#### Saint Patrick Catholic Church

# SPCC Happenings



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# A Source of Help and Hope

Care Net Pregnancy Care Center of Churchill County, Inc., a Bible-based non-profit organization located at 75 N. Ada St. in Fallon, has been serving individuals within the local community since 1984 with the help of one full-time and three part-time employees as well as 25 volunteers.

According to a publication provided by its Executive Director, DeLacy Trinidad, "Care Net believes that, through Christ's love and grace, clients can choose life for themselves and their unborn babies." Its services include abstinence education, coaching clients on positive options, parenting and life skills training, tutoring and mentoring, and empowering individuals to make positive life choices and heal from past trauma.

Among the volunteers are nine members of St. Patrick's Church (two are Care Net board members) who are dedicated to sharing their acceptance, support and love with those who need it during this critical experience of their lives. Individual responsibilities will vary depending upon the needs at the time of their service.

Parishioners who wish to donate baby items to Care Net are asked to bring them to St. Patrick's Church and place them in the bassinet found in the southwest corner of the Rose Room. New or slightly used clothing no larger than 12 months is accepted.

If you wish to volunteer or request more information, call Care Net at 423-4357.



PAINT JOB—Members of St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus recently joined together to help give the exterior of the church a fresh coat of paint. Here Dennis Kathrein, Marty Maffi and Phil Sabatino prepare the north side of the building for its new face. Thank you ♥ to the Knights for their hard work!

# Celebrate New Parish Hall at Oct. 4 Dedication

Colin Powell, an American statesman and a retired fourstar general in the U.S. Army, once said, "A dream doesn't become a reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work."

It has been more than four years since St. Patrick's parishioners and its pastor, Father Tony, began to make their dream of a new parish hall come true, and, now, after much sweat, determination and hard work, the parish is almost there.

On Sat., Oct. 4, the parish, in conjunction with Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Fiesta, will rejoice in the project's completion with a dedication Mass at 5 p.m. in the church followed by a potluck dinner and entertainment in the new parish hall.

The Most Reverend Randolph Calvo, Bishop of the Dio-

cese of Reno, who will be the Mass celebrant assisted by Father Tony, will also bless the new parish hall. A ribbon cutting ceremony is also scheduled.

Those planning to attend are asked to bring to the dinner a hearty side dish or a salad of their choice. A variety of meats, beverages and dessert will be provided. Guests will be seated at new tables and chairs purchased by an anonymous donor for the new parish hall. Entertainment during the evening will include Fil-Am dancers, a children's choir, and Spanish dancers as well as a few surprises.

Many thanks ♥ to all who have helped, in one way or another—through pledges or donations, time and talent, guidance and wisdom, or fervent prayers—to make St. Patrick's dream a reality! God bless you!

#### YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

Pete Larson—President

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## Joanie's Pantry



In August Joanie's Pantry served 167 adults and 168 children. It is currently in need of many items including the following:

- ♦ cereal
- ♦ dry milk
- sugar and flour
- ♦ cooking oil
- ♦ peanut butter/jam
- canned soup
- canned vegetables
- canned fruit
- spaghetti and sauce
- ♦ juice
- canned meats
- canned tuna
- ♦ beans

A heartfelt thank you ♥ for your generous donations in the past, present and future!

### **Editorial:** Wonder of Wonders

At the beginning of this year I was asked by a member of the Build Out Committee to take photos every week of the new parish hall as construction was initiated and progressed. For the past nine months since the dimensions of the facility were outlined with string and boards, through the pouring of the concrete for the building's foundation, through the raising of the outside walls, through the interior and finishing work—I have been fortunate to witness close up the realization of a long-held dream of St. Patrick's parishioners and pastor. It took many hands, hearts and prayers to arrive at this point where completion is imminent. I am reminded of the words from a Fiddler On The Roof tune when I ponder on the success of the Build Out Project and its committee members working so well together; the amazing generosity of the people, organizations and businesses who donated money, construction materials, furnishings and other supplies, etc.; the dedicated crews of Diversi-

fied Builders and its subcontractors; the diocesan supporters who guided the project as it developed; and the multitude who offered their prayers during every stage. The new facility has proven to be "a wonder of wonders, miracle of miracles." So, may we always be grateful to all—most especially our Heavenly Father who made this wonder, this miracle possible.



HIGH AND LOW—As the Oct. 4 dedication of the new parish hall approaches, construction crews installed light fixtures in the ceilings and carpeting or tiles on the floorings. Above is a view of a classroom in the northwest corner of the building, and below is the main hall looking toward the north wall.





## **COMING UP...**

**Sept. 21—**Sun.—9:15 am—Children's Dedication Choir practice in the church

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**Sept. 30—**Tues.—6 p.m.—Parish Council Meeting—Parishioners welcome to attend **Oct. 4—**Sat.—5 p.m.—Dedication Mass—St. Patrick's Church—Followed by potluck dinner and other activities in the new parish hall (see page 1 article)

Oct. 13—Mon.—Columbus Day—Federal holiday

Oct. 18—Sat.—Ladies Guild begins sale of raffle tickets for pine cone wreath

Oct. 25-26—Sat.-Sun.—Religious goods cabinet open after all Masses

Oct. 31—Fri.—Nevada Day—State holiday—Happy 150th Birthday, Nevada! - Parish office closed

Oct. 31—Thurs.—6-8 p.m.—Halloween Trick or Treat in Fallon