



August 17, 2025 • Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# ST. PATRICK *Church*

16550 Rock Creek Road, Thompson, Ohio 44086  
Parish Office 440-298-1327

Pastor  
Rev. Scott Goodfellow  
Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Fabian Han  
Permanent Deacons  
Deacon Phil Kraynik  
Deacon Bob Schwartz

*Low-gluten hosts available in the priest's Communion line upon request.*

*Cry room is available to families with young children in the front of the church to the left of the sanctuary.*

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday through Thursday, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

## SACRAMENTS

**Reconciliation** – Saturday, 3:00-3:30 pm and by appointment.

Confessions are also available at St. Mary in Chardon on the last Wednesday of the month from 6:00-7:00 pm.

**Parish Rosary** – We invite you to pray the Rosary with us at 9:00 am on Sundays before the 9:30 am Mass, and after the 8:45 am daily Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**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.

**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.

**Sponsor Certificates** – For those asked to serve as a Godparent for Baptism or as a Confirmation Sponsor, a certificate may be obtained at the Parish Office by registered, practicing parishioners who are Confirmed and, if married, in a valid Catholic Marriage.

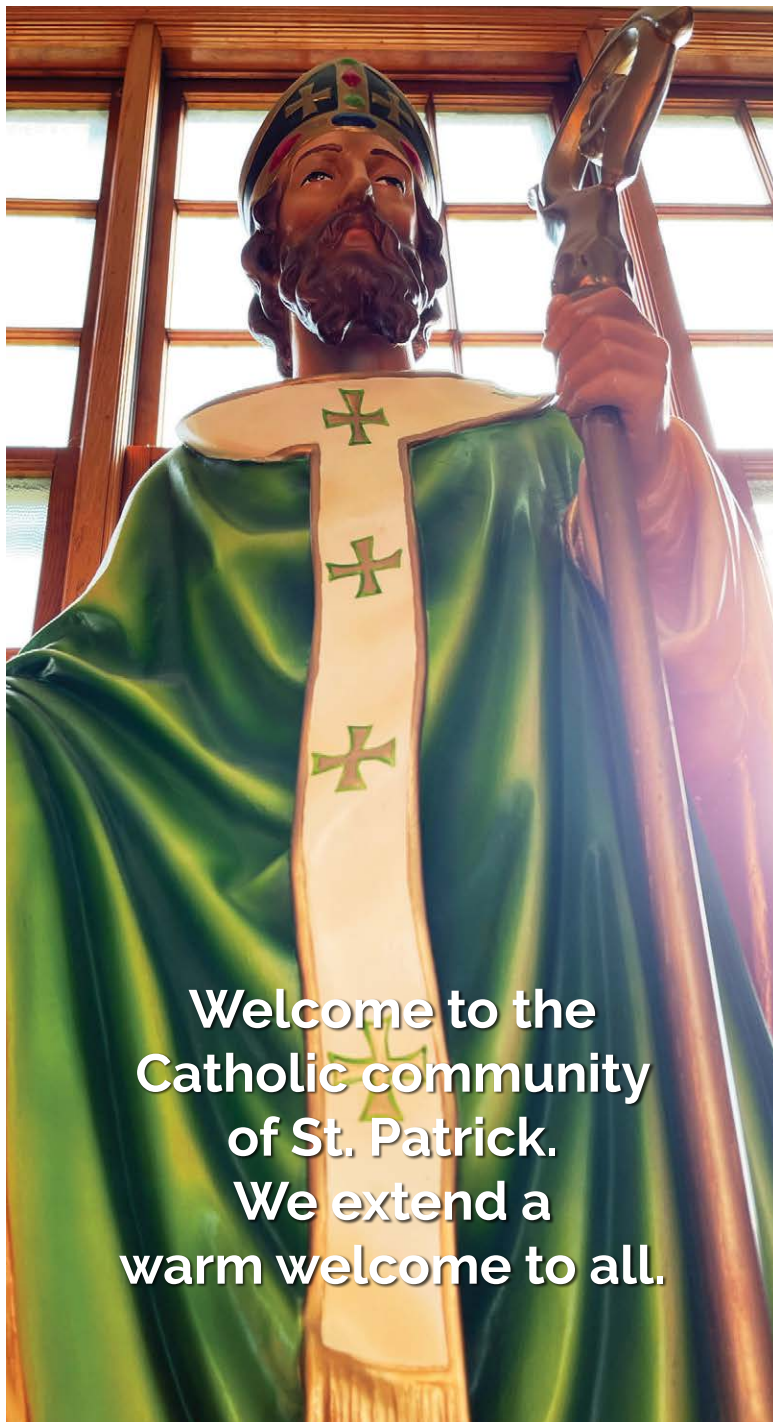
## O.C.I.A.

The Order 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.

**OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION | 440-286-6531**

## Parish School of Religion

- Families with children in Grade 1 and Grades 3-7 meet one Sunday Morning a month from the 9:30 am Mass to Noon, September through early May for Family Catechesis.
- Students in Grades 2 and 8 attend St. Mary for Sacramental Preparation.



Welcome to the  
Catholic community  
of St. Patrick.  
We extend a  
warm welcome to all.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil Mass – 4:00 pm • Sunday – 9:30 am

Weekday Masses Tuesday and Thursday – 8:45 am, *Rosary following Mass*  
Check bulletin for cancellations.

Holy Day Masses Check bulletin for schedule.



[www.stpatrickthompson.org](http://www.stpatrickthompson.org)

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## CONTRIBUTIONS August 9-10

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| Weekend Collection:  | \$ 3,107.00 |
| Special Collections: | \$ 92.00    |
| Total:               | \$ 3,199.00 |

## DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS:

**8/18:** Jdg 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22

**8/19:** Jdg 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30

**8/20:** Jdg 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16

**8/21:** Jdg 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14

**8/22:** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22;  
Mt 22:34-40

**8/23:** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17;  
Mt 23:1-12

**8/24:** Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13;  
Lk 13:22-30

## 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## IN A SPECIAL WAY, WE PRAY FOR:

Deacon Pat Berrigan, Jerry Chop,  
Deacon Phil Kraynik, Robbie McKee, Cliff  
Radie, Marcine Stefancin, Linda Szabo,  
Donna Telencio, Myron Telencio, Emma  
VanDewater and Tony Zalar

## MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

“Eyes on Christ.” This is one of the foundational phrases I pray with often and which I teach frequently to others. It reminds us to lift up our hearts to Jesus whenever we need guidance on the right path to follow. The Letter to Hebrews speaks to this reality when the author tells us to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and persevere in our faith. This is especially important when we experience temptation, suffering, and the trials of life. Eyes on Christ.

In the first reading, Jeremiah experiences rejection and a death sentence from his fellow Israelites. Think of how easy it would be for him to turn away if his eyes weren’t focused on God’s covenant! Yet, he is willing to die for the conviction and the prophetic message God needs him to speak to the nation of Israel.

In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of the blazing fire of our Baptism which inspires the prophetic conviction we are called to bring to our culture. Like Jeremiah, this conviction of our faith will often bring with it division, misunderstanding, or even hatred from others...often from those closest to us. Jesus doesn’t promote divisiveness, but when we are put to an ultimatum, “You either choose *me*, or you choose Christ,” we need to be ready to make the decision to follow Christ, even if it means our family chooses to separate themselves from us.

Obviously, there’s a wrong and weird way that can explain why others may not want to be around us. If we speak and act out of arrogance, or nag our family members to practice their faith rather than giving them the invitation and space to choose to follow Christ, or are in some way unable to relate the Gospel in a generous and life-giving way to others, this may indicate that we have to work on our own conversion first so that we can become a credible witness who is capable of the trust and responsibility needed for discipleship.

Being a prophetic witness in today’s world shouldn’t make us weird or unrelatable to others. On the contrary, the conviction of our Baptism ought to help us enliven the Gospel by the way we live our lives, to be a bridge-builder with others, a person of compassion, respect, humility, and truthfulness who can present Christ to others in the best way possible.

Eyes on Christ will always and everywhere help us to see Him, to prioritize our relationship with Him, to know ourselves and our identity through Him and in Him, and consequently to allow us to share Him with others in a generous and life-giving way.

This weekend is Fr. Gary J. Malin’s first weekend with us at St. Mary’s and St. Patrick’s. We are so grateful for the gift of his priesthood! Please welcome Fr. Gary when you meet him. I know he will enrich our lives and you will enrich his, just as you’ve done with Fr. Fabian and me!

We could use some hands to help us as we prepare to move into the new rectory. Please visit <https://stmarychardon.org/new-rectory-project> to view the Sign Up Genius with available slots on Saturday, August 23 in the morning and early afternoon. We will need some assistance in the kitchen, with linens, assembly, moving, and other various tasks. There are roles for all ages and skillsets, so please check out the webpage for more information, or scan the QR code to sign up to help. Thank you so much for your assistance!

QR Code for Rectory Workday sign-up:





**MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR CONT'D**

Finally, prayers for all students returning to school this week. We ask the Lord's blessing upon you all, that you may begin the school year with enthusiasm and gratitude to learn and grow as a disciple of Christ!

I am yours in Christ,  
Fr. Scott Goodfellow

**MASS INTENTIONS: August 16-24****Saturday, August 16, 2025**

4:00 p.m. John Martin – *The Martin Family*

**Sunday, August 17, 2025**

9:30 a.m. Chuck Nicoletti – *Dan and Carole Doyle*

**Tuesday, August 19, 2025**

8:45 a.m. Joe Skoch – *Deacon Bob and Marilyn Schwartz*

**Thursday, August 21, 2025**

8:45 a.m. The People of the Parish

**Saturday, August 23, 2025**

4:00 p.m. Josephine Mihalic – *Kathy and Lowell Stover*

**Sunday, August 24, 2025**

9:30 a.m. Barbara Stocker – *The Sipos Family*

**PARISH NEWS****WE LOVE SEEING NEW FACES!**

If you're new to St. Patrick – welcome! Please register with the parish so we can get to know you better and support you in your faith journey. Registration forms are located in the back of the church and on the parish website. You may also stop at the parish office Tuesday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please call the parish office with any questions at 440-298-1327. We are very happy you've chosen St. Patrick as your home and look forward to meeting you.

**SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE*****Are you called to the mission of the Apostolate?***

St. Patrick's is in need of seven core women willing to make a spiritual offering to God for our new Senior Parochial Vicar, Fr. Gary J. Malin. Each member commits to a Holy Hour on a distinct day of the week. The prayers may consist of the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross, the Office of Readings and many others. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this humble ministry to protect, strengthen and sustain our new parochial vicar. I promise you it will be life changing! For more information, please see Fr. Scott or Theresa Speelberg at St. Mary Chardon. We hope to meet in August to give you more detail. Those interested can email me at [tspeelbe@stmarychardon.org](mailto:tspeelbe@stmarychardon.org) or phone me at 440-231-3703.

**BACKPACK BLESSINGS – THIS WEEKEND**

It is time to get ready for BACK TO SCHOOL....what better way to get ready than to ask the Lord's blessings upon us as we get ready for a new school year. This weekend at all Masses, we invite the students to bring their backpack to Mass for a blessing. The blessing will take place after the homily at each Mass.

**LIFE NIGHT KICKOFF –****SEPTEMBER 7TH**

Life Night Kickoff! On September 7th, 2025 at St. Mary's in the ABC Room, Life Teen will be having our first Life Night of the year! Youth (9th-12th Grade) are invited to come join us for food, fellowship, games, and much more! Sign up either by emailing Nicky Gutierrez at [ngutierrez@stmarychardon.org](mailto:ngutierrez@stmarychardon.org) or by the QR code.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

Legion of Mary

**EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION**

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Downtown Cleveland



All are invited

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**AUG**

**30<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00AM**

Procession following Holy  
Mass Celebrated  
by Fr. Kevin Estabrook



Legion prayers, Rosary  
and Benediction will  
conclude procession

**PRO-LIFE REFLECTION**

"The Mighty One has done great things for me."

– Lk 1:49

Our Blessed Mother shows us how the way we live today can prepare us, in hope, to also enter into heavenly glory at the end of our lives. We can see how, throughout her life, the Blessed Mother continually chose to go deeper into her relationship with God. She modeled how to value and respect His precious gift of human life, from the moment of conception to its natural end. In the Annunciation, through her "yes," Mary witnessed the undeniable humanity of unborn children as she conceived and carried the Christ child in her womb.

**PRAYER:** Mary, on this day we celebrate and honor your Assumption into heaven. Pray we also will have the victory of eternal life!

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