

# St. Patrick Catholic Church

December 24, 2017

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Rolla, MO 65401  
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Office Hours:  
Monday - Friday  
9:00 am - 5:00 p.m.

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## New to the Parish

Welcome to St. Patrick! Please register by completing a form available in the parish office or by asking a priest or deacon.

## St. Patrick School

Our parish school educates children from pre-3 through 8th grade. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please contact the school office at (573) 364-1162.

## Parish School of Religion

Religious education is offered on Sunday mornings for children in grades K-8 who do not attend our parish school. Please contact the parish office for more information.

## Youth Ministry

Catechesis and social events are offered for teens in grades 9 - 12. Please call the parish office for information.

## Campus Ministry

Students attending Missouri S&T and other area colleges and universities are invited to participate. Please call (573) 364-2133 or stop by the Newman Center located at 1607 N. Rolla St. - along the walkway between TJ Hall and campus.

## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Adults seeking information on joining the Catholic Church or those looking to receive the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation, please contact the parish office.

## Sunday Mass Schedule

**Saturday**  
5:00 p.m.

**Sunday**

8:00 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 4:45 - 5:45 p.m.  
Saturday 3:30 - 4:40 p.m.  
First Sunday of each month 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Contact a priest for an appointment outside of the scheduled times.

## Eucharistic Adoration and Vespers

Adoration - Each Wednesday  
9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
First Friday of each month  
7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Solemn Vespers - First Fridays at 6:00 p.m.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Parental preparation is required for a child to be baptized. Please plan to attend the required class prior to your child's birth. Classes are held quarterly on the third Sunday of February, May, August, and November at 1:00 p.m. in the church office.

## Sacrament of Matrimony

Marriage preparation requires several months. Please contact the parish office as soon as possible to make the necessary arrangements.

## Anointing of the Sick

Parishioners facing surgery or serious illness may request the Sacrament at any time by calling the parish office.

## Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 24, 2017

1st Reading: 2 SM 7: 1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16  
 Responsorial Psalm: PS 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27, 29  
 2nd Reading: ROM 16: 25-27  
 Gospel: LK 1: 26-38

### Mass Schedule and Intentions

**Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
 5:00 p.m. Fr. Jason Doke

**Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
 8:00 a.m. Parishioners  
 10:30 a.m. Benedict Joseph Benito†

**Christmas Eve Masses**  
 5:00 p.m. Lynne Brennon Hawk†  
 7:30 p.m. Parishioners

**Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)**  
 Midnight John Veit†  
 10:00 a.m. Frank and Phyllis Krueger†

**Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, Feast of Saint Stephen, first Martyr**  
 6:00 p.m. Fr. Jason Doke

**Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist**  
 8:15 a.m. Jeannette Todd

**Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs**  
 7:00 a.m. NO MASS

**Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, The Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas**  
 8:15 a.m. Pauline DeFord

**Saturday, December 30<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:00 p.m. Bob Cruse†

**Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**  
 8:00 a.m. Parishioners  
 10:30 a.m. Mary Jane Veit

### Calendar of Events

**Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**  
 Reconciliation 4:45 - 5:45 p.m. - Church  
 Rosary 5:00 p.m. - Chapel

**Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>**  
 Eucharistic Adoration 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. - Chapel

**Saturday, December 30<sup>th</sup>**  
 Reconciliation 3:30-4:40 p.m. - Church

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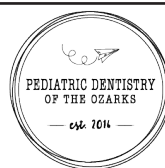
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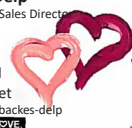


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### Liturgical Ministers - December 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>

#### Saturday 5:00 p.m.

**Communion Ministers:** Kathleen Kallman, Barbara Grimm, Charles Victor, Jane Victor, Jane Haskell, Liz Call  
**Greeter:** Marian Cerney  
**Lector 1st Reading:** Beth Buehler  
**Lector 2nd Reading:** Diana Bohm  
**Sacristan:** Mike Kallman  
**Servers:** Luke Wallenfang, Eleanor McMillan, Jedidiah Plank  
**Ushers:** Ethan Walker, Calvin Meyer

#### Sunday 8:00 a.m.

**Communion Ministers:** Chris Vierrether, Phyllis Murphy, Diane Classen, Dean Smith, Sandra Smith, Linda Virant  
**Greeters:** Ryan, Carolyn, and Grace Buschjost  
**Lector 1st Reading:** Jim Murphy  
**Lector 2nd Reading:** Mary Elsensohn  
**Sacristan:** Long Hoang  
**Servers:** Zach Pendleton, Elias Mertens, Landon Hirtz  
**Ushers:** Bryan Pendleton, Paul Hirtz

#### Sunday 10:30 a.m.

**Communion Ministers:** Diane Copeland, Rosanne Emmett, Tom Boeding, Genevieve Bono, Ethel Scovell, Greg Stratman  
**Greeters:** Marilyn Greenway, Jerry Greenway  
**Lector 1st Reading:** John Butz  
**Lector 2nd Reading:** Trisha Butz  
**Sacristan:** Lynn Lutzen  
**Servers:** Andrew Hamacher, Ian Hamacher, James Hamacher  
**Ushers:** Marlena Woelk, Dave Clifton

Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
 Rev. Pat Shortt, pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows in  
 Mary's Home, who passed away on December 21<sup>st</sup>.  
 Fr. Shortt served as a priest in the Diocese of Jefferson  
 City for over 50 years.



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## Christmas, 2017

Dear Friends in Christ:

I pray that this year's celebration of our Savior's birth brings happiness and tranquility to your hearts. As I write this letter, I cannot help but think back to the first Christmas letter I sent as your Bishop. I recall expressing my thanks for the collaboration and support of our devoted priests, religious, and laity who helped me to rest easier every night. It is an appreciation I still hold dear to this day.

Thank you so very much for continuing to be a part of the rich mystery of the Incarnation, and carrying forward the ministry of the Word of God who came to make His dwelling among us. May God's will be accomplished powerfully in each one of us in the coming New Year, and may God pour forth abundant blessings upon my chosen successor, Bishop-Elect W. Shawn McKnight. Each of you will remain in my daily prayers, and in my heart always.

With best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John R. Gaydos  
Bishop Emeritus of Jefferson City  
Apostolic Administrator

### Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church?

Wednesday Evenings from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

please join us - it's not too late!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) meetings are being held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. The next meeting will be January 17<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Fr. Veit for more information about the RCIA program.

### Are you interested in learning more about your faith?

Would you like to discuss faith topics relevant to your experiences?

Do you like to meet other people who share these common interests?

### Then Theology on Tap or Tap into Faith are for you!

THEOLOGY ON TAP—for young adults, ages 18-30 yrs.

The group meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Public House Brewing Company in downtown Rolla.

Our Next Meeting is:

January 2<sup>nd</sup> (1st Tuesday of the month)

7:00 p.m.

TAP INTO FAITH, for vintage adults, ages 18-118 yrs.

The group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Public House in Rolla. Our Next Meeting is:

January 11<sup>th</sup> (2nd Thursday of the month)

7:00 p.m.

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### Financial Information for December 17, 2017

Offertory Income for the Week:	\$ 12,848.44
Seminarian/Priest Retirement	\$ 180.00
Electronic Contributions	
Weekly	\$ 665.00

December 31<sup>st</sup> is the *Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph*. A special icon of the Holy Family will be displayed on the ambo next weekend. You are invited to approach the altar for prayer before and after all Masses.

The Parish Office will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day so that our parish staff can enjoy the holidays with their families.

### Christmas Flower Donations

Donations for the Christmas poinsettias were made in memory of the following people:

Harriet Baldwin  
Richard Baldwin  
Joe & Mary Biegel  
Karel Bruk Family  
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Dan Haskell  
Charlie Hendrix  
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Eugene and Ella O'Hara  
Attilio & Doris Passini  
Carl Prewett  
John J. Radcliff, Sr.  
Joe & Kitty Ransel  
Harry Sauer Jr.  
Bobby Terpening

Please notify the parish office if you made a donation and your memorial does not appear on this list. This list should be complete as of 12/20/17. Any later or missing memorials will be acknowledged in next week's bulletin.

### A Taste of Italy: A Food for the Poor Fundraising Event

sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 2627

**Saturday, January 20, 2018**

**6:00 - 11:00 p.m.**

**St. Patrick Parish Hall**

**The meal price is: \$20/person or \$150/table for 8**

**A table can be sponsored for \$150**

**A table sponsorship and meals for 8 is also available for \$250**

This will be a 70's themed Italian dinner with music/dancing to follow. The menu will feature: cannelloni and manicotti, appetizers, salad, garlic bread, a vegetable and dessert. A Cash Bar will be available. There will also be 50/50 raffles and a silent auction.

For information or reservations, contact:

Bob Woodley

573-647-9302

rwoodley@mst.edu

### Catholic Stewardship Appeal Update

As of 12/21/2017, eighty-four parishioners have pledged \$28,761 of our \$50,000 goal (57.52%). Overall, \$1,811,904.75 has been pledged towards the diocesan goal of \$2,040,000.00 (88.82%). Thank you to all that have made a contribution! To make a pledge, return the appeal mailed to your home or go to <https://diojeffcity.org> and click on the Catholic Stewardship Appeal link on the bottom right of the home page.

### Confirmation Meetings to Begin January 2018

Confirmation preparation meetings for unconfirmed high school sophomores or juniors will be held on the first and third Sundays from 5:00 - 6:45 p.m. beginning in January 2018. Any parents and/or students who missed the orientation meeting for confirmation preparation in October need to contact Father Dave as soon as possible.

## **Mass Intentions: A Message from our Pastor**

Historically, the purpose of making a monetary offering for a particular Mass intention has been twofold. On the one hand, the money that a priest received for saying his daily Mass for a specific intention was essentially his source of income-and in some poorer countries (India comes to mind) it sometimes still is. At the same time, by giving a donation, the person requesting that a Mass be celebrated made a sacrificial offering of his own.

Nowadays, of course, priests generally are not reliant on their daily Mass intention donations to pay for their basic necessities, but the laws surrounding the whole notion remain basically the same. This tradition is referenced in canon 946, which states that those members of the faithful who give donations for Mass intentions are contributing to the good of the Church, for they share in the Church's concern for the support of its ministers.

As a rule, a priest may only offer one Mass per day, although there are occasions when he is permitted to offer more than one Mass in a single day (c. 905.1). On Sundays and holy-days, for example, a priest may celebrate as many as three Masses in one day; and in areas where there is a shortage of priests, a bishop may permit his priests to say two Masses on an ordinary weekday if pastoral necessity requires it (c. 905.2). Here in the United States, where one often finds only a couple of priests assigned to a large parish, it is very common for a priest to say (for example) a regularly scheduled weekday morning Mass, and then perhaps a funeral or wedding Mass later that same day. This is entirely within the limits of the law, even though it may not be the ideal scenario.

While the ultimate use to which this money is put might conceivably vary from diocese to diocese, it must not be given to the celebrating priest. Thus, there can never be a financial incentive for a priest to say more than one Mass per day; this rule greatly helps the Church to avoid any possible misconcep-

tions that Masses are for sale, and/or that priests offer Masses primarily for monetary gain. To provide uniformity, the Diocese currently suggests a donation of \$5/Mass (although this is a suggestion -- one can give a donation of any amount per Mass - I actually once had someone give a \$500 donation for one Mass).

### The Missa pro Populo (Mass for the people/parishioners)

Among the responsibilities of the pastor is that he pray for the people of the parish. That in itself is not surprising. It makes perfect sense that a pastor would be expected to pray for those who have been entrusted to his care and whom he serves. What is remarkable is how clearly the Church spells out this obligation. Canon 534 of the Code of Canon Law states explicitly: "After a pastor has taken possession of his parish, he is obliged to apply a Mass for the people [Missa pro populo] entrusted to him on each Sunday and holy day of obligation in his diocese."

Given this understanding, we can add some specifics. When a priest offers Holy Mass, he has three intentions: First, to offer the Mass reverently and validly in accord with the norms of the Church. Second, to offer the Mass in union with the whole Church and for the good of the whole Church. Third, to offer the Mass for a particular intention, such as the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

We currently have very few Mass intentions "on the books". If you would like to have a Mass offered for someone (living or deceased) please contact the parish office. We will do our best (but cannot guarantee) to have intentions scheduled for specific dates.

Peace, Fr. Dave