Dear People of God,

To dig deeper into the gaps we can see in the pews, I will momentarily turn to the gospels. Scholars are always doing their best to explain what's going on in the four canonical gospels; one of the areas they examine closely is Jesus' actual words. We know that the four authors didn't mind editing some of them to fit into the themes they were sharing with the community, but there are a few which were considered so vital to Jesus' message that they were not changed in any sense. There aren't a lot but if the original writers thought them so essential that they dared not edit them, then we ought to take a look at a few in terms of today's Church and how it functions or fails to do so. Here's one of them:

# I came to serve, not to be served.

Mass attendance today reflects the failure of people to heed that essential element of being a Christian: service. Indeed, our contemporary culture has done a lot to erode the proper relationships between people, whether in the Church or in secular situations. Today people come to be served, not to serve. It's called the "entitlement society" and simply means we all tend to expect somebody else to do the work, pay the freight, carry the burden, provide for our wants, give us everything we should be working for and otherwise get a free ride through life. It's nothing new which is why Jesus so boldly said it two thousand years ago. History has a few examples such as the incessant moaning and groaning of the Hebrews for forty years as they trekked to the Promised Land, the expectation of the Roman population for "bread and circuses," and a host of current entitlement programs. The problem with all of this is that it comes crashing down when there are more people entitled than there are people willing to carry the load for everybody else. Entitlement destroys economies, brings down nations and contributes to the decline in active participation in the work of the Church which is service.

Parishes and dioceses exist not to be served but to serve; the people who make up parishes and dioceses must be ready and willing to undertake the essential services which Jesus wanted performed. It's part of the obligation we accepted at baptism (and which we continue to accept when we proclaim the Faith every Sunday). We or our parents responded (and we continue to do so when we renew our baptismal promises, especially at Easter) by saying "We are!" to the question asked by the priest or deacon: "Are you ready to accept these obligations?"

Primary among the obligations of baptism are two named in the Great Commission Jesus gave as he ascended into heaven: teach and baptize (which means all of the necessary behaviors which would lead anyone to want to be baptized). If we fall into an entitlement attitude, then we're content to let somebody else do the teaching, either formally or informally by the way of life a Christian ought to be demonstrating to the world. We're quite happy to do nothing and expect somebody else to undertake all of the necessary work required to invite, catechize, instruct, inform and prepare men and women for baptism. Entitlement in the Church is nothing less than a spiritual ennui which makes us become the lukewarm individuals whom Jesus has said he will vomit up at the final judgment. In the here and now entitlement means fewer people responding to the summons to make their pilgrim way with us toward the Kingdom. That means fewer people in the pews. That means less regular income to undertake maintenance and ministry. That means parishes close and people who feel entitled wonder why.

Until next week, consider how you might respond to the summons to serve.

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**

# Pastoral Council

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

Amy Coronado Elaine Hoffman Jean Boeding Jeanne Kanary Jen Czyzewski Joe Pinciotti John Adler John Kanary

Karen Hallett

Kathy Thompson Kristine Waslar Martha Farrell Marty Lahey Mary Kay Belcher Michelle Zuelke Nancy Rank Pat Hickey Pat Thompson



# CALENDAR April 29, 2023—May 7, 2023



Sat 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris Sun 160th Dedication Sunday 8:00 am St. Patrick's Mass (no music) Msgr. Chris/Jeff Gralak St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Msgr. Chris 9:30 am 10:00 am (also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page) Intention Florence Minor Dr. James Croak Deceased Members of Hugh & Anna Callahan Family Children's Liturgy **During Mass** Children's Liturgy Religious Ed Retreat in Children's Lit Room After Mass 10:30 am Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/ Fr. Rudi/Deacon Dave 11:00 am 9:10 am Immaculate Conception Weekday Mass Tues 5:30 pm Wed St. Patrick's Weekday Mass (Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)
Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick Intention

Sat 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris Food Pantry Sunday St. Patrick's Mass (no music) <u>Sun</u> 8:00 am Msgr. Chris/Jéff Gralak Intention Marilyn Bohnett St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Msgr. Chris/ 9:30 am 10:00 am Deacon Dave (Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page) Intention Dr. James Croak Ronnie, Ric, & Baby Williams **During Mass** 1st Communion May Crowning Rehearsal Blood Pressure Checks After Mass After Mass After Mass Flower Urn Planting (weather permitting) Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass 10:30 am 11:00 am 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

Apr 30 Apr 30 May 1 May 2 May 2 May 2 May 3 May 3 May 4 May 4 May 4 May 4 May 4 May 5 May 6 May 6	Luann Fell Nanette Kochan John Connell Gary Lilje Ruth Bensch Anna Glore Erin Callahan David Smith Karen Hallett Randy Boisselle Amy Corsini Kevin Krueger Janey Koszycki Christina Birie Marian Lowe Kristen Alexander
May 6	Kristen Alexander
May 6	Erik Gross
May 6	Rachel Gorman
May 6	Elise Johnson

Maely Short

May 6



# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY-HSP

Apr 30	Ron & Sarah Liwo	18 yrs
May 1	Brett & Gale Mentzer	41 yrs
May 1	Tim & Debbie Bohland	24 yrs
May 3	Joseph & Sara Mazur	26 yrs
May 5	Brent & Jessica Schultz	18 yrs
May 6	Jason & Lori Burks	28 yrs



# PRAYER IS ANSWERED-HSP

Tony Geha, 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, 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 April 23, 2023

	<u>La</u>	ast Week	Year to Date
Goal Actual Elect. Fund Transfer Over/(Under)	\$ \$ (\$	5,769.23 4,088.74 95.00 1,585.49)	\$ 242,307.66 \$ 266,428.66 \$ 11,845.00 \$ 35,966.00
Preservation Candles Hospitality	\$ \$ \$	15.00 60.00 10.00	\$ 3,424.50
Mother's Day Flowers Easter St. Patrick's Day	\$ \$ \$	40.00 565.00 25.00	\$ 40.00 \$ 4,266.60 \$ 740.00

Thank you!



# **OUTREACH FAMILIES—HSP**

July 1, 2022—June 30, 2023



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

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

Outreach Income: Last Week \$ 2.00

Year to Date \$ 19.343.50

Thank You!



Acolytes:

Gifts:

Greeters:

Hospitality:

Readers:

Ushers:

Communion:

# HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



# **APRIL 30 - MINISTER SCHEDULE**

# Brendan Mohney, Mary Kay Belcher, Moira Mohney Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Jeanne Kanary, Judy Henry, Judy Schneiderbauer, Lisa Kelley, Mary Ellen Williams, Mary Kay Belcher, Maureen Mohney, Melanie Parton Mary Ellen Williams, Mary Kay Belcher, Melanie Parton, Rosalie Parton Ann Figmaka, Jeanne Kanary, Jeff Figmaka, John Kanary Connie Durand, Debbie Sadlier, Paula Nowicki, Robin Lanz Melanie Parton, Philip Vrzal

Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Gary Johnson, John Kanary, Larry Minor, Mary Kay Belcher,

Melanie Parton, Pat Tansey

Melissa Cummins

# **MAY 7 - MINISTER SCHEDULE**

# Scripture Reading #930

Acolytes:	Jeff Kelley, John Breidenbach, Zayne Garcia
Communion:	Carol Shrader, Ellen Melroy, Jim Shrader, Marie Arter, Kris Waslar, Michelle Zuelke, Nancy Rank, Rosalie Mills, Susan Fix, Therese King
Gifts:	Amy Coronado, Chris Carter, Ellen Melroy, Therese King
Greeters:	Char Lauer, Cookie Westmeyer, Pat Tansey
Hospitality:	Ann Figmaka, Debbie Sadlier, Jeff Figmaka, Therese King
Readers:	Luke Mohler, Pam Mohler
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Dave Meegan, Debbie Sadlier, Gary Johnson, Jeff Figmaka, Larry Minor, Tim McHugh
Children's Liturgy:	Nancy Rank



Children's Liturgy:

# **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Opening Hymn: "At the Lamb's High Feast" 424

Kyrie (Missa Simplex) Gloria (Missa Simplex)

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

Offertory Hymn: "Like a Shepherd" 648

Mass Ordinaries: Sanctus (Missa Simplex) Memorial Acclamation A or C (Missa Simplex)

Agnus Dei (Missa Simplex)

Communion Hymn: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" 733

Closing Hymn: "Sing with All the Saints in Glory" 789

# ALTAR FLOWERS

Apr	30	Available
May	7	Available
May	14	Available
Mav	21	Available



# SANCTUARY LAMP

Apr	30	Available
May	7	Available
May	14	Available
May	21	Available



# St. Patrick's Food Pantry

Ne 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!

# OR 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!

# May Crowning

May Crowning will be held on Mother's Day, rowning Sunday, May 14th. All boys/girls ages 5-

10 are welcome to participate in the honor guard. Please meet in front of the Blessed Virgin's altar for a short practice after Mass on Sunday, May 7.

# Annual Blue Mass

Our Annual Blue Mass honoring Law Enforcement Officers

# Sunday, May 21, 2023

Historic Church of Saint Patrick at 10:00 am.



Please join us after Mass for a reception in back of church.

All are Welcome!

# HSP Gift Shop Open on First Sundays

Need the perfect gift for that special someone? The HSP gift shop is open the first Sunday of every month! Check out our new items. Mother's Day is coming!

# Vocations

# World Day of Prayer for **Vocations**

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you think God is calling you to serve the Church as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (419) 244-6711 or email: psmith@toledodiocese.org.

# "Canceled"

# Potluck with the Pastor!

Wednesday, May 3

Msgr. Chris will not be available



# 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.

# Happy Birthday!

Fr. Rudi Schwarzkopf, OSFS Thursday, May 4





# Planting of the Flower Urns here at HSP!

Are you interested in sponsoring one of the flower urns in front of church? This means that you would be able to create and pot your own flowers. HSP will provide the pots and soil. If you are interested please sign-up in the back of church today.

This year we would like to invite those of you who sign up to come on Sunday, May 7th after Mass to do the planting together in one day. This date is weather permitting (if it is still to cold or raining).



# Reminder! Sunday, May 7

Food Pantry Sunday

Flower Urn Planting (after Mass/weather permitting)

> May Crowning Rehearsal (after Mass)

**Blood Pressure Checks** (after Mass)

# The Historic Church of St. Patrick's Parish/Community Activities!



# Holy Smokes With Msgr. Vasko

# Thursday, May 18, 6:00 pm

The Historic Church of Saint Patrick Rectory

Cigars on the deck
Heavy appetizers included!

More information to come!

# Bulletin Prayer Request List



We are trying to clean up the Prayer request list.

Some names have been on there for a very long time and we are not sure if they still need to be. If you would please take a look at it and email or call the parish office with any deletions.

Thank you for your help (sherri@stpatshistoric.org or 419-243-6452, ext. 3)



The Historic Church of Saint Patrick

# 160th Anniversary Celebration 2023

- Today, Sunday, April 30, we will celebrate our 160th with Dedication Sunday. Both the original church and our current church were dedicated in the Easter season! What a perfect way to celebrate this by dedicating ourselves to service in our various ministries. Tables will be set up in the back of church. Check out the bulletin insert today to see what ministries you might be of service!
- 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).

# Save The Date

World War II Stolen Art Tour at St. Patrick's Historic Church AND



The Toledo Museum of Art

<u>WHEN</u> Sunday, May 21 after 10 a.m. Mass <u>WHAT:</u> HSP Parishioner and TMA Docent, Al Geha will present a PowerPoint at HSP focusing on the stolen and looted artwork by the Nazis during WWII.

A light lunch will be served during the presentation.

We will conclude with a trip to TMA to view associated artwork.

COST: \$10.00 per person.

\*\*\*\*\*\*Reservations are required. Limited to the first 25 people.

<u>CONTACT:</u> Martha at <u>martha.farrell15@gmail.com</u> or call Sherri at 419-243-6452, ext. 3 for reservations.



# Parish Registration

Have you been wanting to become a member of our HSP family?

Registration forms are available at each of our entrances. We'd love for you to join our parish family!

# Central Catholic High School to Present its 94th Spring Musical

The Central Catholic High School music department announces its 94th spring musical production, *Cinderella*. The show will take place May 5-7 at the Valentine Theatre. Showtimes are Friday, May 5 and Saturday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, May 7 at 3:00 p.m.

Tickets are on sale through the Valentine box office. Please call 419-242-2787, visit the box office at 410 Adams Street in downtown Toledo, or order online at valentinetheatre.com/events.