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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 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ ✕ May 29, 2016

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

Rev. John P. McDonagh
Retired Priest in Residence

Deacon Richard R. Scheibe

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

PARISH STAFF

School Principal

Darlene DelVecchio 962-2211

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Kelly Vardakas 962-5586

Minister to Homebound & Hospitalized

Sr. Sheila Kelly, RGS 962-5050

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Nan Gollogly 962-5050

Music Ministry

Kathy Lewis, *Director* 962-5050

Barbara Castrataro, *Organist*

Parish Secretary

Ann-Marie Treanor 962-5050

Youth Group

Chris & Megan Genn 962-5050

CREDO-Young Adult Group

Fr. Jeffrey Pomeisl 962-5050



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday immediately after the 6:55 & 9:00AM Mass.

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.

MATRIMONY

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 30 - Memorial Day
 9:00am Robin Mary Risi

Tues. May 31 - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 6:55am Intentions of the The Gilmore Family
 9:00am George & Maria Milisits

Wed. June 1 - St. Justin, Martyr
 6:55am Souls in Purgatory
 9:00am William Charlonis

Thurs. June 2
 6:55am Intentions of Msgr. Dermot Brennan
 9:00am Patrick Gorman

Fri. June 3 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
 6:55am Souls in Purgatory
 9:00am Scott Decker


Sat. June 4 - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 9:00am Deceased Members of the Puiatti & Aversano Families
 5:15pm Luigi Capellini

Sun. June 5
 7:45am Constance Cogan
 9:00am Patricia Bond
 9:15am Dominick Luce, Sr.
 10:30am For the People of St. Patrick's Church
 11:00am Joseph Donohue
 12:30pm Intentions of Msgr. Brennan
 5:00pm Antonietta Reynolds

Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day	
7:00am	AA (LL of SC)
9:45am	Parentcare (PCH) NO
1:00pm	St. Patrick's Parish Seniors Knitting Grp. (PCM) NO
4:30pm	New Altar Server Training (MC) NO
7:30pm	Mass & Miraculous Novena Prayers (MC) NO
7:30pm	Boy Scouts Troop Meeting (Gym)
Tuesday, May 31	
7:00am	AA (LL of SC)
10:00am	St. Patrick's Widow/Widowers Steering (PCM)
6:00pm	Bereavement Group (PCM)
6:15pm	Legion of Mary (MC-Crying Rm)
7:30pm	Adult Choir (MC)
Wednesday, June 1	
7:00am	AA (LL of SC)
9:45am	Parentcare (PCH)
1:00pm	Problems With Food - OA (LL of SC)
7:00pm	Girl Scout Leader Meeting (PCH)
7:00pm	AA (LL of SC)
7:00pm	Columbiettes (EC 100)
7:30pm	Teen Choir (MC)
7:30pm	Al-Anon (EC 109)
Thursday, June 2	
7:00am	AA (LL of SC)
7:25pm	EARN (PCH)
7:00pm	SPS End of Year Band Concert (Gym)
7:30pm	Adult Choir (MC) NO
8:00pm	Prayer Meeting (PCM)
Friday, June 3	
7:00am	AA (LC)
8:45am	SPS End of Year Band Concert (Gym)
1:10pm	SPS Good Bye Mass (MC)
6:00pm	SPS Teen Canteen (Gym)
4:30pm	New Altar Server Training (MC)
7:00pm	AA (LL of SC)
Saturday, June 4	
7:00am	Emmaus Men's Ministry (EC 107/108)
8:00am	Sharing Community (PCH, Kitc.)
9:30pm	Centering Prayer (FEC 100)
6:30pm	High School Youth Group (PCH)
Sunday, June 5	
8:00am	AA (LC)
10:15am	Library Opens
8:00pm	AA (LL of SC)

Collection May 15, 2016	
Weekly Collection Last Year	\$19,223.00
Weekly Collection This Year	\$19,846.00
Weekly Children's Collection Last Year	\$ 90.00
Weekly Children's Collection This Year	\$ 55.00
April Parish Pay Last Year	\$24,258.73
April Parish Pay This Year	\$28,205.42

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Sunday: Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17
Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34
Friday: Ez 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Lk 2:41-51
Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:17-24; Gal 1:11-19; Lk 7:11-17



2016-2017 Parish Calendar: All Parish Service Ministries and Organizations are asked to submit their calendar and facilities requests for the **2016-2017** year to the Rectory Office within the next few weeks. Do not assume you have the same location/time as last year. Please also be advised that we cannot schedule activities that will coincide with or overlap our weekend Masses. As everyone is aware, our parking facilities are already stretched to their limit. All requests **MUST** include the contact person's name & phone number(s).

The Town of Somers Relay for Life will be held on **Friday, June 17** on the Somers Intermediate School campus. Learn more about the Relay for Life event by visiting relayforlife.org/SomersNY or contact Meghan.mcgrady@cancer.org. Cancer survivors and their caregiver are invited to attend the Survivor Dinner. The dinner begins at 5:30pm in the Somers Intermediate School Cafeteria. Please RSVP if you plan to attend the dinner, (914) 397-8803.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ ☩ May 29, 2016



Msgr. Dermot Brennan's "60th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood" Mass will be celebrated in the Main Church on Sunday, June 5st at 12:30pm. A reception in the Parish Center Hall will follow.


All are invited and encouraged to attend and extend their blessings and congratulations to Msgr. Brennan who served as Pastor of St. Patrick's Church from 1985 to 2005.

Do you wish you had more peace in your life? Come drink from the fountain of everlasting joy by visiting Jesus during our hours of Eucharistic Adoration, Monday through Friday, 9:30AM to 9:00PM. We want to thank all of our regular adorers who make adoration possible for our Parish Community. Please consider serving the parish in this special ministry.



There is **NO** Adoration on Memorial Day.

Couples Celebrating their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during **2016** are invited to attend a **Parish Mass** in their honor on **Saturday, July 9th** at 5:15pm with a Reception in the Parish Center to follow. To reserve a space, please contact the Rectory no later than June 27th. Please RSVP either by email or phone: stpatsyorktown@optonline.net, (914) 962-5050.

 **Vacation Bible School: August 1st through 5th** from 9:00AM to 12 Noon. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the Main Church and on the parish website, www.stpatricks-yorktown.org. Adult and teen volunteers are needed; this counts towards community service as well. Contact: Lorraine Bernitt at 962-7278.

Thank you and your parish for all the many donations of clothing and baby equipment to First Way Life Center. Please thank all the people who contributed as well as those who made the trip to deliver the gifts. May God Bless you and the parishioners of St. Patrick's Church.

- Annette Rein, Director



Save the Dates:
Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Door
St. Patrick's Cathedral & Harbor Lights Circle Line Cruise
Sunday, June 26, 2016
Please RSVP but no later than June 13
Flyers in the vestibule of the Main Church
Fr. Bisignano's Good-Bye Mass
Saturday, June 18, 5:15PM, Main Church
with reception to follow
St. Patrick's Parish Picnic
Sunday July 17th, 12 Noon, Downing Park
Live Band, Grilled food & drinks.
\$10 per person or \$20 per family
Rectory & outside of Mass sales begin June 11/12

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday there will be no 6:55am Mass and no 7:30pm Mass and Novena on Monday. Novena prayers will be offered following the 9:00am Mass. There will also be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday. The Rectory will also be CLOSED.



St. Joseph's Corner: Everyday we have the chance to be a missionary of grace to our own families. We choose at each moment if we will accept God's mission to be His Arms to love those who live with us. Ask the Holy Spirit to fill your heart with God's love so that it overflows on the people in your life. Ask Our Blessed Mother to borrow her Immaculate Heart so that you can love like her and Jesus. "Whatever you do in your family – for your children, for your husband, for your wife – you do for Jesus," said Blessed Mother Teresa, in "Words to Love by..."

In This Year of Mercy: Our Act of Mercy for the month of May is "Shelter the Homeless". Sometimes it's easy to ignore such a big problem like homelessness because we feel that there is not much we can do. However, if each of us gave just a little bit more, it would add up to big changes for those who suffer. Let's pray to the Holy Spirit for the eyes of Jesus to see ways we can help our neighbors.

Banns

II James A. Nardone & Diana Nowakowski
III John Ockay & Emily Sauerhoff

Wedding

John Ockay & Emily Sauerhoff

Saturday, June 4, 2:30pm, Stone Church

UNANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Deceased: Eddie Rohan, Marjorie Cushman
Griswold, Eugene Fitzpatrick, Harold Beckett

Special Intention: Kathy A. Merone

The Altar Bread & Wine used in the **Main Church** this week were donated by Norine Charlonis & Family in loving memory of:



William Charlonis



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

Souls in Purgatory

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the **Main Church Chapel** this week was donated The Adoration Committee for the special intentions of:



The Priests of St. Patrick's Parish



The Altar Bread & Wine used in the **Stone Church** this week was donated by Joan Harrington & Family in loving memory of:

Fr. Bernard Smith, O.F.M., Cap.

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the **Stone Church** this week was donated by Maureen J.B. Hernandez & Mrs. Furlong in loving memory of:



Aida DiSalvo

I pray to hear Your small, still voice within me that guides me, Eternal Lord.

St. Patrick's Boy Scout Troop #173

will be holding its annual summer car wash on **Sunday, June 5th** from 9 to 2pm at the Yorktown Gulf Station, (former Shell) at the corner of Rt. 118 and Commerce Street.

St. Patrick's Widows & Widowers'

support group will meet on **Tuesday, June 7th** at 7:00pm in the Parish Center Hall. (845) 628-4279.

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

BONANZA: Please be aware that due to new United States Post Office sorting regulations our Bonanza mailings are not being processed as they had in the past. Therefore, if you mailed your chance back to us and it was returned to you, please do one of three things: 1) place your envelope in the collection basket 2) drop off at the Rectory or 3) place in a separate envelope and re-address.. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. We truly appreciate your continued support.



Religious Education 2016-2017 Registration for NEW Families:

Tuesday, June 7 10:00am-5:00pm Thursday, June 9 1:00pm - 7:00pm

New families are those who have **never been** registered in our program before - this Registration session is for new 1st Graders or transfer students only. A Baptismal certificate (and Communion certificate if applicable) must be presented even if sacraments were received at St. Patrick's. Please call or email the Religious Education Office if you have any questions: 962-5586 /saintpatricksred@yahoo.com.

EARN, our Parish's ministry to the unemployed, will hold its regular monthly meeting on **Thursday, June 2nd** at **7:25PM** in the Parish Center Hall. Each EARN meeting provides job searchers with effective techniques to generate new job opportunities. Visit: www.earnatstpats.com.

1st Friday - 24 Hour Adoration - 9:30AM Friday to 8:45AM Saturday

Please sign up for as many 1/2-hour increments as you can do. Sitting with Jesus brings incredible graces and blessings. Do not miss this opportunity. Sign-up board is in the lobby of the Main Church.

From the desk of Fr. Tom Kreiser

THIS IS MY BODY

Today is the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ. This feast offers us an opportunity to reflect on what we, as Catholics, believe about the Eucharist.

At the Last Supper, on the night before He died for us, Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to the Apostles. He said to them, "This is my body." He also took a cup of wine and said, "This is the cup of my blood." We hear these words day after day, week after week, during the celebration of Mass. And because we hear them so often, we can sometimes forget how profound they are.

Jesus gives us His Body and Blood to be our food. **His real Body and Blood.** They are not a symbol of His Body and Blood, but His real, true presence, which replace the substance of bread and wine, and are there for us to eat and drink.

Along with the mystery of the Trinity, and the mystery of the Incarnation (the Son of God taking on a human form), the Eucharist is among the greatest mysteries that Christians encounter. And what is a mystery? It is not, like on television, a whodunit that can be figured out with clues. A mystery, in the religious sense, is something that we can know to a certain degree, but will never be totally understandable to the human intellect. Theologians throughout the years have worked to be able to put into words what happens when the bread and wine are consecrated by the words of Jesus spoken by the priest. St. Thomas Aquinas has given us the best language to use. He taught us that the **substance** of bread and wine (that which makes it what it is) is replaced by the **substance** of Jesus' Body and Blood, while the accidents of bread and wine (shape, color, taste, etc.) remain. We call this **transubstantiation**, and as I said, it will never be fully understandable to the human mind.

So what is our attitude toward the Eucharist? It is said that Mahatma Gandhi once said, "I do not believe that the body of Christ is present, but if I did, I would crawl on my hands and knees to get it." That is a pretty bold statement by someone who is a nonbeliever. It should make us think about how we treat the Eucharist. So often, we take it for granted. We forget that we are really receiving Jesus. We receive the Eucharist without really thinking about what it is, or what it does for us. The Eucharist **transforms** us, so that we become the Body of Christ. St. Augustine always said, "Become what you receive." The Second Vatican Council highlighted that we are the **Mystical Body of Christ**, bound together by the Eucharist we receive. So everything about our attendance at Mass ought to signify that we understand that this is a profound mystery and gift of God; from our being on time, to our dress, to our attitude and participation in the Eucharistic celebration (singing and praying).

And what of those who do not take advantage of this gift? What of those in our lives that do not attend Mass? During this year of mercy, shouldn't we be gently offering them the opportunity to return to the practice of their faith? My new mantra is "Each one, bring one." If we do, our Church will be filled to overflowing. And it all starts with an understanding that this truly is Jesus' Body and Blood, the same body that was conceived by Mary, born in Bethlehem, grew up in Nazareth, suffered and died for us in Jerusalem, rose from the dead, and is now seated at God the Father's right hand. What a shame that this gift goes unused by so many. If we really believe what we say we believe, why wouldn't we want to invite someone to share in this tremendous gift?

On this feast of Corpus Christi, let us take a little time to reflect on what Jesus gives us in each Eucharist, and on how we can better worship Him and respect this gift.

God bless you.

Make this a Summer of True Love



Learn to Love Like Jesus

Three Steps to Uniting Your Family to God Through Holy Mother Church

Step One – Unite your heart to God each day by saying a Morning Offering Prayer every morning. Holy Mother Church teaches us that the best way to unite our will to God's Will is to say the Morning Offering Prayer. Place the Morning Offering Prayer in a place that you will see it easily each morning. For example, tape it on the bathroom mirror.

Step Two – Ask God for His Mercy and for the grace to be His Mercy to other people. People can only give love when they feel loved. So we must maintain a loving relationship with God so that we can love others like Jesus loves us. Receiving Holy Communion is the only way that we can unite our bodies to the Body of Christ. The Sacrament of Reconciliation keeps our souls clean so that we can worthily receive the Eucharist and so that we can hear God's voice. Visiting Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration gives us the chance to fall deeply in love with Him.

Step Three – Do an Examen each night to grow closer to God. This prayer allows you to review your day to see when you loved those around you with the Sacred Heart of Jesus and when you acted selfishly. You can then ask for forgiveness for those selfish times and renew your commitment to follow Our Lord more closely the next day.

The Family Ministry is giving out cards with the Morning Offering Prayer and Examen . We are also giving out prayer cards that can help you grow closer to Jesus during Eucharistic Adoration. By following these three steps, you will unite your family to Holy Mother Church and invite God into your days so that He can transform your hearts. Please take extra cards to give to friends and family members.

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Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
 On the **HAIL MARY BEADS** you will say the following words:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.
 In conclusion **THREE TIMES** you will recite these words:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
 From the Diary of the Servant of God Sr. Faustina - Note Book I, p 197
 IMPRIMATUR: + Joseph F. Maguire
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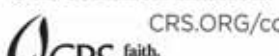
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