

MASS INTENTIONS: September 16th - September 24th

- Sat 5:00pm †Bernard & Jeannie LaForge (Family)
- Sun 7:30am For the People of St. Patrick Parish
- 9:00am Rick Ray (Marilyn Ray)
- Tue 5:30pm †Ramona Carnahan (Carl & Louise Yockey)
- Wed 8:00am †Lorestine Hemberger (Lynn Robertson Family)
- Thur 8:00am †Helen Jackson (Judy Harris)
- Fri 8:00am †Frank George (Dick & Margaret George)

NEXT WEEKEND'S INTENTIONS

- Sat 5:00pm Seth Blackburn (Jane Blackburn)
- Sun 7:30am †Gloria Cervantes (Leo & Regina Gensweider)
- 9:00am For the People of St. Patrick Parish

THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK'S:

- Tue Sept. 19th Mass 5:30pm
- Altar Society 6:00pm
- Wed Sept. 20th Mass 8:00am
- PSR 5:30pm
- EDGE 6:00pm
- Thur Sept. 21st Mass 8:00am
- Fri Sept. 22nd 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.
- Mass 8:00am
- Sat Sept. 23rd Confessions 3:30pm
- Vigil Mass 5:00pm
- Parish Picnic after 5:00pm Mass
- Sun Sept. 24th Mass 7:30am
- Mass 9:00am

SPCS Events

- V-Ball - 4:00pm @ Altamont - Sept. 18th
- Parent Teacher Conferences - Sept. 19th
- Tennis - 2:30pm @ Pittsburg - Sept. 19th
- Parent Teacher Conferences - Sept. 21st
- Football - 5:00pm @ Home - Sept. 21st
- No School - Sept. 22nd (Daycare Open)

Classes for PSR

Begin: Wednesday September 20th
PSR - 5:30pm every Wednesday

Our First EDGE meeting will be Wednesday, September 20, from 6pm to 7pm. We will have chicken tacos and great conversation. Water will be available or you can bring your own drink. I look forward to meeting with you all! If you have any questions please let me know 620-820-4146. God Bless you! Beth Allen

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
9-10-2023 7-1-23 TO 9-10-23

WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$13,891.00	\$153,215.00
LOOSE CURRENCY /COINS:	\$192.00	\$3,433.96
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:	\$1,000.00	\$1,800.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTION:	\$15,083.00	\$158,448.96
BUDGET:	\$17,500.00	\$192,500.00
OVERAGE/SHORTAGE:	(\$2,417.00)	(\$34,051.00)

NEXT WEEK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

- Sat: Sept. 23rd 5:00pm Mass
- Servers: Noah McIntosh
- Lector: John Keene
- Greeters /Gifts: Ilene Ritz / Beth Allen
- Sun: Sept. 24th 7:30am Mass
- Servers: Needed
- Lector: Anne Brewer
- Greeters/Gifts: Richard & MaryJo Fitzwater & Brian & Marena Kirkpatrick Family
- Sun: Sept. 24th 9:00am Mass
- Servers: Owen Feess /Cole Manners
- Lector: Rick Goodyear
- Greeters/Gifts: Rod & Denise Fleming

Mowing Schedule

- Sept. 21st Luke Manners & Adam Myers
- Sept. 28th Joey Alexander & Luke Schibi
- Oct. 5th Ross Harper & Emilio Aita

September 2023 Prayer List:

Mandy Venegas, Raef Stanford, Bristel & Reagan Bernd, April & Natalie Stanton, Janie Schibi, Caleb Fent, Lorie Nutter, Dave Turk, Matthew Carrillo, Rafael Munoz, Joaquin Castellanos, Tim & Chris Hurley, Lashall Snider, Terry Payne, Donna George, JoAnn George LaForge, Dr. Gary Yarbrough & Diane Yarbrough, Loise Lubbers, Linda Crabtree, Angel Reyes, Frank Reyes, Valerie Carnahan, Brian Merchant, MaryJo Howard, Rita Schauf, Jason Langston, Charlie Smith, Carter Stephens, Montell White, Steven Minor, Kris Vitt, Nicono Nordquist, Jim Vitt, Jerry & Sylvia McKinney, Glenn Linnebur, Jackie Hudson, Millie Drabenstot, Audrey Mihich, Lois Johnsen, Bob Hennessey, Joy Cervantes, Craig Forbes, Lee Ziegler, Mary Brooks, Tommie Forbes, Betty Duling, John & Nell Ball, Richard Martinez, Ron & Jeannie McDaniel, Ridger Robbins & family, Sherlina Brown, David Pyles, Lois Carlson, Harry & Diana Conway, Cole Kyle, Dan Bogner, Jean Keller Lowe & Gary Keller,

CYM - starts Wednesday, September 27th @7:00pm and will meet, every other Wednesday in the Parish Hall.

The SPCS Auction, Gracefully Restored, will be October 21, 2023.

Stewardship Reflection

September 17, 2023

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings call us to look inward to the state of our hearts, our thoughts and emotions.

Our first reading, from Sirach, addresses the complicated emotion of anger. "Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the Lord?" We have all been wounded by others at some point, some perhaps quite deeply. Our emotions are gifts from God. But we must steward them well, rather than allowing them to overcome us.

How do we do this? Sirach tells us. "Remember your last days, set enmity aside... Remember the Most High's covenant and overlook faults." We embrace the stewardship mindset — not brooding over hurts, but recalling all the gifts our good God has given us, all the love He continually pours out upon us, and we put our focus and trust in Him.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus reminds us of the true position we have before Him in light of all that He has done for us, comparing the kingdom of heaven to a "king who decided to settle accounts with his servants." In the parable, a debtor is brought before the king, owing such an overwhelming debt that it could not possibly be repaid. Yet, the king is filled with compassion for the servant, forgives the debt and lets him go free.

Doesn't that sound like each of us in relation to the King of Kings? The Father has given us life, and then sent His only Son to die for us to free us from our sin "debts" and make eternal life with Him possible for us. It is impossible for us to repay this debt. All we can do is thank God by giving Him our whole selves — inside and out.

What joy and freedom we find in the stewardship way of life!

Happy Birthday Rita....

Rita Horton turns 100 on October 4, 2023!

If you would like to send her a card, she would love that.

You can mail to:

Rita Horton
c/o Christy Markley
PO Box 130
Parsons, KS 67357

Thank You!



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Father Emil Kapaun Cause of Sainthood-

The annual Kapaun's Men's retreat is coming up soon.

Presentation from ICT SOS- End Human Trafficking

Oct. 2nd 6:30pm@ Spiritual Life Center 7100 E 45th St N, Bel Aire, KS . If you knew someone was being trafficked for sex or labor, wouldn't you want to help? Trafficking happens too often in our city. Young people are often vulnerable to human trafficking and traffickers are all too willing to exploit those vulnerabilities. Come and learn more so you can help be part of the solution.

Please Pray for: Eternal Rest Grant Unto Her Oh Lord, Gloria Young. Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Her, May She Rest in Peace.

Capital Campaign Pledges

Although we are now back in the Church, we still have to pay the bills for the work that has been done to get us back in. So I ask that you please review where you stand on fulfilling your capital campaign pledge. If you have forgotten the amount you pledged, then please contact the parish office and that information can be provided.

Be Merciful

Being merciful, as God is merciful, means learning to see others more and more as God sees them. During the genocide that took place in Rwanda in 1994, almost 800,000 people were killed, most of them with machetes. Among the survivors was a young college student, Immaculee Ilibagiza. When the rioting and murdering began, she and seven other women took refuge in a tiny bathroom inside a local Protestant pastor's house. They didn't leave that bathroom for the next 91 days. At one point, as Immaculee describes in her book, "Left to Tell," she could actually hear the slaughter going on outside the bathroom window. She even heard the wailing of a baby that had been left to die: they all listened for hours as the baby's crying become fainter and fainter. During those 91 days of terror, Immaculee survived because she prayed. She prayed all the time, most especially using the Rosary. At one point, she was praying to God about the men who were committing the atrocities. She was so full of anger that she felt hatred threatening to poison her heart. She wanted to be able to forgive them, but she couldn't find the strength, and she complained to God about it in prayer. And then, in a moment of grace, our Lord sent her a thought that changed everything. God allowed her to see that the young men engaged in the genocide were his children too, just as much as she was. In that moment, her anger dissipated, and she actually felt compassion for them - because they were so horribly blinded by their sin. Later, when the genocide was over and she was trying to return to a normal life, she came face to face with the man who had murdered her mother and her brother. Her first words to him were, "I forgive you." Christians strive to be merciful because God is merciful; there is no limit to his love, because he sees all of us as his children, and so there should be no limits to our love, just as Christ's parable shows us.

Celebrate! Priesthood Sunday

on September 24th

Let them know how much, they are Appreciated.

Altar Society

We will begin meeting the 3rd Tuesday of the month (Sept-May) after 5:30 Mass and all St. Patrick's women age 18 and over are automatically members. Come catch up Tuesday, Sept. 19th, as we will have chicken pizza with peach sangria while we visit, followed by a brief update on events and circles.



St. Patricks Parish Picnic!

Saturday, Sept. 23rd after 5:00 Mass. The Knights will cook hamburgers and hot dogs, just bring a chair, chips or dessert if you wish. There will be corn-hole boards and kids games set up. Water, lemonade, drinks and table services provided.

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Tuesday-Friday: 8am - 3:30pm
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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

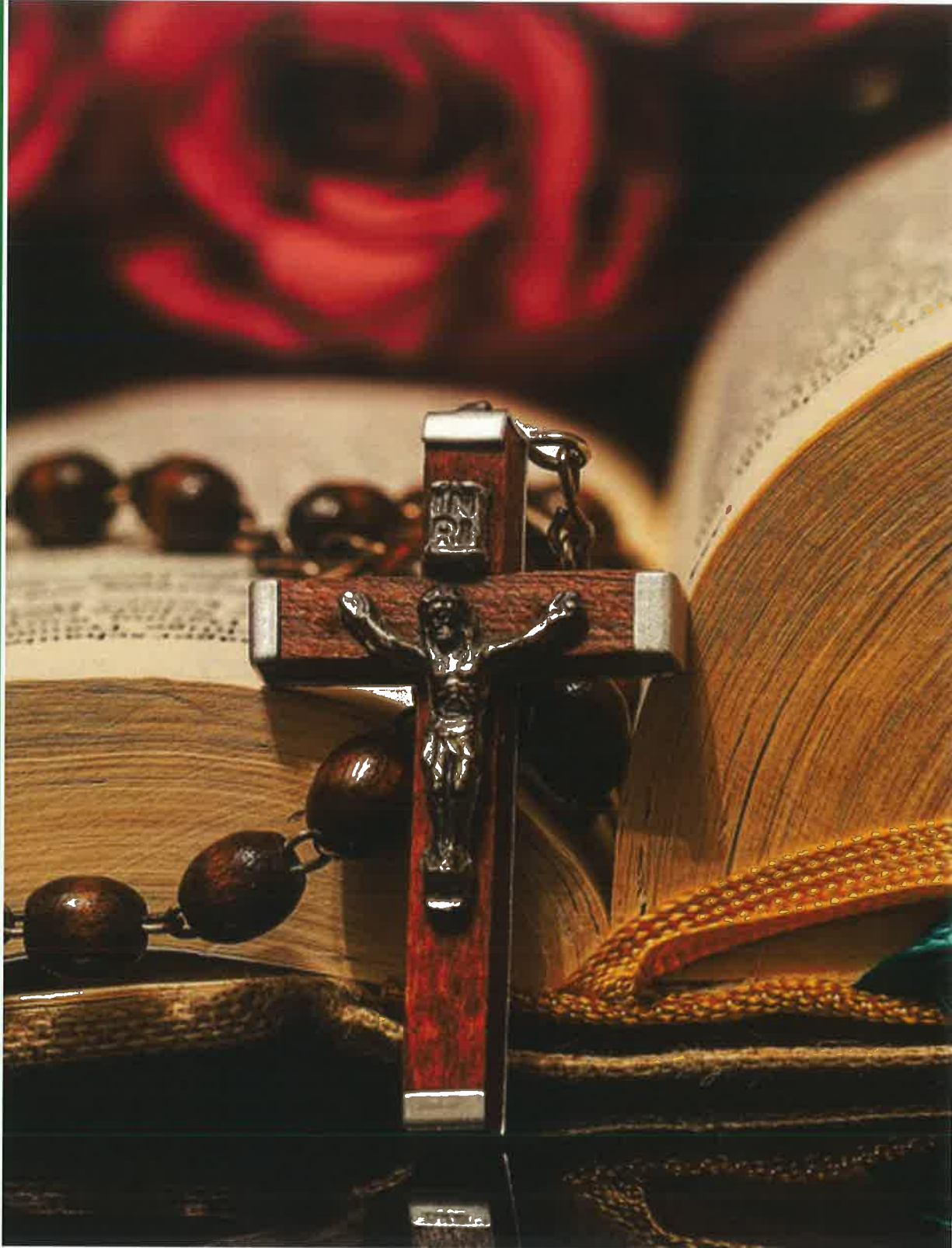
CONFESSION SCHEDULE
Saturdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm
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