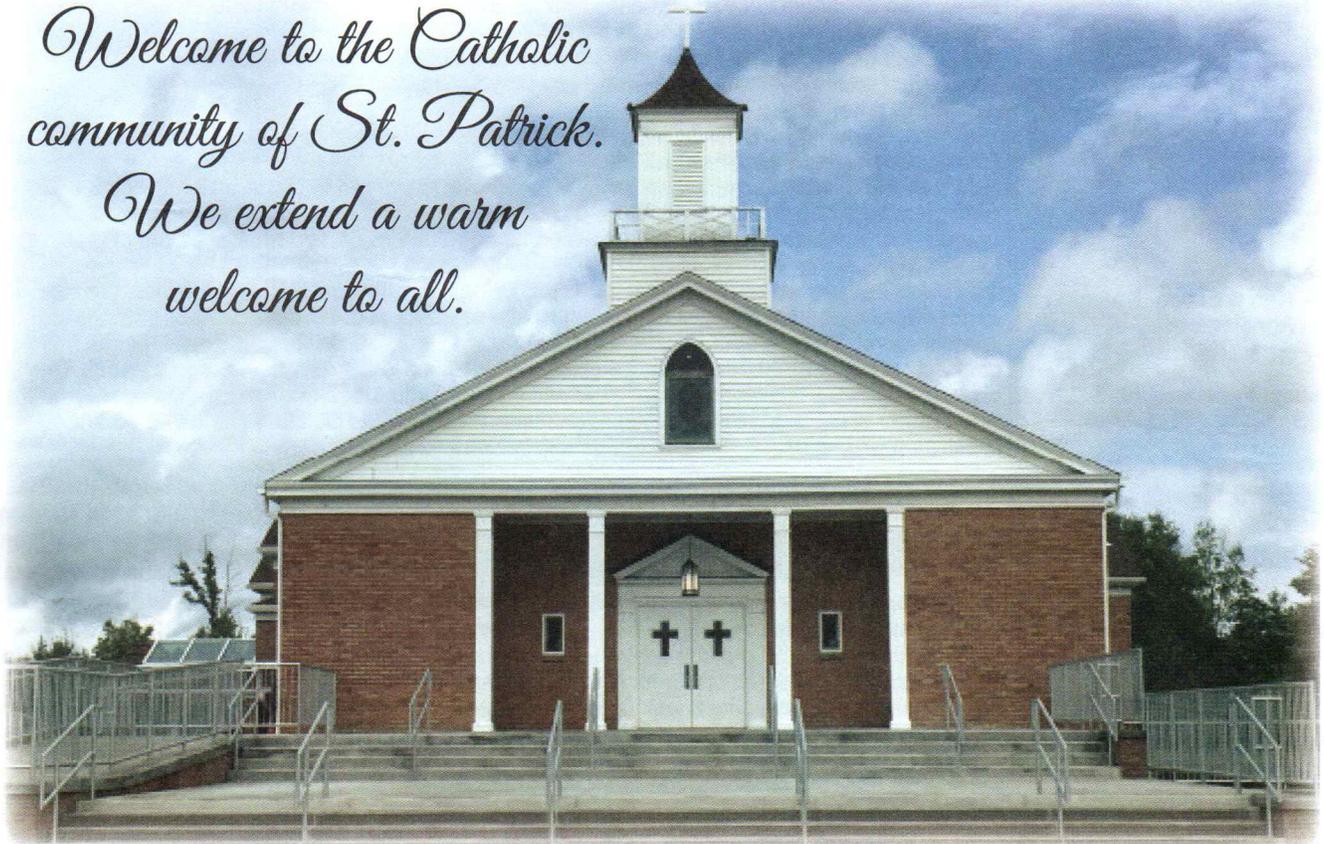


St. Patrick Church

Welcome to the Catholic
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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:

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 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, March 12, 2022

4:00 pm - Barb Tiefenbach
(The Family)

Sunday, March 13, 2022

9:30 am - Ron Sapatka
(Dan & Carole Doyle)

Monday, March 14, 2022

NO MASS

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

8:45 am - Al Walcutt
(Walcutt Family)

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

NO MASS

Thursday, March 17, 2022

8:45 am - Barb Tiefenbach
(The Family)

Friday, March 18, 2022

NO MASS

Saturday, March 19, 2022

4:00 pm - Ron Schwartz
(Diane Bruening)

Sunday, March 20, 2022

9:30 am - Alice Herman
(Herman Family)



Daily Scripture Readings

March

14 Dn 9:4b-10 / Lk 6: 36-38

15 Is 1:10,16-20 / Mt 23:1-12

16 Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28

17 Jer 17:5-10 / Lk 16:19-31

18 Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a /
Mt 21:33-43,45-46

19 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16 /
Rom 4:13,16-18,22 /
Mt 1:16,18-21,24a or
Lk 2:41-51a

20 Ex 3:1-8a,13-15 / 1Cor 10:1-6,
10-12 / Lk 13:1-9

Office Hours:

Tuesday; 9:30-12:30

Wednesday: 9:30-12:30

Thursday: 9:30-12:30

Dear Parish Family,

This Second Sunday of Lent recounts the Transfiguration of Jesus. I find it interesting that the disciples don't experience a strong reaction when the Lord converses with Moses and Elijah, who represent the great tradition of the Law and the Prophets of the Old Testament. However, they do react strongly and become frightened when a cloud appears and they can no longer see what's happening right in front of them. God the Father speaks directly into their fear with the powerful words, "This is my chosen Son; listen to Him."



When I pray with this situation, I remember the statistic that over half of all automobile accidents occur within five minutes from home on bright, sunny days. The gift of being close to home when everything around us seems to be going alright can actually mislead us into a false sense of security. We can miss the miraculous that is right in front of us (like Jesus speaking with Moses and Elijah...yep, *that* Moses and *that* Elijah!). However, when we are in a strange place or in inclement weather, we tend to be more alert. Our lack of vision, our uncertainty, even our fear can make us pay more attention to what is right before our eyes. The cloud cast over the disciples opens their hearts to hear the Father's voice revealing who Jesus is ("my beloved Son") and what to do with Him ("listen to Him").

With the fear and uncertainty we understandably face with the war in Ukraine, and with the destruction and hardship it is bringing to families near and far, we all need to open our hearts to hear the Father's voice. We need Jesus, the beloved Son of the Father, the bringer of peace and healer of souls. The Father's words in today's Gospel are addressed to every person in the entire world - all of us need to listen to Jesus so that we may have life and work for His kingdom of peace and love.

Eastern Europe Collection (March 19-20)

We will take up a collection the weekend of March 19-20 for Eastern Europe. The USCCB will utilize our donations to help those affected by the war in Ukraine with emergency food and water, hygiene supplies, and other necessary humanitarian services. You can use your Eastern Europe envelope or write a check with memo "Eastern Europe" and drop it into the normal Sunday collection or bring it to the parish office this month. Thank you for your support to our suffering brothers and sisters.

Evening of Confessions

The Diocese of Cleveland is hosting an Evening of Confessions in our parish churches this Wednesday, March 16 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. Fr. Spisak and I will be hearing confessions at St. Mary Parish during this timeframe. Exposition of the Holy Eucharist which begins after the noon Mass will continue throughout this time until a simple reposition takes place at 8:00 pm. I encourage you to come to confession at St. Mary's if you haven't been for awhile, and to come pray with Jesus in the Eucharist for peace in our world. You may consider visiting FORMED.org and watching the "Forgiven" series on the Sacrament of Confession in preparation for your Lenten confession. Since Fr. Spisak and I will both be hearing confessions at St. Mary's in Chardon, there will not be confessions at St. Pat's this Wednesday.

Catholic Charities Annual Appeal - THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who participated in Catholic Charities In-Pew weekend! Because of your support, nearly 400,000 individuals will receive help and hope through the programs and services made possible by your generosity. If you have not had a chance to make a gift, please visit CatholicCommunity.org/donate, mail your donation to the Catholic Community Foundation at 1404 E. 9th St, Cleveland OH 44114, or text CCHOPE to 41444.

Validity of Sacraments

You may have heard in the news recently about a Phoenix priest whose baptisms were declared invalid because he used an invalid baptismal formula, "We baptize you..." instead of the valid formula "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." The change of that one word from "I baptize" to "We baptize" may seem inconsequential, but it in fact changes the very nature of the theology of the Sacrament of Baptism since it is not the community that baptizes but rather the minister acting in the person of Christ. Some have argued that the intention of the priest to baptize was there so why does this one word matter so much? This is a reasonable objection I would like to address.

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The Church's sacramental theology is true as a science (like geometry or physics) is true. If a scientist wants to turn water into steam but places it in the freezer instead of on the stove, he's going to get ice, *despite* his best intentions! Calling the ice "steam" because that's what he intended to happen would be a rejection of the scientific principles we expect from him. The language we use in our Sacraments is precise, and words that change the very nature of what we are doing matter for the sake of the Sacrament's validity. It would be the same if the priest deliberately changed the words of consecration to "This is a symbol of Christ's body" or the words of absolution to "We absolve you from your sins" - despite his best intentions, he is no longer doing what Christ has asked him to do in celebrating the Sacrament and there is doubt about the validity of the Sacrament received. This is exactly the case in the baptism scenario above. It is nothing new, and the Church throughout the centuries has responded to invalid sacramental formulations such as this with the same clarity and theological precision as given here. I really think we would expect this kind of clarity and precision from any credible and trustworthy source, so why not also from our Church?

It's hard to appreciate the anxiety this doubt about validity causes in the hearts of the faithful unless we've experienced this in our own lives. Therefore, the Church presumes invalidity in such cases and works to offer a valid Sacrament to the faithful affected. Presuming invalidity in these cases does not mean that God has not still given grace and salvation where there is doubt about a Sacrament received, but rather that the Church doesn't become unscientific and whimsically say "close enough, we're just going to step back and let God sort this one out." God indeed has a lot to sort out, and as His Church He calls us to help heal and rectify the errors our nature is prone to commit, sometimes despite our best intentions.

If you would like to read more about the Church's science of sacramental theology, I invite you to read the Word on Fire article at the link below: <https://www.wordonfire.org/articles/contributors/intention-matters-baptized-by-the-water-and-the-right-words/>

I am yours in Christ,

Fr. Scott Goodfellow

Liturgical Ministers	March 19th	March 20th
Lectors	Mary Martin	Joddi Savage
Servers	Mela Lewis, Sophia Lewis Bella Gigliotti	Danny Auth Marissa Karl Matthew Janson
Counting Team	A Team	

PSR
CRS Rice Bowl: Second Week of Lent
Perseverance to Succeed.... Raul and Lilian have faced many challenges while trying to provide for their family and pursue their dreams in Guatemala. With support from Catholic Relief Services, they have been able to overcome these obstacles and grow their business while helping their community along the way. In what ways are you being challenged to serve others this Lent? Visit csrcricebowl.org to learn more.

Vacation Bible School is back at St. Patrick's!! Kids will go off-road this summer for a *Monumental* adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the south west. By exploring God's awesomeness, we can form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead! Our VBS will be held on the evenings of **June 28th, 29th, and 30th from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm**. Come and help us celebrate God's greatness, strength, and love as we explore *Monumental* together!

How To Reach Us

- Administrator - Fr. Scott Goodfellow: frscott@stpatrickthompson.org
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Month of February

Weekend Collections: \$13,266.40
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Votive Candles: \$85.50



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In a special way, we pray for:

- John Kennedy, Lydia Rowan, Bob Stevenson, 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

Every Friday in Lent

Stations of the Cross @ 7:00



Fish Fry @ St. Mary's from 4:30—7 pm



Pro-Life

BABY SHOWER FOR BIRTHRIGHT GEAUGA

The St. Mary Knights of Columbus and St. Mary/St. Patrick Prolife group will be collecting new baby shower items over two upcoming weekends. The collection will begin the weekend of March 12-13 and conclude the weekend of March 19-20. Birthright Geauga is in dire need of diaper bags and newborn diapers at this time. Also appreciated are infant toiletries such as baby wash, creams, wipes, etc. Please place your items in the cribs that will be located in the St. Mary's Church gathering space during this time frame. Thank you in advance for your generous donations to this worthy cause.

Please notice we have a new prolife banner and have replaced the old 40 Days for Life one. A special thank you for the two people who generously donated the banners, the Holy cards and posters for the Adopt-A-Baby program to the Prolife ministry.



Understanding The Roots of Our Faith

We have two unique opportunities for you to deepen your understanding of the Catholic faith:

**A learning session focused on Scott Hahn's *Fourth Cup*
3/17 @ 7-8:30 pm, lower level St. Patrick Church**

Presented by Mrs. Brooke Perlik

Hear how God established his new and everlasting covenant through the Jewish Passover

Passover Seder

3/31 @ 6:15, lower level St. Patrick Church

Come Participate: in a Seder as Jesus did with his disciples on Holy Thursday.

- See and hold a Passover Hagaddah
- Hear the Hebrew blessings and Psalms
- Taste the bitter herbs, unleavened bread, and wine
- Dip the spring vegetable
- Feast on the Paschal lamb
- Experience the symbolism
- Gain a better understanding of our Eucharist meal

Sign up sheet is in the back of the Church

Synod Listening Sessions

Will take place after the following masses:

Saturday, March 19th

Sunday, March 20th

Refreshments will be served

Employment Opportunities

"St. Edward and St. Lucy's has some job opportunities for those seeking employment. There is an opening for a parish secretary and for a maintenance person. If you are interested in applying for this job, please go to www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/human-resources/employment-opportunities/category/all



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1 Peter 4:10

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PLA
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Choir

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Men's Sharpening Stone
Women's Reflection & Scripture
Prayer Warriors

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PSR
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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.



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back page,

Please contact

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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.

