

# 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 @ Immaculate Conception  
Sunday 8:00 am @ Historic St. Patrick  
Sunday 10:00 am @ Historic St. Patrick (Live Streamed)  
Sunday 11:00 am @ Immaculate Conception  
Tuesday 9:00 am @ Immaculate Conception  
Wednesday 5:30 pm @ Historic St. Patrick (Live Streamed)

***ALL ARE WELCOME!***

***A MEMBER OF SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA DEANERY***

## ***PARISH STAFF FOR ST. PATRICK***

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

Dear People of God,

Last week I mentioned the decline in the number of priests, and I want to be clear that the decline is largely restricted to the so-called "First World," the wealthy nations like the US, Europe, and parts of South America. In much of the world where the issues facing the "First World" are less prevalent right now, seminaries are full and ordinations remain high. Let's take a very superficial look at why that might be the case before we go on to look at how the Synod on Synodality may address the problem in terms of activating more involvement by the non-ordained.

The first world has, as Bishop Hoffman warned the four of us being ordained in 1983, "arrived" and does not need God. I don't think any of us reading this letter doubt that. Other 'gods' have become far more attractive in our highly materialistic, technologically-oriented culture. Movie stars, performers, and sports icons have replaced the saints; power, prestige, profit and prominence have become the pilgrim goals of many; addictions to mind-altering drugs or technologies have replaced the worship of God.

Not that long ago most Catholics could easily pull a rosary out of a pocket or purse and meditate on God's intervention in human life. Today the rosary has been replaced by the cellphone and social media. On my return from Ireland, I had a long layover in Washington and watched an entire waiting room sit in near silence staring at the glowing face of a technological god. There was no social interaction at all. Children weren't talking to parents who weren't talking to one another.

When we factor in that families today, for a lot of reasons, are much smaller, there is no longer a pool of young men available for the Spirit to call!

Not that long ago parents watched for the movement of the Spirit and actually fostered vocations. That is no longer the case. I have often heard a parent admit that "I think Johnnie has a real call to priesthood, but, Father, I want grandchildren so I'm discouraging that vocation."

It's also much more difficult for a young person (or an older one) to be accepted for seminary today. Over the past few decades, faith formation has seen a serious decline so that many young people, despite twelve years of religious classes, have very little real sense of faith and its spiritual dimension. Pope Francis has lamented this in several of the documents he's issued and suggests this leads to a person altogether failing to hear and respond to the Holy Spirit. On the other side of that coin are the numerous psychological issues impinging on young people. Where depression and suicidal ideation are increasingly common, finding the stable population of young people for formation is increasingly difficult.

Many bishops have attempted to slow the decline in numbers of priests by inviting foreign priests to minister in their dioceses. Unfortunately, many Americans, having forgotten their own immigrant ancestry, are unwelcoming of these able men, citing accents, even skin color as reason enough to go somewhere else. That inhospitable attitude is the external expression of the failure of the Church to adequately empower the laity to their role in a truly universal Church which embraces all. Such behavior should be an embarrassment to all of good faith.

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**

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

**Pastoral Council**

Amy Coronado  
Jean Boeding  
Jen Czyzewski  
Kathy Thompson  
Kristine Waslar  
Martha Farrell  
Marty Lahey  
Mary Kay Belcher  
Michelle Zuelke  
Nancy Rank  
Pat Hickey  
Pat Thompson

**CALENDAR**

**September 28, 2024—October 6, 2024**



<b>Sat</b>	3:00 pm	St. Patrick's Wedding/ Mahoney & Joseph/Fr. Jeremy Miller
	4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris
<b>Sun</b>	8:00 am	St. Patrick's Mass (no music) Msgr. Chris
	<i>Intention</i>	<i>Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick</i>
	9:30 am	St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
	10:00 am	St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Fr. Rudi <i>(also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i>
	<i>Intention</i>	<i>Karen Bates</i>
		<i>Tisa Pacella</i>
	2:00 pm	Blessing of the Pets
	10:30 am	Immaculate Conception Confessions
	11:00 am	Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/ Msgr. Chris/Deacon Paul
<b>Tues</b>	9:10 am	Immaculate Conception Weekday Mass/ Msgr. Chris
<b>Wed</b>	5:30 pm	St. Patrick's Weekday Mass/Msgr. Chris <i>(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i>
	<i>Intention</i>	<i>Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick</i>

<b>Thur</b>	7:00 pm—9:00 pm	OCIA @ Immaculate Conception
<b>Fri</b>	5:00 pm	St. Patrick's Wedding Rehearsal/ Casey & Sakowski/Msgr. Singler
<b>Sat</b>	3:00 pm	St. Patrick's Wedding/ Casey & Sakowski/Msgr. Singler
	4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris
<b>Sun</b>		<b>Food Pantry Sunday</b>
	8:00 am	St. Patrick's Mass (no music)/Msgr. Chris
	<i>Intention</i>	<i>Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick</i>
	9:30 am	St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
	10:00 am	St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Msgr. Chris/ Deacon Paul
	<i>Intention</i>	<i>John Periat</i>
	After Mass	Blood Pressure Checks by Statue of Pieta
	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](mailto:sherri@stpatshistoric.org). Thank you!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_





WELCOME TO  
HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY—HSP**

- Sept 29 Rosalie Mills
- Sept 29 Angelo Citiro
- Sept 29 Madeline Desmond
- Sept 30 Lindsey Brown
- Sept 30 Lindsey Short
- Sept 30 Erica Russell
- Sept 30 Tyler Welsh
- Oct 2 Eric Stockard
- Oct 2 Pat Harrigan
- Oct 3 James Hofmann
- Oct 3 Leslie Runyan
- Oct 3 Tim Romano
- Oct 3 Sarah Kennedy
- Oct 3 Theresa Koszycki
- Oct 4 Katie Young
- Oct 4 Nicholas Sciarini
- Oct 5 Robert Long
- Oct 5 Jacqueline Hogan
- Oct 5 Vikki Cox
- Oct 5 Lydia Cousino
- Oct 5 Cindy Holmes
- Oct 5 Christopher Motz



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—HSP**

- Sept 29 Ken & Evie Day 51 yrs
- Sept 29 Mike & Debra Welsh 46 yrs
- Oct 2 Thomas & Judith Dunn 59 yrs
- Oct 2 Lance & LaDonna Harris 54 yrs
- Oct 2 Eric & Anne Stockard 25 yrs
- Oct 3 Dennis & Ruth Bensch 54 yrs
- Oct 3 David & Mary Nichols 54 yrs
- Oct 3 Thomas & Susan Gross 43 yrs
- Oct 4 William & Eric Momenee 39 yrs
- Oct 4 Philip & Beth Kaufman 38 yrs



**PRAYER IS ANSWERED—HSP**



Mary Ann Kline, Deacon Tom Carone, Ashley Miller, Jeff Gralak, Ken Kropp, Mike Kosinski, John Mohr, Charles Rainey, Sam Cole, Shanna Crumby, Dona Crumby, Sonny Moore, Perry Moore, Jeff Knight, Dwight Knight, Mike Chiles, 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, 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**

**September 22, 2024**



	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Goal	\$ 4,808.00	\$ 57,696.00
Actual	\$ 5,547.00	\$ 60,632.83
Elect. Fund Transfer	\$ 95.00	\$ 3,315.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 834.00	\$ 6,251.83
Candles	\$ 100.00	\$ 855.73
Altar Flowers	\$ 5.00	\$ 99.00
Hospitality	\$ 15.00	\$ 195.75
Memorials	\$ 10.00	\$ 465.00
Preservation	\$ 5.00	\$ 7,702.00
County Flag Fundraiser	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00

Thank You!



**ST. PATRICK'S OUTREACH**

July 1, 2024—June 30, 2025

**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!

<b><u>Outreach Income:</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>	<b><u>Year to Date</u></b>
	\$ 185.00	\$ 3,826.27

Thank You!





# HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## SEPTEMBER 29 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

### Scripture Reading #1024

<b>Acolytes:</b>	Chris Bates, Kieran Mohney, Mary Kay Belcher
<b>Communion:</b>	Carol Shrader, Chris Bates, Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Ellen Melroy, Jim Shrader, Marie Arter, Maureen Mohney, Pat Hickey, Renea Hickey
<b>Gifts:</b>	Jeff Kelley, Lisa Kelley
<b>Greeters:</b>	Ann Figmaka, Char Lauer, Jeff Figmaka, Lisa Kelley
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Connie Durand, Debbie Sadlier, Paula Nowicki, Robin Lanz
<b>Readers:</b>	Terry McLoughlin, 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>	Paula Nowicki

## OCTOBER 6 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

### Scripture Reading #1027

<b>Acolytes:</b>	Pat Hickey, Logan Hickey, Gary Johnson
<b>Communion:</b>	Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Jeanne Canary, Judy Schneiderbauer, Kris Waslar, Lisa Kelley, Mary Kay Belcher, Maureen Mohney, Melanie Parton, Nancy Rank
<b>Gifts:</b>	Collette Erard, Mary Kay Belcher
<b>Greeters:</b>	Cookie Westmeyer, Lisa Kelley, Michelle Zuelke, Pat Tansey
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Ann Figmaka, Debbie Sadlier, Jeff Figmaka, Therese King
<b>Readers:</b>	Elise Erard, Susan Fix
<b>Ushers:</b>	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Dave Meegan, Debbie Sadlier, Gary Johnson, Jeff Figmaka, Larry Minor, Pat Tansey
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	Nancy Rank

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Sept	29	Available
Oct	6	Available
Oct	13	Available
Oct	20	Available



### SANCTUARY LAMP

Sept	29	Blessed Virgin Mary & All Women
Oct	6	Blessed Virgin Mary & All Women
Oct	13	Available
Oct	20	Available



### St. Patrick's Food Pantry

We could use:

**JUICE, TOOTHPASTE, SHAMPOO, TOILET PAPER, BAR SOAP, TOOTHBRUSHES, AND CANNED FRUIT**

Other needs are tuna, canned meat, peanut butter, chicken noodle soup, 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!

### 10th Anniversary of the Installation of Bishop Daniel E. Thomas in the Diocese of Toledo

The faithful of the Diocese of Toledo are invited to join in prayer and celebration in the following ways:

**Spiritual Bouquet** In celebration of Bishop Daniel E. Thomas' 10-year anniversary as Bishop of the Diocese of Toledo, we are building a "spiritual bouquet" to present to him. You are invited to offer prayers, Holy Hours, Masses, Fasting, or Acts of Charity in thanksgiving for Bishop Thomas' ten years of service in the Diocese of Toledo. Visit [toledodiocese.org/10years](http://toledodiocese.org/10years) to send in your offerings for the spiritual bouquet. They will be presented to Bishop Thomas on October 22, 2024. *Please note: This will be a surprise for Bishop Thomas! Please do not mention it to him.*

**Novena** Bishop Daniel E. Thomas' anniversary is the feast of St. John Paul II. Pray the St. John Paul II novena in preparation, beginning on October 13. Visit [toledodiocese.org/anniversary](http://toledodiocese.org/anniversary) for details.

**Events** All are kindly invited to the following events at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral (2535 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo, OH 43610): On Sunday, October 20, 2024 at 3:00pm: Eucharistic Holy Hour, Solemn Vespers, and Veneration and Enshrinement of the Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis followed by a reception at 4:30pm. On Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at 10:00am: 10th Anniversary Mass celebration

### Please pray for the Mass intentions this week:



Karen Bates  
Tisa Pacella

### 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!



### Help Support Our Diocesan Priests' Retirement

**Sept. 21—Dec. 31, 2024**

**Perpetuate The Gift** is simply the annual appeal that supports our Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund. It signifies the beautifully unending and total commitment of our priests to our spiritual salvation, and our contribution to **What are the typical living expenses for a retired priest?**

When a priest retires, his living expenses actually increase. A retired priest is responsible for his personal expenses such as food, clothing, car, housing and utility costs, and medical expenses. While a priest is active, his housing and food expenses are paid by the parish, school, or diocesan institution to which he is assigned. When he retires, he must provide for his own housing needs, unless he chooses to live in a rectory/parish setting.

It is important to know that, in their generosity, many of our priests designate the Priests' Retirement Fund as a beneficiary of their estate to ensure the care of priests who follow after them. **Envelopes can be found in the pews.**

### Part-Time Custodian/Maintenance Assistant Needed at Historic St. Patrick!

Assist with general maintenance of church, rectory, and grounds.

Includes mowing grass, unloading food pantry trucks, mopping and dusting the church, etc.

Flexible hours.

Please call the parish office if interested at 419-243-6452, ext. 3 (Sherri).



### October is Clergy Appreciation Month



October is Clergy Appreciation Month! Our clergy work hard for us providing leadership, wisdom, and teaching.

Let's honor them for all that they do. On **October 13th** we will be collecting financial donations and notes of appreciation at both Masses to show our clergy how much we care!



**We Congratulate**



**Kyle Sakowski & Morgan Casey**

who will be married  
October 5, 2024  
at the Historic Church of  
Saint Patrick



# The Historic Church of St. Patrick's

## Parish/Community Activities!

### Reminder! Sunday, October 6



- Blood Pressure checks after Mass near the Statue of the Pieta
- Food Pantry Sunday
- Name Tag & Registration Sunday

### Blessing of the Pets

In honor of the St. Francis Assisi's feast day, we will offer a blessing of the pets on **Sunday,**

**September 29th at 2:00 pm** at St. Patrick's.



Please make sure all animals are leashed or in carriers.

### Eucharistic Adoration



Join us for Eucharistic Adoration At Historic St. Patrick on **Wednesday, October 16th** from 4-5 pm.

There will be a short Eucharistic procession before the 5:30 Mass.

### St. Patrick's Gift Shop Open Every Sunday

Need the perfect gift for that special someone?

The St. Patrick's gift shop is open every Sunday.

Christmas is coming!



**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,  
September 14-21, 2024**

Thomas Patterson      Louisburg FD, NC  
Kyle Brinker              Kansas City FD, MO

**ROLL CALL OF FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS,  
September 14-21, 2024**

Daniel Kerstetter              Michigan State Police  
Enrique Delgado-Garcia      Massachusetts State Police  
Josh Phipps                      Russell County Sheriff's Office, KY

### Annual White Mass @ St. Patrick's

Join us for our annual White Mass on **Sunday, October 27th at 10:00 am Mass** as we honor our health care workers.



All are welcome!

### Ethiopia at the Crossroads



Join St. Patrick's families and friends on **Sunday, October 27 after 10:00 Mass.** Journey through nearly 2,000 years of history and artistic traditions as we tour the **Ethiopia at the Crossroads** exhibit at the Toledo Museum of Art (TMA).

Parishioner and TMA docent, Al Geha will provide an introductory talk here at the Historic Church of St. Patrick directly after Mass. Join us for lunch at the TMA and then explore this wonderful exhibit at your leisure. Stay tuned for more information.