

The Historic Church of Saint Patrick

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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

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Business ManagerRusty Belcher
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Wedding Coordinator: Sherri Gaudet
Parish Musician: Eric Hite
Choir Director: Jeff Weiser
Maintenance:..... John Williams
.....John Breidenbach
Custodian:Charlene Leestma
DeSales Outreach Center: Sherri Gaudet
Sacristan:..... Rosalie Mills
Usher Captains:Bob Wuest
..... Dave Meegan

Dear People of God,

As the year comes to an end, I thought I'd write a bit about a topic which dominates our culture but do it from two aspects rarely touched on by social media or the mainline media outlets: faith and psychology.

Let me begin by citing three significant holy days celebrated in December. The first is the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our faith reminds us that because of the severity of the disobedience of Adam and Eve, their entire mindset was transformed and passed on from generation to generation. People tend to be disobedient by nature, the effects of original sin so that we're all sinners. By the favor of God, because she was to be the "home" of Jesus for nine months, God spared Mary that tragic transformation and she was not the victim of original sin. The second celebration was on December 12 culminating a four day series of visitations of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Juan Diego, an Aztec. This was the only time Mary ever appeared to anyone as a pregnant young girl; the gown she's wearing features the Nahuatl glyph which announced to the natives of Mexico that "God is coming," the child to be born is God. The third is Christmas, the celebration of the birth of Jesus in humble circumstances in the village of Bethlehem. Each of these important celebrations of the Church underscores the sanctity of human life from its very beginning, at conception.

Now for some psychology (I lack only having some pigeons tap the keys in the proper order to be able to go into practice – my specialty at the doctoral level was developmental psychology at the University of Ottawa in Ontario). In our contemporary culture there seems to be a tragic loss of respect for human life. Recently we witnessed the deliberate execution of the CEO of a major US corporation by a young man who felt no compunction about what he was doing. On our news apps, we can read of shootings in just about every city, large and small, for no apparent reason other than somebody is angry with somebody else. If you're not familiar with the Bible, that's the first social interaction recorded: Cain killing Able because he was angry with him.

As we develop through infancy and childhood, our psychological outlook on ourselves and others is in many ways affected by what we see, hear, taste, smell and touch – the five senses deliver a wealth of information with which we begin to shape an understanding of the world around us. By the time we're seven, the age at which the Church believes we know the difference between right and wrong, our interaction with the world around us has provided everything needed to form a world view which either embraces the imagery of God or which is colored by the failure of our culture to have such a view of things.

The lack of respect for life begins with our failure to understand, teach and live the essential truth revealed by the three December celebrations. Life, human life, begins at conception and unless valued as such will never attain the dignity and respect which would lead others to give respect and not undertake actions which lead to abuse, neglect and even arbitrarily killing on the street. If we cannot make the connection between the lack of respect for the unborn and the subsequent lack of respect for life once born, we're like the ostrich with its head in the sand. Our culture begins to present to the youngest of us images, words, and expressions of disrespect which dive deep into the way the child grows up and then acts out as we see in school shootings, subway stabbing and even in the execution of CEO's. I may not be Nostradamus, but what I see coming inspires fear that this tragic loss of respect for life will yield a bitter harvest.

We are ready to start a new year, the time for resolutions and thus perfect for adding our prayers and actions to promoting a renewed cultural respect for life from the moment of conception. May this be a part of your **Happy New Year.**

Msgr. Chris

*Have A
Blessed
New Year!*

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
Lisa Kelley
Jeff Kelley
Tom Varga

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
December 28, 2024—January 5, 2025



Sat	4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris Deacon Paul
Sun	8:00 am	<u>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph</u> St. Patrick's Mass (no music)/Msgr. Chris/ Deacon Paul/Jeff Galak
	9:30 am	Intention <u>Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick</u>
	10:00 am	St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Msgr. Chris/ Deacon Paul
		<i>(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i> Intention <u>Shrader, Periatt, & Ginter Families</u> <u>Pam Kreft</u>
	10:30 am	Immaculate Conception Confessions
	11:00 am	Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/ Fr. Rudi
Tues	9:10 am	<u>New Year's Eve</u> CANCELLED /Immaculate Conception/ Weekday Mass/Msgr. Chris
	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass @ St. Patrick/Msgr. Chris/ Deacon Paul
		Intention <u>Butch Rahe</u>
Wed	9:00 am	<u>New Year's Day</u> Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris
	5:30 pm	CANCELLED /St. Patrick's Weekday Mass <i>(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i>

Thur	7-9:00 pm	CANCELLED/OCIA
Sat	4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris
Sun	8:00 am	<u>Epiphany of the Lord</u> St. Patrick's Mass (no music) Msgr. Chris/ Jeff Galak
		Intention <u>Lawrence Fleitz</u>
	9:30 am	St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
	10:00 am	St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Fr. Rudi/ Deacon Paul
		<i>(also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i> Intention <u>Lena Ray</u> <u>Carl A. Ray</u> <u>Parents of Marty & Mary Helen Williams</u>
	After Mass	Baptism/Eloise Bishop/Deacon Paul
	10:30 am	Immaculate Conception Confessions
	11:00 am	Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/ Msgr. Chris



-----**(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 29 Autumn Gilmore
- Dec 29 Antonio luele
- Dec 29 Grady Croak
- Dec 30 Stephen Mix
- Dec 30 Pat Hickey
- Dec 30 Mary Michel
- Dec 30 Brittany Jones
- Dec 31 Richard Lauer
- Dec 31 Christopher Ferrara
- Dec 31 Ken Day
- Dec 31 Jennifer Piotrowski
- Jan 1 Allen Bishop
- Jan 1 Albert Mannes
- Jan 1 Cynthia Bobash
- Jan 1 William Malone
- Jan 1 Kelly White
- Jan 1 Francesca Citiro
- Jan 3 Brent Buehrer
- Jan 3 Frances Favorite
- Jan 3 Terry Cole
- Jan 3 Maureen Gilmore
- Jan 3 Andrew Adler
- Jan 4 Susan Hufford
- Jan 4 Chandra Amer
- Jan 4 Ronald Liwo
- Jan 4 Anna Malone
- Jan 4 Samuel Mezinko
- Jan 4 Katelyn Glenn



PRAYER IS ANSWERED-HSP



Rene Cassidy, Andy Irwin, Carole Nemeth, Mary Ann Kline, Deacon Tom Carone, Ashley Miller, Jeff Gralak, Ken Kropp, Mike Kosinski, John Mohr, 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 publicize 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



December 22, 2024

No Financial Report this week due to the holiday printing schedule. Sorry for the inconvenience.



	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Goal	\$ 4,808.00	\$ 110,584.00
Actual	\$	\$ 109,927.93
Elect. Fund Transfer	\$	\$ 6,010.00
Over/(Under)	\$	\$ 5,353.93

Thank You!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—HSP

- Dec 29 Ron & Brenda Liwo 48 yrs
- Dec 30 David & Terri Carroll 35 yrs
- Dec 30 Brian & Janet Rozick 21 yrs
- Dec 31 Tim & Minnie Borgerson 31 yrs
- Jan 3 Michael & Karen Soubeyrand 34 yrs



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!

<u>Outreach Income:</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
	\$ N/A	\$ 5,857.27

Thank You!



HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



DECEMBER 29 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

Scripture Reading #894

Acolytes:	Pat Hickey, Logan Hickey, Gary Johnson
Communion:	Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Jeanne Kanary, Judy Schneiderbauer, Kris Waslar, Lisa Kelley, Mary Kay Belcher, Maureen Mohny, Melanie Parton, Nancy Rank
Gifts:	Carolyn Harrington, Ken Harrington
Greeters:	Cookie Westmeyer, Lisa Kelley, Michelle Zuelke, Pat Tansey
Hospitality:	Ann Figmaka, Debbie Sadlier, Jeff Figmaka, Therese King
Readers:	Melanie Parton, Philip Vrzal
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Dave Meegan, Debbie Sadlier, Gary Johnson, Jeff Figmaka, Larry Minor, Pat Tansey
Children's Liturgy:	Paula Nowicki

JANUARY 5 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

Scripture Reading #898

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:	Kris Waslar, Debbie Sadlier, Paula Nowicki, Robin Lanz
Readers:	Paula Nowicki, Tom Farrell
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Gary Johnson, John Kanary, Larry Minor, Mary Kay Belcher, Melanie Parton, Pat Tansey
Children's Liturgy:	Jen Czyzewski

ALTAR FLOWERS

Dec	29	Available
Jan	5	Available
Jan	12	Available
Jan	19	Available



SANCTUARY LAMP

Dec	29	Blessed Virgin Mary & All Women
Jan	5	Available
Jan	12	Available
Jan	19	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!

New Year's Eve/Day Mass

Historic St. Patrick

Tuesday, December 31
5:30 pm

Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, January 1
9:00 am



An easier way to donate

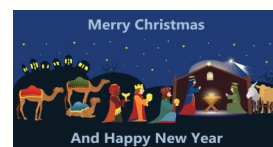
Looking for a simple way to make a donation to the parish? Scan this QR code and go right to the donation page for The Historic Church of Saint Patrick. Open up the camera app on your smartphone. When you focus the camera on the QR Code, your phone will ask if you want to go to our site. Touch the instruction 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!



Holiday Schedule For the Parish Offices "Closed"

Monday, December 23
thru
Friday, January 3

We will return on Monday,
January 6!



**Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!**

Weekday Masses Cancelled



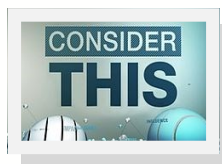
Immaculate Conception

Tuesday,
December 31 @ 9:00 am

St. Patrick's

Wednesday,
January 1 @ 5:30 pm

Please Consider a Financial Gift



Please consider a gift to The Historic Church of Saint Patrick through your Will, a gift of Life Insurance, an Annuity, or a Trust.

Call Rusty Belcher at the parish office (419-243-6452, ext. 4) with any questions you may have.

Reminder! Sunday, January 5th

Blood Pressure
Checks by the
Statue of the Pieta
after Mass



Food Pantry
Sunday

The Diocese of Toledo is in compliance with the articles of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People (Charter) of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). Every year, the Diocese dutifully submits the necessary documentation required by the USCCB for a diocese to be in compliance. Every three years an on-site audit is conducted, when not only all necessary documentation is dutifully submitted, but in addition, Pastoral Center, parish and diocesan school employees are interviewed concerning practices and protocols related to creating and maintaining a safe environment for our children and youth. The last 3-year audit was conducted in September 2024 and all audited Articles within the Charter were found to be compliant. The next on-site audit will be conducted in 2027. The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric, or any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880 or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

**Wishing you and your
family a joyous New Year
filled with all the
blessings of God.**



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

Thank You!

Our clergy would like to thank each and everyone of you for your thoughtfulness of cards, gifts, and your generous donations during this Christmas season.



Electronic Donation

Please consider electronic donation for your Sunday offering! The electronic donors can schedule their church donations weekly, biweekly or monthly. The electronic giving option allows these people to give to their church regardless of where they are during the year. The electronic sign-up information is located on our web-site and at each entrance of the church. Call the parish office for more information!



Please keep in prayer the fallen First Responders who gave their lives to keep us safe, as well as their grieving families, friends, and coworkers.

**ROLL CALL OF FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS,
December 8-14, 2024**

No fatalities

**ROLL CALL OF FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT
OFFICERS, December 8-14, 2024**

Jacob Candanoza	Terrell PD, TX
William Kasberg	San Antonio PD, TX



Shop our End of Year Clearance



The Historic Church of St. Patrick Gift Shop is having a **GREEN LIGHT SPECIAL!**

Throughout the month of December all items are **50% OFF!**

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 pray for the Mass intentions this week:

Shrader, Periat, & Ginter Families

Pam Kreft



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.



Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone who participated with the preparations of the Christmas Season. Thank you again for all that you do!

