



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2015


Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:00 pm	October 3 Deceased Members of the DeSouza and Estrada Families and Robert & Thomas Chiarello
Sunday 7:30 am	October 4 Deceased Members of the Shanley Family and Donna Cali-Charles
9:00 am	Salvatore Casamento, Jr. and Alphons Schellekens
11:00 am	Catherine H. Lonagan and Ronald & Sallyanne Arias
5:00 pm	Juan Carlos Falcon and Patrick Bentley
Monday 8:00 am	October 5 Carmen Armas and Claire Mehalik
Tuesday 8:00 am	October 6 Anthony Leonett, Grace Slaven and Carmen Armas
Wednesday 8:00 am	October 7 Stella Carney and for the Intention of Eileen Keohane
Thursday 8:00 am	October 8 Claire Mehalik and Lloyd Hathaway
Friday 8:00 am	October 9 Carol Atchison and Dolores Skea
Saturday 8:00 am 5:00 pm	October 10 Patricia Flynn and Fr. Ed Hinds Robert & Thomas Chiarello and Deceased Members of the Cullen & McFarland Families
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	October 11 Mary Kathryn Quinn and Paul Polini Ida Benigno and Nick Marconi John McNary and George Hauck Clare Goggins and Gerald Buckley

Mass Schedule October 10th & 11th

Fr. Bob	Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 11 am
Fr. Chris	Sunday 7:30 and 9 am
Fr. Jim	Sunday 5 pm

Reconciliation (Confession) October 10th

Fr. Bob	Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm
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Parish Support-September 27th

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING.....\$14,210
LAST YEAR'S OFFERING.....\$13,216

Marian Prayer Group

The St. Patrick Parish Marian Prayer Group offer prayers honoring Mary, the Mother of Jesus and gather in the North Room of the Parish Office building at 41 Oliver Street every Thursday at 10 am. We pray for peace in the world, for the sick and homebound, for deceased members and friends of our Parish and more. Everyone is welcome to join us; come every Thursday or as often as you can.

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2015

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

This poem discusses how the spirit of wisdom is far more beautiful than any riches could be. All gold is no more than sand when compared to the importance of wisdom, which often leads people to the other good things in life.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

God's perception of people is called "sharper than any two-edged sword." God is able to know the thoughts and feelings of all his people. We can hide nothing from him, and will need to account for all he has seen in us.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

A man asks Jesus how he can share in everlasting life. Jesus tells him to sell his possessions and travel with them. The man refuses and Jesus tells his disciples how difficult it is for a rich person to enter heaven if they are too concerned with their possessions. The disciples remind Jesus that they gave up everything for him, but he assures them they will be rewarded with everlasting life.

Weekly Memorials

The Lamp burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of October 4th is in memory of Fr. Ed Hinds.

The Candles on the altar the week of October 4th are in memory of Deceased Members of the Women of Mary.

The Flowers on the altar the week of October 4th are in memory of Joseph Mancino given by Kathy Mancino.

Hear our Prayers for those who are ill especially Kevin Hamilton, Robert Hartle, Phyllis Monks, Robert Astorino, Anthony LaFerrara, Emily Monks, Neiko Pagaling, Denise Phalon Cascio, Gene Hunt, Jim Milde, Frances Smith, Tom Warren, Judy Latalladi, Gregory Bozzo, Dorothy Sullivan, Bill Lanahan, Cathy Bedford, Hope Tinn Clark, Irene Buss, Roger Goodman, Maria Selca-Haher, Robert Olpp, Patrizia Astorino, Terry Gardner, Nora Ray, Carol Meyers, Pat Marciano, Maryanne Duffy McDermott, Kyle Noonan, Thomas Unger, Arlene Raymond, Sandy Safier, Janine DiCostanzo, Tony Caljean, Jo Marino, Warren Gramm, William Virgilio, Mary Cecere, Josh Fernandez, Kristin Curcio, Tony Capone, Frank Lehr, Jr., Michael Marino, David Johnson, John Hurley and **for all our deceased especially Peter Holden.**

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, October 5

Faith Formation: 4-5:30 pm; Main School
Meditation Group: 7 pm; Church

Thursday, October 8

Walking With Purpose: 9 am; East/West Room
Marian Prayer Group: 10 am; North Room
Walking With Purpose: 7 pm; South Room

Friday, October 9

Adult Scripture Sharing: 9 am; South Room

Sunday, October 11

Chili Sign-Up: Church Lobby
RCIA: 12:15 pm; South Room





From the desk of our Pastor

The Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council is an important facet of church life. It responds to priorities and concerns within a parish as it seeks to achieve goals that it sets each year. Throughout the past two years the Council has been navigated by two people who brought shared leadership and agenda-setting responsibility which assisted me to steer the parish and address particular concerns voiced by people in the community. In that leadership roles on the Council are for one, two year term, I would like to thank Mrs. Karen Wittmer and Mr. Kevin Quinn for their work as co-presidents of the Council. These two individuals made a terrific team, and gave unselfishly of their time in unforeseen ways. Each of them rendered me support and encouragement; and assisted me to evaluate areas of parish life that called for meaningful decisions.

Among their achievements as co-presidents of the Council, Kevin and Karen excelled in getting the Town Hall Meeting established. Their effort with preparation and direction generated an opportunity for people to voice concerns, interests, and affirmation within an open forum, or through a questionnaire; they also saw to it that questions and answers raised at the gathering were published weekly in the parish bulletin and website. The leadership of these people brought attention to update our website, which took place last summer. Working with Karen and Kevin was a blessing as each of them possessed a keen awareness of St. Patrick Church and School. They also tested me in my responsibilities as pastor. I will miss Kevin and Karen in their role as they step down from a leadership position in the Council, but thankful they remain on the Council as they possess a genuine pulse of this faith community.

I am happy to announce the two new co-presidents of the Pastoral Council, Mrs. Tammy O'Shaughnessy and Mrs. Barbara Cappucci. I was thrilled that each of them accepted the nomination. Mrs. O'Shaughnessy is an active member of the parish for 27 years, and has served the church in a multiplicity of ways as she is always around to give a helping hand. Tammy has been involved with second grade retreats, Bible Camp, and Breakfast in Bethlehem. Currently she works as a teacher's aid in the Pre-K program at St. Patrick School. She is also involved with the Liturgy of the Word With Children and coordinator of the Children's Church Program. She comes with a BA from Muhlenberg College and an MSW from Washington University. She lives in Chatham with her husband Bill, and two children, Billy and Caitie, who are in college.

Mrs. Barb Cappucci is a member of the parish for 22 years, and was involved with the Moms and Tots program, Mother's Day retreats, Lector and Eucharistic scheduling and the Christmas in a Box Program. She also coordinated the parish picnic in 2011, and chaired the successful Partners In Faith Campaign in 2013. She has also been involved in Faith Formation, and Bible Study. Presently she is a lector at the parish. Outside of the church, Barb was the President of the PTO at Washington Avenue School 2012-13, and Chatham High School 2014-15, and a trustee of the Chatham Education Foundation 2010-12. She holds a BS in Business Administration from Alfred University. Barb lives in Chatham with her husband, Gabe, and is the mother of Michaela and Joe presently in college, and Julia in high school.

Some new members of the Pastoral Council include Mrs. Blair Pack, Mr. Marty Gilligan, Mr. Paul Clarke, and Mrs. Sandy Ahrens. They join Fr. Chris Barkhausen, Mr. Kevin Sullivan, Mr. Kurt Spero, Mr. Jim Connelly, Mrs. Peggy Gentile, and me as members of the Council. Terms for members of the Council consist of two years with an option of continuing for another two years. I also thank Mr. Damian Shammass who is leaving the Council after serving a two year term.

On behalf of all in the parish I extend my congratulations to Barb and Tammy aware of the challenges God puts before them. I believe their leadership will enhance creativity into the vision of the parish as our church seeks to be a welcoming place for all who come to worship as it looks beyond divisions of age, gender, economics, marital status, sexuality, and race. The openness of Barb and Tammy make them a valuable resource for the oncoming years; may the efforts and work of all members of the Pastoral Council make better the people of St. Patrick Church.

*In Christ's Love,
Fr. Bob*

BAPTISM: Arrangements should be made one month in advance by calling Deacon Joe Wisneski at 973-635-4976. Parents are expected to attend an instructional session with a Baptism Team. Baptisms are celebrated at 12:30 pm Sundays or at a Sunday Mass.

RCIA-RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: The R.C.I.A. invites non-baptized persons and those baptized into another faith to participate in a faith journey in preparation for becoming a Catholic. If you are interested in any aspect of R.C.I.A., please email Deb at Dkuzma@st-pats.org or call her at the parish office at ext. 23.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Congratulations! In order that we can together plan for your big day, couples should notify the Church and begin to prepare at least one year in advance of the date. Please email Fr. Bob at Fr.Bob@st-pats.org or call Fr. Bob at the parish office ext. 22.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOME BOUND: If a family member or someone you know is recuperating from a hospital stay or is homebound for any length of time and would like to receive Holy Communion, please let us know. It is a priority for the parish community to support and be present to those who cannot be with us for the celebration of the Eucharist. If you would like a priest or deacon to visit a family member who is hospitalized, contact Peggy at Pgentile@st-pats.org or call her at the parish office ext. 25.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the parish office at 973-635-0625 to arrange for a priest.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST: Children preparing to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist begin preparation in first grade. To register, visit our website at www.st-pats.org or contact Ginny, vshalvatore@st-pats.org.



AROUND THE PARISH

Baptisms

Briella Pearl Zotti
Daughter of Robert and Erin

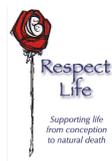
A **Mass of Remembrance** will be held on Monday, November 2 at 7 pm, honoring all those from the parish family we have lost in this past year, and family members of our own who may have lived apart from us. If you have lost a family member since November 2014 that was not buried from St. Patrick and would like this person to also be remembered at our November 2nd liturgy, please email Deb at DKuzma@st-pats.org.

Blessing of Pets and Prayer for the Environment

All members of the parish community are invited to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis, patron Saint of Animals and Ecology on Sunday, October 4 at 1:30 pm. The blessing of the animals will take place outside of the Father Ed Center, rain or shine.



FORGET-ME-NOT WEEKEND-Our monthly food collection is this weekend, **October 3 & 4**. Your generous donations are shared with the local community as well as our brothers and sisters in Paterson! All food donations (your bags or ours) can be brought to the Fr. Ed Center after masses or placed in the basket in the back of the church. *Thank You!*



Spiritual Adoption

St. Patrick Respect Life Committee invites the parish to 'Spiritually Adopt' an unborn child. Beginning October 4th and over the course of nine months, you are invited to Spiritually Adopt a child, naming and praying for your unborn baby. Prayer cards will be available at church entrances. A Baby Shower will be held in May.

Day 1: "I'm here" At the moment of conception, a new and unrepeatable human being comes into the world, complete with his or her own unique set of DNA. The new little person's sex is also determined from the beginning. The new life will snuggle into the soft lining of a mother's womb where nurturing will occur for nine months. After birth, the life will play a unique role in a family and community. All the life needs is nourishment and love.

Respect Life Mass

Bishop Serratelli will celebrate a Respect Life Mass (formerly called the Mass for the Unborn) on Saturday, November 7, 2015 at 10 am at Saint Ann Parish, Parsippany. This Mass is sponsored by the Paterson Federation Knights of Columbus Councils. All are encouraged to attend. Following the Mass, there will be light refreshments. The Mass is a wonderful way for our faithful to come together in prayer and in mutual support for protecting all of our children-born and unborn.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Boys Choir News

Our new boys choir has had a tremendous start with 16 boys signed up. The choir is directed by Maggie Hanson with Sheryl Keane and Fr. Chris assisting. The boys have enjoyed the rehearsals, and are looking forward to one or two field trips to sing with other boys and men. It is not too late for more boys to join! The boys are singing for the 9:00 am mass this weekend. As a matter of note: every single boy in this choir also plays sports! Contact Maggie Hanson if you are interested.

Girls Choir News

Twenty-eight girls are in the new girls choir for grades 3-7. Many of them have sung in choirs for three or more years, but some of them are beginners. This group of girls is on fire! We look forward to a tremendous amount of growth this year enabling us to sing music for our Lord at an advanced level for the age-group. Maggie Hanson directs the group with Anna Ivashko, a recent college graduate who has a tremendous amount of rapport with the girls.

Morning Song News

Our "cherub" choir for grades K-3 is learning the basics of music and singing and will have the opportunity to join the older children at mass several times this year. In addition, they will perform the Living Nativity of Christmas Eve with costumes. The rehearsals are brief and filled with musical learning games. We seek some young boys to join us. This group is also directed by Maggie Hanson and Anna Ivashko, with 7th-grade assistant Sara Paul.

God Unplugged News

Our teenage choir has great membership, but regular attendance for this age group is difficult. We need more teenagers! We need instrumentalists: GUITARISTS, VIOLINS, WIND INSTRUMENTS, BRASS, and ELECTRIC BASS are on our wish list. We also seek more SINGERS! This group is so much fun, you have no idea what you are missing. The commitment is minimal: rehearsals are Sundays at 3:45 prior to the evening mass.

St. Patrick Choir News

This group of adults committed to their faith and their parish will inspire you. We have a serious need for **bass/baritone men and sopranos**. We need you now! Please contact Maggie Hanson.

Saturday Sound News

If you like the Saturday mass and you can sing, we need you. Although we have seven members, we usually have no more than four leading the mass. We need two more adult females and one more male. We rehearse right before the mass, so your time commitment is minimal. Please consider joining us!

Please contact Maggie Hanson if you are interested or know of someone who might minister with us. Our rehearsals are guided by prayer: music is a channel for sharing our faith and our love of God.

Are you seeking a parish community in which to pray, to learn and to be of service to others? Our doors and hearts are open to you-Welcome! Contact Peggy Gentile at the parish offices for additional information at 973-635-0625 ext. 25.



2015 Bishop's Annual Appeal-Serving Christ Among Us

Our Catholic Charities agencies continue to serve tens of thousands of people in profound need each year. These people could be your neighbors, co-workers, friends or loved ones. As Catholics, we are committed to serving Christ among us, especially those who are hurting and lost. The largest percentage of Appeal funds each year is used to help our Catholic Charities agencies do their essential work. Please make a pledge to the 2015 Appeal today. For your convenience, you can make an online gift at www.2015appeal.org.

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YOUTH MINISTRY

This Week in Youth Ministry

Fall Action Team Meeting: Mon. Oct. 5; 7-9:30pm; YMC

Fall Antioch Team Meeting: Wed., Oct. 7; 7-9:30 pm
At St. Vincent Martyr

Fall Antioch Retreat: Fri., Oct. 9, 7-11 pm, Sat., Oct. 10,
9:30 am– 11 pm, Sun., Oct. 11; 9:30 am-4:30 pm; St. Vincent's

Service Opportunities

Food Pantry Restock: Sat., Oct. 17: 8:30-10:15 am

Cookie Baking: Thurs., Oct. 22; 5-10 pm; Parish Center Kitchen

College Addresses Needed: Each year Youth Ministry sends a package to the college freshmen who were involved in Youth Ministry throughout their high school years. If you have a former SPYM member who is now a college freshman, please email Maggie their college address so we can include them.

SPYM Bulletin Board: Our Youth Ministry bulletin board is located in the vestibule of the church on the left hand side wall. Please take a look at it when you attend church so that you can get involved in our activities and know what is coming up.

Youth Ministry Center Needs: With meetings and activities ready to begin, Youth Ministry can **always** use donations of candy (variety bags of chocolate) and cans of soda. Donations can be marked "SPYM" and dropped off at the parish offices at 41 Oliver Street. They are **very much** appreciated. Thanks in advance!

Youth Ministry is also in need of cupcake pans for when we are making muffins for Eva's village. If you have any old ones that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the parish offices, 41 Oliver Street. Thank you!



SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

Working Together to Challenge Minds and Foster Faith

St. Patrick School kicked off the 2015-2016 school year by welcoming our new Principal, Christina Pellegrino. The faculty and students are in full swing with their studies and many other activities.

Fall Sports

-Co-ed Volleyball (grades 6-8)

-Cross Country (grades 3-8)

After-school activities

-Student Council, Forensics, Lego Club, Art, Mad Science, Dance Caravan, Irish Dance, Advanced Band, Sewing

Upcoming Events

October 29 – Trunk or Treat

October 30 – All school Halloween Parade
Costume Parade

Middle School Halloween Party

November 10 – School Open House 8:30-11 am

If you or a family member is admitted to the hospital or you are confined to your home and would like to receive the Eucharist or the sacrament of anointing of the sick, please contact the parish office at 973-635-0625.

Catholic High Schools Host Open Houses

Morris Catholic High School, Denville: Open Houses scheduled for Tuesday, October 6th from 6:30-8:30 pm and Sunday, October 18, from 2-4 pm. For more information, visit the Morris Catholic website www.morriscatholic.org or call Maureen Costello at 973-627-6674 ext. 132.

Mount Saint Dominic Academy, Caldwell: Open House for 7th and 8th grade girls and families is scheduled for Oct. 18th at 1:30 pm. Visit www.msdcademy.org or call 973-226-0660 ext. 1122 for more information.

Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child, Summit: An Open House for girls in grades 7-12 will be held on Sat., November 14 from 9:30—11:30 am. An afternoon information session will also be held on Wed., Dec. 9 from 4:30-5:30 pm. For more information, visit www.oakknoll.org or call 908-522-8109.

Oratory Preparatory School, Summit: Open Houses scheduled for Sunday, October 4 from 1-3 pm and Thursday, Oct. 22 from 6:45-8:15 pm for prospective 7th-12th grade boys and their families. Visit www.oratoryprep.org or call 908-273-5771 ext.1 for more information.

Regis High School, New York: Regis High School, an all-scholarship Jesuit secondary school for boys, will hold an Open House on Monday, October 12 from 1-4 pm. For more information, please contact Eric Di Michele at edimichele@regis.org or 212-288-1100 ext. 2057.

Seton Hall Preparatory School, West Orange: New Jersey's oldest Catholic prep school will be hosting its Open House for 7th and 8th grade boys and their families on Sunday, October 25 between 12 and 3 pm. For more information, contact Michael Zinsmeister at 973-325-6440 or visit shp.org.

Union Catholic High School, Scotch Plains: Open House scheduled for Wed., October 7 at 7 pm. "Early Bird Tours" will begin at 6:15 pm. Contact Betsy Thornton for more information at bthornton@unioncatholic.org or 908-889-1600 ext. 302.

Villa Walsh Academy, Morristown: An Open House for girls in grades 7-12 will be held on Sun., October 18 from 2-4 pm.



FAITH FORMATION

K-8 Faith Formation Classes meet this weekend, October 4 & 5 and again on October 18 & 19.

Children's Liturgy of the Word & Children's Church Offered at the 9am Mass

Leaders and assistants are needed (scheduled at your convenience). This program, offered at the 9 am mass, includes *Children's Church*, for children three years old through kindergarten and *Liturgy of the Word With Children*, for children in grades 1-3. Leaders for *Liturgy of the Word With Children* need to attend a one hour training session held at St. Pat's. For more information, contact Ginny at vsalvatore@st-pats.org or 973-635-0625 ext. 27.

Is The Catholic Faith For Me?

Come and See!! Join us for a no-obligation fun evening of wine, wisdom, and fellowship! An evening of questions and answers!

Who: Adults who wish to know more about the Catholic Faith!

When: Saturday, October 17 at 7 pm

Where: 21 Runnymede Road, Chatham, NJ

What: A gathering with Father Bob, Father Chris and a few St. Patrick parishioners. Spouses are welcome!

RSVP is needed. Please contact Deb at DKuzma@st-pats.org for more information or to RSVP.

Girl Scout Information Night is Mon., Oct. 5th at 7 pm in the Chatham High School cafeteria. Please plan on attending if you have a girl who is interested in joining Girl Scouts. For more information, contact Laura Kajor, the St. Patrick Girl Scout Troop Coordinator at Laura_Kajor@ajg.com.