



The Epiphany of the Lord
January 3, 2016

Holy Mass  Intentions

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| Saturday 5:00 pm | January 2 Peter Coviello, Sr. and Joshua Robinson, Patricia Pribish and Sally Pribish |
| Sunday 7:30 am | January 3 Jim Fierro and Deceased Members of the Mehalik and Vicovari Families |
| 9:00 am | Tony Leonett and for the Unborn |
| 11:00 am | Jacqueline Declide, Pierre Declide and Mark Brigham |
| 5:00 pm | Mary Rogich and Donald Weisbecker |
| Monday 8:00 am | January 4 Nicholas Marconi and Msgr. Ron Amandolare |
| Tuesday 8:00 am | January 5 Rocco Rosa and Thomas Peterpaul |
| Wednesday 8:00 am | January 6 Carol Walsh and Anthony Vitale |
| Thursday 8:00 am | January 7 Jane Magg and Steven Johe |
| Friday 8:00 am | January 8 Bob Callahan and Adam Vazir |
| Saturday 8:00 am | January 9 Garrett McCormack and Michael Wisneski |
| 5:00 pm | Claire Mehalik and Peter Coviello, Sr. |
| Sunday 7:30 am | January 10 Paul Bahnatka and Deceased Members of the Jukic Family |
| 9:00 am | Richard Czerwinski and Clara Ann Barone |
| 11:00 am | Maryclare G. Dolan and Mary White |
| 5:00 pm | John McKenna and Dolores K. Swaintek |

The Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2016

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Isaiah tells of the Lord's Servant, who will be inconspicuous, but will not rest until justice is established. The Lord then tells his servant that he was formed to be "a light for the nations."

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Peter speaks to a group of pagans for the first time. He explains to them that any person who follows God's will is acceptable to God, regardless of nationality.

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

John the Baptist had claimed one would come far more powerful than himself, one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit rather than water. When Jesus came to John and was baptized, the Spirit descended on him and a voice said, "You are my beloved Son. On you my favor rests."



Weekly Memorials

The Lamp burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of January 3rd is for the Intention of All Parishioners.

The Candles on the altar the week of January 3rd are for the Intention of All Parishioners.

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, 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, Sandy Safier, Tony Caljean, Warren Gramm, William Virgilio, Mary Cecere, Kristin Curcio, Tony Capone, Michael Marino, David Johnson, Luke Klisart and **for all our deceased.**

Mass Schedule January 9th & 10th

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| Fr. Bob | Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 11 pm |
| Fr. Chris | Sunday 7:30 am and 9 am |
| Fr. Dennis | Sunday 5 pm |

Reconciliation (Confession) January 2nd

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| Fr. Bob | Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm |
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The poinsettias by the Blessed Sacrament Chapel were donated by the Coviello Family in memory of Peter Coviello.



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. For more information, please call Barbara at 973-635-8869.

Parish Support-December 20th

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| THIS WEEK'S OFFERING..... | \$16,492 |
| LAST YEAR'S OFFERING..... | \$27,904 |



RCIA is for anyone who wants to learn more about their faith, those who want to become Catholic, those who want to try to understand the teachings of the Catholic Church or those who simply want to deepen their faith if they are already Catholic.

Please contact Deb Kuzma at dkuzma@st-pats.org for more information.



From the desk of our Pastor

2016: A Year of Mercy

Happy New Year! As 2016 gets under way I pray that you had an enjoyable New Year celebration. The church highlights the year in celebration of the Jubilee Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis. The reminder from Pope Francis is that the year is designed to be lived around the world, not exclusively in Rome. On December 8 Pope Francis inaugurated the Year of Mercy by opening a holy door at St. Peter's Basilica; the Pope also opened the first door outside of Rome which took place in the Cathedral of Bangui, which is the capital of war-torn Central African Republic. This Year of Mercy makes 2016 a year that invites us to make effort to show mercy to others while taking time to accept God's mercy in our lives. To begin this New Year I share with you Pope Francis' Prayer for the Year of Mercy. It is a lovely prayer that may be recited in the classroom, home; at meetings or in church. May the prayer open your eyes to the beauty of Mercy throughout 2016.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved.

Response: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Mary Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

Response: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy. Let the church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

Response: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error. Let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Response: Show us your mercy, O Lord

Send your spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

Response: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

To celebrate the Year of Mercy, a particular Spiritual or Corporal Work of Mercy will be exhibited in the narthex of the church that makes visible the way that the parish lives out the works of mercy. May 2016 bring to you acceptance of God's mercy as well as the courage to engender mercy into the heart of another who has hurt or offended you. May God bless you in 2016 with his gift of Mercy. Happy 2016!

*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

Mariam Nakisige

Daughter of Jennifer Schedlbauer

Marriage



Congratulations to **Joseph Squitieri and Jennifer Salerno** united in the Sacrament of Matrimony, Saturday, December 19. May the Lord richly bless their union.

Welcome New Parishioners

A warm St. Patrick welcome to those new to our parish especially **Vincent, Emma, Francesca and Eva Giamartino and Nelson, Robyn, Nicholas, Elizabeth and Luke Martinez.** We look forward to getting to know you!

Adult Scripture Study

Friday Gatherings-Our Adult Scripture Study sessions will start again beginning on Friday, January 9th. Join Us! We meet in the Parish Office building at 9 am.

FORGET-ME-NOT WEEKEND

Our monthly food collection is **this** weekend, **January 2 & 3.** 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 the basket in the back of the church. *Thank you!*

Eva's Village

Next Weekend, January 9 & 10 consider signing up to prepare chili for Eva's Village. Everything you need to know about helping with this ministry is in the church lobby! Make it a family project. Sign up next weekend in the church lobby. Take a set of the pans provided with the accompanying recipe and instructions. Return the two pans of chili you've prepared and **frozen** the following weekend. That easy! The food we provide is much needed and greatly appreciated.

In need of Care and/or Prayers?

Please remember that in accordance with HIPPA laws, hospitals cannot contact the parish with the names of our parishioners who have been admitted. If you know of someone in a hospital or nursing home who would like to be contacted or prayed for, please call the parish office. This information is confidential and can be passed on, if requested, to our Nurses, Caring Ministry, Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and included in our prayer intentions.

Have you visited our Facebook page? We have recently posted pictures from our Advent and Christmas **Gloria** Concert held in conjunction with Christ the King Parish with photos featuring our choirs and instrumentalists. See our social outreach ministry in action with pictures from *Christmas in a Box.* Check it out!



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Pizza Night with Bishop Serratelli

Young men in high school, college or older are invited to join Bishop Serratelli and priests from the Diocese of Paterson for adoration, reflection, fellowship...and of course, pizza!

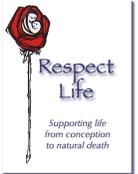
Monday, February 1, 2016- Morris Catholic High School, Denville
Thursday, March 17, 2016-Pope John Paul XXIII, Sparta

Each Pizza Night begins at 7 pm.

Please contact the Vocation Office at 973-777-8818 ext. 711 for more information.

Save the date: *March for Life* Friday, January 22, 2016

Please join your fellow parishioners standing up for life at the annual national March for Life in Washington DC on Friday, Jan. 22. There are more and more young people every year, so bring your children! It is a great civics lesson. Contact Brian McAuliffe at 7mcaul@gmail.com or 973-634-7384 for more information.



Liturgical Postures

liturgy corner

The liturgical postures of standing, sitting, bowing, kneeling, and prostration are the subject of the next few *Liturgy Corners*. Physical gestures and postures assumed during liturgical worship can express outwardly the inner attitudes of the heart and soul. These gestures and postures do not merely "describe" inner attitudes, they actually bring such attitudes "into existence" and manifest the relationship to God that they symbolize.

Standing continues to be the ordinary posture for prayer. Sitting is the posture of rest, of listening, and to reflect on what has been heard. People unable to assume any suggested posture, are to take the posture most convenient for them (sitting for example). A simple bowing of the head is sometimes used for prayer or when receiving a blessing. Per the General Instruction, we are asked to make a sign of reverence, to be determined by the bishops of each country or region, before receiving Communion. The bishops of the United States have chosen standing as the posture to be observed in this country for the reception of communion, the sacrament which unites us in the most profound way possible with Christ who, now gloriously risen from the dead, is the cause of our salvation.



FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation classes will resume on January 10th & 11th after the Christmas break.

YOUTH MINISTRY

This Week in Youth Ministry

Winter Antioch Team Meeting: Tues., Jan. 5;
7-9:30 pm, YMC

Spring Antioch Team Meeting: Wed., Jan. 6; 7-9:30 pm,
YMC

Winter Antioch Retreat: Fri., Jan. 8 through Sun., Jan. 10;
At St. Patrick Parish

Service Opportunities

Cooking Chili for Eva's Village: Sat., Jan. 16; 9 am-12 pm
Parish Center Kitchen



SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

Working Together to Challenge Minds and Foster Faith

Happy New Year From St. Patrick School!

We hope everyone enjoyed a happy and healthy holiday with family and friends. The St. Patrick School community is excited to ring in the New Year. Our school community is also thrilled to welcome **Mrs. Christine Ross** as interim principal for the remainder of the school year. We welcome her with open hearts and look forward to the leadership she will bring the school.

January 31st marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. We look forward to sharing many exciting events, which have been planned for the school. Please join us for our Open House on the 31st and discover the ways our school challenges and fosters the minds of our children spiritually and academically.

Home basketball games:

Wednesday, January 6

6:30 pm-6th grade girls vs. St. Joseph

8:00 pm-8th grade girls vs. St. Joseph

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 11: 9 am-5th grade mass

Monday, January 12: 7 pm-Ed Council meeting, Fr. Ed Center

Tuesday, January 13: 7:30 pm HSA Meeting

Monday, January 18, MLK day: 12:15 dismissal

January 31-February 5: Catholic Schools Week

Sunday, January 31: St. Patrick School Open House

Sunday, January 31-February 3: Book Fair
In the East/West Room

Concerts On Main

On Sunday, January 10, 2016 at 2 pm at Ogden Memorial Presbyterian Church, 286 Main Street, Chatham, Emanuel Ayvas, singer-songwriter and frontman of the noted (and eclectic) band, *Emanuel and the Fear*, will perform a variety of original folk and rock songs. Additional information about this free performance is available at www.ConcertsOnMain.org. All are invited.



St. Paul Inside the Walls

The Catholic Center for Evangelization at Bayley-Ellard

Being Single, Being Faithful (35+)

Whether single by choice or by circumstance, we must live every "single" day to the fullest. We can find fulfillment in Christ and his Church by embracing the opportunities in the Church for spiritual growth, meaningful service and a sense of community.

Madison, Saturday, January 9 from 10:00 a.m.-noon

Young Adult Mass (Ages 23-39) with Bishop Serratelli

All young adults between the ages of 23-39 are invited to pray together at the annual diocesan-wide Young Adult Mass with Bishop Serratelli. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Serratelli at 5:30 p.m. followed by a young adult social with drinks and light food until 8:30 p.m. hosted by the Diocese of Paterson Office of Evangelization with hospitality provided by the St. Paul Young Adults. This is a great opportunity for all young adults in the Diocese to come together in faith and fellowship to pray together and kick off the new year.

Madison, Saturday, January 9 from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Reasons to Believe: Why the Catholic Faith Makes Sense

Come hear *what* Catholics believe, *why* Catholics believe it, the *personal* difference it makes, and *how* it makes sense in today's world. Fr. Derek Anderson, presenter.

Madison, Saturday, January 16 from 10:00 a.m.-noon

Catholicism from Scratch: Adam's Apple (Humanity, Sin, and Grace)

A course in basic Catholicism for those who need a brush-up, those who missed it the first time around, or those who never heard it before. Fr. Paul Manning, presenter.

Madison, Saturday, January 23 from 10:00 a.m.-noon

Third Annual Catholic Trivia Super Bowl

Build your own five-person team and tackle multiple-choice questions on the Catholic Faith! Rules: Only one priest, religious brother/sister, or theologian allowed per team. Cost: \$25 per team in advance, \$30 at the door.

Madison, Saturday, January 30 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Visit www.insidethewalls.org for more information.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, January 4

Meditation Group: 7 pm; Church

Thursday, January 7

Walking with Purpose: 9 am; East/West Room

Marian Prayer Group: 10 am; North Room

Walking with Purpose: 7 pm; South Room

Friday, January 8

Adult Scripture Study: 9 am; South Room

Youth Ministry Antioch Retreat: Parish Center

Saturday, January 9

Pastoral Council Meeting: 8:45 am; South Room

Youth Ministry Antioch Retreat: Parish Center

Sunday, January 10

Youth Ministry Action Retreat: Parish Center

Chili Sign Up: Church Lobby

Faith Formation: 8:15 am, 10:15 am, 7 pm; School

RCIA: 12:15 am; South Room