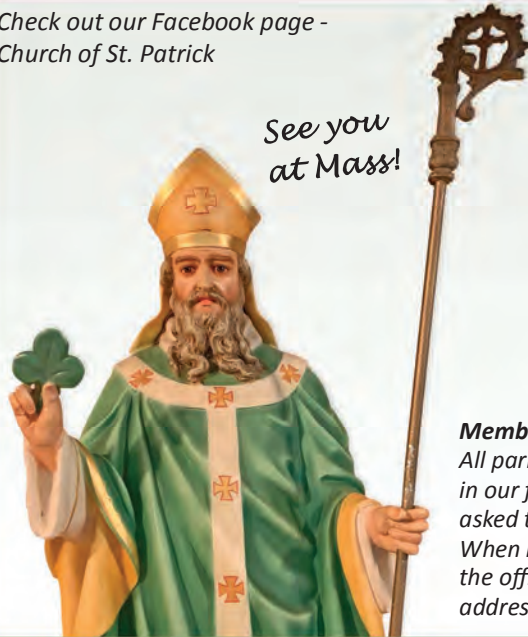



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*Permanent Deacons*..... Mr. John E. Quirk  
Mr. Lawrence J. Lonergan

## 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/phone number change.

## St. Patrick Parish offers Online Giving

as an electronic tool for contributions so you can contribute via the Internet. Online Giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass. Please go to our Parish website at [www.stpatrickpottsville.org](http://www.stpatrickpottsville.org) to get started.

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

*Saturday* ..... 4:15 pm  
*Sunday* ..... 8:00 am and 10:00 am

## WEEKDAY MASSES

*Weekdays* ..... 8:00 am

## CONFESSIONS

*Saturday* ..... 3:00 to 4:00 pm    *Thursday* ..... 6:00 to 7:00 pm

## PARISH OFFICE

*Phone*.....570-622-1802    *Email*.....[saintpatrickpottsville@gmail.com](mailto:saintpatrickpottsville@gmail.com)  
*Fax* .....570-622-2593    *Web* .....[www.stpatrickpottsville.org](http://www.stpatrickpottsville.org)  
*Business Manager*..... Lisa Arant  
*Office Administrator* ..... Debbie Walker  
*Office Hours* ..... 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday - Thursday  
8:30 am to 12:00 pm, Friday  
*Bulletin Deadline*..... Noon on Mondays

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Parents are required to register and attend a class before Baptism. Please call Deacon Jack Quirk at 570-622-1802, ext. 3, to register. Classes are held bi-monthly. Parents wishing Baptism for their children must be practicing Catholics, meaning regular attendance at Mass and supporting the Parish by the use of envelopes. Baptisms can be celebrated during Mass or after Mass.

**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 through May

Ms. Kris Barron, *Coordinator*    717-769-1266 / [KrisJBH@hotmail.com](mailto:KrisJBH@hotmail.com)

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Thursdays, 6:00 - 7:00 pm -  
Main Church (includes Rosary, Confessions, Benediction)

**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 practicing Catholic, meaning regular attendance at Mass, and supporting the Parish by the use of envelopes.

**ST. PATRICK POTTSVILLE AREA KITCHEN:** Please call Terry Alexander at 570-617-2957 for hours and donations.

**Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service:** If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.

**St. Patrick Preschool  
at Assumption BVM**  
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570-622-0106

**Assumption BVM  
Elementary School**  
*Principal: Mrs. Teresa Keating*  
570-622-0106

**Nativity BVM High School**  
*Principal: Mrs. Lynn Sabol*  
570-622-8110

**St. Joseph's Center  
for Special Learning**  
*Program Director:*  
*Mr. Robert Giba*  
570-622-4638

**Local Safe Environment Coord.**  
Lisa Arant, 570-622-5566

**Victim Assistance Coordinator**  
Wendy Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC  
DIRECT LINE: 800-791-9209

**Diocesan Safe  
Environment Coord.**  
Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS  
610-871-5200, Ext. 2204

**Diocesan Policies on the Protection of Youth can be found at:**  
<http://www.allentowndiocese.org/youth-protection>



## THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY ✠ AUGUST 15, 2021



### Monday, August 16 – St. Stephen of Hungary

8:00 am Rev. Nicholas Lizak (Est)

### Tuesday, August 17

8:00 am In Honor of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
Sister Evelyn Stock, SSMI (Marylou & Michael Prock)

### Wednesday, August 18

8:00 am Catherine & Vincent Bambrick

### Thursday, August 19 – St. John Eudes, Priest

6:00 pm Joseph Phillips (George & Barbara Halcovage)

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MASS TIME  
ON THIS DATE!

### Friday, August 20 – St. Bernard, Abbot

8:00 am Henry Cazonie (Nancy Grigalunis)

### Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Saturday, August 21

4:15 pm Patricia E. Carroll  
(Mr. & Mrs. Michael Buchinsky, Jr.)

### Sunday, August 22

8:00 am People of the Parish  
10:00 am Matthew K. Ginther (Pat & Don McKeon)

#### READINGS OF THE DAY

#### First Reading: Revelations 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab

There appeared a woman clothed with the sun, crowned with twelve stars, having the moon beneath her feet. Her newborn son went not to the huge red dragon, but to God and His throne. God's kingdom and the authority of his Anointed One have come.



#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Paul reminds us that in Christ all is brought to life. At Christ's coming, all who belong to Christ will be part of the kingdom handed over to the Father. Christ will destroy all his enemies, the last one being death.

#### Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

When Mary greets Elizabeth, her child leaps in her womb. Elizabeth calls Mary blessed among women and commends her faith in the Lord's words. Mary praises God for his greatness and mercy, his concern for the lowly and the hungry, his promise of mercy to Abraham and his children forever.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- the sick of the parish
- our many Benefactors
- those recently deceased –



#### CANDLE INTENTIONS

August 15 to August 21

Sanctuary – Joe Kocher (Wife, Joann)

Sacred Heart – IMO Madeline & James Torpey (Family)

Pieta – IMO Lorene & Norman Davis (Family)

Pope St. John Paul II – IMO Betty Lou & Jim Torpey (Family)

St. Patrick - IMO John "Yosh" Cielinski (Family)

Sanctuary – Our Lady's Chapel – IMO Jane Ann Dinger (Family)

Blessed Virgin Mary – Our Lady's Chapel – IMO The Torpey, Dinger, Davis, & Manion Families (Family)

*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!*

#### LOTTERY CALENDARS - RECENT OUTCOMES

Tues., August 3	#450	Ro C. (\$50)
Wed., August 4	#274	No Winner
Thurs., August 5	#702	No Winner
Fri., August 6	#302	Lisa E. (\$50)
Sat., August 7	#901	Kathy S. (\$100)
Sun., August 8	#524	Iesha K. (\$150)
Mon., August 9	#343	Joann K. (\$50)

**Our monthly lottery calendars are a great fundraiser for our Parish! They make great gifts! Please consider being a seller, or buying one by calling the Parish Office!**

**Note to Sellers: Calendars MUST be returned by the First Day of Each Month. Thank you for your Understanding!**

#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Fiscal Year 2021-2022		
August 8, 2021 (Week 6)		
Budgeted Weekly Sunday Offering	\$ 9,000	
Last Sunday's Offering/% of Budget	\$ 9,191	102%
Sunday Offerings To Date	\$48,513	
Deficit to Date	(\$ 5,487)	-11%
297 Envelopes used out of a possible 900		
51 Online Giving Contributions		

**The Second Collection on the weekend of August 22 will be for Parish Maintenance.**

**Please be generous!**

### **PRIEST RETREAT**

Fr. Barnabas will be on his annual Retreat August 16-20. May the Lord bless Father during this time of renewal, contemplation, and prayer. Please note that daily Mass on Thursday, August 19, will be at 6 pm in the Main Church followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 7 pm. (No Mass at 8 am on Thursday, August 19)

### **KNIGHTS KORNER – COUNCIL #431**

The Knights of Columbus will be reciting the Rosary for the Fifth Sunday of the month on **Saturday, August 28, at 3:45 pm** before the 4:15 pm Mass.

Any man, 18 or older, interested in learning or becoming a Knight, can check us out at [koc.org](http://koc.org). Membership is available online. You can also call Greg at 570-622-1859.



### **ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!!**

As our Parish returns to the normal celebration of Mass, we would like to invite the Altar Servers to return to their special ministry of assisting the priest at the altar. Also, at this time, we welcome any **NEW** student,

Grades 5-12, who would like to begin serving at Mass. Please sign up at the table in the back of Church or contact the Parish Office. Fr. Phil and Deacon Jack will offer a refresher/training course on **Sunday, August 22, after the 10 am Mass**. This meeting will last about one hour.

**The Parish Office will be closed on September 6 for the Labor Day Holiday!**

### **. BAPTISM DURING MASS**

Baptism makes us Children of God, members of Christ, members of the Church, and heirs to the Kingdom of Heaven. It is, therefore, a joyous occasion when the Church stands together and welcomes the newest member of our Parish! A Baptism is planned for Sunday, August 22, during the 10 am Mass. Fr. Phil has invited the O'Brien family to have their baby baptized during Mass. May we, as a Parish, surround and support this child with our prayers and good wishes. Parents will now have the option of Baptism during Mass or after Mass.



### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**



Eucharistic Adoration will be offered each week on **Thursday** in the Main Church from 6 pm to 7 pm. Also during this Holy Hour, a priest will be available to hear confessions. The Holy Hour will conclude with Benediction. During this special year of the Real Presence, please consider

spending some time with the Lord in the stillness of our Church.

**Please note: Confessions will now be heard on Thursdays instead of Wednesdays!**

### **CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATIONS**

**are now being accepted for Assumption BVM Elementary School by calling the School at 570-622-0106. See what our School has to offer by scheduling a tour today. Also, Nativity BVM High School is open every day to take registrations for the 2021-2022 Academic Year. Please call the Main Office for more information at 570-622-8110.**



**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a special program to assist any person desiring to become Catholic. RCIA will begin in mid-September, with a weekly meeting that will discuss the most important beliefs of the Catholic Church. Please share this information with anyone on the fence about becoming Catholic. This program will lead to sharing in Full Communion with the Catholic Church! An Information Meeting is planned for mid-September. Please register by calling the Parish Office.

### **HELP WANTED!**

Nativity BVM High School is accepting applications for the position of Part-Time Music Teacher for the 2021-2022 School year. Minimum of Bachelor's Degree and Teacher Certification required. Interested candidates should send resume, certifications, and all clearances to: Mrs. Lynn Sabol, One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville, PA 17901





The St. Patrick PREP program is excited to welcome back **Students** in Grades 1-8 to in-person instruction this year. Classes will be held on Sundays after the 10 am Mass beginning September 19. Registration forms are available in the back of Church, on our Parish website, or by contacting the Parish Office. Deadline for registration is September 13.

**Catechists** are needed for the 2021-2022 PREP program. All those interested in teaching our PREP classes this year, whether you're returning or newly interested, are asked to please contact Fr. Phil by calling the Parish Office.

**PREP Coordinator** – Kris Barron has agreed to serve the St. Patrick PREP Program for the 2021-2022 academic year. Gratitude is extended to Ms. Barron for her willingness to coordinate our program.

### SCHOOL BACKPACK BLESSING

Hey Kids and Teens – Please Bring your Backpack to Mass on **Sunday, August 29 to the 10 am Mass**. Your backpacks will be blessed at that Mass for the new School year, and you will receive a Back to School Gift! PS: We know the word "School" might be far from your thoughts right now, but it's coming! Until then, enjoy "Summer"!



### FLOWERS FOR CHURCH

The Flowers in Church this weekend were donated by Fr. Jim Torpey and Family. \*Front of the Altar – In memory of Betty Lou Torpey (First Anniversary); \*Front of Pieta – In memory of Jane Ann (Torpey) Dinger; \*Front of St. Patrick – In memory of James F. Torpey; \*Front of Blessed Mother – In memory of the Torpey, Dinger, Davis Families. We thank Fr. Jim and his Family 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](http://stpatrickpottsville.org), and look under the "Home" link "Church Flowers" for more information. We will order the flowers for you, and we need at least two weeks' notice to honor your request.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER MEETING!

As we begin to prepare for our Monthly Spaghetti Dinners, we are going to have a Special Spaghetti Dinner Team Meeting for **EVERYONE** who helps us at these dinners, and **ANYONE** who would like to help at these dinners. The More, the Merrier...Old Friends and New Friends Unite! Whether you set-up, clean-up, make the pasta or sauce, chop veggies, serve, do take-outs, etc., we would like to see you at this Meeting. The Meeting will be held on **Monday, August 30, at 6 pm**, in the Parish Center.

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### ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING!

The Next Activities Committee Meeting will be held on **Monday, August 30, at 6:45 pm**, in the Parish Center. All Parishioners are invited to attend this meeting to give their input and help for our upcoming activities!

### St. Patrick Parish Appreciates!!

What do 60 plus swinging cats do on a Friday Night? They join us for our St. Patrick Let's Swing event in the Parish Center, of course! John and Jacob Shoener, leaders of the M & J Big Band, did an amazing job of organizing this wonderfully fun evening!! It is not every day that you get to see and hear a Big Band, and everyone who came had a great time and was impressed! Through John and Jacob's inspiration and leadership, we can say that our young parishioners continue to make us very proud! Thank you to the Activities Committee for once again hosting an event that centers around food, fellowship, and fun! It is fantastic that this Committee empowers our young people and fostered their talent and love for the arts so that the members of M & J Big Band can fulfill their mission of keeping Big Band music alive for the next generation!

### DONATIONS TO THE ST. PATRICK MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Msgr. Edward O'Connor by: Marty & Lynn Hanrahan; Mary Jane Lucas; Pat & Don McKeon; St. Patrick Choir; Kathleen Hampford; Louise & Bob Wachter; Helene O'Connor & Mollie Laudeman

In memory of John Potlunas

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In memory of Elizabeth Raring

by: Pat & Don McKeon



### St. Patrick Parish Applauds!!

\*Congratulations to our Facebook page for getting over 1,500 LIKES! We are so grateful that you enjoy our page, and we hope it helps to keep you connected to your faith and to our Parish Events.

\*Congratulations to Parishioners Shane and Kara as they toast to three wonderful years as Mr. & Mrs. Ryan! They started their marriage in St. Patrick Church on August 4, 2018.

\*Congratulations to our Saturday night organist, Jacob Challenger! Jacob played the starring role as "Tarzan" through Artists in Motion last weekend. He Tarzan! You Jane?

\*Congratulations to Airman Logan R Cheri who graduated on August 5 from the U.S. Air Force, Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX. Airman Cheri is the nephew of parishioners, Dave and Deb Shelcuskusky. Thank you for serving your Country, Logan! We are proud of you!

Remember, we like Good News! Please share with us!

### PA. FAMILY SUPPORT ALLIANCE

PFSA is continuing to provide **VIRTUAL** Mandated Reporter Training during August **at no cost!** This three-hour live, interactive training is approved by the Department of Human Services, Education, and State, and meets all requirements for training on recognizing and reporting child abuse (to include Act 126 for school employees). Please call the Parish Office as soon as possible to get more information on the August registration dates.

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Commercials:

\*Basket Auction - Holy Family Parish at Hillcrest - August 22 - Auction begins at 2 pm. August 20 - 5-8 pm & August 21 - 4-8 pm - Browse and Bid.

\*Holy Cross Picnic - August 28 - 4-10 pm - New Philadelphia. Food, music, basket auction, and more.

## FALL Flower Sale

Sponsored by St. Patrick Church

Choice of:

\*9 inch Mums  
(Choice of Yellow, Orange/Bronze, Pink/Purple, Burgundy, White) - \$7

\*10 inch Mum Hanging Basket  
(Choice of Yellow, Orange/Bronze, Pink/Purple, Burgundy, White) - \$15

\*11 inch Tri-Color Mums - \$18

\*10 inch Boston Fern Hanging Basket - \$18

**Deadline to Order: Friday, September 3**

**Pick-Up: To be Announced**

Please call Joanne Matina at 570-640-2721  
with any questions

### YES, I WANT FALL FLOWERS!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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