

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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We, the St. Patrick's Parish Family, are a Roman Catholic community of sons and daughters of God the Father who are strengthened by the Holy Spirit to commit our lives to worship, prayer, compassion, service, education and sharing our Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and His Gospel with all others.

Fifth Sunday of Easter



May 15, 2022

CLERGY

Rev. Msgr. Joseph R. Giandurco
Pastor

Rev. Fr. Ryan A. Muldoon
Parochial Vicar

Deacon Richard R. Scheibe

RECTORY

Office Hours

Monday to Friday:
9:00 am to 12:00 noon, and
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday:
Closed

PARISH STAFF

School Principal

John Amelio 962-2211

Religious Education Director

Kelly Vardakas 962-5586

Music Ministry

Kathy Lewis, *Director* 962-5050

Barbara Castrataro, *Organist*

Parish Secretary

Ann-Marie Treanor 962-5050

Finance Office

Tobie Ann Staib 962-5050



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays, 6:30pm-7:30pm, Main Church
Saturdays, 4:00pm-5:00pm, Main Church

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Until further notice, all Baptisms are Private. Parents should contact the Rectory to schedule a Baptism. You may pick up a packet or have one mailed to you. Baptism preparation class is necessary. Date for Baptism needs to be confirmed.

MATRIMONY

Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding. Parishioners who are registered can make arrangements of date and time only after speaking with the Pastor.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Rectory whenever someone is in need of the Sacraments.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

We welcome adults considering membership in the Catholic Church and those Catholics desiring to complete their initiation to contact the Rectory.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE †

Main Church

Saturday 5:15 pm
Sunday 7:45, 9:15, 11:00 am,
12:30 & 5:00 pm

Stone Church

Sunday 9:45 am

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE †

Monday - Friday 7:00 & 9:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am Only

ALL Holy Days/Holidays see inside bulletin for special schedule.

Cardinal Dolan reminds us that those who are not able to attend Mass due to the Pandemic are to consider themselves excused from the obligation for a serious reason.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sat. May 14
 5:15pm Laura Treanor
Sun. May 15-Fifth Sunday of Easter
 7:45am John Adamiak
 9:15am Philip Baffuto, Sr.
 9:45am People of St. Patrick's Parish
 11:00am Anthony & Josephine Colacino
 12:30pm Active & Auxiliary Members of the Legion of Mary
 5:00pm Matthew Dunphy
Mon. May 16
 7:00am Elizabeth Hodges
 9:00am Philip DeRaffele
Tues. May 17
 7:00am William Patrick Devine
 9:00am Giuseppe Coco
Wed. May 18
 7:00am Tom Tilston
 9:00pm Charles Vilarino
Thu. May 19
 7:00am Louis Giumarro
 9:00am Carol Harkins
Fri. May 20
 7:00am Detectives Jason Rivera & Wilbert Mora
 9:00am Deceased Members of the Clemente & Fernandes Families
Sat. May 21
 9:00am Rita Filgate
 5:15pm Walter Nojman
Sun. May 22-Sixth Sunday of Easter
 7:45am Robert Guzzo
 9:15am Jean & Dominic Paccione
 9:45am Diane Vijacki
 11:00am People of St. Patrick's Parish
 12:30pm Joseph Steven D'Ascoli
 5:00pm Msgr. Dermot R. Brennan

Collection May 8, 2022

Weekly Collection This Year	\$16,679.00
Weekly Collection Last Year	\$13,865.50
April WeShare This Year	\$34,434.16
April WeShare Last Year	\$32,956.16

Easter Flowers

Easter Flowers This Year	\$ 7,005.00
Easter Flowers Last Year	\$ 7,086.00

THIS weekend, May 14th & 15th 2022, we will take up the Collection for the Churches in Central and Eastern Europe. This includes Ukraine and Poland. Please support this annual collection as best you are able.

Please Pray for Our Sick: Christian Dunn, Ryan DiPierro, Theresa Vitale, Rita Mallon, Fred Malalan, Debbe Sauerhoff, Robert, Anthony Michael Guzzo, Joan Marie Fanelli, Charlotte Smith, Nina Ricciardi, Edwin Amesbury, Bradley Stephen Sharpstene, Jr., Vittoria Maria Sedita, John Cerar, Kristin Mohammed, Rylie Hope & Raegan Faith Tettamanti, Frank Troia *A person's name will appear for 5 weeks, after which it will be removed unless we hear from you.*

Unannounced Mass Intentions:

Deceased: Rocco Chiappetta, John Accetturi, Terezinha Fratarcangeli, Ralph Carbone, Franz Wolf, Ed Lecce, Clara Porta, Joseph Steven D'Ascoli, Danny Dimitroff, Lois Vigada, John Kern
Special Intention: Debbe Sauerhoff, Rita Mallon

Wedding

Anthony DiNotte & Crystal Colombo
 Friday, May 20, 2022, 3:00pm, Stone Church



The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the **Main Church** this week was donated by Andi DePalma in loving memory of:

Valerie Nicholls

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the **Stone Church** this week was donated by St. Patrick's Seniors Club in memory of:



Danny Dimitroff

St. Patrick's School Annual Flower Sale

Saturday, May 14th & Sunday, May 15th

10% of your purchase will go to support our School's scholarship fund.



All you have to do is stop by Stuart's Farm, Granite Springs, NY and mention the school or parish to the person who is working the register.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respect Life: *"Saying that there are too many children is like saying there are too many flowers."* —St. Mother Teresa

Fact: Since 1973, over 63 million babies have been aborted in the United States.

Action: What **YOU** can do to make a difference:

- 1) Pray for the unborn and the protection of all life
- 2) Seek the truth about the evils of abortion in order to defend life
- 3) Support national efforts like the March for Life and 40 Days for Life campaigns
- 4) Support local organizations like the Sisters of Life, Good Counsel and so many others.
- 5) Know and support pro-life politicians.

Pray for a greater respect for every Human Person, born and unborn.



Children Baptized Thus Far This Year

JANUARY: Gianna Rose Fanning, Matthew Nicholas Malizia, Eliana Nicolette Lidia Fallone, Joseph Shtelmakher, Liam Daniel Kertys, Emmalyn Claire Ray

FEBRUARY: James Matthew Battista, Emily Anne Cash, Luca Greyson Duda, Gwendolyn Kay Nassif, Declan Patrick Kaley, Audrina Gina Freeman, Liam Austin Pfalzgraf, Maya Sukhovarov,

MARCH: Adrian Mora, Cullen Elizabeth O'Reilly, Elena Neil Hart, Emma Lynn Kenneally, Cameron Scott Wyker, Dylan James Wyker, Alonzo Michael Odoardi, Anthony John Bagala, Angelina Marie Spina

APRIL: Ivy Wynter Adams, Liam Michael McQuillan, Amelia Giovanna DiFroscia, Andrew Thomas Lynch, Josephine Margaret Watt



God bless the children!

Ascension of the Lord
Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, May 26, 2022

Mass Schedule

Wednesday: 5:15pm Vigil

Thursday:

6:45am

9:00 am

12:10 pm

7:30pm

All in the Main Church

Blue Mass Honoring First Responders - Saturday, May 21

The Knights of Columbus, Fr. John LaFarge Council 4012 will be hosting a Blue Mass for all Active and Retired Police Officers, Firefighters and EMS Workers on **Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 12 Noon at St. Patrick's Main Church.** All are invited to honor our first responders.

Parish Council: Next Wednesday, May 25th, the Parish Council will be having its last meeting before the break for the Summer. **If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the Council, please reach out to Msgr. Giandurco for a conversation about the role of Parish Council Members.**

Ushers play a very important part in our parish community!

The mission of the usher at St. Patrick's Catholic Church is that of hospitality, making parishioners and guests feel welcome and comfortable as we gather for our Eucharistic celebration. Primary Duties are: Greeting parishioners as they enter for worship; assisting in the seating of parishioners and guests, especially those with disabilities; providing and or ensuring the weekly Mass Hymn Sheets and bulletin are available; taking up the Offertory collection; directing parishioners at Communion time – ensuring that those with mobility problems have a priest or deacon bring Communion to them. Ushers are expected to wear appropriate attire at Mass and other liturgical events; attend assigned Masses with reasonable regularity; and assist in any emergency arising during Mass or other special event. If you believe you can take on this responsibility, and are interested in becoming an Usher, have completed the Sacraments of Initiation, and live according to the teachings of the Catholic Church, please contact: John Stedman at stedmanjohnp@gmail.com; the Rectory, or see any Usher after Weekend Masses.

Congratulations to all the children who recently received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

We pray that the children and their families may always stay close to Jesus in the sacraments.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The devotion begins with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. A priest or deacon removes the sacred host from the tabernacle and places it on the altar for adoration. The purpose of adoration is to highlight the presence of Our Lord in the Eucharist. If you have never been to Adoration before, come and see what a difference time with Jesus can make in your overall sense of peace and happiness. Our Parish offers this special time with Jesus from **Monday to Friday, 4:30-5:30pm in the Main Church. (There are exceptions to this schedule.)**

Bereavement Support Group for those who have lost a loved one meets each **Saturday from 10:00am to 12:00pm in the lower level of the Stone Church.** Healing is effected through means of interacting with others and the knowledge that we are not alone in this life experience. Contact: Jean, (914) 245-6488 or Patricia, (914) 245-5808.

Our Centering Prayer Group meets on **Friday mornings from 9:30-10:30am in the Parish Center Meeting room (Lower Main Church).** Centering Prayer is based on the wisdom saying of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 6:6): "If you want to pray, enter your inner room, close the door and pray to your Father in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you." For further Information contact: Annette Noto: 914-439-2507

The Nocturnal Adoration Society gathers together in prayer on the **3rd Wednesday of each month** before the Exposed Blessed Sacrament. Their times of adoration are from 4:30-5:30pm (during regular Adoration time). Contact: Janet Tinari, (914) 245-1545

WeShare is an alternate means of making contributions to St. Patrick's Church. In lieu of weekly envelopes, the **WeShare** program will collect monthly contributions from your checking, savings, or credit card account. There is no cost to participate in the program. You can opt out at any time and you can also contribute to second collections and holy days. Contact: Tobie Staib at 962-5050 ext. 15 or stpatricksfinance@gmail.com.

**To set up an account visit:
<https://stpatricks-yorktown.churchgiving.com>**

The Knights of Columbus Food Pantry Collections are ongoing in the Vestibule of the Main Church, providing much-needed grocery items to Food Pantries in our area. In addition to canned fruit, cereal, and other non-perishable food - if possible - extra accumulated large reusable grocery bags may be donated as well for the distribution of food to families. There is a great need in our area.

Sanctuary Lamp and Bread and Wine Memorials for 2022 are available.

This is a special way to remember a deceased family member or to honor or celebrate a special event. The remembrance begins on Sunday and ends on Saturday of that week. The Main and Stone Church Bread & Wine Offering is \$30.00. The Main Church and Stone Church Sanctuary Light offering is \$20.00 **(It is also recommended to have an unannounced Mass offered for the same person, since these memorials are not the same as Mass intentions.)**

FLOCKNOTE is an **effective** way for our St. Patrick's Family to communicate! It is basically sending "notes" to the "flock". **The Archdiocese of New York is encouraging all parishioners to use Flocknote.** When you sign up for Flocknote you will receive important updates from our parish in a timely and convenient way. ***You may unsubscribe at any time.***

To set up an account visit:
www.flocknote.com/stpatsyorktown or **Text:** stpats to 84576 or
Call the Rectory at (914) 962-5050 for assistance

A Note from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Is it just me or does it feel like we are living in a very different United States these days? Not only was the Capitol building overrun in January 2021 but now there has been a call to “storm” Catholic churches around the country, and abortion clinics are another target as well. (I am grateful to the Yorktown Police for increased surveillance for our parish.) There doesn’t seem to be any way to have reasoned discussions about issues. It seems that more and more people think that it’s okay to resort to violence.

Granted, when the issue is abortion there are literally opposing views of when human life begins. On one side, it is the moment of conception, on the other it is the moment of birth. The Catholic view is that life in the womb is sacred at every moment. Therefore, whether abortion is legal or not, it is always sinful to terminate a pregnancy. Perhaps some who have abortions or are involved in abortions do not realize that it is sinful, but it is never permitted according to the laws of God.

There will be endless debates about whether prohibiting abortion takes away a fundamental human right. However, there does not seem to be any discussion about the rights of the child in the womb. Some people argue that a fetus is simply a lump of cells, however science itself points to a unique human person. If there is any doubt, shouldn’t the benefit of the doubt be in favor of life?

Another thing to admit is that so called abortion rights will not go away any time soon in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. Lawmakers are making sure access to abortion is even more available around here. Sadly, these states seem to be competing to become abortion capitals in our country. The Catholic Church, since the days of Cardinal O’Connor, has been at the forefront of the issue of abortion for the opposite reason. The Church in New York has invited women in crisis pregnancies to come to N.Y. for help in having the baby. I firmly trust that the Church will continue to assure women of that kind of service. I know the Sisters of Life will!

Please let us pray for the defense of every human person, from the moment of conception until natural death. Jesus, who came into the world in the womb of His mother, Mary, will help us in the cause of life.

God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Monsignor Giandurco". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned at the bottom right of the page, below the typed name.