

**First Sunday of Advent, St. Andrew, First Friday, First Saturday, St. Francis Xavier**

**MASS INTENTIONS: Nov. 26th - Dec. 4th**  
 Sat. 5:00pm Mary Catherine Hessinger (Anne Brewer)  
 Sun. 7:30am †Mark Harper (Tom & Beth Westhoff)  
 9:00am For the People of St. Patrick Parish  
 Tue. 5:30pm †Mary Jane Cosby (Bill & Joan Pearson)  
 Wed. 8:00am †Gloria Kerr (John Kerr)  
 Thur. 8:00am †Frank Davis Wilkerson (Neal & Pat Wilkerson)  
 Fri. 8:00am †Doris Sweeney (Gene & Cindy Berndt)

**NEXT WEEKEND'S INTENTIONS**  
 Sat. 5:00pm †Dale Alexander (James Sirokman Family)  
 Sun. 7:30am For the People of St. Patrick Parish  
 9am †Sherry Chapman (Carl & Donna Treiber)

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK'S:**

Tue Nov. 29th	Mass	5:30pm
Wed Nov. 30th	Mass	8:00am
	PSR	5:30pm
	EDGE	7:00pm
Thur Dec. 1st	Mass	8:00am
Fri Dec. 2nd	Day of Penance: abstinence from Meat. Prayer and works of mercy. Reading of Sacred Scripture for an Outpouring of God's mercy and The Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and Strength upon the church.	
	<b>First Friday Mass</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
Sat Dec. 3rd	<b>First Saturday Confession</b>	<b>7:30am</b>
	<b>First Saturday Mass</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
	Confessions	3:30pm
	Mass	5:00pm
Sun Dec. 4th	Mass	7:30am
	Mass	9:00am

*Christmas Call to Sharing  
2022*

*Priests play an essential role of sanctifying, teaching and leading. They are servants to all. Very soon, you will be receiving an invitation from Bishop Kemme asking you to consider a gift to the Christmas Call to Sharing. Your gift is used to benefit the 35 men currently studying for the priesthood in the Wichita Diocese and the 21 priests in retirement. I would ask you to prayerfully consider a special gift this year to support our priests.*

Remember to:  
Pause amid the busyness, and give Thanks...

**Welcome to St. Patrick Catholic Church**  
**Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 8am to 3:30pm**  
**Closed Holy Days and Holidays.**

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH**

	11/20/22	07/1/22 - 11/20/22
<b>WEEKLY COLLECTION:</b>	\$9,423.00	\$269,044.45
<b>LOOSE CURRENCY /COINS:</b>	\$182.50	\$3,673.94
<b>OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:</b>	\$2,900.00	\$26,500.00
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTION:</b>	\$12,505.50	\$299,218.39
<b>BUDGET:</b>	\$17,500.00	\$365,000.00
<b>OVERAGE/SHORTAGE:</b>	(\$4,994.50)	(\$65,781.61)

**NEXT WEEK MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**Sat: Dec. 3rd 5:00pm Mass**  
 Servers: Noah McIntosh / Zach Collins  
 Lector: Anne Brewer  
 Greeters /Gifts: John & Maggie Keene  
**Sun: Dec. 4th 7:30am Mass**  
 Servers: Antonio Aita  
 Lector: Marena Kirkpatrick  
 Greeters /Gifts: Tony & Connie Adams  
**Sun: Dec 4th 9:00am Mass**  
 Servers: David Ortiz & Adrian Ortiz  
 Lector: Jeff Perez  
 Greeters/Gifts: Mark & Fatima Mall Family

**Adorer's  
 Needed  
 for the  
 following  
 hours:  
 Friday  
 2 pm to 3 pm  
 &  
 8pm to 9pm  
 Please call  
 the  
 Parish office.**

**Date: Saturday Crew**  
**Please call John Schibi at 820-1331 for any questions or if you would like to sign-up on a crew.**

Dec. 3rd Emilio Aita/ Ross Harper/ Adam Myers  
 Dec.10th Paul Schibi / Vincent Schibi / Bryan Schibi / Daniel S.  
 Dec.17th Chris Allen / David Wheat / Mark Mall

**Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule**

**5:30pm Dec. 7th Vigil Mass**  
 Altar Servers: Collin Snider & Cole Manners  
 Lector: Jeff Perez  
 Usher/Gifts: Terry & Sherry Dunlay

**8:00am. Dec. 8th Immaculate Conception Mass**  
 Altar Servers: Sebastian & Raphael Aita  
 Lector: Dr. Yarbrough  
 Usher / gifts: Jody & Joan Thompson

**5:30pm. Dec. 8th Immaculate Conception Mass**  
 Altar Servers: Tanner Nolting / Drew Schibi  
 Lector: Leslie Keller  
 Usher/ gifts: Richard & MaryJo Fitzwater



**Sale! Sale! Sale!**  
**St. Vincent dePaul - 1122 Main Street**  
**\$3.00 Sack Sale**  
**Thursday, Dec. 1st**  
**(10:00am to Noon) (2:00pm to 4:00pm)**  
**Friday, Dec. 2nd**  
**(10:00am to Noon) (2:00pm to 4:00pm)**  
**Saturday, Dec. 3rd**  
**(10:00am to Noon)**

**Stewardship Reflection - November 27, 2022 —**  
**First Sunday in Advent**  
 Today we begin the beautiful season of Advent  
 — a season of preparation.

For what are we preparing? The celebration of the birth of our Savior, and the anticipation of His second coming. These are weighty tasks with eternal consequences.

So, let us as Christian stewards make the words of the Prophet Isaiah our motto for the season: "Come, let us climb the Lord's mountain to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may instruct us in his ways and we may walk in his paths." In the weeks leading up to Christmas, it seems everywhere we turn we are pushed to spend more, do more, entertain more, and generally rush around at a frantic pace — all to create a "perfect" Christmas day. In contrast to this worldly pressure, the Church's guidance to use these weeks as a time to focus on our spiritual lives can indeed seem like a mountain climb.

But the intentional and wise use of the gift of time is exactly what the Christian steward is called to do, and with even greater intensity during Advent. How can we use our time to prepare for a holy celebration of Jesus' birth on Dec. 25 and for his second coming at a date we do not know?

We can push back against the world's pressure to have the "perfect Christmas."

Scale back on the material kind of gift-giving, the complicated menus, the unessential trappings of the season so that we have more time for the spiritual preparations: Confession, weekday Mass, adoration, family prayer time, lighting the Advent wreath, and acts of kindness. In the end, we will be prepared to celebrate a truly meaningful Christmas, we will have become more like our Savior, and we will be ready for Him to come again.

**Preserving Our Heritage, Our Faith,  
 and Our Future  
 Capital Campaign**

Have you sent in your commitment card for the Capital Campaign? We know that every gift to the campaign makes a difference, no matter the size — they all add up, and are allowing us to renovate our worship space.

Please return your pledge card, noting a financial commitment and/or a commitment to continue praying for and supporting our church community as we all work together on our catholic faith journey. You may mail them back to the parish office or drop them in the mass collections.

Your pledge or an annual gift are greatly appreciated. If you have questions or need information on the project and/or the campaign, please reach out to Father or the parish office.

Work continues on our church and we are pleased with the progress they are making daily. Your continued prayers for the crews that are working daily to reinforce our structure to allow us back in it and to gather again in our church.

We are excited with the response and generosity of our parishioners. It is a parish project and we encourage each family to be a part of this campaign effort for St. Patrick's.

Thanks to you all, we are making it happen!

Please Pray for: The end of abortion, and all sins against life.

**Holiness through Gratitude**

Gratitude is the most underrated, yet powerful way to holiness. It recognizes the truth of the situation: that everything in our lives are gifts from God. Here are 3 key ways gratitude can transform our spiritual lives.

1. Gratitude fills our hearts with love for others. It's hard to hate someone after we thank God for them. When we thank God for someone's existence and their good qualities, we take on the mind of Christ. On the Cross, Jesus saw more than just our sins: He saw our great potential to love. It takes a full and creative soul to find the positives in someone. Gratitude swiftly floods our minds and hearts with charity. When with others, start with gratitude.

2. Gratitude is contagious and persuasive. We always want to spend time with people who exude a gratitude-fueled joy. They appreciate life and all of its gifts. If they're thankful, they're likely loving you well, too. Carrying a grateful heart will naturally melt bitterness away from everyone nearby. If you're looking to change someone's heart, your joy will change them more than any kind of logic or argument alone. Gratitude means you think and behave like Jesus Himself. Others who meet you will follow suit.

3. Gratitude leads to humility and a hatred of sin. Like gratitude, humility recognizes the truth of the situation. When we ponder the Gift Giver, we quickly realize we don't deserve these graces. We realize that we have amazing lives. We realize that He loves us. Rather than hating sin because someone told us to hate it, we hate it out of love. We should truly desire to stay away from anything that would hurt the One who has loved us so deeply. It's no longer about seeing how close to the line we can get with sin. Gratitude corrects our relationship with God and motivates to stay close to Him for the right reason: love.

**Advent Penance Service - December 4th**

"Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand".

This is the message that John the Baptist preached to the people to lead them to a life of conversion and prepare them for the coming of Jesus. These words should also resonant with us this Advent Season as we prepare for Christmas and are reminded of the need to prepare ourselves for the second coming of Christ in our lives. May we too, recognize the need for conversion and repentance in our lives and make straight the path this season by visiting our Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. To assist you in making that straight path in your life, we will have an

**Advent Penance Service on December 4th from 6:00pm to 7:00pm.** There will be several Priests present for you to choose from, to hear your confession. So mark your calendars.

**Adopt - A - Family - Christmas Tree**

**The St. Patrick Pro - Life Group will once again be sponsoring the Adopt-A-Family Christmas Tree. We are currently searching for families who could use a little help this year. If interested or know of a family in need, please contact the Parish Office at 421-6762,**

by November 28th.  
 Thank you! Sonja & Becky



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- St. Mother Teresa

Preserving our Heritage • Sustaining our Faith and our Future

**Capital Campaign Prayer**  
Heavenly Father,  
By your Divine Will and Providence,  
you established our parish under the patronage of St. Patrick 150 years ago.  
Throughout these years you have provided for and guided our parish with your Grace in every moment of need. With confidence we call upon your Divine Assistance once again, to guide us and lead us, to give us generous hearts open to Your Will, as we work to repair our Church.  
So that through our efforts and your Grace we may preserve our heritage, strengthen our faith, and our future, providing a holy place for generations to come to encounter and grow in the faith and love of Jesus Christ. We ask this, and all things, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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LORDS DAY MASS SCHEDULE  
Vigil Mass: 5:00pm  
Sunday: 7:30am & 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES  
Tuesday: 5:30pm  
Wed, Thur, Fri: 8:00am

CONFESSION SCHEDULE  
Saturdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm  
Weekdays 30 minutes before Holy Mass

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