



ST. PATRICK

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Founded in 1866

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

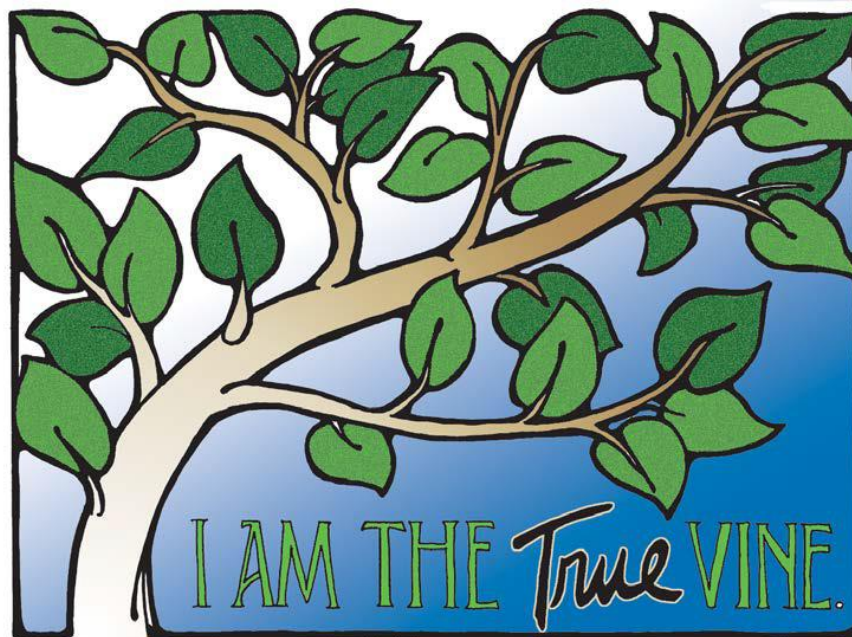
Celebrating the Sacraments

The Sacrament of Reconciliation ("confession") will be on Sundays in the "cry room" to the left of the main entrance when you enter the church. You may celebrate the sacrament "face-to-face" or anonymously (behind the priest).

Sundays at 8:00-8:10 a.m.; 10:20-10:40 a.m.; and 4:30-4:45 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



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April 29, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Easter

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.

LIVING BRANCHES

The Gospel and second reading for this Fifth Sunday of Easter emphasize the need for us to remain in Christ, and he in us. This shared life finds expression in the image of the one vine and many branches. We become living branches of the vine, members of the Body of Christ through baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation, sacraments of sharing God's own life. The First Letter of John describes the fruit of this vine as active love of neighbor: "And his commandment is this: we should believe . . . and love one another" (1 John 3:23).

Our first reading from Acts shows us an example of someone who shares in Christ's life in the person of Saint Paul. Paul's fearless witness, even at the risk of his life, is proof to everyone that the risen Lord's Spirit truly fills him with life and is bearing fruit in him.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The church was being built up, and grew in numbers (Acts 9:26-31).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth (1 John 3:18-24).

Gospel — Remain in me, as I remain in you. I am the vine, you are the branches (John 15:1-8).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16;
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;
Jn 14:27-31a or (for the memorial)
Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;
Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4;
1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17
or Jn 17:11b-19



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Monday: St. Pius V

Tuesday: St. Joseph the Worker

Wednesday: St. Athanasius

Thursday: Ss. Philip and James;
National Day of Prayer

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: First Saturday; Cinco de Mayo

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In medieval times, one country, Scotland, linked its economy to the liturgy. Four holy days of the church calendar were keyed to the legal year. On these days, rents were due, clergy and servants were paid, and contracts and leases would begin or end. The term days were Pentecost (called Whitsunday), the Feast of Saint Martin on November 11 (Martinmas), the Feast of the Presentation on February 2 (Candlemas), and August 2 (Lammas), a harvest festival. On Lammas day, the first loaf of bread from the summer wheat harvest was given to the village priest. After the Reformation, which swept the Catholic festivals away, the term days were gradually detached from the old feasts. It was only in 1990 that the term days were anchored on the 28th of February, May, August, and November. Today the old Scottish universities are the last hold-outs, still naming their terms or semesters after the old festivals. Scottish students today may not know about the liturgical year, but they still call the fall term Martinmas, and the spring session Candlemas.

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BE WHAT YOU SEEK

Even as you seek a virtuous, fair, and good spouse . . . it is fitting that you should be the same.

—St. Bernardine of Siena

SMALL TASKS

Each small task of everyday life is part of the total harmony of the universe.

—St. Thérèse of Lisieux

BE SAFE

In light of the new traffic pattern on 4th Street, please take care when crossing. Hold the little one's hands until you reach your vehicle.



Thanks, Father Val

St. Patrick Parish News and Activities



Thank You for Being Here!

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 the St. Patrick community 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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Food & Fellowship Please Join Us



All are invited to join us every Sunday morning after Masses in the St. Patrick Outreach Center for coffee, juice and other tasty treats, and join in

the fellowship. The Center is located behind the church - exit the church using the ramp to the right of the Altar and then follow the walkway around the courtyard

Albert Vaughn and Rachel Wilkinson celebrated the sacrament of Matrimony Saturday, April 28 at St. Patrick Church.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Mr. and Mr. Vaughn!



This Week at St. Patrick, Apr 29 – May 6

4/29 Sunday

- **Coffee & More** after morning Masses, Center
- **Sunday by Sunday Adult Bible Study and Faith Sharing**, Center, 9:45am
- **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**, 9:45
- **More Than a Meal**, Center, 1:00am
Please bring desserts

5/1 Tuesday

- **Mass**, Chapel, 5:15pm
- **Youth committee planning meeting**, 6pm, Braganza Room, Center
- **Ladies Guild meeting**, 7pm, Pamela Watermeier's home, 1933 Harbert

5/2 Wednesday

- **Mass**, Chapel, 5:15pm
- **Social Outreach committee meeting**, 6 pm, Braganza Room, Center

5/3 Thursday

- **Sunday by Sunday Bible Study and Faith Sharing**, Jerry & Judy Bettice's home, 4043 Allison Ave. 10:30am (901-327-8068)
- **Center Board Meeting**, 6pm, Braganza Room, Center
- **Spiritual Development committee meeting**, 6pm, St. Patrick church

5/4 Friday

- **Mass**, Chapel, 5:15pm

5/5 Saturday

- **First Communion Retreat**, 9:30a-3p
- **Baptism**, noon
- **Wedding**, 6p

5/6 Sunday,

- **First Communion**, 11 am Mass
- **Soup on Sunday**, Center, 1:00pm

Collections

Fourth Sunday of Easter

\$4,992



St. Patrick Parish News and Activities

Word, Eucharist, Life *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

**You are already pruned because
of the word that I spoke to you.**



*Jesus expects disciples to bear fruit
and pruning cuts away
self-serving tendencies
and allows the fruit of the Spirit
to grow in the community of believers
and in the world*

*Hearing the Word
within ourselves cuts deeply*

*As Hebrews reminds us
God's word . . . pierces so deeply . . .
and is able to judge the thoughts
and intentions of the heart*

*The word of Jesus allows us to see
our true intentions in claiming
to be disciples*

*When we follow Jesus
through his paschal mystery
we experience his own pruning
in giving himself in profound love*

*Alone the disciple and the community
of disciples are weak
and can do nothing*

*But in the Eucharistic assembly
we find the strength in Jesus' love
to take action in our lives
so that God's work in us
bears fruit for justice
in the common good
and for the peace of all those
we are meant to serve*

**The pruned branches of the vine
bear the fruit**

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

Earl Randle, Julie Boland, Mary Baldwin,



Shantia Baldwin,
Maureen Hough, Mary
Ruben, Kevin David,
Phyllis Somerville,
Rusty Ramsey,
Stephen Golanka,
Sharon Shea, Joy
Asbury, Mary Baldwin,
Patricia Split, Jeanne

Richardson, Jeanna Millington, Karen
Silverstein. Bernice Watkins, Robert
Collins, Linda and James Owen, Lanny
Merrill, Fred Robinson, Richard Asbury,
Peggy Cunningham, Blanche Forest,
Lucinda Lee, Margaret Lynch

Ladies Guild



LADIES, LADIES, LADIES! Would you like to re-ignite a Ladies Guild here at St. Patrick's? All ladies of the parish are invited to the home of Pamela Watermeier on Tuesday, May 1st at 7pm. Her address is 1933 Harbert, and you may reach her at 901-726-5296. This will be the second meeting of the Guild.

If you are wondering what the Ladies Guild is all about, or what will be accomplished by them, come on out and help make those decisions. It is a great way to bring together long-term and more recent parishioners, and help create long-lasting bonds!

St. Patrick Parish News and Activities: Top 5 Priorities

Communications: Our amazing parishioner, Brenda May, has put over 100 hours in updating and maintaining our website over these last 2 months. (Thank you, Brenda!!) As part of our Communications Priority, Brenda, Ian Rubin de la Borbolla, Ro O'Sullivan and Jen Sneed met Saturday, April 28th to discuss and assess our short- and long-term goals for our Parish website. Ian has graciously offered to set up our website, but we will need additional volunteers from our church community to help sustain the website and social media sites going forward. If you are particularly tech-savvy, or if you're not but would be open to learning what to do, please reach out to Jen (jensneed@gmail.com), Brenda (bandmay@icloud.com), Ian (ian@mibiomed.org) or Ro to be added to our list of social media masters.

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As you know, the Parish Pastoral Council met recently and they are hard at work working on the Top Priorities discussed by 200 parishioners, and prioritized by 100 of us. Committees are beginning to work, and there is much to be done. Many hands make light work! And lots of fun and bonding! Plenty for everyone, so we can all be involved! Here are some meetings coming up this week, so you can decide where best to apply your time and energy:

Tuesday: Youth Committee's First Meeting

Please join us Tuesday, May 1, at 6pm in the Braganza Room at the Outreach Center! Please contact Chris Claude at 901-568-8338 or crclaud@yahoo.com, or Allen Stiles at 901-650-1726

Wednesday: Social Outreach Committee's First Meeting

Please join us on Wednesday, May 2nd, in the Braganza Room at the Outreach Center, and bring all your ideas for outreach within and outside the parish! Please contact Terry Woodard at 901-351-8201 or terrywoodard@me.com

Thursday: Spiritual Development Committee's First Meeting

Please join us Thursday May 3rd, 6pm at St Patrick's to discuss the vision and implementation of the house meeting's priority of ongoing Spiritual Development for the parish! We'd love to have your ideas and gifts if you are interested. Contact Monica Juma mjuma@uthsc.edu or Ro O'Sullivan ro.osullivan@stpat.cdom.org

St Pat's parishioners, we need your help please. We are looking for a few individuals that can help direct us on the best methods and modes for conducting an all-parish survey. Please contact Don Farrell @ 731-514-1589 anytime.

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Also ...we need your creative ideas:



Maureen McGargill painted the sign with fresh paint on the parish work day, and Phil Novarese and his crew made a beautiful new flower bed, and we planted our red for MLK50 (which will come in handy for Pentecost!). Dave Smith is working on the lighting in the sign.

One last BIG piece to be done is to make the actual signage meaningful, creative, and appropriate for St. Patrick's. We need your help! Those of you who easily come up with clever lines and ideas, here is your chance to put your gifts to use for the church! Please email Don Farrell at don@freshrevenues.com with your inspirations!

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UPDATE

Our new phone system has been installed and we are working out the kinks. Communication to the Office is improving greatly. Thank you for your patience!

A new feature to our system is the option to connect directly when there is a need for an **EMERGENCY sick call**. This is the first choice on the menu. All other requests should follow the prompts. There is an option to leave a voice message for any of the staff members. Not all of the extensions have been set up yet with a personal greeting.

Please feel free to call to let us know how we may be of service to you!
901-527-2542

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

This afternoon, the children who will be making their First Reconciliation and First Communion, and their parents, will meet again with the Catechists, for their next Meditation on the True Vine, in preparation for their sacraments next weekend.

Their Retreat Day will be here at the church next Saturday, May 5th. They will be making their First Communion on Sunday, May 6th, during the 11am Mass.

Please continue to keep these families in your prayers during this very special time.



St. Patrick Outreach Center News and Activities

Cooking up their special gumbo recipes were Dell Stiner, Jennifer Sneed, Andrea Nichols, Anne Stubblefield, and Sam Shuster (Anne's brother-in-law). Each one was unique and very delicious. So much so, we all agreed to just enjoy to the fullest and not worry about competing! There were four with seafood and one without. Dell's took the prize for the most ingredients. She had chicken, shrimp, crab, oysters, and sausage in hers! All our gumbo chefs have a Louisiana connection and a love of gumbo.

Preparing a large pan of red beans and andouille sausage were Cara Williams and Anne Stubblefield. Sandra Payne and Phyllis Somerville contributed a garden salad topped with Cajun turkey provided by Deacon Eugene Champion. Anthony Terrell, better known as "Chef T", donated several pans of jambalaya (He cooks for IC Elementary School. Thanks to Deacon Frank for getting us that donation!). And providing the perfect desert to top off this fabulous Cajun meal was Sharon Evans and her sister Michele who prepared the most delicious Bread puddings you ever put in your mouth! Andrea Nichols' son provided the beer.

Joining the above in the kitchen to help heat everything up, cook the rice and get it all to the serving tables were volunteers Angela Crone, Donna Ellis, Carolyn Shuster, Russell Travis and Ricky Burnette. Brenda Somes joined in on the clean up. Special thanks goes to Russell for coming in on Friday to set up the tables!

The music provided by Marcella and her percussionist provided a lively backdrop and set the tone for the festival. Her vocals, along with the Cajun accordion and keyboard accompaniment kept everyone in a festival mood. Will Floyd Sound Company provided the sound equipment. His price—a beer, a bowl of gumbo and a plate of festival fare!

The festival became a true celebration when Deacon Eugene Champion, having been discharged from the hospital only the day before, and accompanied by his wife, Anna, entered the center. In the weeks preceding the festival, armed with his trusty cell phone, his hospital room became the command center for the planning and execution of the festival.

Again, thanks to all for sharing your time, your talent, and your treasure to make this a very enjoyable event. Thanks to those who came out and supported the festival. We hope you had a good time! To those who weren't able to participate this year, we hope you will join in the fun next year.

— Anne Stubblefield

St. Patrick Outreach Center News and Activities

Orion 5K

**ALL HANDS ON DECK AT ST. PATRICK'S
SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 9!**



It's the 22nd year for our charity 5K benefitting St. Patrick Community Outreach, Inc.



But this is the first year we're blessed with a generous Title Sponsorship gift from ORION Federal Credit Union. The Orion 5K happens at 7 o'clock on the evening of **Saturday, June 9** and your help will be needed right here at St. Pat's! The large parking lot at 4th Street and Dr. Martin Luther King, Ave. is reserved for our post-race party where the band "Marcella and Her Lovers" will headline our entertainment. We need volunteers for our large Kid's Zone, Food Servers, Parking Attendants, Beer Servers, Pre-Race Set Up and Post-Race Clean Up! You can register to volunteer on the sign-up sheets in church today or via our website:

<https://orion5k.racesonline.com/>

This event requires "*all hands on deck!*" Thank you for saving the date and your service on June 9! **IF YOU CAN HELP ORGANIZE** this great parish event, please come to WMC TV, 1960 Union Ave. at 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening April 26 for a one hour *Leaders Meeting* to plan for the ORION 5K. Park in front of the TV station and you'll be welcomed inside at 7 o'clock for a session on planning our post-race party on Saturday, June 9. **We need more leaders!** Please RSVP by emailing jbirch@wmctv.com or calling (901) 726-0419.

ALSO, please take the ORION 5K promotional cards on the tables at the rear of church today to your home, your place of employment, your gym or anywhere you know runners will connect with them.

Please send your gift of any size to our 501-C3 Non-Profit:

St. Patrick Community Outreach, Inc.
297 S. 4th Street
Memphis, TN 38126



Gifts of \$250 and up will receive special recognition on race day, Saturday, June 9, 2018.

This is the largest annual fundraiser for our Community Outreach Center!

Today's Psalm Response

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. (Psalm 22)

Liturgical Ministers

April 29

8:30

Lectors:	Matt Pentis	Suzanne Martin
EMHCs:	Mike Stengel	Pat Papachristou
Servers:	Caroline David	Isabel Martin
	Linda Hernandez	
Sacristan:	Andrea Nichols	

11:00

Lectors:	Louise Terry	Ray Terry
EMHCs:	Steve Likens	Carla Dennis
Servers:	Bret Gibson	
	Aiden Rubin de la Borbolla	
Sacristan:	Mike Watermier	

5:00

Lectors:	Dave Smith	Julie Cleary Dillon
EMHCs:	Laura Carpenter	Jeanine Blackwell
Servers:	Justin Johnson	Kaitlyn Christy
Sacristan:	Ro O'Sullivan	
Flowers:	Anne Stubblefield	

May 6

8:30

Lectors:	Jerry Bettice	Judy Bettice
EMHCs:	Jim Martin	Kate Pera
Servers:	Jon Nichols	Jacob Burgess
Sacristan:	Aletta Roebuck	

11:00

Lectors:	Steven Tenorio	Heidi Rubin de la Borbolla
Servers:	Sara Khouzam	Eboni Baldwin
EMHCs:	Mike Watermeier	Deborah Flettrich
Sacristan:	Phillis Somerville	

5:00

Lectors:	Eric Lomas	Linda Jackson
EMHCs:	Chris Claude	Donna McLellan
Servers:	Timothy Andrews	
Sacristan:	Ro O'Sullivan	

ST. PATRICK'S STAFF

Rev. Val Handwerker – Pastor
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ST. PATRICK'S CENTER STAFF

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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
Julie Farrar – Cantor
Victoria Godwin – Cantor
Kevin Kimberly – 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 FOR ST. PATRICK

May 2nd – Wednesday 5:15pm
+Brother Vincent Malham, F.S.C., on the 10th
Anniversary of his death

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

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

For those who have responsibility in economic matters: that economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.