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Mass Times
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8:00AM  
Thursday: 9:00AM w/Montini (Sept.-May)  
8:00AM (June-August)  
First Friday: 8:00AM  
Saturday: 4:00PM  
Sunday: 7:00AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM  
6:00PM (Advent/Lent)

Communion Service
Friday (Other Than First Friday): 8:00AM

Rosary
Saturday: 3:30PM  
Sunday: 6:30AM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM  
Wednesday: 8:30AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:00PM-3:30PM  
Weekdays: 7:30AM-7:55AM  
By Appointment

Holy Hour with Benediction
Saturday: 3:00PM (Sept.-May)

Catholic Schools
Montini Middle School: 815-385-1022  
Montini Primary Center: 815-385-5380  
Marian Central: 815-338-4220

And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it. — Matthew 16:18

St. Patrick Mission Statement
A Welcoming Faith community called to be witnesses of God's Love in the Roman Catholic Tradition, through Discipleship, Celebration of His Word and Sacraments, Evangelization and Service in the Hope of Eternal Salvation
Dear Friends in Christ,

Part of our Gospel message this weekend reads, “…you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven…” Matt 16: 13-20. This underscores the centrality of our faith as a family journey in which God gives us servant-leaders, who like parents, guide us on our earthly pilgrimage to God’s eternal family in Heaven.

In the Old Testament God chose Moses succeeded by Aaron, Joshua, prophet and king as guides for His chosen people, the children of Israel. In the New Testament God incarnate, Jesus Christ, chose the twelve Apostles with Peter as the head (Pope/ Papa/Father) to guide his family, the Church and the new Israelites of God. From Peter to Pope Francis, we have had 266 popes in unbroken succession so that the Church in matters of faith and morals may remain, as she has over 2000 years, infallible, that is, free of error as we journey to heaven.

The pope (Peter) and the college of bishops (successors of the apostles) serve the Church and guide her as shepherds in the name of Christ. The pope is the universal pastor while the bishops collaborate with him in the dioceses, and the pastors of parishes are under the bishops, in order to ensure that God’s family, the Church receives nurture from the grassroots. Hence the Pope, Bishops and Pastors act in unison to shepherd the church in the name of Christ the Good Shepherd.

In our efforts here at St. Patrick for this shepherding, we employ the services of many, including our staff. I am happy to introduce to you this weekend, John Lesniewski, who will be a collaborator in shepherding our parish youth. Please look at the next page as John introduces himself to our parish. We are grateful for all, especially Lisa Johnson, who coordinated the events of our youth over many years. She will support and work with John to the extent her family needs allow. Parents & guardians, you are also shepherds in your own right. Please join hands with us by inviting your family to be part of the spiritual family of St. Patrick Church, which connects all of us to the Diocese of Rockford and the Universal Church.

I hope you are enjoying the teaching on the Sacraments that is being provided each week. This weekend we begin the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Over the next few weeks we will conclude this series with teachings on the Sacraments of Marriage & Holy Orders. If you’ve missed any of these articles, you can find copies of the weekly bulletin on our parish website at www.stpatrickmchenry.org.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Godwin

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The Sacraments - Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is a remarkable sign of God’s great love for us. God has given us many ways to bring us to himself in heaven. Jesus has given us the sacrament of Baptism, in which original sin and all pre-Baptismal sin is cleansed from our souls. Jesus, allowing for mankind’s weakness, also gave us the sacrament of Reconciliation, by which post-Baptismal sins could be forgiven. In this sacrament, the Church was given the power to remit the temporal punishment due to sin, a power which the Church exercises in the granting of indulgences. Finally, as though to make doubly sure that no one, except through his own deliberate fault, would loose heaven or even spend time in purgatory, Jesus instituted the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Special sacrament for the sick and suffering: The Catechism defines the purpose of this sacrament as “the conferral of a special grace on the Christian experiencing the difficulties inherent in the condition of grave illness or old age.” (CCC 1527).

In his Gospel St. Mark (6:12-13) gives us an indication of this sacrament of the sick when he tells us that the apostles, going forth, “preached that men should repent, and they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many sick people, and healed them.”

The classical description of the sacrament is found in the Epistle of St. James: “Is any one among you sick? Let him bring in the presbyters [priests] of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he be in sins, they shall be forgiven him.” James 5:14-15.

Oil of the Sick: The oil used for this sacrament is call the Oil of the Infirm. It is one of the three Holy oils blessed by the bishop at the Chrism Mass on Holy Thursday, the other two being the Oil of Catechumen (Baptism) and Sacred Chrism (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders). This oil is pure olive oil - nothing being added except the blessing of the bishop. Its appropriateness as part of the outward sign of Anointing of the Sick is evident from the healing and strengthening effects which are characteristic of olive oil. The essence of the sacrament lies in the actual anointing and the short prayer which accompanies the anointing. In giving the sacrament, the priest anoints the sick person on the forehead and hands, at the same time saying these words: “Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up.”

(Continued Next Week)
Welcome John Lesniewski

Dear St. Patrick Parish,

I am very excited to be your new Youth Ministry Leader. My name is John Lesniewski, and I am a recent graduate of Ave Maria University in Ave Maria, Florida. I live in Spring Grove, and am the third son in a family of five boys. Sports have always been a big part of my life, and I hope to include them in part of our youth program.

I am very excited to get to know the youth and spend time with each one of them. I am planning new activities for the youth program that I think will be very fun. I was once part of a youth program that I loved, and that positively impacted my spiritual life. They are a great way to have a lot of fun, but more importantly, they are a great way to cultivate good friendships and to grow in faith and love of God.

All youth (6th grade and up) are invited to our kick-off event, NEXT Saturday September 2nd after the 4PM Mass in the Youth Lounge. I'm looking forward to meeting all of you.

Please contact me at jlesniewski@stpatrickmchenry.org or 815-385-0025 with any questions or to join the Youth Ministry. I hope to meet you soon, John Lesniewski

St. Patrick Knights of Columbus Council 16446
Tootsie Roll Drive

Our St. Patrick Knights of Columbus Council is looking for volunteers, both men and women, to work a two hour shift for their Annual Tootsie Roll Drive. Please join them in participating in this worthy cause coming up soon.

Friday, September 8 - between 8:00AM and 4:00PM
Saturday, September 9 - between 8:00AM and 4:00PM

You may volunteer for 1 day, or both, and you may choose a different shift/location on day 2. We need your help. All volunteers are welcome. Couples and Youth too!!!(If under the age of 18 you must be with a parent).

To sign up or for more details please contact Ambrose Kittl at kittlambrose@comcast.net. Thank you in advance for your help.

St. Patrick Job Opportunity
Part-Time Maintenance Help

St. Patrick has a need for part-time maintenance help. 10 hrs. a week, ideally between the hours of 7AM-11AM. Possible job share. Perfect job for someone who is open to a variety of different tasks and likes to tinker. Please contact Carla Odahowski, Office Manager, at 815-385-0025 or codahowski@stpatrickmchenry.org if you are interested in or have questions about this position.

First Sunday of the Month Hot Breakfast
**September 10, 2017**
After All Masses
Sponsored by the Ladies Guild
Come and share breakfast and fellowship with your parish family.
Homemade pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, coffee, tea, juice and milk will be served. No cost, free willing offering will be accepted.

Upcoming St. Patrick Events

Please mark your calendars for the following events coming up over the next few months at St. Patrick. More information about these events will be found in upcoming bulletins. Looking forward to seeing our parish family at these events.

Dedication of St. Patrick as McHenry Historic Landmark: Ceremony immediately following 4:00PM Mass on Saturday, September 30th.

Annual Oktoberfest: Saturday, September 30th beginning after 4:00PM Mass - after dedication. Lots of NEW fun surprises this year. You wouldn’t want to miss it.

Cancer Support Group Hosts Healing Mass: Fr. Chris Krymski, OSM from the St. Peregrine Ministry in Chicago will celebrate Mass at 11:00AM on Saturday, October 28th.

St. Patrick’s got Talent

This year’s Oktoberfest will feature you!
Get your act together and perform at St. Patrick’s Got Talent with up to $500 in Total Prizes!!!

Saturday, September 30th at 6:30PM
(Part of this year’s Oktoberfest). Come share your talent - Comedy, Card/Magic Tricks, Dog tricks, Cheerleading, Singing, Dancing, Baton Twirling, Juggling, etc. with your parish family. It’s open to kids, families and adults. Only 15 spots will be available. (Dress Rehearsal on Saturday September 30th from 10:00AM-11:00AM, Must be at dress rehearsal to participate). Start getting your act together and be on the lookout for more information and a registration form in an upcoming bulletin.
**Ladies Guild News & Upcoming Events**

McHenry Deanery Woman of Inspiration Banquet

There will be a banquet to honor all of the Woman of Inspiration in the McHenry Deanery (including our own Cecilia Adams) on Sunday, September 17, 2017 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at 4:00pm.

If you’d like a ticket please write a check payable to: McHenry Deanery CCW and put it in an envelope marked LADES GUILD ATTN: LISA GODZICKI—WOMAN OF INSPIRATION BANQUET and place in the Sunday collection basket or drop off at the parish office no later than August 27th as the tickets need to be ordered by the end of August. Tickets are $25 per adult and $12.50 for children 12 and under. If you have questions please contact St. Patrick’s Chairperson, Lisa Godzicki at (847) 638-1417.

ALL LADIES IN THE PARISH are invited to the Ladies Guild Opening Mass and Installation of Officers ceremony on Wednesday, September 6th at 11:30AM. Following Mass there will be a catered luncheon and meeting in the Bishop Lane Room in the lower level of the Parish Center.

Annual dues are still only $10 and may be paid via the collection basket or at the Parish Center. Please place your payment (cash or check made out to the St. Patrick Ladies Guild) in an envelope marked “Ladies Guild Dues.” Dues may also be paid at the meeting. If you are a new member or if any of your contact information has changed, please fill out a membership form (below) and return it with your dues.

We hope everyone had a wonderful summer and we are looking forward to seeing all of you on September 6th!

**Ladies Guild Membership Form**

To join St. Patrick Ladies Guild, or to update any of your information, please fill out this form and return via the Sunday collection basket or to the Parish Center, with annual dues of $10, cash or check made out to the St. Patrick Ladies Guild in an envelope marked “Ladies Guild Dues.”

Name: _____________________________________
Address: _____________________________________
City: ____________________ Zip:________
Phone: _____________________________
Email: _____________________________________
Birthday (Month and Day):_______________________

Ladies Guild Membership Dues: $10
Check # __________Cash_________

Questions? Please call Sue Gruebnau, Ladies Guild President and Membership chairperson 815-385-8901.

**St. Patrick’s Marriage & Family Ministry**

extends our congratulations to the following couples celebrating an August Marriage Anniversary

Tad & Kristin DePorter, August 4th, 10 Yrs.
Don & Billie Crotty, August 12th, 27 Yrs.
Brian & Alice Arnet, August 16th, 31 Yrs.
Rudy & Helga Horist, August 11th, 32 Yrs.
Angelo & Anne Rodriguez, August 7th, 35 Yrs.
Bill & Patti Preston, August 1st, 36 Yrs.
Fred & Mary Ann Farenzena, August 6th, 40 Yrs.
Gerald & Linda Huber, August 23rd, 48 Yrs.
Fred (Buzz) & Shirley Mann, August 26th, 50 Yrs.
Jim & Sandy Perdue, August 13th, 51 Yrs.
Ron & Ardelle Conway, August 27th, 57 Yrs.
Alan & Ann Latz, August 2nd, 59 Yrs.

May God bless you and grant you joy.
May He deepen your love for each other.
May He bless you with family and friends,
and lead you to unending happiness in Heaven.
May Almighty God, Father, Son
and Holy Spirit, keep you in His love forever
and ever. Amen.

**Fr. Stanley Rother**

First American Martyr

EWTN has produced a 50 minute documentary entitled “Father Rother: American Martyr.” It strongly features Mount St. Mary Seminary and includes many facts about Father Rother’s time at the seminary. It will be **aired on EWTN on September 18, 12:00PM (CT) and September 22, 7:00PM (CT).** Please tune in!

As a reminder, Fr. Rother is a cousin of Dorothy Reinboldt and a second cousin to Don Reinboldt. He will be beatified on September 23rd. Fr. Godwin is an alumni of Mount. St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD.

“**The shepherd cannot run at the first sign of danger.**”
—Father Stanley Rother
Adult Faith Formation - Bible Study Course

THE BIBLE and the SACRAMENTS

A dynamic, beautifully shot 12 week Bible Study Program. Based upon the work of Dr. Scott Hahn and presented by speaker and author Matthew Leonard. It teaches how the sacraments are firmly rooted in Scripture and answers common objections from non-Catholics.

Monday Evenings
7:00PM - 8:30PM
Parish Library
Begins Monday, September 11, 2017
(Sessions: 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2/10, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 11/27)

Course fee is $22 to cover the cost of the Participant Workbook. However, two supplemental books: Swear to God by Dr. Scott Hahn and Speaking the Love of God: An Introduction to the Sacraments by Jacob Wood are recommended as well (the workbook recommends supplemental reading from each of these two books). We recommend the purchase of the complete Participant Kit (includes all 3 books) for $45. Books can be paid on the first night of class.

The Bible and the Sacraments - Participant Registration Form

Name: ____________________________
Phone Number: ____________________
E-mail: ____________________________

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- Enclosed: Cash Check
- Online - GiveCentral
- First Night of Class

To ensure enough class materials are available on first night of class, please forward this registration form to the parish office by Wednesday, August 30th (attn: Carleen Murphy) OR you may register ONLINE at www.stpatrickmchenry.org. Please call the parish office with any questions at 815-385-0025.

NOW REGISTERING FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES 2017-2018 School Year

St. Patrick Religious Education - 2 Catechists & 2 Aides STILL Needed 2017-2018 School Year

St. Patrick’s Religious Education Office is offering classes on Sunday Morning (10:00AM-11:00AM) and on Wednesday Evenings from (5:45PM-7:00PM) this year. We are still in need of 2 Catechists (1 Sun./1 Wed.) and 2 Aides (1 Sun./1 Wed.). Training and support will be provided. Prayerfully consider this opportunity to share your faith. If you need more information or are interested in being either a catechist or an aide, please call the RE office at 815-385-2959.

Beginning Thursday, September 7th
Hearts Afire Ministry at St. Pat’s
Presents:
Divine Mercy & “The Second Greatest Story Ever Told”
A 10-week Guided Course By Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC

Thursdays at 7:00 PM
Lane Room
First class starts the Thursday after Labor Day

The Second Greatest Story Ever Told serves as an inspiration for all those who desire to bear witness to the mercy of God, focused on Christ and formed by Mary.

Now is the time of mercy. Now is the time to make St. John Paul II’s story your own.

The $15.00 registration fee for this amazing 10-Week DVD Course already includes the cost of the book (payable the first night of class. Purchasing the matching guidebook for $20 is optional)

To register or for more information please contact Carmella Dobler at 815-347-6096 or at cdobler@skglobal.net. Thank you.

The Hearts Afire Ministry group at St. Pat’s meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Lane room (parish center basement) to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and share their spiritual experience. Everyone is welcome - Please join us!!!

Find more details at www.stpatrickmchenry.org
THIS WEEK OUR TABERNACLE CANDLE BURNS FOR:
MARY CARMEN & FRANCISCO MERCARDE
† May this light which reminds us of Jesus’ presence in the Tabernacle welcome them into His eternal presence.

Saturday August 26 - Ordinary Weekday; Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
4:00 PM Mass - † Mabel & Richard Weber

Sunday, August 27 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 AM Mass - † Jim Smith
9:00 AM Mass - † Kathy Smith/Hertz & Peter J. Smith
11:00 AM Mass - † Robert D. Weber

Monday, August 28 - Memorial of St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
8:00 AM Mass - † Dr. Gerard Dominique

Tuesday, August 29 - Memorial of The Passion of St. John the Baptist
8:00 AM Mass - † Stanley Alm

Wednesday, August 30 - Ordinary Weekday
8:00 AM Mass - † Harold & Elizabeth Frett

Thursday, August 31 - Ordinary Weekday
8:00 AM Mass - † Terri Larken Anderson

Friday, September 1 - Ordinary Weekday; First Friday
8:00 Communion Service

Saturday, September 2 - Ordinary Weekday; Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday
8:00 AM Mass - † Mary Ann Koerber
4:00 PM Mass - † Diedrich & May Families

Sunday, September 3 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 AM Mass - † Jim Smith
9:00 AM Mass - † Robert Powers
11:00 AM Mass - † Vivian Smith

Let us remember those serving our country

SPC Sara Mahan, Wisconsin National Guard
Tech Sgt. Timothy Davis, USAF Bagram AFB Afghanistan
Senior Airman Paul Reber
Corpsman Ean Reid, U.S. Navy, Camp Pendleton
LTC Thomas Snow, U.S. Army, South Korea
Sgt. Kennon Speciale, USMC, Yuma, AZ
Pvt. Ben Zeller, USMC, Camp Pendleton

The following have been given a share in the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please remember them in your prayers.

Bolded names have recently been added to the prayer list.


Pope Francis’
September Prayer Intention
Parishes: That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, maybe places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.
### Week At A Glance

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### Readings for the Week

**Divine Office: Week I**

- **Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
- **Tuesday:** 1 Thes 2:1-7; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29
- **Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12; Mt 23:27-32
- **Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17, Mt 24:42-51
- **Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
- **Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
- **Sunday:** Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

### Word of Life

“May the infinite depth and breadth of Christ’s Divine Mercy remind us that no wound is too great for God to heal.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
Sign up for monthly reflections at www.usccb.org/prayforlife

### Sponsored by

St. Patrick Marriage & Family Ministry

**Saturday, September 2, 2017**

The Intention of this Devotion is to console the Immaculate Heart of Mary by offering reparation for the blasphemies and ingratitude of unrepentant sinners, and for peace in the world.

The promise of our Blessed Mother Mary is to assist at the hour of death all those who complete the following requirements on the **First Saturday of five consecutive months**. On each of the first Saturdays the following is necessary:

1. **Go to confession.** Available at St. Patrick beginning at 7:30AM. (Confession can be completed eight days before or after the First Saturday provided the communicant is in a state of grace when receiving The Lord.)
2. **Receive Holy Communion - Mass will begin at 8:00AM**
3. **Say five decades of the Holy Rosary - Recited after Mass**
4. **Meditate for 15 minutes on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary - After Mass**

All the requirements can be fulfilled at St. Patrick if you chose to stay after Mass for the Rosary and Meditation. You may complete the 3rd/4th requirements at a later time, but it **must** be completed on that Saturday.
Season 3 begins Thursday, September 7, 2017
Thursday Evenings, September 7, 14, 21, 28 & October 5, 12
6:00PM-8:00PM
Parish Library
Questions? Please contact Patti Hartmann, Facilitator, at pbail1@aol.com

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**St. Patrick Bereavement Ministry Offers**

**Seasons of Hope**

Bereavement Support Group

After the death of a loved one, our parish continues to be a place of comfort and support for grieving parishioners. For those in need of consolation after losing a loved one, **no matter how long ago**, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. Join other parishioners who have experienced a similar loss for time with scripture, prayer, faith sharing and hospitality at no cost.

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**73rd Annual Catholic Order of Foresters Court #594 Golf Outing**

Attention Golfers!! The St. Mary's Court 594 Catholic Order of Foresters 73rd annual golf outing will be on **Saturday, September 9th at Boone Creek Golf Course in McHenry**. This event is a scramble format with check-in at 7:00AM and a shotgun start at 8:00AM. The cost is $50 for COF members and $65 for non-members and includes golf, cart, lunch, refreshments, and prizes. Please contact Greg Hansen at 815-322-1096 to sign-up your foursome.

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**September Schedule Changes**

**Thursday Morning Daily Mass:** Beginning on Thursday, September 14th, Daily Mass will be celebrated at 9:00AM. The students from Montini Primary will join us each Thursday. **Exceptions** - No School: Thursday Mass will be celebrated at 8:00AM, All School Masses at St. Patrick: Thursday Mass will be celebrated at 9:30AM. Please be sure to check the bulletin for Thursday Morning Mass time.

**Communal Morning Prayer:** Praying of Morning Prayer (one of the Hours of the Daily Divine Office) will resume on Tuesday, September 5th at 7:45AM. Morning prayer will be prayed Monday-Wednesday and Friday as well as on those Thursday mornings where Mass begins at 8:00AM.

**Saturday Holy Hour/Benediction:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament along with Benediction will resume on Saturday, September 9th at 3:00PM, just prior to the start of Confession. Rosary will begin at 3:20PM with Benediction at approximately 3:40PM. 4:00PM Mass will follow.

**Parish Office Summer Hours** have resumed. The office is open on Friday morning from 8:30AM-Noon.

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**Passion of St. John the Baptist**

August 29th

O God, who willed that St. John the Baptist should go ahead of your Son both in his birth and in his death, grant that, as he died a Martyr for truth and justice, we, too, may fight hard for the confession of what you teach. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Our St. Patrick Church Music Ministry Team is an integral part of the liturgy. The Music Ministry team's goal is to help our community pray, evangelize, and praise God through song. We invite new members to join our Music Ministry. Please consider sharing your talent with one or more of the choirs listed below:

**Unity Guitar Group:**
This group of musicians supports the people's sung prayer with guitars, piano, flute, maracas, mandolin, and vocals. Their music is generally upbeat and contemporary. **Commitment:** Rehearsals are on varying Thursday evenings, as well as the hour before the scheduled Mass. This group leads the assembly in song two or three times a month at varying Masses, as well as special liturgies throughout the year.

**Celebration Choir**
This choir is our SATB Catholic traditional choir whose musical style ranges from Catholic classics to contemporary. All the members are very helpful, and extremely encouraging to new comers! **Commitment:** Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings. The Celebration Choir leads the assembly in song two or three times per month at varying Masses, as well as special liturgies throughout the year. **Our First Rehearsal is Tuesday, September 12th!**

**Teen Choir**
This is a great opportunity for teens to share their musical talents! All instruments welcome! We are hoping to make this coming year truly amazing, with the involvement of even more teens! **All teens ages 8th grade through High School, are invited to join.** We use familiar hymns that have more contemporary styles, while still incorporating our traditional classic Catholic hymns that have become the musical cornerstone of our faith. **Commitment:** Rehearsals are the hour before our scheduled Mass. We are really looking to build this choir with instrumentalists and vocalists! The Teen choir leads the assembly once a month or so. Watch the bulletin for a meet and greet rehearsal or two in early October.

**Children’s Youth Choir**
Our Children’s Youth choir is open to children ages kindergarten through 8th grade! This group is made up of children joyfully praising God with their angelic voices. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings from 6:00-6:45pm. (*We are accommodating to our youth’s busy schedules). The Children’s youth choir leads the congregation in song every First Sunday of the month at the 11:00am Mass. We meet at 10:15am downstairs in the music room before the scheduled Mass for warm-ups. Religious Ed students leave Sunday RE class early and meet at 10:45am in the music room before Mass begins. Rehearsal schedules/sign-up sheets will be available in the back of church for all those interested. An email will be sent out to existing members as well.

Please contact Cecilia Adams, Director of Music, for any questions at 815-385-0025 or kcadams@sbcglobal.net
Offering Report for the Week Ending August 20, 2017

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 10TH

“For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope.” Jeremiah 29:11

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• Are you longing for meaning in your life?
• Do you desire to connect to God, but do not know how?
• Want to learn more about the depth and beauty of a 2000 year old faith tradition?
• Are there some burning questions that are holding you back from being Catholic?

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RCIA is for...

♦ Adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic
♦ Adults exploring whether or not the Catholic faith is for them
♦ Adults who are unbaptized
♦ Adults who are baptized in another faith tradition
♦ Adults who were baptized Catholic, but never received First Communion/Confirmation

The RCIA process begins in September. For more information on the RCIA process or for a registration form, please contact Carleen Murphy, Coordinator of Adult Education, at 815-385-0025 or at cmurphy@stpatrickmchenry.org.

If you are a fully initiated Catholic and you are feeling called to be a mentor or helper for RCIA please contact Carleen Murphy for more information.

Prescription drugs are a necessity for many of us in order to control various medical conditions and diseases. But the cost to those without good insurance can be overwhelming, even for the more budget conscious amongst us. St. Vincent de Paul recently paid for refills of necessary medications for a middle-aged area resident, medicines necessary for her continued health. Your generous gifts to the Poor Box enable our neighbors-in-need to remain healthy and to continue to be productive members of our community. Proverbs 31:20 “She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.”

Vocations Corner: Rejecting Idleness

One of the most dangerous things that we can face in the spiritual life is idleness. Of course being too busy to spend any time with God is problematic too, but being idle can cause us to end up filling our God-given time with all kinds of meaningless things that lead us nowhere. I mention this because often when we don’t know exactly where God is calling us or what our next step in life should be, it can be very easy to simply sit back and wait for God to hit us over the head with a sign that makes it clear where He is guiding us. After all, we are always told that we have to be willing to listen and to be quiet so that we can hear God’s voice. This of course is true, but at the same time we need to be willing to actively put ourselves in a position to let God speak to us. In other words, we have to have an “active receptivity.” Here is an example: when women who feel called to religious life want to know what they should do in order to know which one of the thousands of orders they are called to, I tell them to pick one, visit there, and see how it feels. If it is a good fit and one is filled with peace, then I’d say they are doing well! And if it doesn’t seem like a good fit, that’s fine too, because you’re narrowing down and honing in on where God may be calling. Either result is good! The important step is being willing to take actions in the first place!
Sacraments

Baptism of Infants or children under 7 years of age:
You must be a registered parishioner of St. Patrick prior to scheduling a Baptism. To schedule a Baptism, please begin by calling the parish office. Baptism is celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month immediately after the 11AM Mass. Please consider scheduling your child’s Baptism before your child is born to ensure an opening in the month of your choice. In addition, a Baptismal preparation class is required for the parents. This class is offered on the 1st Sunday of each month after the 9AM Mass. Sign-up is required and you may take the class before your child is born.

Donation of Marriage:
At St. Patrick, couples planning to marry need to meet with the Pastor before a wedding date can be set. Please contact the parish office to setup an initial meeting at least 6 months prior to any requested marriage date. This initial meeting will give you an overview of the requirements for marriage and the preparation required. At least one of the couple, or their parents, must be registered parishioners for at least 6 months and be active participating members of St. Patrick Church in order to be married at the church. Both individuals must be at least 19 years of age.

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## Ministry Schedule

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD**
September 3: Kathleen Bell, Ann Murray
September 10: Tad DePorter, Austin Thompson

**COMPASSIONATE CARE—MCHENRY VILLA**
September 3: Brian Aalto
September 10: Chandra Broughton

**CENTEGRA—MCHENRY HOSPITAL**
September 5: Carl & Carol Smith
September 12: Roger & Cheryl Kriewaldt

**CARING FRIENDS—Alden Terrace**
September 5: Maureen Montressor
September 12: Bill Hartmann, Jeanette Teller, Gary Schaefer

**ALTER LINEN DUTY**
September 5: Leanne Herda
September 11: Michelle Gahtan

**CHURCH / ALTAR CLEANING**
September 5: Nancy Schroeder, Arlene Bartos
September 11: Karla Newton, Marie Galan

**COLLECTION COUNTERS**
August 28: Julie Carey, Patti Preston, Bitsy Schaefer, Bob & Millie Martin
September 5 (Tues.): Carol Freund, Del Grala, Annette Cuda, Sue Rother, Ruth Zabielski

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September 13 for September 23/24 bulletin

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