



ST. PATRICK

CATHOLIC CHURCH

277 South Fourth Street, Memphis, Tennessee 38126
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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**



The Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2017

This Week: Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11; Psalm: Luke 1; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

Next Week: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Psalm: 89; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38

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.*



This Week's Mass Schedule With Father Val!

Tuesday – Friday 5:15pm

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The Sacrament of Reconciliation during this Advent

A Word from Father Val--
There is one more occasion when we as a parish can celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) as a special way of preparing for Christmas--



The penance service at the **Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception** on **Monday, December 18th**, beginning at **7:00 p.m.**

I shall be one of the confessors at this penance service. I hope that many of us take advantage of this beautiful sacrament celebrating forgiveness and healing.

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At Christmas Remember a Loved One

in a Special Way Help decorate the church with a donation for flowers as an honorarium or a memorial.



Envelopes are in your boxed set and are available in the pews.



Holiday Mass Schedule

December 24
Christmas Vigil 5:00

December 25
Midnight Mass 12:00 am
Christmas Day 10:00 am

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To 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 leave your contact information on the sheet located in the back of the church and someone will call you shortly to follow up.



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Hospitality

for Parishioners and Visitors

Please join us every Sunday after the morning Masses in the St. Patrick



Outreach Center for sausage biscuits, coffee, juice and other tasty treats from the kitchen of Deacon Eugene. The Center is

located behind the church - exit the church using the ramp next to the Altar and then follow the walkway around the courtyard.

Word, Eucharist, Life

Third Sunday of Advent

Rejoice always!

Even when storm clouds gather
and the way ahead
is uncertain
Or when there
seems to be
no one to listen
Or when glad tidings
seem dimmed
God is near
but hidden
in the folds of domination
and rigid control

John 1
Isaiah 61
Luke 1
1 Thessalonians 5

Pray without ceasing!

Our cries from the desert
of our experience
are heard
and in the silence
our faith can
begin to see the light
Pray in the Advent darkness
of winter's grip and
from the heart of pain
into the infinite ear
of Holy Mystery
Into our inner quiet
the Word tumbles like
a whisper at the mouth of a cave



In all circumstances give thanks!

Carry within the memory
made present in the assembly
around the Table set by Wisdom
and by Jesus' Death and Rising
From Eucharistic thanksgiving
we are sent
to bring hope and healing
we have received within
the arc of God's compassion
Share the joy
of the One Who Comes
with those are lost or who wander

Crock Pot Sunday

Sunday January 14 is Crock Pot Sunday. It is our opportunity to bring crock pots, soup pots or casseroles to feed our hungry neighbors. Please drop them off at the Center by 11:00 so the volunteers can prepare the to-go containers.



Thank you for all you do!



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

Michael Gallagher, father of Father Patrick Gallagher, Joachim Machado, father of our diocese's Vicar General, Monsignor Clement Machado, Patrick Shea, Joy Asbury, Mary Baldwin, Patricia Split, Jeanne Richardson, Jeanna Millington, Art Sutherland, Deacon Eugene Champion, Kat Bagley, Karen Silverstein. Mary Ruben, Bernice Watkins, Robert Collins, Linda and James Owen, Lanny Merrill, Sharon Shea, Fred Robinson, Richard Asbury, Peggy Cunningham, Thomas Born, Blanche Forest, Lucinda Lee, Margaret Lynch,



The food pantry will be closed

December 22, 2017

through

January 2, 2018,



Our Offertory Donations

December 10 Offering	\$5,511
Flowers	372
Food Ministry	80
Total	\$5,963
Religious Retirement	\$1,166
Catholic Charities	\$ 183



Today's Psalm Response

My soul rejoices in my God. (Luke 1)

Liturgical Ministers

December 17

8:30
Lectors: Jerry Bettice Judy Bettice
EMHCs: Mike Stengel Pat Papachristou
Sacristan: Andrea Nichols
11:00
Lectors: Heidi Rubin de la Borbolla
Kristin Korneliussen
EMHCs: Ray Terry Steve Likens
Sacristan: Joe Birch
5:00
Lectors: Eric Lomas Lordita Canlas
EMHCs: Julie Cleary Dillon Julie Farrar
Sacristan: Eric Tidquist

December 24

8:30
Lectors: Dell Stiner Mike Stengel
EMHCs: Joyce Johnson Pat Papachristou
Sacristan: Andrea Nichols
11:00
Lectors: Kristin Korneliussen Ray Terry
EMHCs: Margaret Calicott Anne Stubblefield
Jane Hampshire
Sacristan: Jane Hampshire and Le Martin
5:00
Christmas Vigil
Lectors: Bob Reilly Heidi RubindelaBorbolla
EMHCs: Matt Pentis Louise Terry
Donna McLellan
Sacristan: Ro O'Sullivan

December 25

Midnight Mass
Lectors: Joe Birch Steve Likens
EMHCs: Ro O'Sullivan
Sacristan: Aletta Roebuck
10:00
Lectors: Jerry Bettice Odile Tshingamb
EMHCs: Judy Bettice Anita Houk
Sacristan: Phyllis Somerville

ST. PATRICK'S STAFF

Rev. Val Handwerker – Parochial Administrator
Rev. Mr. Eugene Champion – Deacon
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ST. PATRICK'S CENTER STAFF

Rev. Val Handwerker – Parochial 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
Natalie Nibert – 11:00 a.m. Mass
Russell Moose – 5:00 p.m. Mass
Angela Vandoli –Cantor
Julie Farrar – Cantor
Victoria Godwin - 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 and click on Parish Giving. Enter Zip Code 38126 and press Search.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 17, 2017

8:30am Michael Gallagher
11:00am Sister Barbara Lynn Schmitz, O.S.B.
5:00pm St. Patrick Church

Weekday Mass

Tue, Dec 19 5:15pm Intention of the Celebrant
Wed, Dec 20 5:15pm Intention of the Celebrant
Thu, Dec 21 5:15pm Intention of the Celebrant
Fri, Dec 22 5:15pm Intention of the Celebrant

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