

Dear People of God,

Today I come to the end of our tour of hell as seen by Dante Alighieri and reported for us in *The Divine Comedy*. Dante's work was composed not only to point out a few famous sinners from all walks of life, but to do something to make hell better understood for what it is: punishment forever knowing one will never see or experience God. The poem includes many of the mythological characters associated with the underworld, Hades, Ghenna and other ancient places which we call hell. In naming names he often adds a description of the sin and why it was a sin because the sinner knew what he or she was doing and did it anyway. Like the Emperor of Japan in Gilbert and Sullivan's *Mikado*, Dante sees that the punishment fits the crime; considering the sins we know of in the here and now, we can easily envision what sinners are experiencing in hell.

However, today we arrive at the ninth circle, **Treachery**. Here we can see Dante coming to grips with the effects of deprivation of the good – this is a cold place where motion ceases, a cold colder than absolute zero yet the people there remain alive and fixed forever in a frozen waste. Anyone whose had frostbite knows that just like flame, it burns and in this circle it burns relentlessly forever. As with the previous level this one has some subdivisions, though none is gated even if the security is high. The subdivisions are species of betrayal and include (a) Caino (Cain) – traitors to the family, (b) Antenora (the guy who betrayed Troy) – traitors of their nation, (c) Ptolomaeo (Greek general who killed a few dinner guests) – traitors to hospitality [it would be good to recall that for the ancients, sharing a meal meant you could not go to war with the guest] and (d) Judecca (Judas Iscariot) – traitors to one's Lord. At the very center of this burning cold, frozen in place for all eternity, is the greatest traitor of them all: Lucifer. There are two points being made by this placement.

The first is that we can't blame the devil for our sins because he cannot escape the grasp of the frozen sea of nothingness. Sin is always the choice of the sinner which, as you may recall, is the definition of a sinful act, one chosen by the person despite knowing it's wrong. Of course you should have guessed the second by reading the first – Satan has no power over anyone: he's lost the battle so badly he can't move so can't come around to tempt us. Dante wants to make the point and underline it that choices make a world of difference.

Our choices are always our own (if we're forced, we're not free so there's no choice involved). All of us come equipped with a sense of right and wrong, what theologians call a moral sensibility. Knowing the right, we ought to choose to do it because deciding to do otherwise leads us inexorably to those circles of hell Dante described. We don't know how accurate his imagery of hell is but we do know, or ought to reflect on, all that is good around us and then consider whether we want to throw it all away: light, color, sound, music, taste, emotional good feelings like joy, happiness and contentment and try to imagine having all of that taken away.

Dante considered that and arrived at a state of punishment at each level of hell which forced the sinner to contemplate exactly how the sin led to the deprivation. Perhaps the punishment does fit the crime but if we're smart, we'll lead lives which keep us far away from finding out. Hell is real and faith keeps our eyes on the goal of heaven so work at being faithful sons and daughters of the Lord.

This is a well-timed week to conclude this series as we look forward to the celebration of Holy Week and then Easter next Sunday; we will recall Christ's suffering and death to redeem our sins and then his glorious resurrection reminding us of God's promise for his good and faithful servants.



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**

**Finance Council**

Doug Bohl  
Jim Shrader  
Jeff Stephens  
Bill Malone  
Linda Jennings  
John Bachey  
Jim Kline

**Pastoral Council**

Amy Coronado	Kathy Thompson
Elaine Hoffman	Kristine Waslar
Jean Boeding	Martha Farrell
Jeanne Canary	Marty Lahey
Jen Czyzewski	Mary Kay Belcher
Joe Pinciotti	Michelle Zuelke
John Adler	Nancy Rank
John Canary	Pat Hickey
Karen Hallett	Pat Thompson

**CALENDAR**

**April 1, 2023—April 9, 2023**



**Sat** 8:30 am - 9:30 am Holiday Basket Packing  
9:30 am - 10:30 am Holiday Basket Distribution  
4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris

**Sun**  
8:00 am **Palm Sunday**  
**Food Pantry 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/  
Msgr. Chris/Deacon Dave  
*(also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)*  
**Intention** Dorothy Mazzei McBride  
Dr. James Croak  
Yvonne Buckley  
During Mass Children's Liturgy  
After Mass Blood Pressure Checks  
After Mass St. Patrick's Baptism/  
Layla Bobbi Kay Mitchell/Deacon Dave

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

**Tues** 9:10 am CANCELED/Immaculate Weekday Mass  
11:00 am Chrism Mass @ Rosary Cathedral

**Wed** 5:30 pm CANCELED/St. Patrick's Weekday Mass  
*(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)*  
**Intention** Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick  
7:30 pm Tenebrae @ Rosary Cathedral  
7:30 pm Tenebrae @ Port Clinton/Msgr. Chris

**Thurs** 7:00 pm Holy Thursday @ St. Patrick's/Msgr. Chris  
7:00 pm Holy Thursday @ Immaculate Conception/  
Fr. Rudi

**Fri** 12:00 pm Good Friday/St. Patrick's/Msgr. Chris  
12:00 pm Good Friday/Immaculate Conception/  
Fr. Rudi

**Sat** 9:00 am Easter Vigil Rehearsal @ Immaculate/  
Msgr. Chris  
11:30 am Blessing of the Easter Food @ St. Patrick/  
Deacon Dave  
4:00 pm CANCELED/Immaculate Conception  
Mass/Msgr. Chris  
8:30 pm Easter Vigil at Immaculate Conception/  
Msgr. Chris

**Sun** 8:00 am **Easter Sunday**  
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/Msgr. Chris/  
D. Dave  
**Intention** *(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)*  
Dr. James Croak  
Angeline Conti

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

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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**

- Apr 2 Robert Wuest
- Apr 2 Tom Kwiatkowski
- Apr 2 Judith Lanzinger
- Apr 2 Donald Cousino
- Apr 2 Tim Kitzmiller
- Apr 3 William Brown
- Apr 3 Jeanine Perry
- Apr 3 Mary Sue Timar
- Apr 3 Sue LaPointe
- Apr 3 Renee Liscomb
- Apr 3 Megan Williams
- Apr 3 Savanna Schaber
- Apr 3 Cheyenne Schaber
- Apr 3 Sarah Porter
- Apr 4 Michael Andray
- Apr 4 John Herl
- Apr 4 Cori Wiczynski
- Apr 4 Stephen Bohl
- Apr 4 Rachel Villegas
- Apr 4 Brendan Long
- Apr 5 Michael Holmes
- Apr 5 Bradley Czerniak
- Apr 5 Hadley Williams
- Apr 6 John Grajczyk
- Apr 6 Lauren O'Brien
- Apr 6 Peter Zak
- Apr 6 Matthew Grady
- Apr 7 Betty Sherman
- Apr 7 Stacey Castillo
- Apr 8 Grace Maher
- Apr 8 Ted Lodge
- Apr 8 Todd Kienzle
- Apr 8 Donna Lozano



**PRAYER IS ANSWERED—HSP**

Eileen O'Boyle, Sam Cole, Shanna Crumby, Dona Crumby, Sonny Moore, Perry Moore, Jeff Knight, Dwight Knight, Mike Chiles, 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**

**March 26, 2023**

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Goal	\$ 5,769.23	\$ 219,230.74
Actual	\$ 4,651.00	\$ 249,625.76
Elect. Fund Transfer	\$ 490.00	\$ 11,400.00
Over/(Under)	(\$ 628.23)	\$ 41,795.02
Preservation	\$ 120.00	\$ 2,973.50
Fat Friar	\$ 536.23	\$ 1,079.99
Candles	\$ 97.00	
Hospitality	\$ 7.31	
Easter Flowers	\$ 50.00	\$ 190.00
Easter	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
St. Patrick's Day	\$ 130.00	\$ 705.00
Preservation Campaign	\$ 500.00	\$ 4,676.50
160th Anniversary	\$ 355.00	\$ 1,483.00

Thank you!

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—HSP**

- Apr 3 Michael & Marlene Meyers 27 yrs
- Apr 6 Phillip Rew & Mary Bohnett 32 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!

<b><u>Outreach Income:</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>	<b><u>Year to Date</u></b>
	\$ 250.00	\$ 18,936.50

Thank You!





# HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK PALM SUNDAY



## APRIL 2 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

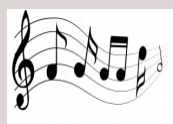
### Scripture Reading #918

<b>Acolytes:</b>	Brendan Mohny, Mary Kay Belcher, Moira Mohny
<b>Communion:</b>	Carol Shrader, Chris Bates, Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Ellen Melroy, Jim Shrader, Marie Arter, Maureen Mohny, Pat Hickey, Renee Hickey
<b>Gifts:</b>	Collette Erard, Elise Erard, Karen Erard, Melanie Parton
<b>Greeters:</b>	Ann Figmaka, Jeff Figmaka, Lisa Kelley, Michelle Zuelke
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Connie Durand, Debbie Sadlier, Paula Nowicki, Robin Lanz
<b>Readers:</b>	Jeff Kelley, Robin McLoughlin
<b>Ushers:</b>	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Gary Johnson, John Canary, Larry Minor, Mary Kay Belcher, Melanie Parton, Pat Tansey
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	Melissa Cummins

## APRIL 9 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

### Scripture Reading #922

<b>Acolytes:</b>	Jeff Kelley, John Breidenbach, Zayne Garcia
<b>Communion:</b>	Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Jeanne Canary, Judy Henry, Judy Schneiderbauer, Lisa Kelley, Mary Ellen Williams, Mary Kay Belcher, Maureen Mohny, Melanie Parton
<b>Gifts:</b>	Amy Coronado, Char Lauer, Ellen Melroy, Nancy Ankenbrandt
<b>Greeters:</b>	Carol Shrader, Jeanne Canary, Jim Shrader, John Canary
<b>Hospitality:</b>	<b>CANCELLED FOR HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	Elise Erard, Susan Fix
<b>Ushers:</b>	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Dave Meegan, Debbie Sadlier, Gary Johnson, Jeff Figmaka, Larry Minor, Tim McHugh
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	<b>CANCELLED FOR HOLIDAY</b>



Please see the Palm Sunday  
Worship Aid

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Apr	2	Available
Apr	9	Available
Apr	16	Available
Apr	23	Available



### SANCTUARY LAMP

Apr	2	Available
Apr	9	Available
Apr	16	Available
Apr	23	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.

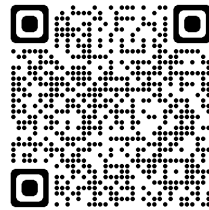


# The Historic Church of St. Patrick's

## 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!



### Blood Pressure Checks

after Mass today  
with Nurse Kathy near  
the Statue of the Pieta.



### Parish Offices Closed



Good Friday,  
April 7  
and  
Easter Monday,  
April 10

### Blessing of the Easter Food



Saturday, April 8, 11:30 am  
@ St. Patrick  
See bulletin insert for more  
information.  
All are welcome.

### Congratulations

Central Catholic High School  
Honor Roll

Maxwell Shelton  
Jesse Nino



### Vocations

"Truly, this was the Son of God!"  
Are you being called to proclaim  
Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious  
brother or sister? If you think this  
may be so, contact the Vocation  
Office at (419) 244-6711 or email:  
[psmith@toledodiocese.org](mailto:psmith@toledodiocese.org).

### St. Pat's Gift Shop Open on First Sundays!



Need the perfect gift for  
that special someone?

The St. Pat's gift shop is  
open today! Easter is coming!

### Easter Flowers



#### Easter Flower

Envelopes can be found by each  
door as you leave church. Your  
donation will help decorate the  
church starting Easter Sunday.

### Parish Registration

Have you been wanting to become  
a member of our HSP family? Reg-  
istration forms are available at  
each of our entrances. We'd love  
for you to join our parish family!

### Wednesday, April 5

St. Patrick's  
Weekday Mass  
is canceled



**Msgr. Chris will be  
preaching Tenebrae  
this year at**

**Immaculate Conception  
in Port Clinton,**

414 Madison St,  
Port Clinton, OH 43452



**Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30 pm**

We will meet at 5:30 pm at a local  
restaurant to enjoy good food and  
good friends and then attend Ten-  
ebrae service .

**To make sure we reserve a  
large enough space for every-  
one, please call Sherri at  
419.243.6452, ext. 3.**

### Let's Give a Warm Irish Welcome

to our New Parishioner

**Timothy Monaco**

*Welcome*



### Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy is canceled  
Easter Sunday, April 9.

Have a Happy Easter!

# The Historic Church of St. Patrick's

## Parish/Community Activities!

### The Historic Church of Saint Patrick and Immaculate Conception Holy Week Schedule 2023

#### Tuesday – April 4

11:00 am Chrism Mass at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral

#### Wednesday – April 5

7:30 pm Tenebrae at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral

#### Holy Thursday – April 6

7:00 pm @ Historic St. Patrick - Mass of the Lord's Supper  
7:00 pm @ Immaculate Conception - Mass of the Lord's Supper

#### Good Friday – April 7

##### Historic St. Patrick

12:00 Noon @ Historic St. Patrick - Stations of the Cross  
12:40 pm @ Historic St. Patrick – Rosary  
1:00 pm @ Historic St. Patrick - Meditative Music  
1:30 pm @ Historic St. Patrick - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

##### Immaculate Conception

12:00 pm @ Immaculate Conception – Stations of the Cross  
12:30 pm @ Immaculate Conception – Rosary  
1:00 pm @ Immaculate Conception - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

#### Holy Saturday – April 8

11:30 am @ Historic St. Patrick - Blessing of Easter Food  
8:30 pm @ Immaculate Conception - Easter Vigil

#### Easter Sunday – April 9

8:00 am @ Historic St. Patrick - Easter Mass  
10:00 am @ Historic St. Patrick - Easter Mass  
11:00 am @ Immaculate Conception - Easter Mass

All are welcome! Please join us.

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, March 19-25, 2023**

Steve Harris Fort Johnson VFD, NY  
Bartow County Fire &  
Matthew Smith Emergency Services, GA

### **ROLL CALL OF FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, March 19-25 2023**

Joseph Barlow McAlester PD, OK  
Oklahoma County Sheriff's  
Jeremy McCain Office, OK



## Congratulations on this Special Day April 2, 2023

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

**Layla Bobbi Kay Mitchell**

## Holy Week Sign-up Sheets



We are in need of volunteers for Holy Week.  
Please see sign-up sheets in back of church.

Thank you!



## The Historic Church of Saint Patrick 160th Anniversary Celebration 2023

- **March Calendar Lottery Update**—Check out the poster in the back of church to see the winning numbers and who has won each day! Thank you for supporting this amazing fundraiser for the Preservation Society!
- **August Events**—Sponsors are still needed! Please consider a do nation in part if a full sponsorship is not possible. The power of many!!! See Kris Waslar if you have any questions.
- **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. Please contact the parish office at 419-243-6452, ext. 3 (Sherri).



## Potluck with the Pastor!

**Wednesday, May 3,**  
**at St. Patrick's Rectory**  
after the 5:30 pm Mass  
for food, fun and fellowship.

**Sign-up sheets are located in the back of church.**  
See the bulletin insert for more information.

**All are welcome!**