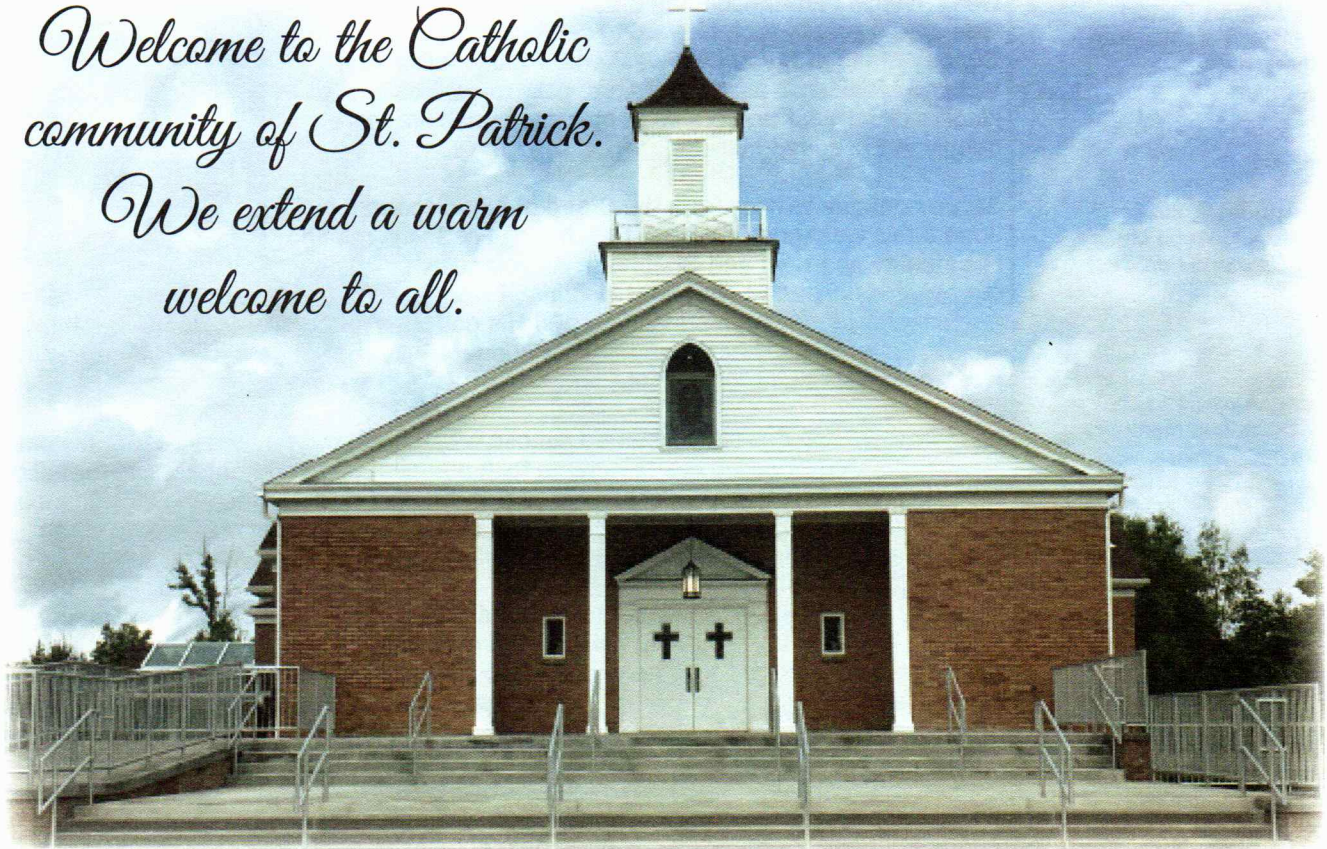


St. Patrick Church

Welcome to the Catholic
community of St. Patrick.
We extend a warm
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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:30 am

HOLY DAY MASSES:

Check Bulletin for schedule.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 pm and by appointment.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday - Thursday, 8:45 am

Check bulletin for cancellations.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Talk with the priest following Mass or call the Parish Office to schedule a priest visit.

BAPTISM: Following weekend Masses, by appointment. Please call the Parish Office at least one month in advance to make arrangements. Baptism Parent Preparation classes are required for first time parents.

MARRIAGE: Couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance, to allow for Marriage Preparation, before the proposed date of the wedding.

R.C.I.A.: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an ongoing inquiry process about the Catholic faith and traditions and about strengthening one's relationship with God. Call the Parish Office for more information.

CARE OF THE SICK AND SHUT-INS: Talk with the Deacon following Mass or contact the Parish Office for prayer requests and visits to the sick.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: Grades 1-7 meet on Tuesdays, 6:15 -7:30 pm, mid- September thru early May. Grade 8, which includes preparation for Confirmation, meets on Sunday evenings at St. Mary Church, Chardon.

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES: For those asked to serve as a Godparent for baptism or as a Confirmation Sponsor. Certificate may be obtained at the Parish Office by registered, practicing parishioners who are Confirmed and, if married, in a valid Catholic Marriage.

HOW TO REACH US:

St. Patrick Church ~ 16550 Rock Creek Road ~ Thompson, Ohio 44086

PARISH OFFICE: 440-298-1327 ~ **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE:** 440-298-1845

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday thru Thursday 9:30 to 12:30 ~ **PARISH WEBSITE:** www.stpatrickthompson.org



Saturday, February 12, 2022
4:00 pm - Barbara Tiefenbach
(Friends)

Sunday, February 13, 2022
9:30 am - Mildred Ross
(Herman Family)

Monday, February 14, 2022
NO MASS

Tuesday, February 15, 2022
8:45 am - Ken & Elaine Bruening
Anniversary
(John & Peggy Bruening)

Wednesday, February 26, 2022
NO MASS

Thursday, February 17, 2022
8:45 am - Albert Walcutt
(Walcutt Family)

Friday, February 18, 2022
NO MASS

Saturday, February 19, 2022
4:00 pm - Albert Walcutt
(Walcutt Family)

Sunday, February 20, 2022
9:30 am - Jackie Loveland
(Laura B. Shantery)



Daily Scripture Readings

February

- 14 Jas 1:1-22/Mk 8:11-13
- 15 Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21
- 16 Jas 1:19-27/Mk 8:22-26
- 17 Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33
- 18 Jas 2:14-24,26/Mk 8:34-9:1
- 19 Jas 3:1-10/Mk 9:2-13
- 20 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/
1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38



Dear Parish Family,

It's been about a month since Fr. Spisak had his hip replacement surgery. I continue to talk with him each week about what's happening at the parish, letting him know we are praying for him, and he updates me on his progress. He wanted to share with you that he continues to receive occupational and physical therapy at home, and he has another review near the end of this month with his doctor. He is currently on track to be back with us in mid-March, just a little over a month. Thank you for your prayers and support for him in this time!



Pandemic Updates and Reminders

Now that the holiday surge is over with the pandemic, I wanted to share a few updates and reminders on that front. I'm grateful for the reverence and respect you all show to our Lord and to one another at Mass. Remember that we continue to use mitigation measures out of prudence, love and respect for our neighbor.

The Mass obligation continues to be lifted under certain conditions. Our diocese reminds us that "those who are ill, have significant health risk factors or care for someone who is immune-compromised or ill, as well as those who have significant fear or anxiety about contracting the coronavirus in a large group of persons are not obliged to attend Mass". This dispensation from the Mass obligation would also apply to those of us in quarantine. I invite those who cannot come to Mass in-person at this time to access the St. Mary Sunday 8:00 am livestream and recorded Mass available at <https://stmarychardon.org>

- **Masks are still strongly encouraged.** Bishop Malesic kindly asked us a few months ago to wear masks while gathering for Mass and events at the parish. Masks and hand sanitizer are readily available at the church entrance. You may also consider bringing your own mask and hand sanitizer when you come for Mass or events to use as needed.

- **Reception of Communion:** ministers of communion will continue to sanitize their hands and wear a mask during distribution. We will continue to have the table with sanitizer between the priest and deacon line. It will be at the discretion of the clergy whether or not to use the sanitizer. If you would prefer for the clergy you receive from to sanitize his hands before giving you communion, simply ask us when you approach for communion and we will be happy to assist you.

The presider and deacon may receive from the chalice. It will be at the discretion of the presider to offer the chalice to the deacon. Please know that the priest and deacon receive from opposite sides of the cup.

Parish Listening Session Themes Introduction

I am excited to report to you the themes of our Parish Listening Sessions. You may remember that in the month of November we held sessions on two different dates with the intention of accommodating people's schedules. I offered these sessions because, as your recently appointed administrator of the parish, I was eager to hear your thoughts about parish life from your experiences of the past, and also to know what is on your minds and hearts as hopes for the parish in the years to come. While these sessions were not mandatory for me to hold, I readily agree with guidance offered by the *Decree on the Ministry and Life of Priests* that states, "Priests must willingly listen to the laity, consider their wants in a fraternal spirit, recognize their experience and competence in the different areas of human activity, so that together with them they will be able to recognize the signs of the times" (9). My aim is that as we move forward together as a parish family, this united fraternal spirit with Jesus Christ as our Master will indeed mark all of our efforts.

Over 40 people of varying ages attended these sessions and provided valuable input. The questions I asked were the following:

- From your perspective, what is important to know about the history of our parish?
- Why should I be excited and energized as your pastor?
- In an ideal world, what would your dream be for our future? What would you like to see happening at St. Patrick Parish that would help you and your family/friends to be more involved?

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Parish Office Hours

The parish office will be open Tuesday thru Thursday, 9:30-12:30.

After compiling all of the responses, four main themes rose to the top as being primary on people's minds. Over the next many months I will report back to you more detail on each of the themes. For today's report, I simply want to share those themes with you, along with *sub-themes* identified in each. These themes and sub-themes provide context for the conversations we will have going forward for our pastoral planning efforts:

Community (*Welcome, History, Communication*): It is not surprising to me that people frequently commented on their interest of life together as a Christian community here at the parish. Comments identified as areas of focus the priority of *welcoming* others, the pride felt in the *history* of our rural community, and the desire to *communicate* the goodness of our parish.

Participation (*Collaboration, Leadership, Outreach*): Our faith is one that requires conscious and active participation, so this theme is a cherished one in our Catholic way of life. Comments about wanting strong *leadership*, a great desire for *outreach* to those less fortunate, and the value of *collaboration* were highlighted as being important for effective parish activity.

Faith Formation (*Youth Formation, Adult Education, Spiritual Growth*): Friendship with and in Jesus Christ leads us to thirst to know Him better. That kind of knowledge will require activity in our efforts of *adult education*, as well as our efforts in reaching all the *youth* in their various walks of life. Along with that formation there is a hope that *spiritual growth* will result from renewed efforts to encounter the God who loves us.

Worship (*Traditions, Eucharist-centered*): With Jesus Christ as our Shepherd and Savior, considerations about worship are a priority for many. Because of our rich Catholic heritage, various *traditions* were mentioned as being of great value, while holding up the *Eucharist* as the very center of our lives.

When I consider these themes and bring them to my prayer for our parish, I am motivated about what lies ahead for us as a parish community. Expressed in these is a great opportunity for building upon the wonderful foundation that exists at St. Patrick Parish and furthering the Kingdom of God. Stay tuned for more details on what I heard regarding each of these themes – and eventually considering where this leads us in our work ahead as disciples of Jesus Christ.

I am yours in Christ,

Fr. Scott Goodfellow

Thank you for your support of the parish



St. Patrick,
Pray for us!

In a special way, we pray for:

Bob Stevenson,
Frank Foote, Marilyn Bluhm,
Josephine Mihalic,
Joyce MacDonald,
Jim Ellis, Agnes Heston,
Cliff Radie, Bill Skoch,



WE PRAY FOR THOSE
WHO HAVE DIED

May the souls of all the
faithful departed rest in peace.
Amen

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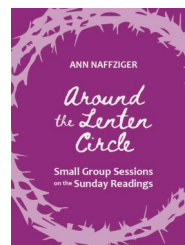
On the Horizon:



Catholic Charities
February 26 & 27
(Note the date change)



Meeting @ 7:00 pm
February 23



Our Women's Group
Feb 28—Apr 4
(Monday Evenings)



March 2
Mass 7:00 pm

Liturgical Ministers

Lectors

Servers

Counting Team

February 19

Dana Shutty

Bella Gigliotti,
Marissa Karl
Charlotte Townsend

February 20

Joyce Nelson

Maximus Widmar,
Bruno Ianiro
Matthew Janson

A Team



PSR News

PSR Family Fun Night is back!! PSR families...mark your calendar for Tuesday, March 1st. We will have an evening of fun and fellowship as we rotate through different stations of Catholic Jeopardy, crafts, Bingo, games and a dinner meal of pizza. PSR will begin at the regular time of 6:15 pm on that evening. We hope to have a 'Mardi Gras' theme since March 1st is Shrove Tuesday.

Last Tuesday our PSR students had the first of three lessons in the "Called to Protect" program. Grades 1 – 5 had their lessons with their teachers based on "Called to Protect for Children". Grade 6 watched one of three videos focused on protection for our Youth—introduced by Deacon Bob—and followed by discussions with the students by teachers Denise Janson & Joyce Nelson, and Parish Catechetical Leader Marilyn Schwartz.



Pro-Life



From March 2 – April 10 you are invited to join with other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7 am to 7 pm during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside **Preterm** - 12000 Shaker Blvd, Cleveland, 44120 or **Planned Parenthood** - 25350 Rockside Rd, Bedford Hts, 44146, or **Family Planning** – 462 Chardon St, Painesville, 44077.

Join us at the Kickoff Rally at Our Lady of Mount Carmel-Wickliffe on Sunday, February 27 at 2 pm. Keynote Speaker is Fr. Stephen Imbarrato. Contact John Noall clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com or 216-245-9744 for more information.

WEBSITES:

- www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland
- www.40daysforlife.com/painesville
- www.40daysforlife.com/bedfordheights

St. Patrick Inclement Weather Closure Policy

When Chardon schools are closed or delayed...

- St. Patrick Daily Mass CANCELLED
- St. Mary Daily Mass No change, but come with caution
- PSR CANCELLED
- AM Groups CANCELLED
- PM Groups Assess conditions to determine closure

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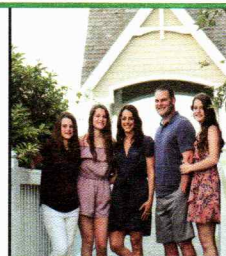
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1 Peter 4:10

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Leadership

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PLA
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Spiritual Life

Pro-Life
Afternoon of Prayer
Men's Sharpening Stone
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Prayer Warriors

Community Life

Buildings & Grounds
Martha & Mary Groups
Good Samaritans

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Bereavement Ministry
Outreach Ministry

Catechetical

PSR
Vacation Bible School
RCIA

We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to
show our love for God and for one another.

All are invited to participate in St. Patrick Ministry groups and parish activities.
For more information, or to join the ministry,
call the Parish office.

If you are interested in
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back page,

Please contact

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440-298-1327



Prayer for the Faithful by St. Patrick

May the Strength of God guide us.
May the Power of God preserve us.
May the Wisdom of God instruct us.
May the Hand of God protect us.
May the Way of God direct us.
May the Shield of God defend us.
May the Angels of God guard us.
- Against the snares of the evil one.

May Christ be with us!
May Christ be before us!
May Christ be in us,
Christ be over all!
May Thy Grace, Lord,
Always be ours,

This day, O Lord, and forevermore. Amen.

