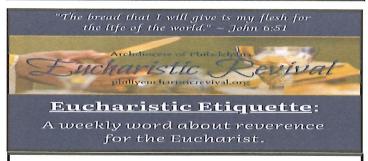
r/o Avedisian Family

10:30AM Mary Tonolini-Canonico

r/o Susan J. Torello

12:00PM Dominic DeDominic

r/o Duane DeDominic



"The Eucharist is a fire that inflames us, that, like lions breathing fire, we may retire from the altar being made terrible to the devil."

St. John Chrysostom

#### PRAYER INTENTIONS

All praise and glory is yours, Lord our God, for You have called us to serve You in love. Bless our sick: 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 Maldo-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.
Army LTC Matthew R. Emerson

LCPL Ben Farrell, USMC

1st LT. USAF Natalie King

Army Major Robert C. McDonough

SFC Tyler Nellens

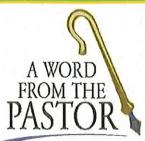
Airman U.S. Navy Francis M. Raimato

E1 Airman 1st Cl Andrew Szonntag

1st LT. USAF Scott Seidenberger

Major Ian C. Whiteman

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My Dear Parishioners,

Praised Be Jesus Christ! Each year as September 11 arrives, I not only remember that infamous day in 2001, but I'm startled at the growing number of people who do not remember. Their age and number rise again this year as we mark this 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary---those 25+ years of age have no memory. Thus, the importance of teaching, educating and being mindful of those around us who just don't know.

For many years, Beloit College in Illinois produced a Mindset List for faculty and staff which shared the context, the world from which the incoming freshman came. For instance, many of them never heard a dial-tone or busy

-signal; all of them never knew life without a cell phone. That mindset list proved helpful in teaching, it helped me in my work at Immaculata and I think it could be helpful in the parish.

Since his arrival back in Philly, Archbishop Pérez has asked every Catholic and every parish to work with him to <u>create a culture of mission-ary disciples</u>. This is a strong call to all of us to undergo a conversion of mind, heart and behavior: to move out of the "maintenance" mind-set, which tends toward spiritual complacency, cultural Catholicism and a business as usual attitude, and into an apostolic mission mindset which is fully awake to the reality that society has lost its sense of God and is in a dire situation.

This Apostolic Mission Mindset is very different from cultural Catholicism that most of us knew, but it brings us to the very heart of the Gospel for which each of us were made: Communion with God.

So what's the difference between Maintenance to Apostolic Mindset? Here's some examples. I invite you to note, embrace, be mindful of and live the difference this week. I'll try to do the same.

Peace,

Fr. Rogers

#### **Maintenance Mindset**

When you arrive at the parish social after Mass on Sunday, you grab your cup of coffee, move over to the people you know and talk with them the whole time.

You have a son or daughter who does not go to Mass on Sunday. So, you regularly say to them, "You should be going to church."

At work or in social settings, you never talk about God, faith or spiritual things because your faith is private. You also don't want to make anyone uncomfortable.

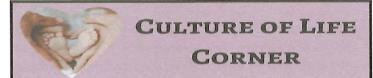
#### **Mission Mindset**

When you arrive at the parish social after Mass on Sunday, as you walk into the room, you look around for a new face or someone who has no one to talk to and you walk over to them, introduce yourself and begin a conversation.

You have a son or daughter that does not go to Mass on Sunday. So, you make an extra effort to build a healthy, trusting relationship with him or her. You refrain from nagging them about going to Mass, but might invite them to join you for Mass on occasion. You pray and sacrifice for them regularly, demonstrate integrity by ensuring that your behavior matches what you say you believe, and look for opportunities to share your own experiences of God when appropriate.

At work or in social settings, you engage with people on non-religious topics that are of interest to everyone present. You are also vigilant for openings when you might mention God, faith or spiritual things in a spirit of sharing your personal experience. In general, the people around you know that you are a Catholic, that you have a relationship with God and they would be comfortable coming to talk with you about those things if they wanted to.

#### ST. PATRICK CHURCH, KENNETT SQUARE, PA



Join our *NEW* Parish Spiritual Adoption Prayer Initiative – SIGN UP THIS WEEKENDI

- PRAY for babies, that "they may have life and life to the full," and for parents who are expecting a child.
- LEARN and EDUCATE others about the development of the preborn.
- SUPPORT mothers in need with donated baby gifts.

We know the gift of human life is precious. Yet, sadly, we also know that not all newly conceived babies come to birth. Many parents experience the loss of a child before birth due to miscarriage or even abortion. Through the Spiritual Adoption initiative, we are asking you to *pray a child to birth* — asking God for health of the baby, and to give the parents of these children the grace they need to face whatever difficult circumstances in which they may find themselves.

Please sign up using a pledge card found in the pew and return it the box in the Narthex or see a member of the Respect Life Ministry after Mass to answer your questions and to help you sign up. You can also sign up online using the QR code found below. You may sign up anytime now through May. For questions regarding Spiritual Adoption, please contact Rose Hearn at rosehearn@comcast.net.

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# REACH MORE SMALL GROUPS



St. Patrick Church

Reach More Small Groups BEGIN SOON! SIGN UPS START NEXT WEEKEND!

"Even now, says the Lord, "return to me with all your heart." Joel 2:12

Join your fellow parishioners as we come together to deepen our faith and build friendships through Small Group discussions. Groups of 6-10 people meet weekly to pray, read Scripture, and discuss how it applies to you personally. Small Groups are about friends helping friends follow Jesus!

We are expecting a wonderful Fall season filled with hope, joy, faith sharing and friendship. Groups will begin meeting the week of October 13. Adults of all ages are welcome and groups are offered both during the day and evening. NEW THIS SEASON — a young adult group will be meeting via Zoom on Saturday mornings. Be on the look out for more details regarding all our group days/times starting next weekend. Reach More Leaders will be available after all Masses next weekend to help you sign up and answer any questions. We hope to see you this season!

#### SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

#### ST. PATRICK PARISH PILGRIM STATUE OF THE EXPECTANT MADONNA



Our Parish Pilgrim Statue of the Expectant Madonna has enjoyed her summer vacation in the homes of our parish family and had a recent stay with the Pin Family. Kelly Pin shared the following regarding the Expectant Madonna's visit:

"The beautiful statue of the Expectant Mother is living on our mantle, and each night during bed time prayers we reflect on her time as she awaited the birth of Jesus. I've especially been asking for her intercession as we expect the next little Pin

to be born in February. She is gracing our home with hope and joy, reminding us to keep our eyes on Jesus."

Our pilgrim statue of the Expectant Madonna began her journey through our parish in October of 2023 and has blessed the homes of 40 families so far. Our Lady is eager to visit more parish families this coming year. If you have not yet hosted Our Lady or would like to welcome her back, please visit the parish website to sign up or contact Jen Keller at:

jenkellersp@gmail.com



THE CHURCH HON-ORS MARY UNDER THE TITLE OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

We can weather the storms of life when we turn to Our Lady

of Sorrows, asking her to accompany us on our journey and give us a share in her faithfulness, courage, peace and confidence in God. Please join us on

Wednesday, September 11 at 6:15PM in Church for a special Rosary dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows-Mass will follow at 7:00PM

Adult Faith Formation Series with Father Michael Connolly, OSFS

Sunday, September 22 & Sunday, October 6 1:00 PM in St. Joseph Room

THE FOUR GOSPELS WHY? HOW? SO WHAT?

As Catholics, we place enormous significance on the four Gospels – Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Every Sunday, the Holy Gospel is proclaimed and preached in the homily-and only by ordained ministers-bishops, priests or deacons.

Why are the Gospels accorded such prominence? Were there other "gospels" that we don't proclaim? How was each one composed – where, when, why, by whom, for whom? All are welcome! 236

#### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Praise the Lord, my soul; I shall praise the Lord all my life, sing praise to my God while I live. Psalm 146:2

As Jesus travels to Gentile to teach; His power and authority is seen in the miracles he has accomplished. They show us he is

more than a teacher but he is the God who loves us. How can you proclaim the good God has done for you?

#### **PREP BEGINS**

Sunday, September 15 10:05-11:35AM Monday, September 16 4:45-6:15PM

#### **Level 2 Sacrament Meeting**

Tuesday, September 17

7:00PM in the St. Joseph Room



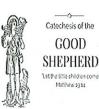
#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OKTOBERFEST**

Our annual Oktoberfest Parish Picnic would not be possible without the help of our wonderful parishioners. Are you available and interested in helping out this year? If so, your help is greatly needed and appreciated. We are in need of volunteers to help with ticket sales, day of event set-up/clean-up and registration. For more information and to sign up to volunteer, please visit our Parish Website or scan the QR code to access our Sign-Up Genius. For additional questions, contact Jen Keller at:

jenkellersp@gmail.com. Thank you!



#### SEPTEMBER 8, 2024



# Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

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The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based approach to the religious formation of children, rooted in Sacred Scripture, Liturgical Seasons, and respect for the child's relationship with God.

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#### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Registration Forms

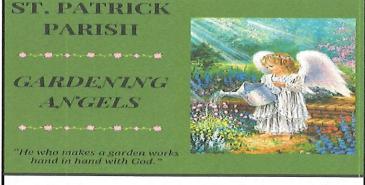
may be found on the parish website under the YOUTH tab-CGS

Class begins on Wednesday, September 25

During this time, we will have an orientation for parents

For inquiries about CGS contact Kelly Pin or Maria Miller

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



St. Patrick Parish welcomes the <u>Gardening Angels</u> as a new ministry now forming in our parish community through the assistance of fellow parishioner Michael Curry. This ministry group of volunteers will help assist in the care of the Parish Courtyard, garden beds and entrance planters.

Informational Meeting will be held this Thursday, September 12 at 7:00 PM in the St. Joseph Room. All those interested in learning more are welcome to join us. For more information, please contact Michael Curry at m3kca@msn.com

Make friends with the angels, who though invisible are always with you. Often invoke them, constantly praise them, and make good use of their help and assistance in all your temporal and spiritual affairs.

Saint Francis de Sales

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#### ST. PATRICK CHURCH, KENNETT SQUARE, PA.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK PARISH		
Sunday, September 8		
Baptism	1:15PM	C
Monday, September 9		
Adoration	8:00AM	С
Rosary	7:00PM	С
Tuesday, September 10		
Flame of Love Prayer Group	1:00PM	С
Holy is His Name Bible Study	7:00PM	SJR
Wednesday, September 11		
Confession	6:00PM	Narthex
Mass	7:00PM	С
Thursday, September 12		
Men's Group	6:15AM	СВ
Gardening Angels Ministry Meeting	7:00PM	SJR
Friday, September 13		
Saturday, September 14		
Rosary	8:00AM & 4:30PM	C
Confession	3:30PM	Narthex
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# CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD Returns Sunday, September 15 9:00 AM Mass

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is a ministry that provides a prayerful environment for young children ages 4-8 years old to understand the Gospel and Sunday readings in an age-appropriate manner. This is offered during the 9:00AM Mass beginning Sunday, September 15. NO PRE-REGISTRATION OR PAYMENT IS REQUIRED. ALL CHILDREN AGES 4-8 YEARS ARE WELCOME!

Children who wish to participate are invited by the Celebrant after the Opening Prayer. They will join the Adult Leader in the front of Church who will then lead them to the Church basement. There the children will hear the Sunday readings and Gospel in a simple relatable manner and will be invited to participate in activities related to the readings. They will rejoin their families in the congregation after the homily.

Want to learn more about this program, COME AND JOIN US beginning next Sunday, September 15. We look forward to sharing the faith with our young people!

#### SEPTEMBER 8, 2024



#### SUNDAY COLLECTION

NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME



COME TOGETHER AT ABBEYFEST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 DAYLESFORD ABBEY IN PAOLI, PA

FINAL CALL FOR FREE TICKETS TO ABBEYFEST NEXT WEEKEND

St. Patrick Church has JUST A FEW FREE tickets left to this year's Abbey Fest.

To reserve your tickets, contact Jen Keller at:

jenkellersp@gmail.com or call 610-444-4364.

# Fr. Rogers' homilies are available online: 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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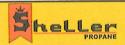
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