



Please Pray for: All those in the path of Hurricane Florence and to the First Responders, putting their lives on the line.

Who Is Jesus?

In his teens, C.S. Lewis was a professed agnostic. He was influenced in his conversion to Christianity by G.K. Chesterton's book, The Everlasting Man, and by two of his Christian friends. After his conversion, he wrote a number of books defending Christianity. During the Second World War in his famous BBC radio talk, Mere Christianity, he said, "I am trying to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: 'I'm ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don't accept his claim to be God.' That is the one thing we must not say. A man who is merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic, on the level with a man who says he is a poached egg, or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse." If we accept Jesus as a moral teacher, then we must necessarily accept Him as God, for great moral teachers do not tell lies.

National Life Chain Sunday: On Sunday, October 7th, 2018, St. Patrick's Pro-Life Committee will once again sponsor the National Life Chain at the intersection of 16th and Main from 2-3:30pm. LIFE CHAIN is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing for 90 minutes praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. It is the largest pro-life, public witness in the world. For more information, visit <http://www.lifechain.net>.

Altar Society will meet Thursday, Sept. 20th @ 6:00 pm. Melissa Brown, director from Safe Haven homeless shelter will be our speaker.

Dinner will be chef salads, sangria and pumpkin dessert. If possible, bring a donation, and/or paper towels, laundry or dish detergent, bath towels or any other household item to help her keep the shelter open.

Pittsburg & Chanute shelters have closed, and they have a waiting list of 11 people. For more info: Check out the Parsons Sun., Tues. edition.

Rosary:

The Knights of Columbus will be leading the Rosary before each Mass on the weekend of **September 22nd and 23rd** with special intentions supporting Fr. Curtis and his fellow Priests throughout the world.

Please join us...
Sept 22nd @ 4:30pm
Sept. 23rd @ 7:30am and 9:30am



Stewardship Reflection

09/16/2018

In last week's Gospel, we heard the story of the Canaanite woman (a Gentile) who appealed to Jesus for help, and her prayer and plea were answered. Part of the message of that is that the Kingdom of God is open to and offered to all peoples. This week we hear Jesus say to St. Peter in the Gospel from Matthew, "I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven." An important part of the Vatican flag is two keys. Those keys, of course, represent the keys to the kingdom to which Jesus makes reference. Were you aware that one key is gold and the other silver. Interpretation is that the gold key represents spiritual power and the silver key represents worldly power.

We are also fond of images and more showing Saint Peter at the gates of Heaven deciding who is admitted and who is not. Nevertheless, the keys are reinforced in the Acts of the Apostles, and it is perhaps not that Peter opens the gates of Heaven, but Peter (and Paul as well) through his ministry and explanations make it clear that heaven (the kingdom) is available to all, Jews and Gentiles.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (#1023) states, "Those who die in God's grace and friendship and are perfectly purified live forever with Christ. They are like God forever, for they 'see him as he is,' face to face." Pope Francis has spoken on this more than once. Recently, he stated, "The Lord has redeemed all of us, all of us with the Blood of Christ. However, we must meet one another doing good." Our call is clear.

THANK YOU.....
TO ALL THOSE WHO GIVE THEIR TIME AND TALENTS
KEEPING OUR CHURCH AND SCHOOL GROUNDS
LOOKING TOP NOTCH!!!!
YOU ARE APPRECIATED...



Parish Picnic...

Knights and Altar Society Annual Church Picnic
Sunday, Sept. 23rd, from 4:00 – 6:00, eating at 5:00..

Will have toddler town blow up for kids under 6, two courts of 3 on 3 basketball and volleyball.

Just bring a lawn chair!
Knights will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Altar Society will provide sides, desserts, water/lemonade and table service.

Confirmation Class: Sept. 30th @ 6:00pm
Reminder to all freshmen and sophomore's that this is Confirmation year. Classes will start September 30th at 6:00 pm with a parent meeting in the Parish Hall. All class attendance is required. Any junior or senior that missed 2016 Confirmation is encouraged to attend as well. Confirmation will be on December 8, 2018 at 5pm Mass.

NEXT WEEK MINISTRIES

Sept. 22nd - Sept 23rd

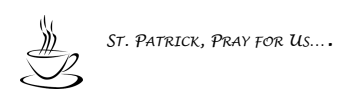
Altar Servers -
5pm -L Ortiz, K Waun, K Waun
8am - B Johnston, R Barger, C Westhoff
10am - J Cervantes, J Schibi, C Manners
Extraordinary Ministers
5pm - Bill Wheat
8am - Jane Alexander
10am - Harry Heppler

Lectors -
5pm -Nick Pfeifer
8am -Jeff Perez
10am - Daniel Schibi

Gifts -
5pm -Joe & Laura Stringer
8am - Max & Cindy Dhooghe
10am -Wayne & Tracy Gilmore Family

Ushers -
5pm - Mike & Janelle Carson/ Jerry & Carolyn Waugh
8am - Rob & Elle Montee / Carl & Sheryl Johnson
10am - L Schibi, J Alexander / Vince & Mary Schibi

Counters - Lou Jones / Jody & JoanThompson



ST. PATRICK, PRAY FOR US...

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Your Gifts to God and Parish:
Sept. 8th - Sept. 9th
Needed: \$17,081.46 Received: \$13,519.00
Loose currency / coins : \$ 258.90
Other: \$2500.00
Total Collection: \$16,277.90

ADORERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS.
PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER AN ADORATION HOUR,
WHETHER WEEKLY, EVERY OTHER WEEK OR ONCE A MONTH
MON. 1-2AM
TUES. 5-6AM
THUR. 1-2AM
FRI. 3 - 4PM FRI. 10PM -11PM FRI. 11PM - MIDNIGHT
SUN 3-4AM SUN. 2PM-3PM (3RD SUNDAY NEEDED)



Adoration of Our Lord
Do you carry a heavy cross? Do you need help with it?
Ask the Expert! No cross is heavier than the cross He carried. Come rest in His Divine Presence. There is always a need for faithful committed adorers. For your own Holy Hour call the Rectory.



Welcome.....to Our newest Parishioner
Justus Zeke Stanford, son of Jerrod and Traci, and sister Ivy.

MASS INTENTIONS Sept. 15th - Sept. 23rd

Saturday 5pm Rick Ray (Marilyn Ray)
Sunday 8am †Ray Johnston (Diana Coomes)
10am The People Of St. Patricks Parish
Mon 8am †Betty Westhoff (John & Sonja Schibi)
Tues 5:30pm Fr. Adam Keiter
Wed 8am Fathers Day Novena
Thur 8am Ralph & Viola Gouvion (Carolyn Gouvion Family)
Friday 8am †Fred Rundle

Next Weekend's Intentions:
Saturday 5pm †William Stringer (Joe & Laura Stringer)
Sunday 8am The People of St. Patricks Parish
Sunday 10am †Mary Wosika (Joe Dwyer)

This Week at St. Patrick's

Mon Sept. 17	*Rosary	7:30am
	*Mass	8am
Tue Sept. 18	*Parent/Teacher Conferences	4 -7pm
	*Mass	5:30pm
	*Cursillo	5:30pm
Wed Sept. 19	*Rosary	7:30am
	*Mass	8am
	*PSR	5:30pm
	*EDGE	6pm
Thurs Sept. 20	*Mass	8am
	*Parent/Teacher Conferences	4-7pm
	*Altar Society Meeting	6pm
Fri Sept. 21	*Day of Penance: abstinence from meat, prayer and works of mercy, reading of the Sacred Scriptures for an outpouring of God's mercy and the Holy Spirit's gifts of Holiness.	
	*Rosary	7:30am
	*Mass	8am
Sat Sept. 22	*Rosary	6:30am
	*Cursillo	7am
	*Confession	3:30pm
	*Mass	5pm
Sun Sept. 23	*Mass	8am
	*Mass	10am

Please Join Us....."Rosary at Good Samaritan, every Tuesday @ 4:00 pm everyone welcome."

FYI—Listen to Sunday homilies on the parish website. Both are now accessible from the Home page @ www.stpatricksparsons.org

RCIA Classes beginning soon— Thinking of asking someone to join the Catholic Faith? Pray about it and then go for it! Or, have the RCIA team do it for you! Direct inquiries to the Rectory.