

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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We, the St. Patrick's Parish Family, are a Roman Catholic community of sons and daughters of God the Father who are empowered by the Holy Spirit to commit our lives to worship, prayer, compassion, service, education and sharing our Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and His Gospel with all others.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter



May 10, 2015

CLERGY

Rev. Joseph F. Bisignano
Pastor

Rev. Thomas E. Kreiser
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Jeffrey M. Pomeisl
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Msgr. Dermot R. Brennan
Pastor Emeritus

PARISH STAFF

School Principal
Monica Virgilio.....962-2211

Religious Education Director
Kelly Vardakas.....962-5586

**Minister to Homebound
& Hospitalized**
Sr. Sheila Kelly, RGS.....962-5050

Parenting Education
Nan Gollooly.....962-5050

Music Ministry
Kathy Lewis, *Director*962-5050
Barbara Castrataro, *Organist*

Parish Secretary
Ann-Marie Treanor962-5050

Youth Group
Chris & Megan Genn.....962-5050

CREDO-Young Adult Group
Fr. Jeffrey Pomeisl.....962-5050

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday:
9:00 am to 12:00 noon,
1:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am to 9:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday immediately after the 6:55AM Mass and 8:30 to 8:55AM.
Saturdays immediately after 9:00AM Mass, and 4:00 to 5:00PM.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Parents should come to the Rectory to pick up a Baptism Preparation Package to begin the process for Baptism.

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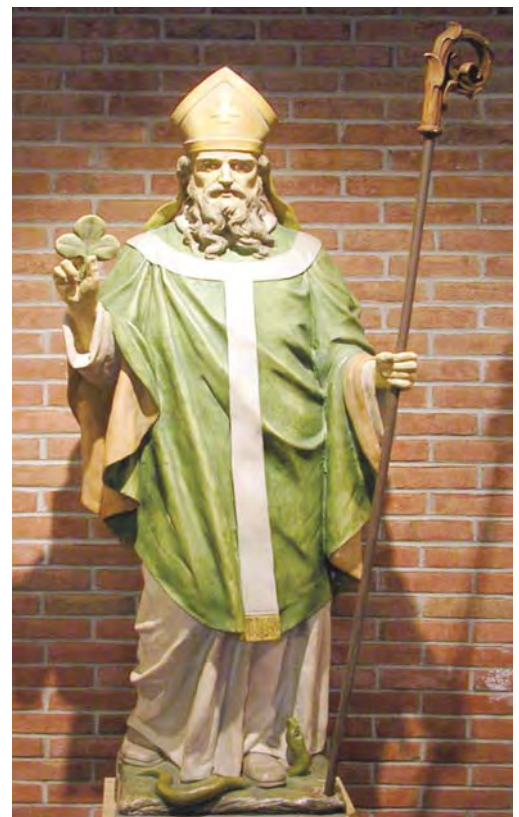
Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding. Parishioners who are registered can make arrangements of date and time only after speaking with the Pastor.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Rectory.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

We welcome adults considering membership in the Catholic Church and those Catholics desiring to complete their initiation to inquire into the RCIA process.



SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE †

Main Church

Saturday 5:15 pm
Sunday 7:45, 9:15, 11:00 am,
12:30 & 5:00 pm

Stone Church

Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 am

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE †

Monday - Friday 6:55 & 9:00 am
Lent & Easter 12:00 Noon
Saturday 9:00 am

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.	May 11
6:55am	John Collura
9:00am	Steven Murphy
12:00pm	Doris Saias
Tues.	May 12
6:55am	William G. Borman
9:00am	Living & Deceased Members of the Cusano & D'Addona Families
12:00pm	Carmela Saraceno
Wed.	May 13
6:55am	John R. Lawrence
9:00am	Ivanhoe DiGenno
12:00pm	William & Mary O'Lear
5:15pm	Angelina Fuchs
Thurs.	May 14
6:30am	For the People of St. Patrick's Church
9:00am	Elizabeth Caranfa & Family
12:00pm	For The Intentions of Fr. Tom Kreiser
7:30pm	Mario Recine
Fri.	May 15
6:55am	Rev. Msgr. Daniel Fant
9:00am	Jennifer Walker
12:00pm	Salvatore Dellorusso
Sat.	May 16
9:00am	Lidio Zuppani
5:15pm	Robert J. Sullivan
Sun.	May 17
7:45am	Living Members of the Ribeiro & D'Cunha Families
9:00am	Beverly Northey
9:15am	For the People of St. Patrick's
10:30am	Peter Howard
11:00am	Alberto & Maria DeMouro
12:30pm	Sal & Mary DiCostanzo
5:00pm	Lori Patierno

Collection - May 3, 2015

Weekly Collection Last Year	\$22,998.50
Weekly Collection This Year	\$21,956.00
Weekly Children's Collection Last Year	\$ 139.00
Weekly Children's Collection This Year	\$ 193.50
April Parish Pay Last Year	\$24,069.73
April Parish Pay This Year	\$24,258.73

Sixth Sunday of Easter	
Sunday:	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17
Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13; Mk 16:15-20
Friday:	Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19

Monday, May 11	
7:00am	AA (LC)
9:45am	Parentcare (PCH)
4:15pm	Choristers Grades 5-8 (EC 109/110) NO
4:30pm	Volleyball (Gym)
4:30pm	NEW Altar Server Training (SC)
4:45pm	Rel. Ed. Vocation Presentation (MC)
7:00pm	Bible Study (PCH, PCM, Lib)
7:30pm	Mass & Miraculous Novena Prayers (MC)
7:30pm	Parent Baptism Preparation Class (FEC 101)
7:30pm	Boy Scouts Troop Meeting (Gym)
Tuesday, May 12	
7:00am	AA (LC)
9:45am	Film (PCM)
10:00am	St. Patrick's Seniors Board Meeting (LC)
10:00am	W/W General Meeting (PCH)
1:00pm	St. Patrick's PARISH Seniors Group (PCM)
4:30pm	Volleyball (Gym)
4:45pm	Rel. Ed. Vocation Presentation (MC)
6:00pm	Bereavement Group (PCM)
6:15pm	Legion of Mary (MC-Crying Rm)
6:30pm	Our Lady of Fatima Talk (LC)
7:00pm	Pastoral Council Board Meeting (RMR)
7:30pm	Adult Choir (MC) NO
Wednesday, May 13	
7:00am	AA (LC)
9:45am	Parentcare (PCH)
1:00pm	Problems With Food - OA (LC)
2:30pm	Girl Scout Troop # 1493 (EC 107/108)
4:30pm	Volleyball (Gym)
7:00pm	Beads for Peace (PCM)
7:00pm	AA (LC)
7:30pm	Teen Choir (MC) NO
7:30pm	Al-Anon (EC 109)
Thursday, May 14 - Ascension of the Lord	
7:00am	AA (LC)
4:30pm	Volleyball (Gym)
4:30pm	Choristers Grade 3-4 (EC 109/110) NO
7:30pm	Choir (MC) NO
7:00pm	Bible Study (EC 107/108/109/110) NO
8:00pm	Prayer Meeting (PCM) NO
Friday, May 15	
7:00am	AA (LC)
9:30am	Women's Morning of Reflection (PCH,PCM)
1:50pm	SPS Benediction (MC)
2:30pm	Girl Scout Troop #1472 (EC 107/108)
4:30pm	NEW Altar Server Training (MC)
4:30pm	Volleyball (Gym)
7:00pm	AA (LC)
8:00pm	CREDO Business Meeting (EC 101)
Saturday, May 16	
7:00am	Emmaus Men's Ministry (EC 107/108)
9:00am	Volleyball (Gym)
9:30am	Centering Prayer (EC Art Rm)
6:30pm	Youth Group Grades 9-12 (PCM)
7:00pm	Spring Fling Dinner Dance (PCM)
Sunday, May 17	
8:00am	AA (LC)
10:30am	Hospitality (PCH)
2:00pm	Volleyball (Gym)
8:00pm	AA (LC)

BEADS FOR PEACE is a group of St. Patrick's parishioners who promote praying the rosary by making rosaries to donate to missions, military and hospitals. We will meet on Wednesday, May 13 from 7:00 - 8:30pm in the Parish Center Meeting Room.



Banns

- II **Doug Beardsley & Elisabeth Parker**
- Michael Rohrs & Teresa Wagner**
- III **Paul Liguori & Samantha Londono**

Wedding

Friday, May 15, 2015, MC
Michael Cornale & Juliana Dias

Parentcare is accepting donations of gently used baby items, clothing, formula, umbrellas, strollers, pac'n'plays, etc. to be donated to First Way Life Center, a crisis pregnancy center located in Monticello, NY. If you are looking for a place to pass along any of these items, kindly bring them to the Parish Center Kitchen by June 1st, marked Parentcare Donation. Thank you so much for your continued generosity to this program.



The St. Patrick's Pastoral Council is seeking candidates for a 3 year term which runs from September 2015 - June 2018. Contact: stpatsyorktown@optonline.net or (914) 245-9112.

The closing date to register for the Archdiocesan Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass is **Thursday, May 28**. Please contact the **couple's parish** for registration.

Vacation Bible School, August 3 - 7 from 9:00am to 12:00 Noon. Ages 4 through 11. Join us for a fun- filled week of Bible stories, songs, crafts and games. Registration forms are available at the back of the Church. Adult and teen volunteers are needed; this counts towards community service as well. Contact: Lorraine at 962-7278.

Centering Prayer will continue at the Family Education Center, room 100 on May 16 & May 30. We will meet after the 9:00AM liturgy, share some breakfast together and then begin our practice of *Centering Prayer* consenting to God's working in us in the Silence. The series "**Invitation to Love**" by Fr. Keating will continue our study of this form of prayer based St. John of the Cross and St. Teresa of Avila. Contact: Annette at 962-3788.

A Healing Mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's by Msgr. Joseph Martin on **Thursday, May 21**. Songs of praise will begin at 7:45pm, the Mass at 8:00. Individual prayer for healing will follow the Mass. Bring your physical, emotional and spiritual needs to the Lord for His healing touch. This Mass is sponsored by St. Patrick's Prayer Group. Information: Joan (914) 526-6538.

St. Patrick's Library will show the heartening conclusion of **Dolphin Tale**, on **Tuesday, May 12** after the 9:00am Mass and Rosary. They must find a way to give Winter, the injured dolphin, a second chance at life. This film is based on a true story.

Ascension of the Lord

May 14 is the Ascension of the Lord and *is a Holy Day of Obligation*.



Mass Schedule

Wednesday, 5:15pm Vigil
Thursday, 6:30am, 9:00am, 12 Noon and 7:30pm. All in the Main Church.

Religious Education Registration for all **returning families** will be as follows in the Rel. Ed. Office:

Monday	May 18	1:00 - 7:30pm
Tuesday	May 19	1:00 - 7:30pm
Wednesday	May 20	11:00 - 6:00pm
Thursday	May 21	10:00 - 6:00pm

Do you have a child or grandchild who will be entering 1st Grade in the Fall? It's time to sign them up for Faith Formation (Rel. Ed.)!

Registration for all **new families** will be :

Wednesday	May 27th	2:00 - 6:30pm
Monday	June 1st	10:00 - 3:00pm

A Baptism Certificate is required at the time of new registration. Please call ahead of and leave your address so we can mail you registration forms. We look forward to meeting your family.

If you are seriously ill at home or in the hospital or are having major surgery and would like a visit please notify Sr. Sheila Kelly @ 962-5050.



Parish Dinner Dance

Saturday, May 16, 2015, 7:00 P.M.

St. Patrick's Parish Center Hall

\$50 per person, includes appetizers, beer, wine & dinner. Adults Only.

Enjoy the Music of our own Parishioners, the Band *Retrospekt!*

Tickets available at the Rectory.

Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Contact: Bob Sourenian at (914) 329-3987



The Altar Bread & Wine used in the **Main Church** this week were donated by Manny & Judy Romero in loving memory of:



Alfred Lou LaPerch



The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the **Main Church** this week was donated by The Burke Family in loving memory of:

Joan Ryan

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the **Main Church Chapel** this week was donated in Thanksgiving for:



All Our Mothers

Saint Patrick's School

Flower Sale

Sunday, May 17th



after Main Church Morning Masses Only.

Beautiful hanging plants and flats will be available.

Thank you for your support!

UNANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Deceased: Dominick Terrasi, Theresa Luongo(2), Ernesto Bartoloni, Winnie Gaughran, Jean Riccobon, Mark McDaniel, Jeanne Tudisco, John Finan, Mary Frances Keane(2)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
1377 East Main Street, Shrub Oak, NY

BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, May 17th, 8:00am - 2:00pm

In Memory of Boston College & Kennedy Catholic Alumni Student Nicholas Modico.

You must weigh at least 110 pounds. Please eat and be well hydrated before donating. Please bring photo ID.

St. Patrick's Parish Seniors will meet on March 12 from 1:00 to 3:00pm in the Main Church Parish Meeting Room. Refreshments will be served.

On the Eve of the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, all are invited to an evening of prayer and reflection: Join us



Tuesday, May 12th at 6:15pm in the Stone Church. A talk will be given entitled *Our Lady of Fatima: Her Urgent Message for Our Time*.

Volunteers Needed. Duties of the *Altar Rosary Society* would include weekly cleaning and general care of the Church, Sacristy and Altar. In addition to general members we need one individual to take on the responsibility of Director. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the Main and Stone Church.

The Sanctuary Lamp and Bread and Wine for 2015 are available. This is a special way to remember a deceased family member or to honor or celebrate a special event. The remembrance begins on Sunday and ends on Saturday of that week. The Main and Stone Church Bread & Wine Offering is \$25.00. The Main Church and Stone Church Sanctuary Light offering is \$15.00 and the Main Church Chapel Sanctuary Light offering is \$15.00. Due to high demand there is a limit of 4 Main Church Sanctuary Lamp & Bread & Wine offerings per family.

St. Patrick's BONANZA Drawing
You Got To Be In It To Win It !!

Tickets \$50.00 Each
20 Chances to win !

\$100 Awarded Each Day
May 11th to May 19th
\$500 Awarded on May 20th

\$100 Awarded Each Day
May 21st to May 29th
\$500 Awarded on May 30th

From the desk of Fr. Tom Kreiser

A Reflection on Priesthood

On Thursday of this week, I will be privileged to celebrate 21 years as a priest. Later this month, Fr. Pomeisl will celebrate two years, and Fr. Bisignano celebrated 33 years last October. What a joy it is for us to serve the people of St. Patrick's, and what a challenge. We have over 5,000 registered families, and each one deserves our very best. My upcoming anniversary has caused me to reflect on the gift and mystery of the priesthood.

Of course, the greatest privilege of the priesthood is the opportunity to celebrate Mass and make the Body and Blood of Christ available to people. Our God humbly comes to us under the forms of bread and wine, and becomes our spiritual food. It is the greatest gift that our Lord gives us, and words cannot express the awe of being able to provide it.

But there are other blessings in priesthood. Forgiving sins in the sacrament of Reconciliation, celebrating with a couple at their marriage or the birth of a baby, and even the ability to be with a family in time of sickness or death is a real expression of what a priest is supposed to be and do.

Make no mistake, however, there are great challenges to the priesthood as well. With over 5,000 families, you can imagine that there are a great many opinions as to how to do things. Trying to balance advice with the teachings of the Church, and attempting to do as much for the parish as possible while maintaining a sense of sanity, can be quite a great undertaking. And then there is the difficulty of being a shepherd, which sometimes requires correcting the sheep. It can make us somewhat unpopular in the eyes of some, and often causes misunderstanding. But then again, Jesus promised us nothing less, so we carry on.

As I reflect on the past 21 years, there are good things and difficult things to remember – joys shared with people and mistakes made due to my humanity; vibrant times of real happiness, and times of profound sorrow. I remember each of the assignments I have had with great affection, and continue to pray for all whom I have been privileged to serve. While wishing I were perfect, I try to accept myself with my limitations and my gifts.

Most of all, despite everything, I just love being a priest and can't imagine any other life. As with any walk of life, there are frustrations, setbacks, and even an occasional disagreement. These pale in comparison to the joy that God has given me in serving you, His holy people. And so it is with profound thanks to God and to you, and with apologies for any mistakes or hurts that may have occurred, that I celebrate my years as a priest and look forward to many more years of service.

God bless you.