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After All Masses the Weekend of
January 25 and 26, 2020

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 26, 2020

Monday, January 27 – St. Angela Merici, Virgin
6:30 am John Leininger (Melanie & Greg Wagner)
8:00 am Bernice Heenan (Tom & MaryAnn Heenan)

Tuesday, January 28 – St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest
6:30 am Joseph McGuire (Evelyn)
8:00 am Harry & Elizabeth Trumbo (Est)

Wednesday, January 29
6:30 am Hugh & William Roberts (Est)
8:00 am Frank Potlunas (John & Micki)

Thursday, January 30
6:30 am Isabelle M. & Joseph C. Uckele (Est)
8:00 am Zacko Family (Est)

Friday, January 31 – St. John Bosco, Priest
6:30 am Margaret D. Kramer (Bonny Stonelake & Family)
8:00 am William F. Troutman, Jr. (Wife, Mary & Children)

Saturday, February 1
8:00 am Marguerite Coyle (Est)

The Presentation of the Lord (Masses of Obligation)
Saturday, February 1
4:15 pm Leo Salle, Sr. (Helen Weiss)

Sunday, February 2
7:30 am Rick Weiss (Helen Weiss)
9:30 am Charles Sophy (Renee & Family)
11:00 am 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:
Is 8:23-9:3/1 Cor 10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:
Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40

The Parish Office will be closed on February 17 for the Presidents' Day Holiday!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:
- the sick of the parish - our many Benefactors
- those recently deceased – Catherine Barton

CANDLE INTENTIONS
January 26 to February 1

Sanctuary –
Sacred Heart – IMO Paul Hoffecker (Wife, Victoria)
Pieta -
Pope St. John Paul II –
St. Patrick –
Our Lady's Chapel - Sanctuary -
Our Lady's Chapel – Blessed Virgin Mary –

Priest Mass Schedule for February 1-2
4:15 pm – Msgr. O'Connor 9:30 am – Msgr. O'Connor
7:30 am – Fr. Barnabas 11:00 am – Fr. Barnabas

St. Patrick Parish Upcoming Events!!

*January 25 – Soup and Halushki Sale – Noon to 6 pm
*January 25 -26 – "YOU are the Branches Ministry Fair – After ALL Masses
*January 26 – Soup and Halushki Sale – 8 am to Sell Out
*January 26 – Retreat Team Meeting – 4 pm
*January 26 – Knights of Columbus CYO Free Throw Contest
*January 27 – Relic Mass of St. Pauline – 5 pm
*January 28 – Traditional Choir Practice – 7-8 pm
*January 29 - Confessions – 6:30-7:30 pm; Rosary – 7 pm
*January 30 – Contemporary Choir Practice – 7 pm
*February 1 – Confessions – 3-4 pm
*February 1 – Shamrock $10,000 Drawing – 5:30 pm for $1,000
*February 1-2 – Souper Bowl of Caring Collection for LORICA and St. Vincent de Paul Society
*February 2 – Retreat Team Meeting
*February 3 – Activities Committee Meeting – 6 pm – All are welcome!
*February 5 – Confessions – 6:30-7:30 pm; Rosary – 7 pm

Save the Dates!!! Keep Reading the bulletin for more details about these events!

YOUTH PROTECTION AT ST. PATRICK

*Mandated Reporter Training – February 19 - 5:30 pm
*Protecting God's Children Workshop – March 24 - 5:30 pm

To register for either of these trainings, please call 610-435-1541, ext. 341

Open House at Assumption!
Call 570-622-0106 for more information!

*St. Patrick Preschool at Assumption BVM – January 26 – 11:30 am to 2 pm. Two, three, and five day programs, both full and half days, are offered.

*Assumption BVM School Open House – January 26 - from 11:30 am to 2 pm. Faculty and staff welcome you to visit, tour, and meet the ABVM Family.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Fiscal Year 2019-2020		
January 19, 2020 (Week 29)		
Budgeted Weekly Sunday Offering	$10,609	
Last Sunday's Offering/% of Budget	$ 5,511	52%
Sunday Offerings To Date	$226,336	
Deficit to Date	($70,722)	-31%
399 Envelopes used out of a possible 900		

Thank You for your generosity to Your Parish!

The next second collection will be held February 1-2 for our Boy Scouts. Please be generous!

The next **Baptismal Workshop** will be held on **Tuesday, February 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 register and attend a preparatory workshop before Baptism.***

THE NEXT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3 AT 6 PM, IN THE PARISH CENTER! ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US!

Let's tackle hunger this year in a SUPER way!! In 1990, an organization called the **"Souper Bowl of Caring"** was formed. That year, 22 churches collected $5,700 in South Carolina. Since this was such a success, the organizers decided to start a youth-led movement with a simple prayer: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat". Since that time, SBOC has become a National organization and ordinary people, like you, have generated more than $100 million for soup kitchens, food banks, and other charities in communities across the Country. In addition, hundreds of thousands of youth have experienced for themselves the joy and satisfaction of giving and serving, inspiring people of all ages to follow their generous example.

Once again, our LORICA Teen Group will be a part of the "Souper Bowl of Caring" movement. Teen members will be in the back of church after Mass with their soup pots on Super Bowl Sunday weekend (Feb. 1-2). We ask everyone to donate at least $1 to the cause (if you can give a few dollars more, that would really be appreciated). The money collected will be split between the St. Patrick - Saint Vincent de Paul fund and the LORICA Teen Group for their service projects. If you would like to learn more about the Souper Bowl of Caring collection, please go to www.souperbowl.org.

LOTTERY CALENDAR – RECENT OUTCOMES

Tues., January 14	#874	Chris S. ($50)
Wed., January 15	#850	No Winner
Thurs., January 16	#205	John Z. ($50)
Fri., January 17	#590	No Winner
Sat., January 18	#541	Rose ($100)
Sun., January 19	#057	Vince A. ($150)
Mon., January 20	#244	Charles B. ($50)

Our monthly lottery calendars are a great fundraiser for our Parish! They make great gifts! Please consider being a seller, or buying one in the back of Church or at the Parish Office! We appreciate all you sell and buy our lotto calendars!

Let's get through this Winter with some DD! Please join Monsignor and Fr. Barnabas for our next First Friday at Dunkin' Donuts (Claude A Lord Boulevard) at 6 pm on **Friday, February 7!** Doughnuts, coffee, lattes, coolattas are on your own, but the education is free! All are welcome! Don't be shy! Bring your Catholic questions!

St. Patrick Soup and Halushki Sale – January 25 from Noon To 6 pm and on January 26 from 8 am To Sell Out, in the Parish Center – Choices of soup: Vegetable, Bean, and Potato ($8/qt); Limited amount of Italian Wedding ($9/qt); Halushki ($5/qt).

KNIGHTS KORNER
COUNCIL #431

The Pottsville Council # 0431 of the Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Free Throw Shooting Competition on Sunday, January 26 at Nativity BVM Gym beginning at 1 pm sharp for all girls and boys from 9 to 14 years of age. All registrations must be accompanied with a copy of the participant's Birth Certificate verifying the participant's age. Registration will take place before the competition at Noon on the same day, or you may pre-register by contacting Michael McFadden at 570-622-3960 or Thomas Kurtek at 570-617-1714. Each participant will receive a certificate of participation, and medals will be awarded to the winners on a District level. A pizza party will follow the competition.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and Veneration of the First Class Relic of St. Pauline Visintainer will be held on Monday, January 27, at 5 pm, in Our Lady's Chapel of St. Patrick Church

Congratulations to **Tucker Chase Tobin** who received the Sacrament of Baptism recently in St. Patrick Church by his cousin, Msgr. O'Connor! God bless you, Tucker! You are marked as Christ's own forever!

Thank you to our January Sponsor for Volunteers, **Jack's Auto Supply!** The next volunteer drawing will be held on **February 3.** Congratulations to **Mark Tray**, who was the December Volunteer of the Month! Mark won a gift basket called "Home for the Holidays" donated by Heartland Hospice Care.

If you would like to be a Business Sponsor or would like to highlight an upcoming event or memorable occasion, please contact the Parish Office for more information. All you would have to do is provide a gift for our Volunteer of the Month of at least $25 (gift card, cash, or prize), & then your business/event would be highlighted in our bulletin for the whole month & on our Parish Events calendar!

It's the Shamrock $10,000!! They make Great Surprises for Family and Friends!

The third drawing of the Shamrock $10,000 took place on January 5, and the winner was **Lucy Barket** from Pottsville! Congratulations Lucy!

Just a reminder that if you didn't get your tickets in or if you would like to purchase some more, you still can and you will have a chance to win up to $11,000 over the next few months! The next prize ($1,000) will be drawn on **Saturday, February 1** after the 4:15 pm Mass! All are welcome to attend the drawing. Remember, Each winning ticket will then be placed back into the chance barrel for the opportunity to win again and again, and the grand prize of $10,000! Where else can you buy a ticket for $5 with a chance to win $11,000???

DID YOU KNOW???? THE SHAMROCK $10,000 IS OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER!! These tickets make EXCELLENT Gifts! Maybe the person you are gifting it to will be lucky in the New Year!! Tickets are available from our Lotto sellers at Church or from the Parish Office! If you already sold some, please think about selling more? Our Goal is STILL to FILL the chance barrel!!

The Divine Mercy Perpetual Adoration Chapel at St. Patrick Rectory

Open Holy Hours - SUNDAY 12am, 4am; WEDNESDAY 10am, 12pm; THURSDAY 3am, 4am, 10pm; SATURDAY 12am, 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am. "Although St. Joseph never adored our Lord under the Eucharistic species and never had the happiness of receiving Holy Communion, he did possess and adore Jesus in human form. We must beg for good adorers; the Blessed Sacrament needs them to replace St. Joseph and to imitate his life of adoration." .....St. Peter Julian Eymard *ADORATION WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE!* Please call or text Aleece @ 570-449-7678 for information.

Bring your Valentine to our Next Spaghetti and Meatballs Dinner!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

11:30 am to 2:30 pm
St. Patrick Parish Center
Adults: $8; Children: $3.50

ALL YOU CAN EAT! EAT IN OR TAKE OUT!

Baked Goods are always needed and appreciated

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities is a private, nonprofit social service agency operating under the auspices of the Diocese of Allentown. They offer services to meet the needs of people in our community who need support, care, and compassion: Infants and children in need of a home; Families in need of counseling and support; Pregnant women in search of assistance; Immigrants seeking a new home; Elders in need of care and special services; Those in need who face homelessness, hunger, and unemployment; Parishes that are ready to put faith into action. Their Pottsville address is 319 Mahantongo Street (side door), and the phone number is 570-628-0466. Please look for the Catholic Charities table at the Ministry Fair!

SAVE THE DATE!!

6th Annual St. Patrick Gala
March 7 – Doors open at 5:30 pm
St. Patrick Parish Center

ENTERTAINMENT!!

Buffet Dinner -Menu Includes: Roast Beef, Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Filling, Vegetable, Cole Slaw, Roll and Butter, Dessert
Coffee, Tea, Beer, Soda provided

$22 per person – Advance Tickets only!
Limited Tickets Available!

Get your Tickets Now!

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"BLESSED ARE THEY…"

10th Annual Parish Retreat

Our Parish Retreat has been such a blessing year after year, and we are excited to be planning another weekend of fellowship, fun, and growth in the Lord for 2020!! Once again, the Retreat will be held at the beautiful Villa of Our Lady Retreat House, Mount Pocono, from Friday, February 14 to Sunday, February 16, 2020. This year's theme is *"Blessed are they…"*

The cost of the Retreat is $165 for double or triple occupancy, or $190 for a single room, each with a private bathroom. The price includes coach bus transportation, to and from the Retreat Center, five full meals, snacks, and evening refreshments. Gathering together to seek God more fully, build relationships with the Parish Family, and to simply let down your hair and relax—PRICELESS!

Please make your check payable to "Church of Saint Patrick", for the full amount or a deposit of at least $50, and return it to Debbie in the Parish Office. You may also mail to:

St. Patrick Church - 319 Mahantongo Street - Pottsville, PA 17901

A confirmation letter containing all the details will be mailed to you at least two weeks before the Retreat. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Parish Office or speak to any of our Team Members.

2020 Retreat Team Members

Msgr. O'Connor, Deacon Larry and Sharon Lonergan, Brian and Barbara Barket, Charles Bressi, Leah Clews, Bob Engle, Sandi Frinzi, Mary Ann Heenan, Shelly Lurwick, Bill and Melody Montag, Ray and Chris Murhon, Trish Seiders, Charlie Taronis, Dale Verchick, Debbie Walker, Helen Weiss, Denis Wenders

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO US!! TEN YEARS OF RETREATS!! WHAT A WONDERFUL MILESTONE!!
PLEASE COME CELEBRATE WITH US!!

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Church of Saint Patrick Retreat- February 14-16, 2020
Registration Form

blessed

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: Home_____ Cell_____ Confirmation Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Preferred Roommate: _____

Emergency Contact & Number: _____

Circle choice: Double/Triple Occupancy ($165/person) or Single Occupancy ($190/person)

Retreat Testimonial by Helen Weiss:

"I cannot tell you the details of the weekend. It would diminish the effectiveness of the Retreat. But WOW! What a powerful and enjoyable weekend! You leave the worries of the world behind you and become totally immersed in a relationship with God. God blessed me with knowledge, prayer, adoration, music, meals, fellowship, and laughter in the beautiful Mount Pocono…All of which you bring back with you. You come home with a joyful heart and you'll be re-energized. One song will probably stick in your head and you will sing it for many weeks. If you want to get closer to God, please accept this invitation to attend this year's retreat. You will feel truly blessed by God through the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Give the Holy Spirit the chance to give you a brand new sense of spiritual energy and fellowship. I will be praying that you open your heart and join us this year on our 10th Annual Parish Retreat!"

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St. Patrick Homemade Soup and Halushki Sale

January 25 – Noon to 6 pm
January 26 – 8 am to Sell Out
St. Patrick Parish Center

CHOICE OF SOUP….VEGETABLE, BEAN, POTATO, ITALIAN WEDDING

St. Patrick Parish will once again celebrate St. Joseph Day on March 19 at 8 am, with a St. Joseph Table. In cooperation with "Bake Shop VI", Pottsville's Specialty Bread Bakery and Restaurant, we will sell loaves of bread, designed by Baker – Brian Setlock. The loaves of bread will be made in the shape of a Cross and St. Joseph's Staff. The cost for a loaf of bread is $8 for the staff (16 oz.) and $10 for the cross (20 oz.). It is a soft Challah bread, and will be blessed on March 19**. Deadline and payment for orders is March 12 at Noon from the Parish Office**. This is a nice way for you to continue a tradition with your family, and to celebrate a wonderful Saint!

Catholic Charities Appreciates!

Catholic Charities would like to express their sincere appreciation for the generous donations to the Advent Giving Tree. These donations will support pregnant mothers, infants, and families in their Pregnancy Support Program. Your generosity will allow Catholic Charities to provide assistance to the many needy families we serve. Thank you for showing the true meaning of Christmas…… sharing your love!

Msgr. O'Connor, Fr. Barnabas, and the Parish Staff Appreciate!!

Thank you to everyone who gave Monsignor, Fr. Barnabas, or any of the Parish Staff cards, gifts, or goodies for Christmas! Your thoughtfulness and generosity is greatly appreciated, and we pray that you have a very Blessed and Happy New Year!

Please consider being a Bus Sponsor for this year's Parish Retreat!! We rely on donations to cover the cost of Bus Transportation to and from the Retreat. If you are unable to come to the Retreat this year, please consider making a donation. Please contact Melody Montag at 570-640-8876, if you have further questions. Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Office. Thank You!

St. Patrick Parish Appreciates!!

When you have a talent, and you are willing to use this gift to praise God, you are one remarkable person! Mary Jane Bolich is that remarkable person! For many years, she devoted her weekends to playing the organ at St. Patrick Church. She worked with the Traditional Choir to provide them with a melodious accompaniment. An organ is no small instrument…as we all know! An organist trains and practices throughout their lifetime knowing the keys, the pedals, the pipes, and the notes. Mary Jane taught us all something over these years…to use your talent to the fullest extent! She did that, and we are saddened that she retired at the end of 2019, but we know that it's her time to relax and to continue to enjoy God's blessings! See you at Mass, Mary Jane!

St. Patrick Parish Applauds!!

*Last month, her entry in the "Stand Up For Life Essay" Contest was judged as First Place in the Schuylkill-Carbon Deanery's High School Division! This month, her essay was taken to the Diocese and judged as First Place in the Senior Division for the whole Diocese!! Congratulations to Parishioner and Altar Server, Katherine Joyce, whose "Stand Up for Life Essay" received recognition for her thoughtful and knowledgeable concern for the value of human life and its inviolability. With the award, comes the request for Katherine to dedicate herself, in the name of God, to respect, protect, and serve every human life. That is truly awesome Katherine!!

*Congratulations to Greta Snukis and Allison Campion who are contestants in the Pottsville Winter Carnival Snowflake Contest! Both of these young ladies are parishioners of St. Patrick Parish. They asked Monsignor to give them a blessing after Mass two weeks ago "for good measure" ☺ No worries, Allison and Greta… you are both princesses in our book!

LOOKING FOR…..

….Sponsors to help some people go on our Parish Retreat! If you can help by giving a donation or by being a full sponsor, please contact the Parish Office!