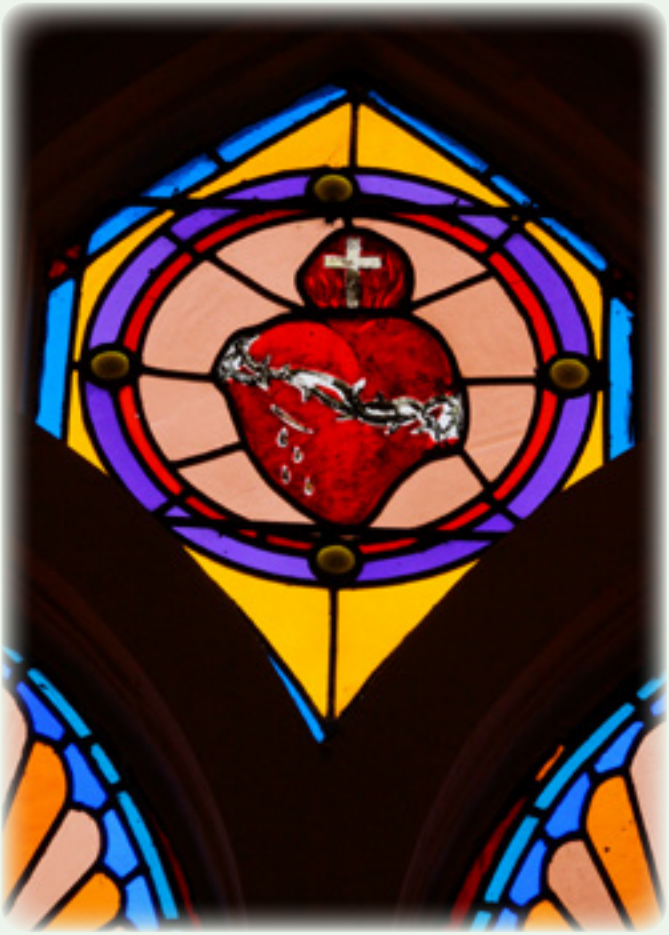

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MASS & PENANCE SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:
Saturday (Anticipatory): 5:00 p.m.;
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass
Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday at Parish School 8:50 a.m.
(Closed to school students and faculty only)
First Friday: 5:30 p.m.; First Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days:
See bulletin or go to www.stpatricklondon.org.

Sacrament of Penance:
Saturday: 4:30 p.m., Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
Thursday: 6:30 p.m., First Friday: 4:30 p.m., or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:
Holy Hour, Thursday: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
First Friday, 12:00-5:15 p.m.

Sunday Rosary:
9:50 a.m.

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Michael J. Hinterschied, *Pastor*

Deacon Dan Hann

Anna Harpold, *Business Manager*

Elizabeth Finke, *Secretary*

Debbie Adamczak, *Parish School Principal*

Polly Forde-Johnston, *Director, St. Patrick Early Learning Center*

Sandy Fryling, *Director of Music*

PARISH/SCHOOL DIRECTORY

Rectory and Parish Office
Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (740) 852-0942

St. Patrick School
226 Elm Street, London, Ohio 43140 (740) 852-0161

St. Patrick Early Learning Center & Latchkey Program (740) 490-7429

TO OUR VISITORS

Welcome! We pray your visit may be an opportunity to share in the Roman Catholic Faith. To receive more information about St. Patrick or if you desire to become a member of the Catholic Church, contact the parish office. All contributions to the parish are sincerely appreciated!

Baptisms
Call Parish Office to make arrangements.

Marriages
Marriage preparation is necessary before a date is set.
Call for an appointment at least six months in advance.

Confraternity of Catholic Doctrine
CCD is provided for K-8 students who do not attend St. Patrick School Sunday morning at 8:45-10:15 a.m. during the school year.

Knights of Columbus
Second and Fourth Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Center.
Summer meetings are the Second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Altar & Rosary Society
Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Center.
No meetings in January, June, July or August.

Parish Membership - Please register by calling the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline - Monday by 10:00 a.m. or earlier.

PARISH MINISTRIES/ORGANIZATIONS DIRECTORY

Altar/Rosary Society	Peggy Beathard, President	(740) 506-0278
Cemetery	Anna Harpold	(740) 852-0942
Communion to the Sick	Call Parish Office	(740) 852-0942
Knights of Columbus	Matt Grube, Grand Knight www.kofc1786.org	(740) 963-2563
Parish Hall Reservations	Call Parish Office	(740) 852-0942
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School Advisory Board	Heather Feliks, President	(740) 852-0161
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Mass Intentions

MASS SCHEDULE		INTENTIONS	OFFERED BY
Saturday (September 5)	9:00 a.m.	Raymond and Francis Finchum ††	Gary Finchum Family
	5:00 p.m.	Bill Higgins †	Family
Sunday (September 6)	7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Father Hinterschied
	10:30 a.m.	Maurice and Nancy Beathard ††	Bill and Johnda Beathard and Family
Monday		**NO MASS**	
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Ernst Family †	Pat Rayburn
Wednesday (at school, closed to public)	8:50 a.m.	Kelly Snyder †	Joe and Sharon Reinhard
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Bernard and Ethel Schumann ††	Gary Finchum Family
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Icle Davis †	Katie Keahn
Saturday (September 12)	5:00 p.m.	Libby Brandenburg †	Patty Evans
Sunday (September 13)	7:30 a.m.	Louise and Nick Carter ††	Bill, Anne Carter, and Tom, Kay Reed
	10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Father Hinterschied

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: August 30

Regular Collection	$	5,353.60
Maintenance	$	413.00
Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary	$	195.00
St. Patrick Total Offering	**$**	**5,961.60**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

All Souls Novena	$	10.00
Church in Latin America	$	10.00
Diocese of Mandeville, Jamaica	$	65.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	$	315.25
	$	400.25

AUGUST ONLINE GIVING: $ 11,291.00

Thank You!

Special Collection for September 13th – At the request of Pope Francis, the 2020 Pontifical Good Friday Collection is to be taken up on September 13, 2020 if you have not already submitted for the collection.

ST. PATRICK PARISH NEWS

2020 BAA – The theme of the 2020 Bishop's Annual is **Living the Joy of the Gospel.** The diocese has asked St. Patrick Parish to raise $42,225.79. The amount currently pledged by our parish is **$66,639.00**, with 122 envelopes received. We have achieved our goal! Thank you for your outpouring of generosity to your St. Patrick Parish. If you have not yet pledged, please prayerfully consider a gift. You can give online at https://www.columbuscatholicgiving.org/make-a-gift-now. All pledges received after meeting our goal are returned to our parish to be used for capital improvements.

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED MARY MASS
SETPEMBER 8TH, 6:30 P.M.

Walking With Purpose – Walking With Purpose is starting up with meetings beginning Sunday, September 13th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. and Thursday September 17th from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Please call the office to RSVP. Social distancing will be practiced.

Donations wanted for Hailey's Helping Hands – Hailey Winebrenner is putting together gift bags of items for people in need. If you would like to donate something for her gift bags, please drop off items to the church this week 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. She intends to hand them out at the Welcome Table this month.

Message from Father Hinterschied

Perhaps what has been most dangerous in the response to COVID-19 is that because we live in a culture which values being useful at first, we gauge our self-worth in like manner: by income scales or work projects. When so many could not, or still cannot, work or are, or were, unemployed, we see rises in concern for mental health and depression.

We forget that man's nature, is a composite of both material and spiritual. We have unique needs in order to be happy. Our Lord declared the one thing necessary was chosen by Mary when, much to Martha's chagrin, she refused to do what was useful. Instead she chose contemplation. We work, but not at the expense of wonder.

Wonder enables us to relate properly to ourselves, to others and to God. Children possess this sense of wonder naturally, but it tends to be driven out as we age. But wonder is so critical to life that we must learn how to preserve and nourish it. In a culture like ours, this means learning leisure.

Leisure is wrongly defined as a break from work. But leisure is really about connectedness, manifested in a grateful heart, a sense of family, or a spirit of friendship, and even romantic love.

We catch a glimpse of this in family celebrations, rooted in love and gathered around the table. Similarly, the highest form of leisure is prayer— putting us in the presence of God, love speaking to love. The essence of leisure then is found in the Eucharist, the greatest act of love and gratitude.

Leisure helps us recognize how valuable we and others are. For Christians, leisure also helps extol the greatness of God.

Have a blessed and leisure-filled Labor Day weekend!

– Rev. Fr. Michael Hinterschied, Pastor, St. Patrick Church

DIOCESAN NEWS

Blue Mass - The Blue Mass will be held at 5:00 p.m., September 11, at St. Timothy Church, 1088 Thomas Lane, Columbus, OH 43220. The parish and their K of C 14345 will honor and pray for police, firefighters and emergency personnel and remember the 2,973 who lost their lives on 9/11/01. Bishop Robert J. Brennan will be the celebrant. All active and retired police, fire and emergency medical services in the greater Columbus area and their families are invited. Seating is limited; COVID-19 guidelines will be strictly followed including wearing protective masks and social distancing. The Mass will also be available for viewing via live stream at the parish website, www.sttimchurch.org.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, September 6
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 33:7-9
Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Rom 13:8-10
Mt 18:15-20

Monday, September 7
Weekday
1 Cor 5:1-8
Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12
Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 8
Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30
Ps 13:6ab, 6c
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wednesday, September 9
Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest
1 Cor 7:25-31
Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 10
Weekday
1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13
Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24
Lk 6:27-38

September 11
Weekday
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27
Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12
Lk 6:39-42

September 12
Weekday
1 Cor 10:14-22
Ps 116:12-13, 17-18
Lk 6:43-49

Access Daily Readings from the New American Bible, Revised Edition (NABRE) online at https://bible.usccb.org

"THERE AM I IN THE MIDST OF THEM"

Reflection on Matthew 18:15-20

Central to our discipleship in Jesus is his great command of love: love God with your whole being and love your neighbor as yourself. Maturing in discipleship, we discover that what at first seems clear and rather easy to fulfill as long as we "be nice" to everyone and "go to church" on Sunday, is actually an invitation to a way of living and relating that is radical and demanding. It requires of us humility and creativity.

Love has many forms and expressions, and in today's Gospel Jesus raises up love's expression in reconciliation for us to consider. His admonition begins with, "if your brother [or sister] sins against you," and proceeds with what might seem to be a "method" with clear steps to follow. However, experience tells us that when we humbly and sincerely seek reconciliation with someone who has wronged us or whom we have wronged, it isn't clear and easy, often follows a messy path, and doesn't always take us where we thought we were headed at the start.

The invitation is: Take the journey! Embrace forgiveness as an essential form of love! Yes, follow Jesus' advice here: keep it between the two of you; engage the experience and testimony of others if it will help; let the church's wisdom of the ages be a sure guide. Be prayerful and persistent in pursuing reconciliation – right relationship – with the other. Resist gossip, blasting the other on social media, and recruiting a team of supporters to justify your being wronged. Perhaps the testimony of others might include the witness of saints, like the powerful image of St. John Paul II meeting in prison with his would-be assassin. Recognize that in all of our efforts at loving / forgiving / reconciling stands the sure promise of Jesus: "there am I in the midst of them." It is Jesus who is at work in us when we forgive, and that always changes us, transforming the lover into the image of the Beloved. He who is Mercy Itself draws us more deeply into being mercy for others.

Be creative and intentional in the ways you express love as gentle repair to a relationship, for this glorifies our Father who did not spare his own Son to reconcile the world to Himself.

~ Fr. Jay

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

September 8

The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The September 8 date helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's birth. However, the apocryphal Protoevangelium of James fills in the gap. This work has no historical value, but it does reflect the development of Christian piety. According to this account, Anna and Joachim are infertile but pray for a child. They receive the promise of a child who will advance God's plan of salvation for the world. Such a story, like many biblical counterparts, stresses the special presence of God in Mary's life from the beginning.

Saint Augustine connects Mary's birth with Jesus' saving work. He tells the earth to rejoice and shine forth in the light of her birth. "She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth the nature inherited from our first parents is changed." The opening prayer at Mass speaks of the birth of Mary's Son as the dawn of our salvation, and asks for an increase of peace.

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Franciscan Media, 2020. https://www.franciscanmedia.org/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary/

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