



**All Saints' Day
November 1, 2015**

Saturday, October 31st

- 9:00 Maria Persico req.by Family
- 5:30 John Kosakowski Jr. & John Kosakowski Sr. req. by Kosakowski Family

Sunday, November 1st

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Julio Omaña req. by Peggy & Bob Corrao
- 10:30 Elizabeth Torzilli req. by Family
- Noon Frank Garibaldi req. by The Garibaldi & Decina Families
- 5:30 Leonard & Antoinette Bush req. by Family

Monday, November 2nd

- 7:00 For those condemned to die req. by Respect Life
- 9:00 All Souls' Novena

Tuesday, November 3rd

- 7:00 All Souls' Novena
- 9:00 James Flynn req. by The Flynn Family

Wednesday, November 4th

- 7:00 All Souls' Novena
- 9:00 Richard Hughes (I) req. by DeDe & Jack Burke

Thursday, November 5th

- 7:00 All Souls' Novena
- 9:00 Grace Cox req. by The Tinsley Family

Friday, November 6th

- 7:00 All Souls' Novena
- 9:00 Anthony Feda req. by Family

Saturday, November 7th

- 9:00 All Souls' Novena
- 5:30 Members of the Esposito Family req. by Family

Sunday, November 8th

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 William Carey req. by The Carey Family
- 10:30 All Souls' Novena
- Noon Vincent J. & Vincent D. Luccarelli req. by Family
- 5:30 Avielle Richman (Newtown) req. by The Smith Family

Recent Collections

Sunday, October 25th – \$9,537
Sacred Heart – \$3,096



Weekend Flower Donation

Weekend of 10/31/2015

*Flowers Donated by The Bush Family
In Loving Memory of Ramon & Gilda Hernandez*



Pray for the Sick

Christopher Barratt, William Harry Barratt, Virginia Barrett, Al Boucher, Thomas Browne, Bill Buckingham, Connor Curran, Betty D'Alton, Laura Deleg, Maggie Dellorso, Michael Dellorso, Frankie Dezell, Martha Dursi, Jennifer Gardner, Marvin Goldsmith, Jeffrey Greason, Leslie Hammerschmidt, Margaret Harrington, Katie Heaphy, Alex Hood, Richard Hughes, Christine Iannino, Felice Joaquim, Larry Kaslow, Frank Kearns, Patricia Levine, Stephen Michael Mack, Diane Malichio, Robert Mangone, Betty Martineau, Kate Martinez, Kevin Meher, Mary Miranda, Gary Montanus, Danny Mulholland, John O'Shea, Monica Progreske, Darlene Richards, Ann Ritch, Robert Schimpf, Robert Sewall, Robby Smith, William Vitro, Raymond Webster, Sylvia Webster, Betsy Weiner and all who request our prayers.

It is a privilege and a duty for us to pray for those commended to our prayers. From time to time we start a new list to make sure that it is up-to-date. If we have removed someone who should remain on the list, please call the Parish Office at 234-3344.

Partner-in-Faith Prayer

Heavenly Father, we ask your blessings and protection on the people of Sacred Heart Parish. We, your children at St. Patrick's, invoke your name on their behalf. We are grateful for all you have given us and in return we are mindful of those who have less than we do. Bless us all and keep us close to you. May the example of your Son, Jesus Christ, be the strength that will make us one in you. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The following weekends are available for flower donations in loving memory of someone or for a special intention. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements (234-3344).

November 21/22 November 28/29
December 05/06 December 12/13



COFFEE SUNDAY

Today is Coffee Sunday. There will be refreshments after the 9am, 10:30am and 12 noon Masses in the Church Meeting Room.

From the Pastor's Desk

When the Saints Come Marching In!

My Uncle Jimmy was a real character who also happened to be my godfather. I was very fond of him. Nothing was half-way with Uncle Jimmy. His booming Scottish voice was always filling the air with wit and wisdom. I would drink it in. As a kid, I thought he was one of the smartest people in the world. Where that left my dad, his brother, I'm not sure. I do remember that Jimmy's kids, my cousins, thought that their Uncle John, my father, was brilliant. What that says about cousins and fathers, I'm not sure about that, either.

Anyway, before Uncle Jimmy would utter some religious or moral pronouncement, which he did often, he would begin by saying, "Well, they won't name any churches after me when I'm gone, but...(pronouncement followed). In other words, he was saying, "I'm no saint, but..."

This is a common feeling: that saints are first, other people; second, people who lived a long time ago; and third, people surrounded by extraordinary and somewhat strange circumstances. They are the people in the stained-glass windows, very far removed from our everyday lives.

But is this accurate? The New Testament seems to say that all people who believe in Jesus are saints because they have been given the grace of God. They are called to become even greater saints and to grow in that grace. They are good people, called to be great people.

This is clearly the teaching of the Church. We are all saints who are called to become even greater saints. We are saints because we have God's life in us; and as we give God more and more permission in our lives, our sanctity grows.

We are also members of a Community – the Communion of Saints. This week we celebrate that mystery of our faith: The Communion of Saints. Today is All Saints Day and tomorrow is All Souls Day. This doctrine of the Christian Faith states that the Communion of Saints is comprised of three groups:

- the Church Triumphant in heaven (All Saints)
- the Church being cleansed in Purgatory (All Souls)
- the Church on pilgrimage (all living baptized people)

So, the word saint doesn't so much emphasize the efforts of a person to achieve sanctity as much as it points to the gift of God's grace in the life of such a person. That's why we are all saints and can rightly be called by that name. In fact, that is our very purpose in life: to be saints. The biggest tragedy in life is not to be a saint.

They may never name a Church after you, but that's not because you are not a saint.

Words of Pope Francis

"What a beautiful truth of faith this is for our lives: the mercy of God! God's love for us is so great, so deep; it is an unending love, one that always takes us by the hand and supports us, lifts us up, and leads us on.

In the Gospel of John (20:19-28), the apostle Thomas personally experiences this mercy of God, which

has a concrete face: the face of Jesus, the risen Jesus. Thomas does not believe it when the other apostles tell him, 'We have seen the Lord.' It isn't enough for him that Jesus had foretold it, promised it: 'On the third day I will rise.' He wants to see, he wants to put his hand in the place of the nails and in Jesus' side. And how does Jesus react? *With patience*: Jesus does not abandon Thomas in his stubborn unbelief; he gives him a week's time. He does not close the door; he waits. And Thomas acknowledges his own poverty, his little faith: 'My Lord and my God!' With this simple yet fight-filled invocation, he responds to Jesus' patience. He lets himself be enveloped by divine mercy; he sees it before his eyes, in the wounds of Christ's hands and feet and in his open side, and he discovers trust. He is a new man, no longer an unbeliever, but a believer."

The Santa Project

For well over a decade, the people of St. Patrick's Church have "adopted" a poor family from the Mott Haven Section of the Bronx and played Santa at Christmas. It is a wonderful opportunity for our families to share Christmas joy with those who are less fortunate. If you are interested in participating, an early response would be greatly appreciated. The staff at the Dominican Sisters Family Health Service (a community-based agency at 279 Alexander Avenue in the Bronx), has requested the following:

- One family gift, a set of towels (bath towel, hand towel, wash cloth)
- One article of clothing for each child (size will be indicated on the Santa Letter)
- A toy or game requested by the child (indicated on the Santa Letter)

If you would like to participate, a letter of instruction with the "wish list" for each child will be mailed to you. Please call Chris Zagajski at 845-582-0657 or email at chriszagajski@comcast.net. If not in, please leave your name, full mailing address, size of the family you would like to adopt (the number of children 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5). All gifts should be brought to St. Patrick's School gym between **9am and 4pm on Thursday, December 3rd**. Please do not drop off gifts any sooner as there is no one who can accept them before that date.

St. Patrick's Dearly Departed 2014-2015

Donald G. Aldridge	James L. Flynn
Ada E. Bagley	George Genovesi
Bill Banks	Robert Gjerlow
Roland Begin	MaryBeth Harrington
Berthold Allan Brosmith	Victoria T. Kosakowski
Vincent J. Buchan	Kate Merker
Marie Callesano	Patricia Nigey
Evelyn Chamberlain	Rita O'Leary
Richard Crabtree	Sabina Philip
Robert Curran	Elizabeth Ruvituso
Matilda M. Davis	Dr. Joseph Saladino
Richard Davis	Santiago Vazquez
Camillo DeDomenico	Paul C. Ziminsky
Elsie Distler	

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

ON-GOING SERIES

ADULT EDUCATION

Meeting Monday evening, 7:30 pm in the Church Meeting Room with Msgr. Thompson to examine "SACRED FIRE."

RCIA

Meeting Thursday evening, November 5th and 19th, from 6 to 7 pm in the Cenacle.

ALTAR SERVERS

Meeting October 28th and November 4th from 6 to 7pm in the Church.

Join us for a 4 session reflection on the mass.

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Session 2: Our Father's Plan

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

(Sessions 3 & 4 in the Spring)

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm Church Meeting Room

- Explore the meaning
- Explore why it is important to encourage our children to go to mass
- Explore how to "get more" out of the Liturgy of the mass for yourself and your family

No need to register, just stop by and join us!

High School Youth Group

The High School Youth Group will meet next Sunday, November 8th, from 6:30 to 8 pm in the Church Meeting Room.

New Men's Ministry Series

The Men's Ministry invites the men of St. Patrick's to our 3rd season launch of an original series called "The Church and Me: What Vatican II says about my role in God's plan." We meet every Saturday at 7:30am for coffee and bagels in the St. Patrick's Church Meeting Room. We hope you can join us.



COMMUNITY CENTER HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

The Center provides extra assistance throughout the Holiday period of November and December. There is a list of suggested items you can donate posted on the Church bulletin board. Thank you for sharing with your neighbors in this holiday season.

Spiritual Adoption—Month 1

Our spiritually adopted babies have been quite active over the past month and are already 10,000 times bigger than at conception. They are about ½" long, weigh less than one oz. and by Day 10 have developed the foundations of their brains, spinal cords and nervous systems. Simple kidneys, liver and digestive tract are taking shape. Their hearts began to beat on Day 21 and are pumping blood—which can be a different type than the mother's—through their own circulatory systems.

Needed: Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

At the present time, the parish is in need of volunteers to assist in the liturgical ministries as Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. Training will be provided. If you are interested, just call the Parish Office at 914-234-3344.

55+ CLUB

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE, CAKE AND FRIENDSHIP ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH AT 1PM IN THE CHURCH MEETING ROOM. NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.



2016 Carnival Meeting

You are invited to our Fall Carnival Organizational Meeting which will be held on Thursday, November 5th at 7:30pm in the Cenacle. We welcome new participants and encourage you to bring your ideas and suggestions to our meeting.

