

The Historic Church of Saint Patrick

Paróiste Ceann Scribe Toledo
Irish Destination Parish in Toledo



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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday 4:00 pm @ IC
Sunday 8:00 am @ HSP
Sunday 10:00 am @ HSP (Live Streamed)
Sunday 11:00 am @ IC
Tuesday 9:00 am @ IC
Wednesday 5:30 pm @ HSP (Live Streamed)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

A MEMBER OF SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA DEANERY

PARISH STAFF FOR HSP

Business Manager Trish Shaffer
Administrative Assistant/Wedding Coordinator:
..... Sherri Gaudet
Parish Musician: Eric Hite
Choir Director: Jeff Weiser
Maintenance: Rusty Belcher
..... John Williams
Custodian: Charlene Leestma
DeSales Outreach Center: Sherri Gaudet
Sacristan: Rosalie Mills
Usher Captains: Bob Wuest
..... Dave Meegan

Dear People of God,

Over the period of his papacy, Francis has now and again addressed the mystery (and almost unknown practice here in the American Church) of Sacred Silence. I've addressed it myself several times from the pulpit but refer to it as a more practical sense of listening rather than speaking. Humans are rather poor at listening and when it comes to worship and prayer, that deficit seems all the more pronounced. Part of this is the way we've been taught to think and react. As soon as we hear a subject, an object, and a verb, our minds quickly make a logical sequence which all too often doesn't include the adjectives, adverbs and dependent clauses to say nothing of the split infinitives and dangling participles we tend to thrust into our spoken thoughts. The limited bits and pieces we hear spark an immediate response in the mind, one that doesn't necessarily have anything to do with what the speaker intended.

Knowing this dynamic, Francis has addressed the opportunity to hear God's words by recommending periods of sacred silence during the liturgy, especially following the lections for the day with these scriptural readings preceding the reception of the Eucharist. To some extent we do include periods of sacred silence; from the point of view available on the altar, it's easy to see how uncomfortable people are with those moments of quiet.

For example, after the Presider proclaims "Let us Pray," the server is supposed to come over slowly enough that the people in the pew can actually think about what they should be praying for. We often do have an extended period of silence after Communion while the Ministers are taking care of the sacred vessels: it's an opportunity to hear Jesus within us, but these are often lost because liturgists and people believe everything should be either vocalized praying or singing. We lose the equally serious necessity of listening which is best offered by silence, the quiet of interior prayer and openness to God's presence.

We might give thought to how we can find silence in our lives away from Church where we can barely move without being accosted by some music, TV, video games, the cellphone ("No," texting isn't silence) and a host of other intrusive elements we encounter all through the day. The opportunity to hear God was considered of great value to the ancients; perhaps if we tried it on for size, we'd discover it's equally valuable to our current world.

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 and leave a message with your phone number and your call will be returned 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	Kristine Waslar
Elaine Hoffman	Martha Farrell
Jean Boeding	Marty Lahey
Jen Czynewski	Mary Kay Belcher
Joe Pinciotti	Michelle Zuelke
John Adler	Nancy Rank
Karen Hallett	Pat Hickey
Kathy Thompson	Pat Thompson

CALENDAR

December 16, 2023—December 24, 2023



<u>Sat</u>	4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris
<u>Sun</u>	8:00 am	St. Patrick's Mass (no music) Msgr. Chris/Jeff Gralak
	<i>Intention</i>	<i>Parishioners of St. Patrick</i>
	9:30 am	St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
	10:00 am	St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/ Msgr. Chris/Deacon Tom
	<i>Intention</i>	<i>(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i> <i>Dorothy Mazzei McBride</i> <i>Marty Williams</i> <i>Pam Kreft (Cheney) & Family</i> <i>Mary Ann McNulty-Buckley</i>
	During Mass	Children's Liturgy
	During Mass	Anointing
	During Mass	Baptism/Owen Zmudzinski/Msgr. Chris
	After Mass	Christmas Gift Collection for Clergy
	After Mass	Christmas Bake Sale
	1:00 pm	Youth Orchestra Christmas Concert
	10:30 am	Immaculate Conception Confessions
	11:00 am	Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/ Fr. Rudi/Deacon Dave
<u>Tues</u>	9:10 am	Immaculate Conception Weekday Mass/ Msgr. Chris/Deacon Tom

<u>Wed</u>	4:00—5:00 pm	St. Patrick's Adoration
	5:30 pm	St. Patrick's Weekday Mass <i>(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i>
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	6:00 pm	St. Patrick's Children's Christmas Mass/ Fr. Rudi
	11:30 pm/12:00 am	St. Patrick's Christmas Carols/ Midnight Mass/Msgr. Chris/Deacon Tom <i>Streamed on Parish Facebook Page</i>
	10:30 am	<u>Christmas Eve @ Immaculate Conception</u> Immaculate Conception Confessions
	11:00 am	Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/ Msgr. Chris/Deacon Dave
	4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Children's Christmas Mass/Msgr. Chris
	12:00 am	Immaculate Conception Midnight 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

- Dec 17 Rebecca Doblinger
- Dec 17 Leah Wumer
- Dec 17 Lily Pollock
- Dec 18 Robert Brywczyński
- Dec 18 Reagan Longoria
- Dec 20 Philip Vrzal
- Dec 20 Robin McLoughlin
- Dec 20 Mark Gracely
- Dec 20 Amanda Zuelke
- Dec 20 Elizabeth Boisselle
- Dec 21 Donald Andrysek Sr.
- Dec 21 Connie Durand
- Dec 21 Nancy McGee
- Dec 21 Dyana Yardley-Davis
- Dec 21 Eileen Dowling
- Dec 21 Jeffrey Gralak
- Dec 23 Deborah Bugaj



PRAYER IS ANSWERED—HSP



Charles Rainey, Sam Cole, Shanna Crumby, Dona Crumby, Sonny Moore, Perry Moore, Jeff Knight, Dwight Knight, Mike Chiles, Nancy Miller-Semetko, Chuck Williams, Joseph Weiser, Don Brighton, Tammy Allen, Jimmie Bias, 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, Colleen McGuire, Raymond Rolak, Sherry Wilcox, Noah Ashner, Susan Cairl, Patty Cunningham, Sue Smith, Sara & Family, John, Nicholas Clover, Melissa Meyers, 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, Carol Isabell, Megan Batanian, Matt Rohrs, James Smith, Susan Ludlum, Evie Day, Julie, Frank Ankney, Joann Degnan, Sarah Rodgers, Bob Zoski, 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

December 10, 2023

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Goal	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 143,750.00
Actual	\$ 4,475.85	\$ 111,606.05
Elect. Fund Transfer	\$ 420.00	\$ 6,380.00
Over/(Under)	(\$ 1,354.15)	(\$ 25,763.95)
Preservation	\$ 1.00	\$ 1,124.00
Candles	\$ 61.00	
Hospitality	\$ 10.00	
Christmas	\$ 300.00	\$ 600.00
Retired Religious Collection	\$ 76.00	\$ 76.00
Immaculate Conception/Holy Day	\$ 160.00	\$ 185.00

Thank You!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—HSP

- Dec 17 Pat & Sandy Harrigan 47 yrs
- Dec 18 Marty & Jackie Ball 31 yrs
- Dec 18 Bryan & Becky Schmakel 19 yrs
- Dec 20 Nick & Natalie Morgan 9 yrs
- Dec 22 Donald & Kathleen Hedrick 43 yrs
- Dec 22 Matthew & Kristin Koester 23 yrs
- Dec 23 Matthew & Tricia Cassidy 51 yrs



ST. PATRICK'S OUTREACH

July 1, 2023—June 30, 2024



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

Soup Kitchen—Continuing to serve meals to the community every Sunday!

<u>Outreach Income:</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,086.00

Thank You!



HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



DECEMBER 17 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

Scripture Reading #885

Acolytes:	Pat Hickey, Logan Hickey, Gary Johnson
Communion:	Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Jeanne Kanary, Judy Schneiderbauer, Kris Waslar, Lisa Kelley, Mary Ellen Williams, Mary Kay Belcher, Maureen Mohney, Melanie Parton
Gifts:	Carolyn Harrington, Ken Harrington
Greeters:	Cookie Westmeyer, Lisa Kelley, Michelle Zuelke, 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:	Jen Czyzewski

DECEMBER 24 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

Scripture Reading #888

Acolytes:	Jeff Kelley, John Breidenbach, Zayne Garcia
Communion:	Carol Shrader, Ellen Melroy, Jim Shrader, Kris Waslar, Marie Arter, Michelle Zuelke, Nancy Rank, Rosalie Mills, Susan Fix, Therese King
Gifts:	Char Lauer, Nancy Ankenbrandt
Greeters:	Carol Shrader, Jeanne Kanary, Jim Shrader, John Kanary
Hospitality:	Connie Durand, Debbie Sadlier, Paula Nowicki, Robin Lanz
Readers:	Michelle Zuelke, Paula Nowicki
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Gary Johnson, John Kanary, Larry Minor, Mary Kay Belcher, Melanie Parton, Pat Tansey
Children's Liturgy:	No Children's Liturgy



To Be Announced



ALTAR FLOWERS

Dec	17	Available
Dec	24	Mary Gertrude Bruning
Dec	31	Available
Jan	7	Available



SANCTUARY LAMP

Dec	17	Brian & Marcy McMahon
Dec	24	Maurice & Mary Ann Buckley
Dec	31	Brian & Marcy McMahon
Jan	7	Irving Family



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 at parish office. 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

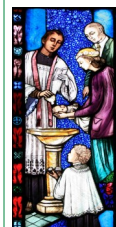
Happenings at the Parish!

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!



Congratulations on this Special Day December 17, 2023



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

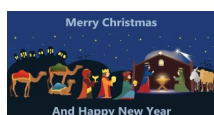
Owen Zmudzinski

Holiday Schedule For the Parish Offices “Closed”

Friday, December 22
thru
Wednesday, January 3

We will see you Thursday,
January 4!

**Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!**



Masses Canceled

Immaculate Conception
Tuesday, December 26th
and January 2
@ 9:00 am

St. Patrick's
Wednesday, December 27th and
January 3 @ 5:30 pm



Advent Worship Aids

We are asking that you please do not take home the Advent Worship Aids. We will need them through Advent. Thank you!

Adoration During Advent

Advent is a great time to rekindle your relationship with Jesus. Join us on the following afternoon from 4-5 pm for Adoration.

Wednesday
December 20



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.

Christmas Collection for our Clergy



In appreciation for all our clergy members do for us, we will be taking up a collection for them on **December 17** after Mass.

Thank you for your generosity.



Christmas Masses

“Sign up sheets”

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

Dec. 24, 6:00 pm Children's Mass
Dec. 24, 11:30 pm Christmas Carols followed by 12:00 midnight Mass
Dec. 25, 9:00 am Christmas Mass

GREATER TOLEDO INTERNATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA TOLEDO
GTIO
Department of Music

Christmas 2023 Concert

YANG KUN SONG MUSIC DIRECTOR & CONDUCTOR
DAVID OLIVER ASSISTANT CONDUCTOR

There is no admission fee, but the GTIO Student Council is accepting donations of new toys for "Toys for Tots".

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023 • 1:00 PM
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130 AVONDALE AVE • TOLEDO, OHIO

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Parish/Community Activities!

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.



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 3-9, 2023

Jeffery Skaggs	Concord Green Township FD, Ohio
Ralph Stegbauer	Concord Green Township FD, Ohio
Richard Miller	Henderson County FD, TN

ROLL CALL OF FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, December 3-9, 2023

Paul Tracey	Waltham PD, MA
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Deacon Tom's Annual Christmas Cookie Bake Sale After Mass Today!

Don't forget to pickup up some delicious baked goods and a cup of coffee/juice after Mass today.



You are welcome to stay and enjoy the Youth Orchestra Christmas Concert at 1:00 pm (no charge).

Third Sunday of Advent



The miracles that Jesus performs are not just favors for individuals. They are signs of the presence of the Kingdom of God that he proclaims in his words and teachings. They are invitations to believe in him, to follow him by making more of a commitment to the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist in our Advent journey. Your live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.
Come Lord Jesus!

HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

December 24 December 24	Sunday Mass @ St. Patrick's Sunday Mass @ Immaculate	8:00 am & 10:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass
December 24 December 24 December 24 December 24	Christmas Eve @ Immaculate Christmas Eve @ St. Patrick's Christmas Eve @ St. Patrick's Christmas Eve @ Immaculate	4:00 pm Children's Mass 6:00 pm Children's Mass 11:30 pm Carols/Midnight Mass 12:00 am Midnight Mass
December 25 December 25	Christmas Day @ St. Patrick's Christmas Day @ Immaculate	9:00 am Mass 9:00 am Mass
January 1 January 1	New Year's Day @ St. Patrick's New Year's Day @ Immaculate	9:00 am Mass 9:00 am Mass