

# The Church of Saint Patrick

January 14, 2018  
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**PARISH MISSION:**

**AS A FAITH COMMUNITY, WE ARE THE HANDS AND FEET OF CHRIST, REACHING OUT AS HE DID.**

**SCHOOL MISSION:**

**ST. PATRICK SCHOOL IS A CATHOLIC, CHILD-CENTERED, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHERE THE STAFF, PARENTS AND PARISH COMMUNITY EDUCATE THE WHOLE CHILD SPIRITUALLY AND ACADEMICALLY TO LIVE AS AN ACTIVE CATHOLIC IN A RAPIDLY CHANGING SOCIETY.**



Dear People of God,

Today we begin five weekends of Ordinary Time; our return to green vestments signal this liturgical time. Of course, in our relationship with the Lord, nothing is ordinary. The Lord is not ordinary and his servants are called to be extraordinary disciples. Today's Gospel reading from St. John is the first of many episodes in John's Gospel in which Andrew is called to introduce someone to Christ. Are you that someone? Really, how well do you know Christ Jesus? Is He someone new in your life? Are you old friends? Is He someone more from your past rather than a person in your present? How many intimate details have you shared with Him? Do you keep any secrets from Him (as if you could hide anything from Him?)

In the Old Testament Reading we hear of the call of Samuel-Israel's first great prophet. Are you like Samuel? You should be. Samuel is called; you and I are called (and gifted too). Sometimes we have trouble believing that. You are called and gifted! That process began for each of us at the moment of our Baptism. But like every friendship it must grow and mature. And, often we need help and guidance to make that happen. That is why I am personally inviting you to our Called and Gifted Workshop Day here at St. Pat's on Saturday, January 27. The day's activities will help to focus on what is your unique purpose in your life as a lay follower of Christ. That purpose is lived out in our parish community of faith. The role of every called and gifted Catholic is essential to the success of making the Kingdom of God come alive in our parish and beyond. If you haven't registered yet for this dynamic faith-filled experience, I encourage you to do so immediately.

**Welcome Café** will be next weekend, January 20/21 after all the Masses. Our hosts will be members from our Parish School Board of Specified Jurisdiction. This is a dedicated group of parents and parishioners who help plan and support the Ministry of Catholic education in our parish. If you have questions regarding our school this will be a perfect time to interact with the board members. This Welcome Café gets us ready for the celebration of Catholic Schools Week which begins January 28.

**Annual Spring Raffle** will be held on May 19. In the near future we will all be receiving our raffle tickets. Ticket sales will officially begin on January 28, and our first drawing will be on February 2. Don't be left out!

**Lent** begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14—just a month away. Part of our Lenten Observance will be a Parish Mission March 4-6. Information can be found on Page 4 of this bulletin.

**The First Annual St. Patrick's Dinner/Dance** takes place on Saturday, March 10 from 6:00 PM until 11:00 PM in the Boehm Center. Ticket information will be forthcoming.

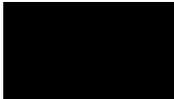
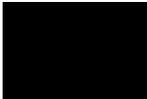
**Our Second Parish Wide Seder/Passover Observance** will be celebrated on Sunday, March 18 beginning at 4:00 PM. We will experience the ancient Hebrew/Jewish Passover ritual as well as sharing a catered dinner together.

**The Annual Catholic Appeal** will be beginning soon. I will be speaking to you about this Archdiocesan-wide endeavor in early February.

### **Yearly Remembrance**

On the Anniversary of the Supreme Court decision Roe vs. Wade (January 22, 1973), all Dioceses of the United States shall observe a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. The Catholic Bishops have asked us to join in prayer as we remember the injustice against unborn children through the legal protection of abortion in our nation. Next weekend we will join our minds and hearts in prayer to end this injustice. On Sunday, January 21, we invite you to spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament from 12:00 Noon until 5:00 PM in the Chapel of the Main Church. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the conclusion of the 11:00 AM Mass until 5:00 PM in the Chapel. There will be the chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 3:00 PM. Jesus assured us that whenever two or three persons are gathered together in prayer He is in the midst of them. Please be a part of this gathering next Sunday.

*In Christ our Brother,  
Fr. Merold*

  
**Ask  
A  
Priest**  


**Q:** I am a little confused about the timeline of the Epiphany. How old was Jesus when the Magi visited? Did Mary and Joseph buy a house in Bethlehem? Any clarification would be appreciated.

**A:** Those of us that have been faithfully attending Mass these past few Sundays have heard so many great Gospel passages, all of which moved the narrative at a rapid pace; the Angel Gabriel announces Jesus' conception to Mary and to St. Joseph; the couple travels to Bethlehem to be enrolled in the census, and Jesus is born in the stable; Shepherds receive the message of the Angel, and visit the Christ child; Joseph and Mary present Jesus in the Temple, and hear from the prophet Simeon; and of course, last weekend, Magi arrive, bringing gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

We are all familiar with all these details of the Christmas story. Most movies and pageants are scripted this way. However, we need to realize that there are actually two different stories here. They were written by different authors for different intended audiences, and the two of them did not collaborate beforehand! Knowing these differences will (hopefully!) give us a greater appreciation for the power of the Divine inspiration of the texts.

So let us begin with the Gospel of Matthew, composed in 85-90 AD. Matthew is writing to a community of Jewish converts living in or around Palestine. These men and women would identify as Jewish, but were already beginning to have conflicts with those who followed the 'old religion.' As well as a solid understanding of the Old Testament and Hebrew idioms, the members of this community were also quite wealthy.

In his infancy narrative, Matthew establishes Jesus as solidly Jewish. His genealogy includes the names of famous people from the Old Testament, as well as all of the Kings of Judah (Jesus is Jewish royalty!). Mary and Joseph live in Bethlehem. The Angel appears to Joseph, not Mary, and addresses him as the 'Son of David.' When the child Jesus is about 2 years old, the Magi (more royalty!) visit the child in his parents' house, and give him fancy gifts. Joseph is warned by the angel to take his family and flee to Egypt, and Herod sends his soldiers to kill the children in Bethlehem 2 and under. After Herod's death, Joseph brings the family back to Israel, but instead of returning to Bethlehem, they move to Nazareth, where Jesus grows up.

Luke's Gospel is also written around 85-90 AD. He is most likely writing to a group of Gentile (but not Greek) Christians, perhaps in Antioch. Luke avoids the religious controversies with the Pharisees so important to Matthew's community of Jewish converts, and he likewise avoids Hebrew words or idioms. His community was not very wealthy, and this leads to the portrayal of Jesus as a poor man, encouraging his disciples to not store up for themselves treasures on earth.

In his infancy narrative, Luke establishes the poverty of Jesus. While David is mentioned in the genealogy, none of the other kings are included. Mary and Joseph live in Nazareth, a Podunk town in the middle of nowhere. The Angel appears to Mary, an unwed virgin, to deliver the message of the Incarnation. Mary and Joseph are forced to travel to Bethlehem for the census, and when there, cannot even get a room in the inn; Jesus is born in a stable, and laid in a feeding trough for barnyard animals. Instead of exotic Magi bearing gold, Jesus is visited by poor, smelly, shepherds on the night of his birth. After 40 days, his parents present him in the Temple, offering two turtledoves instead of the customary ox, because they were too poor to afford one. After hearing the prophecy of Simeon, they return home to Nazareth, where the child grows in wisdom and stature.

Now, we might be tempted to ask, 'Which version is true/false?' This is not a very helpful approach! What we need to realize is that neither Matthew nor Luke was interested in writing a novel, or a biography. Rather, they wanted to share the Good News of Jesus with as many people as possible! They knew that Jesus was born in Bethlehem, and that he was raised in Nazareth, and so they share the story about how this came about, emphasizing certain aspects to inspire their readers. Even if one (or both) of these infancy narratives is not historically accurate, it does not take away from the Truth that is revealed to us: Jesus, the Son of God, was born of the Virgin Mary. He came to save us from our sins, and give us the opportunity to inherit eternal life.

**Peace,  
Fr. Mike**

### Lenten Journey for Divorced Catholics

Are you Catholic and have gone through a divorce?

We would like to invite you to experience a new life this Easter season through a series of 2 hour workshops. Each session will begin at 2:30 PM and will end with the option of attending 5:00 PM Mass together. The topics we will explore are:

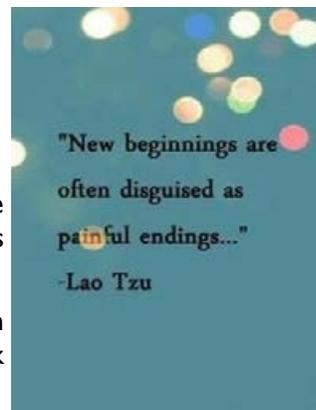
- Sunday, February 25, 2018 – Identity/Baptism
- Sunday, March 11, 2018 – Community/Eucharist
- Saturday, March 17, 2018 – Forgiveness/Reconciliation
- Sunday, April 8, 2018 – Celebration of New Life in Christ (after Easter)

These sessions will focus on healing and rediscovering ourselves through our faith. The first message we would like you to know is that you are a beloved child of God and He has not abandoned you.

If you know someone who is Catholic and has gone through a divorce who may not be in the pews this week, please share this information with them. We also invite you to walk with them on their journey by accompanying them to one or more sessions.

Please join us.

Janet & Paul David  
Beloved Not Abandoned  
belovednotabandoned@gmail.com



### IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION ABOUT THE NEW IL TAX CREDIT FOR DONATING TO THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR PRIVATE EDUCATION



You can receive a 75 percent state tax credit for donating to needs-based scholarships through the new Illinois tax credit scholarship program. Visit [www.archchicago.org/tcs](http://www.archchicago.org/tcs) to learn more, or contact [tcs@archchicago.org](mailto:tcs@archchicago.org) and 312.534.2617.

Support low-income students at Archdiocesan schools while receiving a 75 percent state tax credit through the new Illinois tax credit scholarship program. Visit [www.archchicago.org/tcs](http://www.archchicago.org/tcs) to learn more, or contact [tcs@archchicago.org](mailto:tcs@archchicago.org) and 312.534.2617.

### St. Patrick Parish Mission

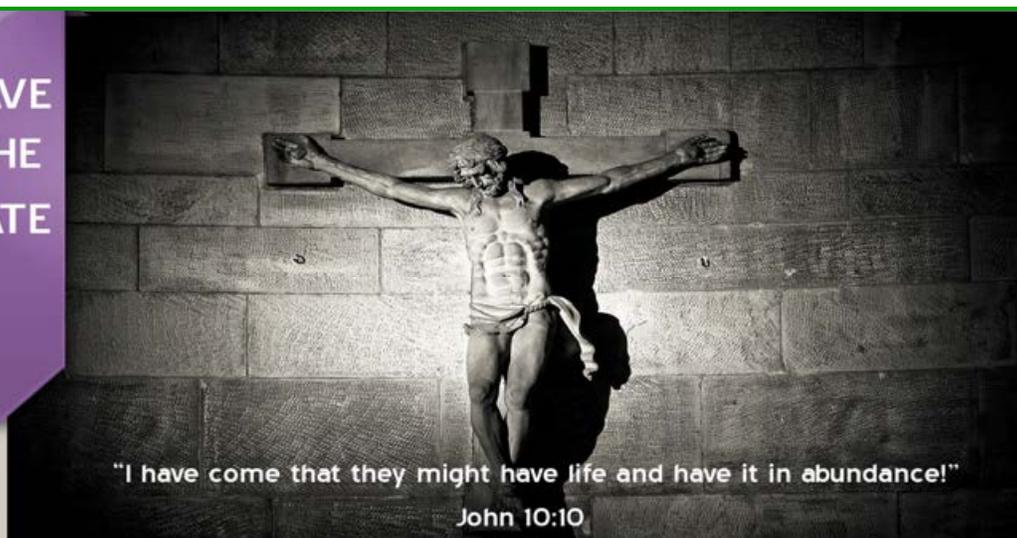
Presented by:  
Deacon Keith Strohm

March 4-6, 2018  
7:00p.m.

In the Main Church

15000 Wadsworth Rd.  
Wadsworth, IL 60083

SAVE  
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DATE



### Our Prayer List

Each week in our Parish Bulletin we list the names of those who are sick and need our prayers. We urge you to remember them by name each day in your Masses and prayers. To add a name to this prayer list, please contact the Parish Office at 847-244-4161. We do ask that only close relatives call to place a name on this list. This is to insure and respect the privacy of all family members.



### Need Prayer?

Visit St. Pat's website and click on the SOS ministry icon to submit your request. Your request will remain on our list for 30 days. Use the website to advise updates, praise reports and renew the request. Know that our dedicated group of prayer warriors will be praying for your intentions.



### Knights of Columbus

All are invited to our annual Ray Maar 7 and 8 Grade Girls' Basketball Tournament from Thursday, January 18 through Sunday, January 21 in the Boehm Center. Come support the girls from St Patrick and other area schools as they vie for the coveted Ray Maar Tournament titles! The help of many Knights will be needed to staff the admissions table, concession stand, and scorer's table. Proceeds from our tournaments help to support the St Patrick School Athletic Boosters organization.



### Grace Notes

"Behold, the Lamb of God." JN 1:35

Once again, in order to behold, we must be looking. Sometimes we look, but we do not see. We hear, but we do not listen. How often do we hear the voice of someone speaking to us, but part way through we stop them and say, "could you repeat that I wasn't listening?" Our minds race on with thoughts so loud in our own heads, that we cannot hear the words spoken to us.



Think about when you go shopping, when you leave the store, could you identify the clerk who did your check out? Did you look at their face? Did you look into their eyes? If you looked, what did you see? Or the person who waited on you in the restaurant or at the drive thru? Can you describe them? Did you look? Maybe you may say, "Who cares! I don't need to remember their face. They served me and I moved on." Oh, but it matters! Every single body is a temple of the Holy Spirit of God! It is important that that we look and see the Holy Spirit in every one that we meet. Honor that temple with a smile, a kind word and your own loving Spirit. You need to care. For -"Behold!" Jesus lives in every human heart. Did you see him today? Did you listen to his Word?

**Have a blessed Week,  
Bernie**



Please join us each Sunday for Life Nights at St. Paul the Apostle Church.

Drop in has resumed on Wednesday evenings. Please join us in Room 4 of the Main Church.

Happy New Year!



**Sarah Pringle, Youth Minister**  
smcmahon@stpatrickwadsworth.org

## How to receive your 2017 contribution statements for tax purposes

1. Place a self addressed stamped envelope in the collection basket.
2. Send an e-mail to [office@stpatrickwadsworth.org](mailto:office@stpatrickwadsworth.org) and we will e-mail it to you
3. Drop off your self addressed stamped envelope to the Parish Office and we will mail it to you.

We will **NOT** accept requests over the phone or in person. It is very costly to send out over 2,000 statements. Help us save time and money!

## Adult Confirmation Classes Starting Soon



The Sacrament of Confirmation is an essential aspect of full initiation into the Catholic Church. Through Confirmation, the soul is infused with an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Our relationship with God is deepened in its intimacy and fecundity. St. Patrick Parish will be offering courses for all adults who have been baptized Catholic but have not yet been confirmed. Classes will be held on Monday evenings, beginning on February 12. For more information or to register, please contact the parish office at 847-244-4161.

## Called and Gifted, A Unique Purpose in Life, SIGN UP THIS WEEK!!!!

The Called and Gifted™ Discernment Process is a program developed by the Catherine of Siena Institute in 1993. The Called and Gifted discernment process is intended to help ordinary lay Catholics in the average parish discern their charisms. Charisms, or spiritual gifts, are special abilities given to all baptized Christians by the Holy Spirit to give them the power both to represent Christ and to be a channel of God's goodness for people (see Catechism of the Catholic Church, 798-801). The Called and Gifted process presumes no knowledge of the gifts or background in discernment. Those who take the Called and Gifted Workshop have an opportunity to take the Catholic Spiritual Gifts Inventory, the first gifts inventory designed especially for Catholics. They will also have the chance to begin discerning their charisms.

At a Called and Gifted Introductory Workshop, you will learn:

- ◆ The role of every Catholic and of the local parish in the mission of the Church to the world.
- ◆ The critical role of charisms in the life and service of other lay Catholics and in the life of the parish or Christian community.
- ◆ The signs and characteristics of 24 common charisms.
- ◆ How discerning and using your charisms can change your life and the life of others, your parish, and the world.

To begin your discernment process, registration forms may be found at the welcome desk or by contacting the parish office.

**SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, January 27, 2018**

8:30 am - 4:30 pm (includes boxed lunch)

\$15 parishioner fee (if able) includes materials and lunch

\$25 non-parishioner fee includes materials and lunch

For questions or more information, contact Deacon Rich Holevoet at [rholevoet@stpatrickwadsworth.org](mailto:rholevoet@stpatrickwadsworth.org) or call 224-355-3791.



## Food Pantry News

Happy New Year! Even with the food pantry being closed for remodeling (thanks to the funds raised from the Rummage Sale) we gave out more than 950 boxes of food and (thanks to the Knights of Columbus) over 200 Holiday Boxes. People who visit our Food Pantry may be a single elderly individual, a single parent, grandparents who have custody of their grandchildren or a whole family. We are so thankful when the bins in the Narthex are overflowing.



We follow Northern Food Bank's procedures. All food items must have the ingredients listed and may not be expired. Please check the food items before you donate them!

### Bad Weather/ Snow Closings

If St. Patrick School is closed due to bad weather, the entire campus will be closed for the entire day and evening. The morning Mass is cancelled, the Parish Office is closed, and all evening activities and meetings are cancelled. We do this for the safety and well being of us all.



Please join us **every Sunday at 10:30 AM** and **after 7:30 AM daily Mass**, to pray the Rosary.



### Attention Parents



If your child needs to use the washroom during Mass, we ask that a parent accompany him/her. Our church is located on a very busy road, and our building is accessible to anyone during our scheduled Mass. We all need to make sure our children are safe at all times.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed for CLW to make this program successful. You do not have to commit to volunteering on a weekly basis. You could join us once a week or even once a month or occasionally.

No experience necessary. Lesson plans and crafts are set up for you. Please contact Lori Johnson at [icdubl@yahoo.com](mailto:icdubl@yahoo.com) or (847) 871-7135.



### Please Pray for the recently Deceased



**Penny Poirier**  
**Joseph Cassidy**



### Catholic Schools Week is coming! January 28– February 2



*St. Patrick School*  
*Serving Wadsworth, Gurnee and*  
*Surrounding Communities*  
*for 61 years.*



**Sunday January 28, 2018**  
**Open House ~ 9:30-12:30 p.m.**  
**Including Science Fair**  
**St. Patrick School Pancake Breakfast ~ 8:30-12:30**  
**Shop our Scholastic Book Fair**  
**Tour Classrooms & Talk with Teachers**

### Readings for January 15-21



#### Monday

I SM 15: 16-23  
Psalms 50: 8-9, 16-17, 21, 23  
Mark 2: 18-22

#### Tuesday

I SM 16: 1-13  
Psalms 89: 20-22, 27-28  
Mark 2: 23-28

#### Wednesday

I SM 17: 32-33, 37, 40-51  
Psalms 144: 1-2, 9-10  
Mark 3: 1-6

#### Thursday

I SM 18: 6-9; 19: 1-7  
Psalms 56: 2-3, 9-13  
Mark 3: 7-12

#### Friday

I SM 24: 3-21  
Psalms 57: 2-4, 6, 11  
Mark 3: 13-19

#### Saturday

2 SM 1: 1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27  
Psalms 80: 2-3, 5-7  
Mark 3: 20-21

#### Sunday

JON 3: 1-5, 10  
Psalms 25: 4-9  
I COR 7: 29-31  
Mark 1: 14-20

We hope you are taking some time to enjoy videos, movies and audio messages on **Formed.org**. As a reminder, our parish code is **f4e371**.





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| <b>Denise Biarnesen</b>       | <b>Barbara Iwan</b>             |
| <b>Genevieve Butler</b>       | <b>Sheila and Jake Jakaitis</b> |
| <b>Patricia Cutrano</b>       | <b>Chris James</b>              |
| <b>Stan Crevier</b>           | <b>Shannon McCullough</b>       |
| <b>Dan and Melissa Davis</b>  | <b>Doris Noble</b>              |
| <b>Tina Fragassi</b>          | <b>Penny Petitclair</b>         |
| <b>Marylou Simmet Goodman</b> | <b>Bill Shoemaker</b>           |
| <b>Tuesday Hanahan</b>        | <b>DT</b>                       |
|                               | <b>Richard Zachmann</b>         |



Call the Parish Office at 847-244-4161 or email at [bulletin@stpatrickwadsworth.org](mailto:bulletin@stpatrickwadsworth.org) to submit or resubmit a name for the parish to remember in their prayers. Names will appear in the bulletin for that month that you called only.

*Mass intentions for the week*

**Saturday, January 13—St. Hilary; Blessed Virgin Mary**

5:00 pm MC A.G. Hancock, Birthday Remembrance, by Sue Mateja  
 Mae Filip, Anniversary of Death, by Lisa Filip  
 Ryan Koski, Birthday Remembrance, by Diane Susman  
 Elaine Brouillard, Remembrance, by The Brouillard Family

**Sunday, January 14—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 am MC Jack Flessner, Anniversary of Death, by Mary Flessner  
 9:00 am MC For the People of St. Patrick, Living and Deceased  
 11:00 am MC Barbara Furlan, Remembrance, by The Family  
 Janet, Hilda, John Sr. and Jay Artac, Remembrance, by Dave and Sons  
 5:00 pm MC For the People of St. Patrick. Living and Deceased

**Monday, January 15—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

7:30 am MC Joe di Pientro, Remembrance, by Patrick and Christine Nagel

**Tuesday, January 16**

6:30 am MC Communion Service  
 7:30 am HC For the People of St. Patrick, Living and Deceased  
 8:30 am HC School Mass (Grades 3-5)

**Wednesday, January 17—St. Anthony**

6:30 am MC Communion Service  
 7:30 am HC Janet Artac, Helen and A. Ternovac, Remembrance, by Dave and Sons  
 Richard F. Tufo, Anniversary of Death, by The Family  
 Cecile M. Weakley, Anniv of Death, by Mike, Kelly and Kevin Weakley

**Thursday, January 18**

6:30 am MC Communion Service  
 7:30 am HC Joe Canale, Remembrance, by Giuseppe and Pina Pinello

**Friday, January 19**

6:30 am MC Communion Service  
 7:30 am HC For the People of St. Patrick. Living and Deceased

**Saturday, January 20—St. Fabian; St. Sebastian**

5:00 pm MC Cecile M. Weakley, Anniv. Of Burial, by Mike. Kelly and Kevin Weakley  
 Gilbert Mackey, Remembrance, by Nancy Bensingner  
 Elaine Brouillard, Remembrance, by The Brouillard Family

**Sunday, January 21—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 am MC August Zupec, Anniversary of Death, by The Family  
 9:00 am MC Jim Carney, Remembrance, by Rich and Mary Ann Brinkmann  
 11:00 am MC Barbara Furlan, Remembrance, by The Family  
 Janet, Hilda, John Sr. and Jay Artac, Remembrance, by Dave and Sons  
 Robert T. Schroeder, Anniv of Death, by Karen and Fred Schroeder  
 5:00 pm MC For the People of St. Patrick. Living and Deceased



# A Record of our Stewardship

**Jesus said, "Where your Heart is, There will your Treasure Be."**

## Our Stewardship of Time

*Worship attendance for January 6/7*

Attendance for January 6/7

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|------------------|-------------|
| Saturday 5:00 PM | 281         |
| Sunday 7:00 AM   | 161         |
| 9:00 AM          | 390         |
| 11:00 AM         | 384         |
| 5:00 PM          | <u>247</u>  |
| <b>Total:</b>    | <b>1463</b> |



Attendance for December 30/31

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|------------------|-------------|
| Saturday 5:00 PM | 273         |
| Sunday 7:00 AM   | 139         |
| 9:00 AM          | 210         |
| 11:00 AM         | 318         |
| 5:00 PM          | <u>235</u>  |
| <b>Total:</b>    | <b>2115</b> |
| January 1        | 129         |

## Our Stewardship of Treasure

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|------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Offertory Collection:              | \$12,889        |                          |
| Children:                          | \$9             | <i>Christmas to date</i> |
| Sharing Parish:                    | \$313           | <i>\$59,998</i>          |
| Good Samaritan:                    | \$979           |                          |
| Stole Fees:                        | <u>\$1,070</u>  |                          |
| <b>Total:</b>                      | <b>\$15,260</b> | <i>Angel Fund \$662</i>  |
| Offertory Online Giving (December) | \$21,656        |                          |

**I am happy to announce that \$321,307 has already been received from our To Teach Who Christ Is donations and has been placed in a special savings account. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by our entire parish.**

## Our Stewardship of Talent Children's Liturgy of the Word

At St. Pat's we are blessed to have Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) during the 9 AM Mass every weekend. Volunteers are trained and instructed to provide a setting for our young children to better understand the Sunday readings. Just before the readings are done at Mass, all the children in grades k-2 are invited to process out to another space to hear the readings proclaimed to them in language they can understand. They also make a small craft item to accentuate the meaning of what they have learned that day. Then, they rejoin their parents as the gifts are being prepared. This wonderful ministry is growing, and we need more adult volunteers to help with the children. If you feel called to help spread God's Word by ministering to our children, please contact Lori Johnson ICDubl@yahoo.com.



## Kid's Quest



Your potty-trained children, who have not made their First Communion, are invited to join us for Kid's Quest every Sunday night at the 5 PM Mass! After the opening song, those who sign up in the Narthex will be escorted to the school to walk through the Mass at a level they find engaging and exciting! They will learn the Mass parts, sing and dance, participate in prayer, hear a reflection on the Gospel, all through the multimedia and more! Your children will join you back in Church after communion. If you are struggling to focus at Mass because of your little ones, and you want your kids to understand the Mass at a deeper level, Kid's Quest is for you! See you Sunday!

## Potbelly Fundraiser

**When:** January 16  
between 5:00 and 8:00 PM  
**Where:** Potbelly's on  
Grand Avenue in Gurnee

This food fundraiser will benefit St. Patrick School. Please bring the flyer that can be found on the St. Patrick School or Church website and give to your cashier. 25% of the profit from that evening will be given back to St. Patrick School.

# SAINT PATRICK CHURCH

15000 W. Wadsworth Road, Wadsworth, IL 60083-9502

## PRIESTS

Rev. James Merold, Administrator  
Rev. Michael J. Owen, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Martin Zielinski, Weekend Presider

## DEACONS

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Rev. Mr. Jeremy Carter  
Rev. Mr. Joe Casey  
Rev. Mr. Bill Gibbons  
Rev. Mr. Rich Holevoet  
Rev. Mr. John Richardson (Retired)  
Rev. Mr. Edward Tomkowiak

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Darline Cocom, Office Administrative Assistant  
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Sarah Pringle, Youth Ministry Coordinator  
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Tracey Rapp, Faith and Sacramental Enrichment Coordinator  
Theresa Shebesta, Bookkeeper

## PARISH SCHOOL STAFF

Mary Vitulli, Principal  
Robin Fabry, Receptionist  
Susan Grum, Office Staff  
Diane Kotlar, Secretary  
Molly McGillivray, Director of Special Services  
Nicholas Huffman and Robin Fabry, Athletic Directors

## FINANCE COUNCIL (FC)

Chris Colaizzi, Chairman

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Brian Dieringer, Chairman

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Deacon Louis & Barbara Abboud

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Linda Schueneman, Parish Chair

Email for all staff is as follows:

First Initial, last name,  
@stpatrickwadsworth.org

Example: Father James Merold  
jmerold@stpatrickwadsworth.org

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Night- 5:00 pm

Sunday- 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

Monday- Friday - 7:30 am (HC)

Friday- 10:15 am (HC)

Adoration- (Wednesdays) 8:00 am—8:00 pm (HC)

## Telephone Numbers & Office Hours

Parish Office: (847) 244-4161 Fax: (847) 336-0630

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Website: www.stpatrickwadsworth.org

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 8:30 am—4:30 pm, Fridays until 12:00 pm

## SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday, 7:30 am—4:00 pm

## Emergency Number

If you need Fr. Merold for a pastoral emergency or other spiritual needs after normal office hours, you may call him at 224-321-2184.

**Registration:** You may sign-up to become a parishioner at the Welcome Center in the narthex of the main church.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** All engaged couples must meet with Father Merold/Father Mike before a wedding date can be reserved. Please contact the parish office as soon as you are engaged for an appointment. Sacrament preparation will take a minimum of six months.

**Ministry of Care for the Sick:** Parishioners who are homebound, in a nursing home or hospital and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the parish office.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM or by calling the parish office for an appointment.

**Infant Baptism:** Please contact the parish office to register for an evening of reflection and preparation as well as to receive additional information.

## How to Submit a Bulletin Article

Submit bulletin articles by faxing them to (847) 336-0630, bringing them to the parish office or emailing to:

**bulletin@stpatrickwadsworth.org**

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