



# ST. PATRICK

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

277 South Fourth Street, Memphis, Tennessee 38126  
901.527.2542

[www.stpatsmemphis.org](http://www.stpatsmemphis.org)

*Founded in 1866*

**Sunday Mass Schedule: 8:30am; 11:00am; 5:00pm**

### ***Celebrating the Sacraments***

***Reconciliation: Sundays 8:15 a.m.–8:30 a.m.; 10:45 a.m.–11:00 a.m.  
4:45 p.m.–5:00 p.m. or by appointment***

**To inquire about Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick,  
please call the Church Office at (901) 527-2542**



## ***Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 30, 2017***

This Week: Page 286: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Psalm: 119; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52  
Next Week: Page 696: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm: 97; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

*The Mission of St. Patrick's Catholic Community is to proclaim and live  
the Gospel message of unconditional love, healing and reconciliation  
through prayer, celebration and action on behalf of justice  
as a sign of hope for all God's people.*

## Verna "Sleepy" Hawkins Leaves St. Patrick's



Verna "Sleepy" Hawkins is leaving employment at St. Patrick's on July 31<sup>st</sup> after 17 years of service.

From Joe Birch: His service has been wide awake and on point all these years. I don't know how we'll do the

Gibson 5K without our right hand man on the scene. I know he's done a million things for our constructive good within our parish that only he and God know happened. We will miss Sleepy!

Background: Sleepy's Mom, Ms. Eddie Mae Hawkins, worked at St. Patrick's for 30 years. She was hired after Paulist Fr. Tim Tighe asked a bunch of kids, "we need someone to cook at St. Patrick's. Does anyone know a cook?" Sleepy, then a youngster, nominated his Mom. She served the Paulists for three decades! Now another Hawkins is moving on from St. Patrick's.

Please join us for a pot luck party **Sunday, August 6 after the 11am Mass.** Bring your favorite dish to share as we thank Sleepy for his years of service to St. Pat's and wish him all the best in his future adventures.

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## May She Rest in God's Eternal Embrace



Jane LeVieux, mother of Marion Donohoe, passed away July 10, 2017, and has been laid to rest in Texas. We offer our prayers and heartfelt condolences to all of her family and friends.

## Word, Eucharist, Life

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*1 Kings 3  
Psalm 119  
Romans 8  
Matthew 13*



*Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven ...*

This notion seems to apply

to every follower of Jesus

The scribe in Jesus' declaration

is one who is wise in learning

Jesus' teaching and who passes it on

as the good news of the kingdom

We are to be the kind of scribe

Jesus envisions

We keep instruction from Jesus

in our hearts and write

its message with our lives

Our experience of his instruction

is the way we listen to the Word

proclaimed from written Scriptures

The core of the good news message

is found through the paschal mystery

and the truth of God's love

active in the life and death and rising

of Jesus the Christ

Hearing the Word deeply

and participating in the memorial

of the Eucharist transform us

into scribes of the kingdom

We do well to pray to the Spirit

as Solomon might have

to activate within us the wisdom

and knowledge of *how to act*

Such knowledge is not to be hidden

in a field or anywhere else

We are to learn how to respond openly

to needs of the needy

to sickness we find in people

and in society at large

**Please pray for the sick in our parish community, our friends and loved ones:**

Oneata Windler, Bettie Randle, Deacon Eugene Champion, Mary Ruben, Bernice



Watkins, Robert Collins, Linda and James Owen, Lanny Merrill, Sharon Shea, Tom Colturi, Robert Faulkner, Fred Robinson, Richard Asbury, Roger

Harrison, Sharon David, Thomas Born, Peggy Cunningham, Blanche Forest, Lucinda Lee, Margaret Lynch, Kevin David

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## Our Offertory Donations

July 23 Offering \$4,300

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## All Our Visitors!

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today! If you are passing through town, we wish you a safe and happy visit. If you are interested in joining St. Patrick parish or just looking for more information, please let us know. Feel free to approach a parishioner, call the office at 527-2542, complete a registration form (at the back of the church) or visit us on line at [www.stpatmemphis.org](http://www.stpatmemphis.org).

**"Ask and you shall receive.  
Seek and you shall find.  
Knock and it will be opened to  
you."**

Ask in prayer to know your vocation! Seek and find ways to serve! Knock on the doors of those who can help guide you! If you think God may be offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, call Father Patrick Gallagher at (901) 323-3817 or write: [VocationsDirector@vocations.cdom.org](mailto:VocationsDirector@vocations.cdom.org).

## In your 20s or 30s? Join us for Theology on Tap



### Faith & Reason

Time: 6:30 PM

Date: Monday, August 14

Place: Fox Ridge Pizza,  
1769 N Germantown Pkwy, Cordova

Pope St. John Paul II once wrote:  
*"Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth..."*

There are many today who discount reason in the spiritual life and use sentimentality to explain away a belief in God. Fr. Augustine DeArmond, OP will share how they have it wrong and they work together to lead us to the fullness of truth. For more information check out our website at [www.totmemphis.org](http://www.totmemphis.org).

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## Catholic Charities of West Tennessee School Supply Drive

Help a student who can't afford school supplies start the school year equipped to succeed

Now- August 4th



### Supplies Needed

Pens, Pencils, Colored Pencils, Markers, Highlighters, Scissors, Paper, Notebooks, Binders, Backpacks, Folders, Erasers

Order online from our Amazon wish list at [tinyurl.com/CCWTNschoollsupply](http://tinyurl.com/CCWTNschoollsupply)

Drop off supplies at Catholic Charities  
1325 Jefferson Ave. Memphis, TN 38104

Contact: Christine Hash [christine.hash@acc.cdom.org](mailto:christine.hash@acc.cdom.org) 901-722-4759 [ccwtn.org](http://ccwtn.org)



Today's Psalm Response

*Lord, I love your commands. (Psalm 119)*

Liturgical Ministers

July 30

8:30  
 Lectors: Dell Stiner                      Judy Bettice  
 EMHCs: Jerry Bettice                      Brenda Somes  
 Sacristan: Aletta Roebuck

11:00  
 Lectors: Anne Stubblefield  
 EMHCs: Joe Birch  
 Sacristan: Phyllis Somerville

5:00  
 Lectors: Linda Jackson  
 EMHCs:  
 Sacristan:  
 Flowers: Bethany Turner

August 6

8:30  
 Lectors: Jerry Bettice                      Jamaal Fisher  
 EMHCs: Brenda Somes                      Carol Carson  
 Sacristan:

11:00  
 Lectors: Debra Brittenum  
 EMHCs: Phyllis Somerville  
 Sacristan: Elena Murphy

5:00  
 Lectors: Jay Thompson  
 EMHCs: Chris Claude  
 Sacristan: Eric Tidquist  
 Flowers: Judy Bettice

ST. PATRICK'S STAFF

Rev. Val Handwerker – Parish Administrator  
 Rev. Dexter Noblefranca – Acting Administrator  
 Rev. Mr. Eugene Champion – Deacon  
 Frances Ginski – Director of Faith Formation  
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 Verna Hawkins – Maintenance/Grounds

ST. PATRICK'S CENTER STAFF

Rev. Val Handwerker – Parish Administrator  
 Deacon Eugene Champion – Director  
 Anna Champion – Administrative Assistant  
 Anne Stubblefield – Volunteer Coordinator

ST. PATRICK'S JUBILEE SCHOOL

Susan Pittman – School Principal

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Earl Randle – 8:30 a.m. Mass  
 Andrew Rourke – 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.  
 Masses  
 Angela Vandoli – 11:00 a.m. Mass Cantor



Did you know that you can set up your offerings to St. Patrick Church through the Parish Giving option on our website? Your contributions will be automatically deducted from your checking or savings account or credit card and deposited directly to St. Patrick's bank account. It's a safe and easy way to make your donations. Just go to [www.stpatsmemphis.org](http://www.stpatsmemphis.org) and click on Parish Giving.

**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, July 30, 2017**

**Weekday Mass**

8:30am Intention of the Celebrant  
 11:00am +June LeVieux  
 5:00pm St. Patrick Church

Fri Aug 4 9:00am St. Patrick School

*If you would like a Mass Intention, please call the parish office: 527-2542*