

MASS INTENTIONS: Sept 2nd to Sept 10th

Saturday-5pm Dr. Tony&Meda Diaz(Bill&MaryFuentez Bill&Margaret George)
Sunday 8am People Of St.Patrick's Parish
10am †Socorro Asebedo(Joe Asebedo)
Monday 8am †Robert Vernon Sr.(Joe Dwyer)

While Father is away, he will offer his daily Masses for :
 St. Katharine Drexel Fund Donors; † Felix Alvarez (Mike and Florence Keal); † Peggy Leech (Brad & Jennifer Sevart); †Kathleen Hills (Mary Greenough)
Next Weekends Intentions:
Saturday 5pm †Gertrude McKinney (Joe Dwyer)
Sunday 8am People of the Parish
10 am †Marie Negrete Marrs (Negrete Family)

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PATRICK'S THIS WEEK:

Mon Sept 4 *Rosary in the Church **7:30 am**
 *Mass **8:00 pm**
***No Ultreya (Labor Day)**
 Tue Sept 5 *Rosary in the Church **7:30am**
 *No Mass
 *Cursillo Group Meets **5:30pm**
 *Parish Council (Parish hall) **6:30pm**
 *K of C Meeting (Knights Hall) **7pm**
 Wed Sept 6 *Rosary in the Church **7:30am**
 *No Mass
 *Rosary for Auction Success 6:30pm
 *Auction Meeting 7pm
 *Cursillo Group Meets **5:15pm**
 Thur Sept.7 *Rosary in the Church **7:30am**
 *No Mass
 Fri Sept.8 *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
 * Rosary in the Church **7:30pm**
 * No Mass
 Sat Sept. 9 * Rosary in the Church **6:30am**
 *Cursillo Group Meets **7:00 am**
 *Confessions **4:30 pm**

Next Weekend

Altar Servers:
 Sept. 9 5pm Kameran Waun, Kyle Waun, L.Gilmore
 Sept. 10 8am M. Bogner, R. Barger, C. Westoff
 10am Z. Johnston, L. Forbes, A Farris
Extraordinary Ministers:
 Sept. 9 5pm Teresa Bogner
 Sept. 10 8am Cindy Dhooghe
 10am Doug Holzem
Lector:
 Sept. 9 5pm Scotty Zollars
 Sept. 10 8am Jeff Perez
 10am Allison Colson
Offertory Gifts:
 Sept. 9 5pm Rod and Denise Fleming
 Sept. 10 8am Frank and Elaine Chandler
 10am Mike and Florence Keal
Ushers:
 Sept. 9 5pm M&Janell Carson/M.McKinney/I.Ritz
 Sept. 10 8am Aaron and Terri Saye Family
 10 am R&MaryJo Fitzwater family/J.Heppler
Money Counters:
 Sept. 9 &10 Mike & Janice Dulohery - Ray & Mary Fees

OUR LORD LONGS TO SPEND ONE HOUR WITH YOU!

Hours Available To Be Filled:

WED 11P-12A
 FRI 10-11AM
 FRI 2-3AM
 SAT 2-3AM
 SUN 5-6AM
 SUN 10-11AM
 SUN 7-8PM

Annual SPCS Apparel Sale

Now is the time to purchase these items. This is our only yearly order. The t-shirts will be red with the Our Father printed on the back. The jackets and sweatshirts will be blue with the Our Father printed on the back. Orders are being taken at the website: <https://stpats17.itemorder.com/sale> until September 10. If anyone needs assistance with ordering, they can contact the school at 421-0710.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH:

AUGUST 26th-27th

NEEDED: \$17,081.46 RECEIVED: \$12,461.80

PARISH NEWS

**Stewardship Reflection
 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Times
 September 3rd, 2017**

Our Second Reading from Our Our Second Reading from St. Paul's letter to the Romans is quite short, but as is ever the case with Holy Scripture it contains a central message which is quite important to us. One of the ongoing challenges of being Catholic and Christian in today's society is that society, cultural norms, sometimes seem to work against our efforts to live as followers and disciples of Christ.

Paul sums up that struggle succinctly as he says, "Do not conform yourselves to this age, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." Paul offers two suggestions in terms of combating the temptation to conform and agree.

First, he calls for a "renewal" of our minds. Often in today's society the standard opinion is that it is feelings, how we feel, that are most important. Living in that way ignores the mind approach.

Second, if we do try to sort things out intellectually we can only be successful in God's eyes if we seek truth. The question we must pose to ourselves and to which we need to seek a conclusion is not "How do I feel?" or even "What do I think?" The important question for us is "What is true and what does God's Word say? The philosopher and author C. S. Lewis defined truth simply when he wrote: "No philosophical theory which I have yet come across is a radical improvement on the words of Genesis, that '...in the beginning God made heaven and earth.'"

LIGHTS

We still need more strands of clear garden/patio lights (the big bulb style) for auction decorating, either for donation or to borrower (if lending, please clearly mark with your name).

VOLUNTEERS

The auction is a huge event that successfully comes together each year with the help of many. Whether you are a parent or a parishioner, we'd love the extra help with the following areas: set-up, silent auction organizing, decorating, auction spotters, bartenders, dessert dash, registration/check-out, game/raffle attendants, clean-up, etc. Please contact Kayan Myers at 620-820-4002 to help.

BEER /WINE /SPIRITS

Show us your flavor of choice! We are needing donations for our popular "Stock Your Cooler" and "Stock Your Cellar" Live Auction items.

RCIA Informational meeting at 521 Barton ave. at a 6:30 pm., Sept 6th.
RCIA Classes beginning soon-If you are thinking of asking someone please do so soon.Any questions can be directed to the rectory.

Mary Queen of Peace, Pray For Us..



Spiritual Benefits of Tithing

Does tithing really make a difference in my spiritual life? Absolutely! Although the Church and the world it serves may suffer when Christians decide to take care of their own needs and wants before giving back to God, ultimately what will suffer most is our relationship with God. It is God who blessed us with gifts to share. It is God to whom we are returning a portion of these blessings as an act of worship and faith. It is God to whom we will one day give an accounting of how well we used and shared gifts with others. Our happiness depends upon sharing what we have received.

Tithing is such a huge step. How do I know I am ready? Tithing does take great faith. Simply place your trust in God. If you wait until you feel you are financially comfortable you will never take the step. The commercialism of our society works to convince us we never have enough. No matter how much we have, there is always something else we will want. If you are ever going to tithe, you will have to step back from your endless list of wants. Then you will have to believe that our generous and abundant God will always provide you with all that you need and even with enough to give back a generous share.

Having made the decision to live stewardship as the way of life, one might ask, how do I know that my decision is the right size? God tells us in Malachi 3:10:"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house, and try me in this, says the Lord of hosts: shall I not open for you the floodgates of heaven, to pour down blessings upon you without measure?" Pope John Paul II uses the story of the rich young man to illustrate that we must first, accept the truth about ourselves as creatures utterly dependent on God's grace. Second, we must really choose to act in accordance with His divine will for us. And thirdly, we must be willing to give away everything trusting that paradoxically we will gain it all back in abundance.

So, what is the right size? Here is a helpful hint: after prayerful thought about the size of our gift, when we do not find ourselves making excuses for its size, when we know in our hearts it is sacrificial, that we have been completely honest with God and ourselves, then our gift is of the proper size. Bishop Emeritus Gerber said, "Stewardship is a truth embedded in our life. We have only to receive it. The deeper we go into stewardship as a way of life the freer we are to hear God's word, to ponder it and to put it into practice. Our wants, our desires will be purified and transformed until more and more we want what God wants and delight in it."

"He who did not spare his own son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with Him?" Romans 8:32. "Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions.'" - Luke 12:15

CYM KICKOFF

St. Pat's CYM high school students!! We will kick off the new year on Wednesday, September 13th @ 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Dinner will be served beginning at 6:45 pm. Bring a parent along to get you registered and also bring a friend with you! We are excited to see everyone soon!. (Peter, Bethany, Jamie, Jordan, and Father Curtis)