

Dear People of God,

Some weeks ago I began a series on hell in response to a question from a parishioner as to why we don't preach the subject today. I delved a bit into what rather than where hell is, but today I want to bring up a medieval theory of hell as a place described best by Dante in that part of the *Divine Comedy* titled *Inferno*. Using the Roman poet Virgil as a guide, Dante relates the descent into the "Nine Circles of Hell," each of which was the destiny of certain brands of sinners who would reap a particular punishment based on the sin. For Dante, hell was far more the final resting place of those whose sins are often overlooked rather than the murderer, bank robber or highwayman.

Thus the circles through which he leads the reader comment on social ills which do damage, often irreparable, to the society where those sins are committed. His theory suggests that the worst sins are those which weaken trust in the institutions of a particular society or culture, for example a nation, a Church, an empire or other social structure meant to provide for the common good. As author Russel Johnson has said, "This helps us understand why Dante places fraudulent advisors, people who sell political offices for money, reporters who lie, and hypocritical priests all in the eighth circle of hell, punished more harshly than murderers and war criminals."



For the student of history, *Inferno* is an interesting political satire because Dante names, consigning some of his notorious contemporaries to one or another of the circles of hell. He does so because everybody

knew not only the person being named but could certainly understand the sin of which he was accused. You may recall from your art history class, or perhaps an actual visit to the Sistine Chapel, that Michelangelo did this same thing in his masterful fresco *The Last Judgment* on the sanctuary wall of the chapel. I'll go through the circles for you over the next few issues of this weekly letter.

The illustration here is an engraving by Gustav Dore of Satan looking over the pools of hell. You can see Dante over on the right standing on a jutting rock shelf.

Msgr. Chris

Lector	<u>Galic Pronounce</u>	A Thiarna éist linn A Theearnah eesht lin
Response	<u>Galic Pronounce</u>	A Thiarna éist linn go grásta A Theearnah eesht lin roshta

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 419-984-0082 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, ext. 3 **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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Bill Malone
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Nancy Rank
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CALENDAR January 7, 2023—January 15, 2023



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

Sun 8:00 am Food Pantry Sunday
St. Patrick's Mass/for the Vulnerable
(no music)/Msgr. Chris/Jeff Gralak
9:00 am—9:50 am Religious Education
9:30 am St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
10:00 am St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Fr. Rudi/
D. Dave
(also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)
Intention Jack, Rosemary & Jim McHugh
During Mass Children's Liturgy
After Mass Blood Pressure Checks
After Mass Liturgy Meeting
10:30 am Immaculate Conception Confessions
11:00 am Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass
Msgr. Chris

Tues 9:10 am Immaculate Conception Weekday Mass

Wed 5:30 pm St. Patrick's Weekday Mass
(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)
Intention St. Patrick's Parishioners

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

Sun 8:00 am St. Patrick's Mass for the Vulnerable
(no music)/Msgr. Chris/Jeff Gralak
9:30 am St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
10:00 am St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Msgr. Chris/
D. Dave
(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)
Intention Florence Minor
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 data base and e-mail list to help keep parishioners updated on parish events. Several of the e-mails and phone numbers we have are no longer valid. If you would please fill in the information below and put it in the offering basket or e-mail it to sherri@stpatshistoric.org. Thank you!

Name _____

Phone # _____

Address _____

E-mail _____



WELCOME TO HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK



HAPPY BIRTHDAY—HSP

Jan 8 Claudia Jones
Jan 8 Michael Craig
Jan 8 Hailey Bates
Jan 9 Rebecca Merryman
Jan 9 Chelsea Lahey
Jan 10 Chris Bates
Jan 10 Claire Perry
Jan 10 AJ Johnson
Jan 11 Terry McLoughlin
Jan 11 Christopher Carter
Jan 11 Shannon Berry
Jan 11 Nicholas Griffith
Jan 11 Kayla Conley
Jan 11 Nickiti Koszycki
Jan 11 Corinne Stephens
Jan 12 Brian Shelton
Jan 13 Susan Rodgers
Jan 13 Elmer Aguilar
Jan 13 Jacqueline LaPorte
Jan 14 Christiner Mannes
Jan 14 Kathy Brassell



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—HSP

Jan 8 John & Cheryl Stephens 52 yrs
Jan 10 Jason & Trisha DiModica 20 yrs
Jan 11 Michael & Cynthia Holmes 48 yrs



PRAYER IS ANSWERED—HSP

Deacon Tom Carone, Nancy Miller-Semetko, Chuck Williams, Joseph Weiser, Don Brighton, Tammy Allen, Jimmie Bias, Pam Kreft, Terrie Moore, Pat Tansey, Rod McCarthy, Kelly Mitchell, Carol Erford, Sr. Janelle Brittain, Charlotte Best, Jim Jensen, Emily Miller, Helen Alice Jackson, Lee Ann Urbach, Brett Urbach, Deacon Dave Smith, Shelby, James Mack III, Msgr. Chris, Betty Sherman, Ralph Smith, Teri Wagner, Tim Dotson, Bob & Betty Hutson, Andrew Weiser, Shauna & Grace, Jan Jackson, Colleen McGuire, Doug Leestma, Raymond Rolak, Sherry Wilcox, Noah Ashner, Susan Cairl, Steve Woods, Patty Cunningham, Barbara King, Sue Smith, Sara & Family, John, Andrew Vallejo, Nicholas Clover, Melissa Meyers, Patricia Grondin, Anne Fahle, Jerome Williams, Wyatt Shepherd, Angela Myers, Liz Weiser, Sam & Rose Fleitz, James Kovach, Michael Moran, Sam Marsico, Jessica Straube, Maurice "Moose" Boeding, Judy Henry, Christopher Powell, Zachary Davidson/D. Dave's Grandson, Charles Swoboda, Estella Nino, Ellie Ziegler, Renee Robinson, Betty Frey, Laurie St. John, Steve Kwiatkowski, Kathy Eschenburg, Marian Lowe, Steven Czerniak, Kristin Salazar, Mary Lou Batanian, Gary Lilje, Ken & Emily, Lindsay, Carol Isabell, Megan Batanian, Matt Rohrs, James Smith, Susan Ludlum, Evie Day, Julie, Lori (Borgerson) Zaro, Frank Ankney, Joann Degnan, Sarah Rodgers, Bob Zoski, Linda, Peggy, Beth, Lupe Garcia, Kitty Burns, Liam Stacey, Cheryl Harwick, Angela Lemble, Madison Sims, Richard Helsenbeck, Jace Stockwell, Joan Wiley, 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

January 1, 2023

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Goal	\$ 5,769.23	\$ 149,999.98
Actual	\$ 18,959.54	\$ 164,216.06
Elect. Fund Transfer	\$ 95.00	\$ 8,115.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 13,285.31	\$ 22,331.08
Preservation	\$ 10.00	\$ 2,091.00
Candles	\$ 79.00	
Altar Flowers	\$ 17.00	
Christmas Flowers	\$ 20.00	\$ 640.00
Christmas	\$ 458.02	\$ 4,567.02
Initial Offering	\$ 27.00	\$ 77.00

Thank you!

OUTREACH FAMILIES—HSP



July 1, 2022—
June 30, 2023



Food Pantry—We continue to serve those in need in the community 3 days a week (Monday-Wednesday-Friday).

Soup Kitchen—Number of Plates Served—Continuing to serve meals to the community every Sunday!

<u>Outreach Income:</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
	\$ 50.00	\$16,348.50

Thank You!



HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



JANUARY 8 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

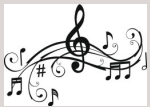
Scripture Reading #898

Acolytes:	Brendan Mohny, Mary Kay Belcher, Moira Mohny
Communion:	Carol Shrader, Chris Bates, Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Ellen Melroy, Jim Shrader, Marie Arter, Maureen Mohny, Pat Hickey, Renee Hickey
Gifts:	Amy Coronado, Char Lauer, Ellen Melroy, Nancy Ankenbrandt
Greeters:	Ann Figmaka, Jeff Figmaka, Lisa Kelley, Michelle Zuelke
Hospitality:	Ann Figmaka, Connie Durand, Debbie Sadlier, Jeff Figmaka
Readers:	Amy Coronado, Frank Semetko
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Gary Johnson, John Kanary, Larry Minor, Mary Kay Belcher, Melanie Parton, Pat Tansey
Children's Liturgy:	Jen Czyzewski

JANUARY 15 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

Scripture Reading #951

Acolytes:	Jeff Kelley, John Breidenbach, Zayne Garcia
Communion:	Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Jeanne Kanary, Judy Henry, Judy Schneiderbauer, Lisa Kelley, Mary Ellen Williams, Mary Kay Belcher, Maureen Mohny, Melanie Parton
Gifts:	Frank Semetko, Jeanne Kanary, John Kanary, Nancy Semetko
Greeters:	Carol Shrader, Jeanne Kanary, Jim Shrader, John Kanary
Hospitality:	Ann Figmaka, Debbie Sadlier, Jeff Figmaka, Therese King
Readers:	Chris Bates, Jennifer Czyzewski
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Dave Meegan, Debbie Sadlier, Gary Johnson, Jeff Figmaka, Larry Minor, Tim McHugh
Children's Liturgy:	See you next week!



The Epiphany of the Lord



Opening Hymn: "We Three Kings" 364

Kyrie (Missa Simplex) Gloria: (Missa Simplex) Psalm and Gospel Acclamation
(both sung, of the day)

Offertory Hymn: "As with Gladness, Men of Old" 369

Mass Ordinaries: Sanctus (Mass of Christ the Savior) Memorial Acclamation A or C
(Mass of Christ the Savior) Agnus Dei (Mass of Christ the Savior)

Communion Hymn: "What Child is This" 365

Closing Hymn: "The First Nowell" 363

ALTAR FLOWERS

Jan	8	Available
Jan	15	Available
Jan	22	Available
Jan	29	Available



SANCTUARY LAMP

Jan	8	Available
Jan	15	Available
Jan	22	Available
Jan	29	Available



St. Patrick's Food Pantry

We could use:

**JUICE, TOOTHPASTE, SHAMPOO WITH
COCOA BUTTER, TOILET PAPER, BAR SOAP,
TOOTHBRUSHES, AND CANNED FRUIT**



Other needs are tuna, Cream Soups, and Ramen Noodles.
Food may be dropped off at anytime. Thank you!



The HSP Soup Kitchen

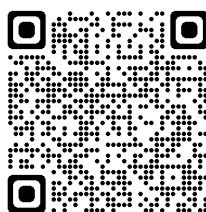
Our Soup Kitchen is located at the LMHA Building at the foot of the hill in front of church. We provide meals and clothing to our community in need every Sunday from 11:00 am—1:00 pm. If you are interested in helping serve meals or hand out clothing please call the parish office.

The Historic Church of St. Patrick's

Happenings at the Parish!

QR Code – an easier way to donate

Looking for a simple way to make a donation to the parish? Scan this QR code and go right to the donation page for The Historic Church of Saint Patrick. Open up the camera app on your smartphone. When you focus the camera on the QR Code, your phone will ask if you want to go to our site. Touch the instruction bar at the top/bottom of the photo and it will take you right to the donation page where you will see a yellow donate button. Thank you for supporting our parish and helping us share the Good News!



Christmas Flower Envelopes



Flower envelopes are located in the back of church and in the pews which will be used for decorating the church during the Christmas season.

We need your help!



In celebration of our 160th Anniversary, we'd like to recognize any surviving attendees of the

Saint Patrick school that once stood nearby. The school closed in 1956.

If you know of someone please contact the parish office at 419-243-6452, ext. 3.

We want to include as many as possible!

Winter is Here!



We are collecting back packs, blankets, coats, hats, gloves, boots, socks and warm clothing for the winter season. All items will be given directly back to the community through the outreach programs. Your help would be greatly appreciated with any donations you may have. All donations can be dropped off at Historic St. Patrick's between the hours of 9:00 am and 2:00 pm.

Parish Directory



Have you wondered why Marty Lahey has been taking pictures of people at church recently? A parish directory is in the works. Watch the bulletin for more information.

Acolytes & Communion Distributors for January 29th

There will be a short meeting for the acolytes and communion distributors that are on the schedule for January 29th for the 160th kick-off. We will meet on Sunday January 15 after the 10:00 am Mass.



Pints with the Pastor

January 11th at Ye Olde' Durty Bird at 6:15 PM or directly following the 5:30 Mass.

Please be sure to sign up after Mass with Jeanne Kanary who will be in the back of church or email her at jmkanary@hotmail.com

no later than Monday, January 9th to place your reservation.



Please consider a Financial Gift

Please consider a gift to The Historic

Church of Saint Patrick through your Will, a gift of Life Insurance, an Annuity, or a Trust. Call Trish Shaffer at the parish office (419-243-6452, ext. 4) with any questions you may have.

New to the Parish?

Register

If you are new to The Historic Church of St. Patrick and haven't registered, now is the time!

Registration forms are available at both entrances and on our web-site.

Winter Bible Studies



The Chosen (Season 3)
Tuesdays: February 7-March 28; 6:30 -8:00 p.m. at HSP.

Catechism of the Catholic Church
Wednesdays: February 8-March 29; 6:30-8:00 p.m. at HSP.

(Please see insert for more details.)

For more information or to sign up contact Martha at Martha.Farrell15@gmail.com.

The Historic Church of St. Patrick's

Parish/Community Activities!

Please keep in prayer the First Responders who have given their lives to keep us safe, and their grieving families and departments.

ROLL CALL OF FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS, December 18-31, 2022

Walker Hill	Baton Rouge FD, LA
Troy Dettinger	Union Fire & Hose Co. #1 of Dover, PA
William Moon	FDNY, NY
Brian Rehnberg	North Fire Park Protection District, IL
Matthias Wirtz	North Haven FD, CT
Bruce Lang	Pine Haven FD, WY

ROLL CALL OF FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, December 18-31, 2022

Joe Carey	Brodnax PD, VA
Paul Newell	Benton County Sheriff's Office, AR
Ray Hamilton	Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office, FL
Corey McElroy	Garrett County Sheriff's Office, MD
Isaiah Cordero	Riverside County Sheriff's Office, CA

Immaculate Conception Church is looking for a proactive, efficient, part-time church custodian.

For a more detailed list of responsibilities and requirements or to submit your resume, please email Nicole at nicole@iccatdarby.org



Electronic Donation

Please consider electronic donation for your Sunday offering!

The electronic donors can schedule their church donations weekly, biweekly or monthly.

The electronic giving option allows these people to give to their church regardless of where they are during the year.

The electronic sign-up information is located on our web-site and at each entrance of the church.



Call the parish office for more information!

We would like to see and hear from you!

Please share your picture or any comments about your experience doing the Advent/O Antiphon project this Christmas.

Please send pictures/comments to sherri@stpatshistoric.org by January 21.

Would you like to be a Lector or Communion Distributor

If you are interested in becoming a lector or communion distributor there will be a training session on Sunday, January 15th after the 10:00 am Mass. Hope to see you!

Sunday, January 8th

- Blood Pressure Checks by the Statue of the Pieta after Mass
- Liturgy Meeting after Mass

LOOK HERE!!!!

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.

