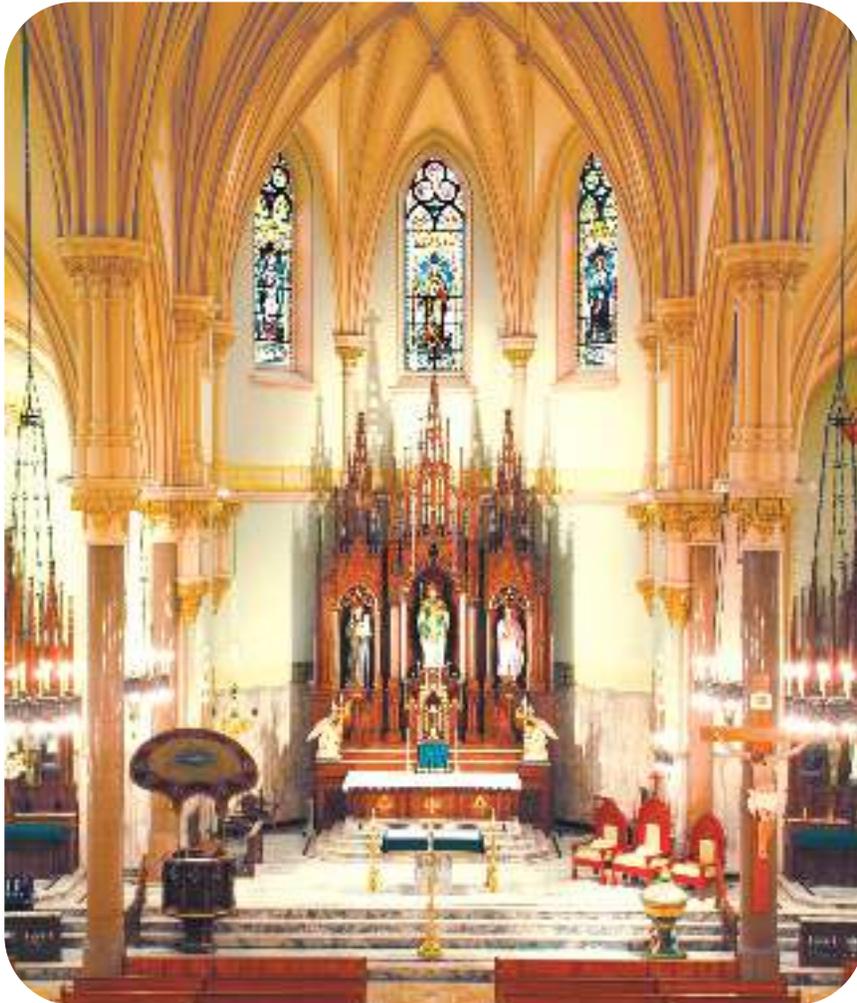


The Historic Church of Saint Patrick

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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

PARISH STAFF FOR ST. PATRICK

Business Manager.....Rusty Belcher
Administrative Assistant/Compliance Officer/
Wedding Coordinator:..... Sherri Gaudet
Accountant.....Trish Shaffer
Bookkeeper.....Helen Yensz
Parish Musician:.....Eric Hite
Choir Director:.....Jeff Weiser
Maintenance:.....John Williams
.....Michael Perry Jr.
Custodian:.....Charlene Leestma
DeSales Outreach Center:..... Sherri Gaudet
Sacristan:.....Rosalie Mills
Usher Captain:.....Dave Meegan

Dear People of God,

Unless you've been practicing taking up the hermit's life and live in a cave, you are no doubt aware of the current process of restructuring up in the Archdiocese of Detroit. What's happening there is ongoing across the United States where bishops are coming to grips with the rapidly changing demographic of our contemporary Catholic Church. What are those changes? The priest shortage, together with a decline in the major religious orders of men and women. The growing number of professed Catholics who don't come to church except on rare occasions. The increase in growth despite lower birth rates but thanks to a strident effort to invite adult conversion. The growing tendency for "active" Catholics to avoid paraliturgical celebrations and on-going formation in the faith.

All of these affect our own diocese; we all may all be aware of the Intentional Planning process which has been part of our restructuring here in Toledo. We might want to consider how our own parish is responding to the changes and how the diocese may have to take measures in the future. In the end, it comes down to asking the all-important question: Do we need or deserve a full-time or shared pastor?

The answer to that in the past has been, more or less, "we're paying all our bills and have money in the bank." Yet some of the parishes which no longer exist were not in that enviable position. What was lacking? Two elements figure large in the overall future of the parish and the diocese:

(1) Is the parish growing in terms of sheer numbers? That's reflected in baptisms, marriages, new member registration and OCIA candidates being brought in at Easter.

Every October every parish in the United States submits a report on those vital statistics. Perhaps the most important of them is the number of men and women received into the Church via the OCIA. That's because they're new families whose energy for involvement is often far greater than that of existing families.

(2) How involved in the active ministry of the parish are its members? Keep in mind that the Baptismal command given by Christ himself is to do, not sit and wait. How many people actually follow up on that expectation? In the average parish it's difficult to get 10% of the registered people to get involved beyond coming to Mass; statistics tell us that of those who only come to Mass, it's far too easy for them to find an excuse to skip a week or two or even longer. Take a look around and it's easy to see whether many or a few are carrying the load of mission and ministry.

Where it's just the few, the future doesn't look promising for growth or retaining a priestly presence. Parishes don't publish the figures about income, but the same goes for those who support the work of the parish via regular offerings. Far too often parishes survive on what about 10-15% of the people drop in the collection. That figure is also monitored by the diocese and on a far more regular basis. Where people don't do their part, the future really looks dim. What are you doing to assure the future of your parish?



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

Jeff Stephens
Bill Malone
Linda Jennings
John Bachey
Jim Kline
Jeff Kelley
Tom Varga

Pastoral Council

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

CALENDAR

February 21, 2026—March 1, 2026



Sat	3:30 pm 4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris/ Deacon Paul
Sun	8:00 am	Anointing St. Patrick's Mass (no music) Msgr. Chris/ Deacon Paul
	Intention	Parishioners of St. Patrick
	9:30 am	St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
	10:00 am	St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Msgr. Chris/ Deacon Paul
		<i>(also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i>
	Intention	Barbara Rudnicki
	After Mass	Chuck, Ronnie, Ric & Baby Williams Baptism/Truett Lake/Deacon Paul
	10:30 am	Immaculate Conception Confessions
	11:00 am	Immaculate Conception Sunday Mass/ Fr. Rudi
Tues	9:10 am	Immaculate Conception Weekday Mass/Msgr. Chris
Wed	5:00 pm 5:30 pm	Stations of the Cross St. Patrick's Weekday Mass/Msgr. Chris
	Intention	Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick
	6:30 pm	Bible Study @ Manhattans

Thur	7:00—9:00 pm	OCIA @ St. Patrick/Deacon Paul
Fri	12:00 Noon 2:20 pm	St. Patrick's Stations of the Cross followed by lunch in the Rectory Immaculate Conception Stations of the Cross
Sat	3:30 pm 4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Mass/Msgr. Chris
Sun	8:00 am	Food Pantry Sunday St. Patrick's Mass (no music)/Msgr. Chris
	Intention	Anna Irving
	9:30 am	St. Patrick's Rosary & Confessions
	10:00 am	St. Patrick's Sunday Mass/Msgr. Chris/ Deacon Paul
		<i>(Also Streamed on Parish Facebook Page)</i>
	Intention	James Croak
		Felix & Frances Czyzewski
		Stanley & Eleanor Stolarski
	During Mass	Fat Friar Appearance
	After Mass	Blood Pressure Checks
	After Mass	Religious Education
	10:30 am	Immaculate Conception Confessions
	11:00 am	Immaculate Conception Sunday 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

- Feb 22 Tami Kwiatkowski
- Feb 22 Robert Rove
- Feb 22 Megan Baas
- Feb 22 Layla Stephens
- Feb 23 Zach Hebel
- Feb 25 John Tighe
- Feb 25 James Gilmore
- Feb 25 Stephen Kennedy
- Feb 26 Stephen Thomas
- Feb 26 Maggie Klear
- Feb 27 Kathy Bohl
- Feb 27 Robert Schaefer
- Feb 27 Madeline Baas
- Feb 28 Sue Matthews



PRAYER IS ANSWERED-HSP



Linda Gralak, Doug and Jackie Breno, Rick Cousino, Larry Jacobs, Mary Sue Timar, Delany and Gary, Raeanne Williams, Cathleen Leaser, Charlene Leestma, Donald Cousino, Doug Breno, Marie Matuszak, Dawn Hitts, Kathy Hakeos, Andy Irwin, Carole Nemeth, Mary Ann Kline, Ashley Miller, Ken Kropp, Mike Kosinski, John Mohr, Sam Cole, Shanna Crumby, Dona Crumby, Sonny Moore, Perry Moore, Jeff Knight, Dwight Knight, Mike Chiles, 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, Msgr. Chris, 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, 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, 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.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—HSP

- Feb 22 Dale & Christina Birie 52 yrs
- Feb 22 William & Linda Jennings 46 yrs
- Feb 23 Larry & Rebecca Merryman 52 yrs



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

February 15, 2026



	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Goal	\$ 5,576.93	\$ 184,038.69
Actual	\$ 5,368.00	\$ 179,928.97
Elect. Fund Transfer	\$ 420.00	\$ 7,735.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 211.07	\$ 3,625.28
Candles	\$ 61.95	\$ 2,175.88
Fat Friar	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Hospitality	\$ 6.80	\$ 407.84
Mass Intention	\$ 95.00	\$ 1,575.00
Memorials	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,790.00
Gift Shop	\$ 16.50	\$ 1,227.80



ST. PATRICK'S OUTREACH

July 1, 2025—June 30, 2026

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>
	\$ 211.00	\$ 22,492.38

Thank You!





HISTORIC CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



FEBRUARY 22- MINISTER SCHEDULE

Scripture Reading #903

Acolytes:	Pat Hickey, Logan Hickey, Gary Johnson
Communion:	Dennis Bensch, Diane Pacella, Jeanne Canary, Judy Schneiderbauer, Kris Waslar, Lisa Kelley, Mary Kay Belcher, Maureen Mohny, Melanie Parton, Nancy Rank
Gifts:	Michael Ragan, Cheryl Ragan
Greeters:	Cookie Westmeyer, Lisa Kelley, Michelle Zuelke, Pat Tansey
Hospitality:	Ann Figmaka, Debbie Sadlier, Jeff Figmaka, Therese King
Readers:	Zayne Garcia, Susan Fix
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Dave Meegan, Debbie Sadlier, Michael Ragan, Jeff Figmaka, Roger Tharpe, Pat Tansey
Children's Liturgy:	Jen Czyzewski

MARCH 1 - MINISTER SCHEDULE

Scripture Reading #906

Acolytes:	Jeff Kelley, Zayne Garcia
Communion:	Charlene Leestma, Gary Johnson, Lisa Kelley, Marie Arter, Michelle Zuelke, Nancy Rank, Paula Nowicki, Sue Smith, Susan Fix, Therese King
Gifts:	Roger Tharpe, Selena Green
Greeters:	Carol Shrader, Jeanne Canary, Jim Shrader, John Canary
Hospitality:	Kris Waslar, Debbie Sadlier, Paula Nowicki, Robin Lanz
Readers:	Tom Farrell, Pam Mohler
Ushers:	Albert Geha, Cookie Westmeyer, Gary Johnson, John Canary, Larry Minor, Mary Kay Belcher, Melanie Parton, Pat Tansey
Children's Liturgy:	Nancy Rank

ALTAR FLOWERS

Feb	22	Available
Mar	1	Available
Mar	8	Available
Mar	15	Available



SANCTUARY LAMP

Feb	22	Alex Pretti
Mar	1	Renee Good
Mar	8	Alex Pretti
Mar	15	Lena Ray



St. Patrick's Food Pantry

We could use:

DEODORANT, TOILET PAPER, BAR SOAP, JUICE, 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.

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Happenings at the Parish!

Church Bulletin Advertising

Kevin McCollum, representing our Bulletin Publisher, Diocesan, is currently seeking new advertisements. Support our parish while you promote your business in print and digitally through social media. If interested, please contact Kevin directly. Only a third down payment is required to reserve an ad.

Contact: Kevin McCollum
 kmccollum@diocesan.com
 614-980-9196

Thanks to you and Diocesan, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish!

2026 March Calendar Lottery

Tickets will be on sale in the back of church today.

Each ticket is a \$10 donation.



All proceeds benefit the Preservation Society.

Deacon Tom's Food Pantry



In January, we served 177 households.

Seniors served were 66. Adults served were 224 and children were 105. That is 395 people. The pantry was opened 7 days because of the cold and snow.

Forty six hygiene kits of toilet tissue, socks, soap, deodorant, tooth paste, tooth brushes, and hand sanitizer were distributed.

Kroger Community Rewards

01-Nov-2025 to 31-Jan-2026
 40 Households

Total Donations \$ 82.17



Thank you!

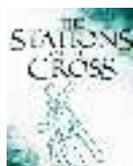
It's TIME for another Bake Sale!



Not only does time "spring ahead" on **Sunday, March 8**, but the Evangelization Committee is having a

Bake Sale after the 10 a.m. Mass.

We're looking for donations of baked goods and, of course, customers who love to eat those delectable treats. Sweet, salty, and healthy treats can be dropped off before Mass in the back of church.



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent

12:00 pm @ St. Patrick's
 Stations of the Cross
 (Soup & Bread)
 Following in the Rectory)

2:20 pm @ Immaculate Conception
 Stations of the Cross

The 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Sunday

We want to thank all of our Parishioners who joined together in pledging their gift to the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not made your commitment, today would be a convenient opportunity to do so. Pledge cards and envelopes are available in pews. Once completed, kindly place your pledge card in the offertory. Every gift is so significant. Thank you for your generosity.



Congratulations on this Special Day!



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

Truett John Lake

Please pray for the Mass intentions:



Barbara Rudnicki

Chuck, Ronnie, Ric & Baby Williams

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Parish/Community Activities!

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 February 8-14, 2026

Britain Reeves	Fairchild VFD, TX
Dale Malone	White Level RFD, NC
Howard Bennett	Camden FD, NJ
Larry Mustion	Luxora VFD, AR City of Mobile Fire-Rescue Department, AL
Alexander Trenier	

ROLL CALL OF FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT February 8-14, 2026

No fatalities

We had a very successful bake sale last Sunday and would like to thank all those who contributed in any way. All the bakers did a fantastic job so many thanks for bringing in the goodies. And for those who purchased items, also thank you for your generosity not only for what you purchased but for the additional money you gave us. The sale brought in **\$472.00** which is a very welcome and much needed support for our pantry.

Hope you enjoyed your time and St. Pat's parishioners ROCK!!!!



Wednesday's of Lent



5:00—5:30 pm
Station of the Cross

5:30 pm
Weekday Mass



Little Black Books

Lent is here!

Please pick up your "Little Black Book" in the back of church today.

This is a great way to provide time for your Lenten reflection.

The Diocese of Toledo's **Pastoral Center offices have officially relocated** from 1933 Spielbusch Avenue to a new temporary downtown location. All diocesan staff are now serving the faithful from the 23rd floor of One Seagate (One Seagate, Suite 2300, Toledo, Ohio 43604). The main phone number remains the same: 419-244-6711.



Add a pound for Lent

Make the Friar fatter and feed the hungry—Every .88 cents adds a pound! You can help defray the expense of the St. Patrick's Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen by making the Friar get fatter and fatter! **Envelopes can be found in the pews through Lent.**

We hope you are able to join us at The Historic Church of Saint Patrick

For Our Annual **Saint Patrick's Day Celebration** **March 15, 2026**

130 Avondale Avenue
Toledo, Ohio

9:30 a.m. Irish Sing-A-Long
10:00 a.m. Saint Patrick's Day Liturgy

11:30 a.m. Reception in the Rectory
(tickets required) Luncheon tickets include:
Jiggs dinner, bangers, mashed potatoes, mac and cheese, cole slaw, brownies, and an Irish coffee bar.
Cost \$15.00. Age 10 and under free.

Tickets are available after Sunday Mass.

An Irish Welcome to All!!!