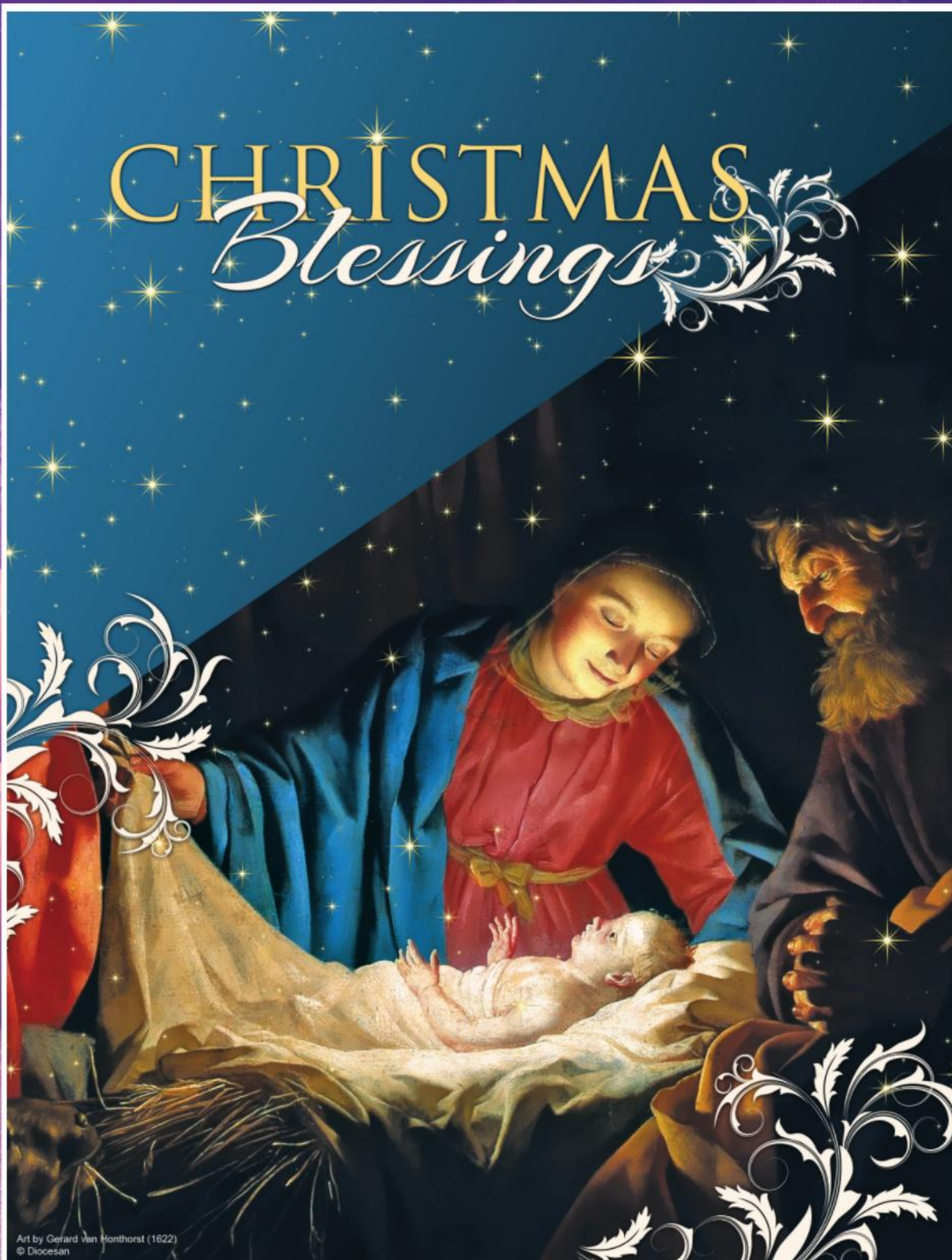


# *Love Advent*

## CHRISTMAS *Blessings*



Dear People of God,

Warmest Christmas Greetings! I saw a bumper sticker the other day that proclaimed "Keep Christ in Christmas." I can understand the sentiment involved in that statement; it certainly seems as if the season has become one of shopping, bowl games and the opening of the basketball season with little thought to the all-important anniversary of Christ's birth, yet if we stop and consider that the entire period from Thanksgiving (and even earlier in the stories) to December 25 is focused on something that springs from the birth of Jesus, then Christ is always in Christmas even for those who don't know it. As a matter of fact, there are those who want to do away with "Happy Holidays" because they know Christ is the anchor on which the season holds firm regardless of what we happen to call it. Unless we go back to Saturnalia (that ancient Roman festival around which Christmas was built), Christ will continue to be kept in Christmas whether people want him there or not. I was doing my thumb exercises the other day trying to find a channel that doesn't participate in the conspiracy to have commercials on at the same time and ran across a few adds that touted "Twenty five Days of Christmas," some event styled the "Christabration" or some such, and a couple of others less memorable than that, but it's clear to me that those who know what's going on in the nation know that Christ is deeply embedded in our late December merry-making.

Perhaps we who would prefer to see the period spent in prayerful respect of the author of our salvation should be content that God is working in his mysterious ways to prepare the world for that day when the second coming of the Messiah is announced. In the meantime, we ought not necessarily condemn the consumerism that goes on during this period. It does, in fact, promote a sense of generosity and giving that boils over into the many charities which are supported most, especially between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Among the "charities" you may want to give something special to this Christmas season is your parish. An additional offering on Christmas or any of the Sundays of the season is a wonderful way for you to keep Christ in *your* Christmas and do the Lord's work through the ministries of the parish. Have a blessed and thoroughly happy Christmas!

Fr. Chris



### **The Celebration of Sacraments**

**Infant Baptism:** The Sacrament of Baptism is regularly celebrated on Sunday during or after the Eucharistic Liturgy. Registered parishioners are asked to arrange for the Baptismal Preparation Class and the Liturgical Celebration by calling the Parish Office.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** RCIA is the process of growing in your faith and love of God. Weekly gatherings take place from September until Easter. If you are interested in learning about Catholicism and joining us please call Deacon Tom at the rectory.

**Penance:** The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday at IC, 9:30 a.m. at HSP and 10:30 a.m. IC every Sunday or by appointment.

**Matrimony:** Anyone planning to be married must contact the parish at least six months in advance. The exact date and time of your wedding should not be determined until after consultation with a priest or deacon. If either party has previously been civilly or religiously married, the Presider is not permitted to set a date for the wedding without resolving the previous marriage.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick:** When a parishioner is admitted to the hospital, nursing home, or confined to home because of age or infirmity, please call the Parish Office. Parishioners are ready to visit and to bring Holy Communion. When one is seriously ill, the healing Presence of the Lord should be requested in the Sacrament of the Sick.

**In the event that you are in need of a priest or deacon and there is no one in the office:** Please try the emergency number at 419-243-6031 or call Deacon Tom on his cell phone at 567-686-4167 and leave a message with your phone number and he will return your call as soon as possible.

### Welcome Visitors



We would like to welcome our visitors to Historic St. Patrick. If you are interested in becoming a parishioner, please call the parish office at 419-243-6452 or fill out the registration forms in the back of church or on the web-site and return to the parish office.

### Historic St. Patrick

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Jim Shrader  
Jeff Stephens  
Bill Malone

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Martha Farrell  
Amy Ashner  
Jean Boeding  
John Adler  
Nancy Rank  
Kathy Thompson  
Karen Beier  
Joe Pinciotti



## **CALENDAR** **December 21, 2019—December 29, 2019**



Sat 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass/Fr. Chris

Sun 9:30 am Anointing  
10:00 am St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions  
10:00 am St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Fr. Rudi/  
D. Tom

Intention Ginter Family  
Shrader Family  
John Periat  
Marty Williams  
Miller & Semetko Family  
During Mass Plaque Dedication to Williams Family  
After Mass Religious Ed/Child. Lit Room  
3:00 pm Baptism/Leo Fretti/Fr. Zobler

10:30 am Immaculate Conception Confessions  
11:00 am Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/  
Fr. Chris/D. Dave

Tues 6:00 pm **Historic Church of St. Patrick**  
HSP Children's Christmas Mass/  
Fr. Chris/D. Dave  
11:30 pm HSP Christmas Carols  
12:00 am HSP Midnight Mass/Fr. Chris/D. Tom

4:00 pm **Immaculate Conception**  
IC Children's Christmas Mass/Fr. Rudi/  
D. Tom  
12:00 am IC Midnight Mass/Fr. Rudi/D. Dave

Wed

9:00 am **Christmas Day**  
Immaculate Con. Christmas Day Mass/  
Fr. Rudi/D. Dave  
10:00 am St. Patrick's Christmas Day Mass/  
Fr. Chris/D. Tom  
5:30 pm **CANCELLED** St. Patrick's Weekday Mass

Sat

4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass/Fr. Chris/  
D. Tom

Sun

9:30 am St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions  
10:00 am St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Fr. Chris/  
D. Dave

Intention **Walter Raftery**  
**Marie Ferrara**

10:30 am Immaculate Conception Confessions  
11:00 am Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/  
Fr. Rudi



----- (Tear Line) -----

We continue to update/add to our parish e-mail list to help keep parishioners updated on parish events. Several of the e-mails we have are no longer valid. If you are not receiving parish e-mails and would like to, fill in the information below and put it in the offering basket or you can e-mail it to [sherri@stpatshistoric.org](mailto:sherri@stpatshistoric.org).

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_





# WELCOME TO HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY—HSP

Dec 23 Deborah Bugaj  
Dec 24 Joe McMahon  
Dec 24 Mike Anderson  
Dec 24 Matthew Meyers  
Dec 24 McKenzie Michel  
Dec 24 Cole Ragan  
Dec 25 Charlene Leestma  
Dec 25 Angela Kuhn  
Dec 26 Mary Helen Williams  
Dec 26 Mary Smith  
Dec 26 Mariah Peters  
Dec 27 Joan Wiley  
Dec 27 Mike Lora  
Dec 27 Christopher Miller  
Dec 27 Tom Gibbons  
Dec 27 Ryan Keil  
Dec 27 John Grady  
Dec 27 Molly Carroll  
Dec 28 Phyllis Seymour  
Dec 28 Gary Coleman  
Dec 28 Meghan O'Brien



## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—HSP

Dec 22 Donald & Kathleen Hedrick 39 yrs  
Dec 22 Matthew & Kristin Koester 19 yrs  
Dec 23 Matthew & Tricia Cassidy 47 yrs  
Dec 26 Kevin & Janice Lodge 38 yrs  
Dec 26 James & Debra Schaefer 38 yrs

*Happy Anniversary*

## PRAYER IS ANSWERED-HSP

Andrew Weiser, Zoellen Murphy, Shauna & Grace, Jan Jackson, Colleen McGuire, Doug Leestma, Raymond Rolak, Sherry Wilcox, Noah Ashner, Josephine Gartee, Susan Cairl, James Mitchell, Scott Cousino, Steve Woods, Jerome LaScola, Patty Cunningham, Barbara King, John Best, Sue Smith, Charlotte Best, Sara & Family, Josephine Gartee, Chris Hensien, John, Andrew Vallejo, Nicholas Clover, Melissa Meyers, Patricia Grondin, Anne Fahle, Jerome Williams, Wyatt Shepherd, Angela Myers, Liz Weizer, Sam & Rose Fleitz, Bernadine Adler, Jeff Gralak, James Kovach, Michael Moran, Sam Marsico, Fred Rank, Jessica Straube, Maurice "Moose" Boeding, Linda Panyuscsik, Judy Henry, Christopher Powell, Mark Mackowiak, Zachary Davidson/D. Dave's Grandson, Charles Swoboda, Estella Nino, Ellie Ziegler, Renee Robinson, Betty Frey, Laurie St. John, Steve Kwiatkowski, Kathy Eschenburg, Thelma Lanz, Marian Lowe, Steven Czerniak, Kristin Salazar, Rita Winand, Mary Lou Batanian, Gary Lilje, Ken & Emily, Lindsay, Carol Isabell, Megan Batanian, Matt Rohrs, James Smith, Susan Ludlum, Evie Day, Julie, Nathan Koontz, Lori (Borgerson) Zaro, Frank Ankney, Joann Degnan, Sarah Rodgers, Bob Zoski, Linda, Peggy, Beth, Carol Sheets, Lupe Garcia, Kitty Burns, Liam Stacey, Cheryl Harwick, Angela Lemble, Madison Sims, David Hufford, Richard Helsenbeck, Jace Stockwell, Joan Wiley, Claire Sydlaske, Chuck Hall, Christine Ludlum, Molly Bergin, Laurie Yeager

Please inform the pastoral staff of those in our parish family needing our prayers. Our Hospital Ministry Team is available to visit and distribute communion.

### Please pray for the men and women in military service.

Due to a potential threat to families of those in military service resulting from the members' names being publicized through the Internet, we no longer publish the names of men and women in military service. We encourage you to continue to pray for them and to remember all our troops in a special way on Fridays by praying a Rosary for those serving in the military.



## STEWARDSHIP REPORT—HSP December 15, 2019

**Due to the holiday printing schedule there will not be a financial report this week!**

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Goal	\$ 5,384.62	\$ 118,461.64
Actual	\$ N/A	\$ 111,315.00
Elect. Fund Transfer	\$ N/A	\$ 3,790.00
Over/(Under)	\$ N/A	(\$ 1,797.53)
Candles	\$ N/A	
Hospitality	\$ N/A	
Holiday Food Baskets	\$ N/A	\$ 6,252.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ N/A	\$ 55.00
Thanksgiving	\$ N/A	\$ 145.00
Door Campaign	\$ N/A	\$ 4,850.00

## OUTREACH FAMILIES—HSP

	This Week	This Month	July 1, 2019— June 30, 2020
Food (Families)	N/A	147	2,634
Clothing	N/A	68	1,395
Soup Kitchen—Number of Plates Served—N/A			

<u>Outreach Income:</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
	\$ N/A	\$ 2,382.70

Thank You!



# HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### DECEMBER 22 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

#### Scripture Reading #887

<b>Acolytes:</b>	Doug Leestma, Logan Hickey, Paul Brady
<b>Communion:</b>	Carol Clark, Judy Henry, Judy Schneiderbauer, Linda Gralak, Mark Smith, Nadine Furey, Rosalie Mills, Sr. Valerie Grondin, Sue Smith, Susan Fix
<b>Gifts:</b>	Marry Connolly, Nancy Ankenbrandt, Pat Cunningham, Sam Cunningham
<b>Greeters:</b>	Colleen McGuire, Dan McGuire, Brian Nowicki, Karen Bates <b><u>Narthex</u>—Martha Farrell &amp; Mike Lopez</b>
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Ann Figmaka, Mary Connolly, Jeff Figmaka, Paul Brady
<b>Readers:</b>	Mark Smith, Pat Lora
<b>Ushers:</b>	Bob Wuest, Cookie Westmeyer, Dave Meegan, John Kanary, John Newis, Larry Minor, Mary Worden, Paul Brady
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	Karen Hallett

### DECEMBER 29 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

#### Scripture Reading #894

<b>Acolytes:</b>	Jalen Barnhill, Jeff Kelley, Jillian Barnhill
<b>Communion:</b>	Colleen McGuire, Pat Lora, Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Ellen Ashner, Julianna Restivo, Maureen Mohnney, Paul Brady, Tami Kwiatkowski, Therese King
<b>Gifts:</b>	Carolyn Harrington, John Newis, Ken Harrington, Melinda Newis
<b>Greeters:</b>	Carol Shrader, Cookie Westmeyer, Jim Shrader, Robin Lanz <b><u>Narthex</u>—</b>
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Debbie Sadlier, Julianna Restivo, Sandy Humanski, Therese King
<b>Readers:</b>	Mary Ellen Williams, Michelle Zuelke
<b>Ushers:</b>	Bill Jennings, Brian Nowicki, Gary Johnson, Linda Jennings, Pat Tansey, Rick Lauer, Tim McHugh, Tom Varga
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	Karen Hallett



### LITURGICAL MUSIC FOR TODAY'S MASS



**PLEASE SEE THE  
ADVENT WORSHIP AID**



### ALTAR FLOWERS

Dec	22	Available
Dec	29	Available
Jan	5	Available
Jan	12	Available



### SANCTUARY LAMP

Dec	22	Miller & Semetko Families
Dec	29	Available
Jan	5	Available
Jan	12	Available



### St. Patrick's Food Pantry

We could use:

**TOOTHPASTE, SHAMPOO, TOILET PAPER,  
BAR SOAP, CEREAL, AND CANNED FRUIT**

Canned Meals, Tuna, Noodles, Mac and Cheese, Cream Soups, Ramen Noodles, Peanut Butter. Food may be dropped off at any time. Thank you!



### The HSP Soup Kitchen

Our Soup Kitchen is located at the LMHA Building at the foot of the hill in front of church. We provide meals and clothing to our community in need every Sunday from 11:00 am—1:00 pm. If you are interested in helping serve meals or hand out clothing please call the parish office.



# The Historic Church of St. Patrick's

## Happenings at the Parish!

### Christmas Flower Envelopes

Flower envelopes are located in the back of church on a table and will be used for decorating the church during the Christmas season.



### Rosary Cancelled

Tuesday, December 24 & December 31

and

### 5:30 pm Weekday Mass Cancelled

Wednesday, Dec. 25 & January 1



### Whenever a county/city within the Diocese of Toledo is placed under a *Level 3 Snow Emergency*

during which all roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel, the Catholic Churches within that geographic region will cancel the scheduled Saturday Vigil, Sunday, or Holy Day Masses. Roman Catholics in that region, therefore, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. If Masses are cancelled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio, or internet, making a spiritual Communion. When Mass is cancelled, all other diocesan, parish, or school events in that geographic region are also cancelled.



*Merry Christmas to all at The Historic Church of St. Patrick and Immaculate Conception*



*Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!*

### Christmas Masses

#### "Sign up sheets"

for ministers are in the back of church. Please sign up if you are able to minister at the:



6:00 pm

Children's

Mass,

12:00 midnight Mass,

10:00 am Christmas Day Mass

New Year's Eve Vigil Mass  
at 5:30 pm (Tuesday, Dec. 31)

*Merry Christmas from*

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# The Historic Church of St. Patrick's

## Parish/Community Activities!

### Holiday Schedule For the Parish Offices

**Closed**

Monday, December 23  
thru  
Friday, January 3

We will see you  
Monday, January 6!



**Merry**

**Christmas and  
Happy New Year!**

### Notre Dame vs Navy Football Game

Join Msgr. Chris Vasko for the  
Notre Dame vs Navy Football Game  
**Saturday, August 29, 2020**  
**Aviva Stadium | Dublin, Ireland**  
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There will also be a tour  
of Ireland!

If interested please call  
Larry Minor at 419-320-6745  
or Lminor911@att.net



### Family's Lighting the St. Patrick's Advent Wreath

Dec 22 Kelley Family



### Thank You!

We would like to thank  
everyone who  
participated  
with the preparations of  
the Christmas  
Season.

Thank you  
again for  
all that you do.



### Congratulations on this special day!



May it bring with  
it love, peace and  
joy as we celebrate  
this Holy occasion  
of Baptism.

**Leo Fretti**

### "Simply Give" Campaign

Our Outreach Committee and food  
pantry volunteers would like to thank  
those of you who were able to get to  
the **Meijer Grocery Store in  
Rossford/Perrysburg** and make a  
contribution to our "Simply Give"  
Campaign. Your generosity contrib-  
uted to the gift cards from Meijer in  
the amount of \$490. Our St. Pat's  
family is awesome.

We have been notified that we are  
also going to be part of their Christ-  
mas "Simply Give" which was a sur-  
prise to us. In years past, we have  
only participated in one a year, but  
for some reason they have added us  
to their next one.

*It is the same process as always,  
purchase a gift card for St. Pat's and  
that money will go toward what we  
receive from them. **We will have 2  
double match days, December 3  
and 13.** For those of you who do not  
know what that means: if you pur-  
chase a \$10 gift card, we will receive  
\$30. Very good deal for us.*

We know you are being bombarded with  
requests for donations at this time of the  
year, but one quick trip to Meijer on Dec.  
3rd or 13th, (I know there must be a rea-  
son for you to go to Perrysburg), can ben-  
efit our food pantry to continue assisting  
those who come to us for food assis-  
tance. **The Campaign ends**

**January 4.**

This program with Meijer has been a  
blessing to us and has helped tremen-  
dously in bringing in food to give to our  
clients. Thank you all, you are much ap-  
preciated.

### Anointing

Sunday, December 22



## Diocese of Toledo Prayer for Vocations

*Almighty God, make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Inspire men and women to respond generously to your call to service and leadership in your church as priests, consecrated religious and deacons. Amen*  
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