

Dear People of God,

This week will begin the formal celebration of Lent so I'm again interrupting my series on Dante's description of the levels of hell to take a look at a medicinal gift given by God to prevent our ever having to actually see if Dante was right.

Lent is the only Penitential season still celebrated during the Liturgical Year; its directives and practices are meant to be a kind of spiritual prescription against the ills of the mind and soul which lead to sin and perhaps to the down escalator. The directives are simple: Fast and abstain on the days appointed; offer extra periods of prayer and reflection; perform acts of kindness and sacrifice for those who have less. The practices are the ways and means of fulfilling the directives.

The general rule for fasting and abstaining means that on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, we reduce the intake of food by about a third. For some of us that may mean giving up late night snacks, for others perhaps a mid-day meal but the idea is to deliberately give up some food items and offer that amount of food for the needs of the poor. As a spiritual exercise, fasting is an opportunity to replace eating with some other prayerful exercise, perhaps watching an episode of CHOSEN or tuning in to one of the thousands of great offerings on FORMED, or attending the Stations of the Cross here at the parish or somewhere which might be more convenient to work or home.

Abstaining means deliberately doing without something. As a directive it means not eating meat on the Fridays of Lent and on Ash Wednesday. As a spiritual exercise it means that famous resolution to sacrifice something we enjoy during the entire Lenten period of forty days.

While many will sacrifice chocolate, that's not the real intention. Abstinence was developed as a means of supporting a large population of laborers and their families by undertaking the directive to not eat meat. The idea was to eat seafood, an industry in much of the world that was being neglected by the people who had discovered filet mignon. As a spiritual exercise we might want to consider sacrificing something by substituting for it another thing that will help some suffering industry. If we do "give up chocolate," what comparable food item should we then begin consuming to help a struggling sector of the economy? The answer requires us to do some serious research just to find a struggling sector. A year or two ago we might have decided to give up a meal at our own table to support one of many restaurants that were failing because of the Corona virus. Today finding a suitable sector could make for a real Lenten practice.

Above all, Lent is a time to hone our skills at praying, to move away from rote prayer to serious discussions with our God and that means listening as much as it does talking. Quieting our mind so that we're not distracted by the cares and worries of the day in order to open ourselves to the gentle whisper of God is really difficult but well worth the try. The great mystics all discovered that real prayer became much more powerful when they began by listening. Make the most of the opportunities presented by Lent.

Msgr. 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 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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CALENDAR

February 18, 2023—February 26, 2023



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

Sun 8:00 am **ACA Commitment Sunday**
St. Patrick's Mass (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
(also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)
Intention Eleanor & Stanley Stolarski
Harold Stoll
Linda Panyuscik
During Mass Children's Liturgy

10:30 am Immaculate Conception Confessions
11:00 am Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass
Msgr. Chris/Deacon Dave

Tues 9:10 am **CANCEL**/Immaculate Weekday Mass
6:30—8:00 pm Bible Study

Wed 7:00 am **ASH WEDNESDAY**
St. Patrick's Word Service/Deacon Dave
9:10 am Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris
12:00 pm St. Patrick's Word Service/Deacon Dave
5:30 pm Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris
5:30 pm St. Patrick's Weekday Mass/Fr. Rudi
(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)
Intention Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick
6:30—8:00 pm Bible Study

Fri 12:00 Noon St. Patrick's Stations of the Cross
2:20 pm followed by lunch in the Rectory
Immaculate Conception
Stations of the Cross

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

Sun 8:00 am **1st Sunday of Lent**
St. Patrick's Mass (no music)
Msgr. Chris/Jeff Gralak
9:30 am St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
10:00 am St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Fr. Rudi
(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)
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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

- Feb 19 John Malkoski
- Feb 19 Kathy Striggow
- Feb 19 Maureen Johnson
- Feb 19 Erinn Riley
- Feb 19 Isabella Mazur
- Feb 20 Jason Wampler
- Feb 21 Sean O'Connor
- Feb 21 Randall Kwiatkowski
- Feb 21 James Baas
- Feb 22 Tami Kwiatkowski
- Feb 22 Robert Rove
- Feb 22 Meghan Baas
- Feb 22 Layla Stephens
- Feb 23 Zach Hebel
- Feb 25 John Tighe
- Feb 25 James Gilmore
- Feb 25 Stephen Kennedy



PRAYER IS ANSWERED—HSP

Jim Brazeau, 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

February 12, 2023

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Goal	\$ 5,769.23	\$ 184,615.36
Actual	\$ 5,408.00	\$ 195,796.80
Elect. Fund Transfer	\$ 420.00	\$ 9,585.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 58.77	\$ 20,766.44
Preservation	\$ 323.00	\$ 2,657.00
Candles	\$ 102.00	
Hospitality	\$ 21.00	
Altar Flowers	\$ 23.00	
160th Anniversary	\$ 510.00	\$ 1,020.00

Thank you!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—HSP

- Feb 22 Dale & Christina Birie 49 yrs
- Feb 22 William & Linda Jennings 43 yrs
- Feb 23 Larry & Rebecca Merryman 49 yrs



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>
	\$ 25.00	\$ 17,901.50

Thank You!



HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FEBRUARY 19 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

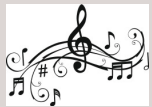
Scripture Reading #966

Acolytes:	Chris Bates, Doug Leestma, Gary Johnson
Communion:	Carol Shrader, Chris Bates, Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Ellen Melroy, Jim Shrader, Marie Arter, Maureen Mohney, 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:	Michelle Zuelke, Paula Powicki
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Gary Johnson, John Canary, Larry Minor, Mary Kay Belcher, Melanie Parton, Pat Tansey
Children's Liturgy:	Jen Czyzewski

FEBRUARY 26 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

Scripture Reading #969

Acolytes:	Jeff Kelley, Logan Hickey, Pat Hickey
Communion:	Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Jeanne Canary, Judy Henry, Judy Schneiderbauer, Lisa Kelley, Mary Ellen Williams, Mary Kay Belcher, Maureen Mohney, Melanie Parton
Gifts:	Frank Semetko, Jeanne Canary, John Canary, Nancy Semetko
Greeters:	Carol Shrader, Jeanne Canary, Jim Shrader, John Canary
Hospitality:	Ann Figmaka, Debbie Sadlier, Jeff Figmaka, Therese King
Readers:	Melanie Parton, Philip Vrzal
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Dave Meegan, Debbie Sadlier, Gary Johnson, Jeff Figmaka, Larry Minor, Tim McHugh
Children's Liturgy:	See you next week!



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Hymn: "Faith of Our Fathers" 698

Kyrie (Missa Simplex) Gloria: (Missa Simplex)

Psalm and Gospel Acclamation (both sung, of the day)

Offertory Hymn: "The King of Love, My Shepherd Is" 733

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: "Jesus, my Lord, my God, my All"

Jesus my Lord, my God, my all How can I love thee as I ought? And how revere this wondrous gift So far surpassing hope or thought?

Chorus: Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore Oh make us love Thee more and more Oh make us love Thee more and more. Had I but Mary's sinless heart, To love Thee with, my dearest King Oh, with what bursts of fervent praise Thy goodness Jesus, would I sing! Thy body, soul, and Godhead, all O mystery of love divine I cannot compass all I have For all thou hast and art are mine Sound, sound His praises higher still And come, ye angels, to our aid 'Tis God, 'tis God, the very God Whose power both man and angels made.

Closing Hymn: "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" 748



ALTAR FLOWERS

Feb	19	Available
Feb	26	Available
Mar	5	Available
Mar	12	Available



SANCTUARY LAMP

Feb	19	Available
Feb	26	Available
Mar	5	Available
Mar	12	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



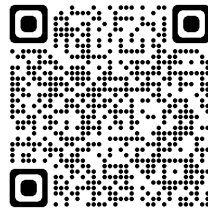
Our Soup Kitchen is located at the LMHA Building at the foot of the hill in front of church. We provide meals and clothing to our community in need every Sunday from 11:00 am—1:00 pm. If you are interested in helping serve meals or hand out clothing please call the parish office.

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!



Church Bulletin Advertising

Kevin McCollum, representing our Bulletin Publisher, Diocesan, is currently seeking new advertisements. Support our parish while you promote your business in print and digitally through social media. If interested, please contact Kevin directly. Only a third down payment is required to reserve an ad.

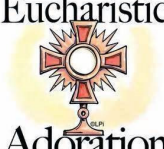
Contact: Kevin McCollum
kmccollum@diocesan.com
 614-980-9196

Thanks to you and Diocesan, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish!

Vocations Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?” Cooperate with the Holy Spirit to discern God’s will. Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at (419) 244-6711 or email: psmith@toledodiocese.org.

Adoration

 Eucharistic Adoration
 Historic Church of St. Patrick
 Every Wednesday during Lent at 4:00 pm

(Wednesday, March 1 thru March 29)

Diocesan Eucharistic Revival Gatherings

During this diocesan year of the National Eucharistic Revival, join us for a worshipful evening of prayer and Eucharistic Adoration to enhance our understanding of, love for, and living out of the Holy Eucharist. Each event will be from 3:00pm-4:30pm. Bishop Daniel E. Thomas will be the celebrant. We hope you will join us at the event nearest you!

Sunday, February 19, 2023

St. Mary, Norwalk

Sunday, March 12, 2023

St. Peter, Mansfield

Sunday, March 19, 2023

St. Michael, Kalida

Sunday, April 30, 2023

St. John XXIII, Perrysburg

Visit toledodiocese.org/eucharist for details.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday
 (during Lent/starting Friday February 24)

12:00 pm @ HSP
(Soup & Bread Following)
 Stations of the Cross

2:20 pm @ IC
 Stations of the Cross

Ash Wednesday Services, February 22



7:00 am Prayer Service
 w/ Distribution of Ashes @ St. Pats

9:10 am Mass w/
 Distribution of Ashes @ Immaculate

12 Noon Prayer Service
 w/ Distribution of Ashes @ St. Pats

5:30 pm Mass
 w/Distribution of Ashes @ Immaculate

5:30 pm Mass
 w/Distribution of Ashes @ St. Pats

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Annual Saint Patrick's Day Celebration @ HSP

Please join us on
 Sunday, March 12, 2023

9:30 a.m. Irish Sing-A-Long

10:00 a.m. Saint Patrick's Day Liturgy

11:00 a.m. All are invited for an Irish Luncheon in the back of church!

An Irish Welcome to All!!



Little Black Books

Lent is here!

Please pick up your “Little Black Book” in the back of church today after Mass.



This is a great way to provide time for your Lenten reflection.

The Historic Church of St. Patrick's

Parish/Community Activities!

2023 Annual Catholic Appeal

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal themed *This Is The Day*. Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Faith, hope, and love come alive through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you for pledging today to help meet our parish goal and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information on ministries funded by the appeal, visit acatoledo.org. Thank you!



Add a pound for Lent

Make the Friar fatter and feed the hungry—Every .88 cents adds a pound! You can help defray the expense of the St. Patrick's Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen by making the Friar get fatter and fatter!

Envelopes can be found in the back of church through Lent.

Helping Hands of St. Louis

Needs volunteers to serve food
8:30 am—12:30 pm
The 4th Monday of each month.

Call 419-367-9621
(David Daniel Smith)
if you are able to help.



The Historic Church of Saint Patrick 160th Anniversary Celebration 2023

- **Calendar Lottery in March**
Tickets available for \$10.00 ea. at Mass.
If you would like to help sell tickets see Kris Waslar after Mass.
- **Event Sponsorship**
Please consider sponsoring an event in August. Hole Sponsors and Cart Sponsors are also needed.
- **St. Patrick's School**
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 now of someone please contact the parish office at 419-243-6452, ext. 3. We want to include as many as possible!

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, February 5-11, 2023

Brandon Norbury	Gresham FD, OR
Tre'Evans-Dumaran	County of Maui Dept of Fire & Public Safety, HI

ROLL CALL OF FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, February 5-11, 2023

Sean Sluganski	McKeesport PD, PA
Peter Jerving	Milwaukee PD, WI
Charles Herring	Pembroke Pines PD, FL

Burning palms for ashes

For many parishes, the ashes which are distributed on Ash Wednesday are made from old palm branches given out last year on Palm Sunday. Some parishes hold special "palm burning" ceremonies in the weeks or days before Ash Wednesday. This practice is common in other countries, such as the Philippines where palms are burned on the day before Ash Wednesday. The practice of using last year's palms for this year's ashes may seem like a new ritual, but it actually dates back to the 12th century.



New Parish Directory (More information needed)

If you would like your **email and phone number** published in the new parish directory please let Sherri in the parish office know at sherri@stpatshistoric.org.
Thank you!



Easter Food Basket Collection!

The holiday food sign-up boards will be in the back of church starting Sunday, February 26. Please take a minute to sign-up over the next few weeks to help us fill our holiday food baskets.

All food for the collection must be to the church By Sunday, March 26th.

Thank you for all you do to make this outreach project so successful.

