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Sunday Masses: 8:30am 11:00am 5:15pm Weekday Masses: Tuesday - Friday: 5:15pm



First Sunday of Advent December 3, 2023

This Week: Isaiah 63:16b-17; 64:1, 3b-8; Psalm 80; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37 Next Week: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalm 85; Mark 1:1-8

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of St. Patrick 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.

Today's Psalm Response

Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved. (Psalm 80)

11am MASS



Live streamed Every Sunday at www.bit.ly/StPatrickFacebook

Worship Aid Available
Readings and Music
www.stpatsmemphis.org
Click on Communications



Replayed on YouTube after 1:00 pm www.bit.ly/StPatrickYouTube

Baptismal Preparation Class

For Parents and Godparents

If you plan to participate in a Baptism in the next few months, please call the parish office 901-527-2542 so we can schedule a preparation class.

Sacrament of Reconciliation



Sundays 7:50 am-8:10 am 10:20 am-10:40 am 4:40 pm-5:00 pm or by appointment 901-527-2542

Can be done face-to-face or anonymously.

WHAT DO CATHOLICS REALLY BELIEVE?

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Have you been Catholic for a long time but don't remember what you learned in school? This is for you!

We meet Sundays in the St. Brigid Room in the Rectory from 9:45am to 10:45am.

Please contact
Sally Greene
sbg1220@aol.com
for more information.





Dec 3, 8:30 am, +Jerry Bettice on the one year anniversary of his death Dec 4 by Judy Bettice Dec 3, 11:00 am, +Cesar Perez on the anniversary of his death Nov 26 by Tulio Perez

Dec 5, 5:15 pm, +Robert Berralla, by Bill and Jeannine Gaudet

Dec 10, 8:30 am, +Deceased Members of the Hough & Bridges families by Carolyn Bridges

WEEKLY CALENDAR Dec 3 - Dec 10

Sunday, Dec 3

- 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 5:15 pm Masses
- 2nd Collection Food Ministry
- 9:45 am, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Atria
- 9:45 am, Sunday by Sunday Group, Braganza Rm
- 9:45 am, RCIA, St. Brigid Room, Rectory
- 11:00 am, Mass live streamed on Facebook
- 12:15 am, Youth Group, Annex
- 1:00 pm, Soup Kitchen, Outreach Center

Tuesday, Dec 5

• 5:15 pm, Mass, Chapel

Wednesday, Dec 6

• 5:15 pm, Mass, Chapel

Thursday, Dec 7

• 5:15 pm, Mass, Chapel

Friday, Dec 8

- 6:00 pm, Mass, Church
- 7:00 pm, Bar-B-Que Dinner, Center

Sunday, Dec 10

- 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 5:15 pm Masses
- 2nd Collection Religious Retirement Fund
- 9:45 am, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Atria
- 9:45 am, Sunday by Sunday Group, Braganza Rm
- 9:45 am, RCIA, St. Brigid Room, Rectory
- 11:00 am, Mass live streamed on Facebook
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Worship Aids and Bulletins

www.stpatsmemphis.org

Holy Day of Obligation
Solemnity of the
Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, December 8
6:00 pm

No 5:15 Mass

The Immaculate Conception is the conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary free from original sin in the womb of her mother, Saint Anne.



Benefit for Haiti

A Creole Feast to benefit students of St. Jules Elementary in Petit Bourg du Borgne, Haiti

> December 7 5:30 - 8:00 Outreach Center

The annual dine-in or take-out dinner is back for the first time since the pandemic. The cost is \$200, which provides a scholarship for one student.



Cost is payable by cash, check or credit card at the door. Featured cuisine includes seafood gumbo, dirty rice, jambalaya, spiced pork, smothered okra and shrimp, coleslaw and a selection of desserts. There will also be live music. For more information, contact Dell Stiner at (901) 827-7366 or

mdstiner@thewhartonlawfirm.com.

Bar-B-Q Dinner prepared by our own Rusty Ramsey!

following 6 pm Mass

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Friday, December 8th
St Patrick - Champion Outreach Center
Show off your Trivia skills!

No Charge
Donations gratefully
accepted for St. Pat's
St Vincent De Paul
Society



Parishioners - please bring desserts

Come join the St. Pat's Choir Help make our Christmas celebration special! Practices are Dec. 7, 14, and 21 at 7pm All voices are welcome.

Small Faith Sharing and Prayer Groups

Sunday by Sunday Faith Sharing Group Braganza Room, Outreach Center Sunday, 9:45 a.m.

Pat Papachristou ppapachr@cbu.edu

A Prayer Circle
Monday – Friday
9:00 a.m. for about 30 minutes
Jan Kidder jan.kidder62@gmail.com

Sunday by Sunday Faith Sharing Group Tuesday evenings 7:00 p.m. via ZOOM

Louise Cayo 901-833-1506 Donna McLellan 901-210-8321

Say Their Names Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

Linda Opiel <u>lindaopiel@comcast.net</u> Sandy Heiss <u>heisshouse@yahoo.com</u> Jan Kidder <u>jan.kidder62@gmail.com</u>

> Sunday by Sunday Faith Sharing Group Thursday, 10:30 - noon

Judy Bettice Call 901-327-8068 or text 901-216-7208

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

Andrew Carroll, Pete Alfonso, Mary Baldwin, Fran Barendse, Ray Barker, Rosemary Batorski, Ray Berthiaume, Jane Marie Blackham, Sydney Bowers (Pamela Higgins' granddaughter), Robert Boyle, Antonio Bradshaw, Dierdre Brady, Dick Brereton, David Carter (Renae Taylor's nephew), Deacon



Eugene Champion, Guy Church, Sam Cochran, John Colton, Janice Craven (Tim Craven's daughter), Annabel Crowson, Peggy Cunningham, Mateo Duarte, Sue Ann Duffy, Dot Eubanks, Lewis and Gloria (Sangster) Fort, Jerry Foster, Sean Garlick, Senait

Gebrab, Stephen Golanka (Mary Evans' son), Pat Gorney, Paul Gray, Thelia Green, Bob Greene, Terry Greene Sr, Diane Griggs (Don Lawrence's daughter), Richard Grinder, Sr. Maureen Griner, Janis Habbaz, Travis Handwerker, Patrick Harkins, Lisa Harris (Bob Greene's sister), Craig Hodges, Maureen Hough, Brian Huebner, Juanita Huff, Mary Huggins, Floridia Jackson, Roberta Kane (Mike Watermeier's sister-inlaw), John Letchworth, Luca (Aletta Roebuck's twoyear-old great-grandson), Evelyne Malone, Mark Mathis (Mac Mathis' son), Fenton McEvoy, Della Miles, Maureen Mischler, Bill Morman (Monica and Stephen Juma's uncle), Terry Nesmith, Nora O'Connell, Brad Patterson, Deacon Eddie Ramsey, Earl Randle, John Clarence Simmons, Louise Slater (Mike Watermeier's daughter's mother-in-law), Samantha Smith, Roger Somes (Brenda Somes brother-in-law). Tara Stebbins, Carol Steiner, Tracv Sweat, Diana Teagarden, Shelby Terry (Ray and Louise Terry's daughter-in-law), Melvin Tuggle (Chandra Tuggle's father), Lynn Tune, Robert Tutson, Pam Watermeier, Nia Watkins, Deacon Frank Williams, Jan Watson, Jan Zinselmeyer

Notify Parish Office: If you or someone you know is hospitalized or homebound and would like to be added to our prayer list, or if someone has recovered and should be removed from our list, please call the parish office at 901-527-2542.





Please follow us on social media!
And check out our website:
www.stpatsmemphis.org
Read recent Bulletins online





Please join us for our

First-Tuesday-of-the-Month Potluck

6:30pm | Food, Fellowship, Prayer 7:00pm | Speaker | Marian Hall Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

December 5, 2023: Fr. Dexter Noblefranca

Pastor, St. Patrick Catholic Church

Bring a dish if you can, but come anyway if not!

All are Welcome

Gay, Straight, Family, Friends, and
Allies of All Faiths & Cultures Welcome
Contact us for more info: CMGLP@ic.cdom.org

2nd Collection TODAY

St. Patrick - Champion Outreach Center



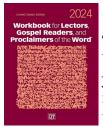
Sunday Sit Down Lunch Sack Lunch T-W-T

T-W-T
Mobile Food Pantry





Attention: Lectors!



The new 2024 Lector work-books have arrived! Pick up your copy today in Shannon's new office on the first floor of the Rectory.

A Note from the Pastor



"PROPHECY CANDLE"

The first candle, which is purple, symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah.



"BETHLEHEM CANDLE"



The second candle, also purple, represents peace. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

The third candle is rose and symbolizes joy. It is called the "Shepard's Candle," and is pink because rose is a liturgical color for joy.

"SHEPHERD'S CANDLE"

THIRD CANDLE



On the fourth week of Advent, we light the final purple candle that symbolizes love. This final candle, the "Angel's Candle".

"ANGEL'S CANDLE"

SIGNIFIES LOVE FOURTH CANDLE

House Fire!

Life long parishioner Shantia Baldwin's house burned down last week. She and her children are in need of considerable assistance. If you can



help, please call Shantia 901-413-0174 or her mother, Mary Baldwin 901-219-6651.

2nd Collection Next Sunday





Sunday Afternoon in the Annex 12:15 after the 11am Mass

Join us for hot chocolate and goodies each week along with prayer and reflection.

On December 17th, Fr. Dexter will share his inspiring story with us.

Text Monica and Stephen Juma





Funeral Arrangements



A Funeral Mass for Yvonne Fournier is scheduled on Saturday, January 13, 2024 10:00am at St. Patrick Church, followed by a Christian burial at Memorial Park Cemetery.

May She Rest in God's Eternal Peace



Penance Service Thursday, December 14 6:30pm



Reconciliation We are having an Advent Penance Service when we as a parish can celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a special way of preparing for Christmas.

Individual confessions will be available. You may choose to sit behind the priest or facing the priest.

We hope that many of us will take advantage of this beautiful sacrament celebrating forgiveness and healing.

There will be no 5:15 Mass that day.





GIA

John Angotti Band

2023 TOUR

December 13 | 7PM

St. Patrick Catholic Church 277 S Fourth St Memphis, TN 38126

With Special Guest Lorraine Hess

johnangotti.com







Gates Open: 8:30 TQ's Coffay Volunteers Check In: 7:30

Second Shift: 10:00

We are done by 12:00 Noon

Prayer and Care Ministry

The Prayer and Care Ministry will hold a prayer ritual on **Saturday**. December 16 at 9:00am in the Annex. All are invited to offer prayers (silently or voiced) for those who are struggling with illness, disability or



advanced age. A Ministry volunteer will lead the quiet ritual with time for silent or spoken intentions. For further information, contact Hugh Taylor @ 901-438-9395 (voice or text) or hughtylr@yahoo.com.



Aiden Williams Kristin Korneliussen Frances Ross Geoff Maddox Joe Catrambone Peggy Cunningham Natalie Cooke Rozelle Green Theresa Gifford Liam O'Connell Charles Richards Joyce Johnson Karen Ferguson Sarita Calicott Jo Johnson Deepak Tharapel Rohan Zebrick Genevieve Stockwell Angel Dono Owen O'Connell Margaret Calicott Maria Hernandez Dan Roicewicz Sally Greene Terry Brown Marsha Smith Shannon Mason Marvine Walters Roy Repelin Patrick Shea Nia Zalamea Barbara Moore Matt Ducklo Eduardo Velasquez Tom Carnesi Thalia Repelin

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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 let us know. Feel free to approach a parishioner, call the office at 901-527-2542. complete a registration form (at the back of the church) or visit us on line on Facebook or at www.stpatsmemphis.org.

Please join us for donuts, juice, coffee and fellowship in the SPC Outreach Center after the morning Masses.









Parish Library

You are invited to visit our parish library in the Annex

Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm and **Sunday Mornings**

"We are the clay and you the potter; we are all the work of your hands."



Being chosen to serve God's people is an amazing work of the Lord. Know & be faithful to your calling. Visit:

> www.memphisvocations.com or call the Office of Vocations 901-373-1244

Welcome to St. Patrick Catholic Community! We're glad you're here.

- •No masks are required for vaccinated adults.
- •Feel free to continue to wear one for safety and peace of mind as your conscience dictates.
- Those adults who are unvaccinated, we ask that you continue to wear a mask.

Offertory Donations



Offertory	\$3,566
Parish Giving	3,305
Food Ministry	65
Other	325
Total	\$7,261

Thanksgiving \$405

Thank you for your generosity!



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http://bit.ly/StPatrickgiving

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 dona-

tions. Just use the QR Code, go to http://bit.ly/StPatrickgiving or click on the Parish Giving button at stpatsmemphis.org.



You can now also sign up for on line contributions to St. Vincent de Paul and to the Tanzania Health Ministry

Prayer for Ukraine



Mother of God, to your Immaculate Heart we entrust and dedicate all humanity, the Church, and all believers, especially Russia and Ukraine. Please intercede amidst our human weaknesses. Rain down compassion and offer forgiveness to Putin and Russian leaders for their crimes against humanity. Give them hearts of mercy for a peaceful end

to this unjust war. Ease the suffering of the Ukrainian people, banish all evil, and light this inconceivable darkness with your unconditional love. Amen

Please pray for our St. Patrick community every day



St. Patrick Tanzania Global Health Ministry Update

As many of you know, in 2021, St. Patrick began partnering with Catholic sisters in Tanzania to provide medical care to a remote village, Kifaru. The Sisters of St. Therese of the Child Jesus-Bukoba Catholic Diocese have a long-standing inspiring relationship with this. For several decades, the sisters would travel to Kifuru once a month to provide medical care, but due to the overwhelming need and appreciation of the community, the elders of the village donated land so the sisters could build a full-time clinic. With the help of St. Patrick's, we raised \$15,000 last year, enough to completely renovate a makeshift building they were using into a full-time clinic! They hired a full-time doctor, Dr. Abdul, who has been providing full time services since last fall.



Here are the before and after pictures of the remodeled clinic.



Sr Sarah and her community have found that the most commonly encountered illness is preventable – the top one being gastrointestinal disease due to lack of access to clean water, as many villagers have to walk miles to access clean water. To target waterborne disease, the sisters purchased medication to treat parasites for everyone in the community. Treating the whole village costs less than \$200 a year! We hope to eventually build a well and provide a water-filtration system.



In addition, they are hoping to improve maternal and newborn mortality rates by building a labor theater (surgical suite) for obstetrical emergencies, in order to do C-Sections, as the closest hospital is 25 km away on dirt roads. No one in the village owns a car, so this journey takes hours by foot and can be life-threatening in case of an emergency. In addition to donations, the community will offer their contributions, the sisters will volunteer their medical expertise and the district health department will offer support and oversee official quality standards.

This is the 2nd baby delivered at the clinic by Dr. Abdul.

We will have a second collection on 12/17/2023 for the Tanzania Ministry and we will schedule another "Taste of Tanzania" Fundraiser Dinner next spring (details to come!) with Tanzanian cuisine and African inspired music.

You can also donate online through the Parish Giving St Patrick website (and select your contribution to go to the Tanzania Global Health Ministry). You can also help by volunteering your time and prayers!

QR Code for Parish Giving

To get involved, please contact Monica and Stephen Juma at 408-802-8376 or mjuma@uthsc.edu.

More from Kifaru



Here is Sr. Sarah (in the middle), Dr. Abdul (to the right) and several medical volunteers.

Sr. Sarah shares information on healthy lifestyle measures with the community.





Patients getting checked-in inside the remodeled clinic

Monica and Stephen with Sr. Sarah and children from the village (waiting for their parents to be checked out in the clinic) during their visit 12/2022.



2nd Collection: December 17

December 3, 2023	8:30	11:00	5:15
Lector 1	Julie Schap	Debra Brittenum	Jeanine Blackwell
Lector 2	Rhea Thomas	Bob Greene	Donna McLellan
EMHCs	Kathleen Allos Kate Pera Lauren Ready	Joe Birch Stephanie Poje Oneata Windler	Matthew Bowles Louise Cayo
Cantor	John Killmar	Kevin Kimberly	Russell Moose
Musician	Diego Parra	Russell Moose	Lucas Smith
Altar Servers	Lucy Burgess Julia Killmar	Liam O'Connell Teddy Donati	Mia Rodriguez
Sacristan	Tracy Burgess	Mike Watermeier	Anita Houk
Flowers	Advent		

December 10, 2023	8:30	11:00	5:15
Lector 1	Judy Bettice	Marvin Stockwell	Anita Houk
Lector 2	Wayne Fuller	Beth Trouy	Dave Smith
EMHCs	Tobia Fuller Scott Ready Dell Stiner	Mike Watermeier Oneata Windler Margaret Calicott	Louise Cayo Carol Mangiante
Cantor	Ronnie Vinson	Kevin Kimberly	Bill Gaudet
Musician	Diego Parra	Marcus Browning	Jeannine Gaudet
Altar Servers	José Salazar Teaira Ford	Avery Kjellin Sofia Lesure	Julia Killmar
Sacristan	Hugh Taylor	Marlene Keenan	Gene Mangiante
Flowers	Advent		

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Parish Office Hours Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Procedure for Reporting Sexual Abuse

Anyone who has knowledge of or who has cause to suspect an incident of sexual abuse should report the information to the appropriate civil authorities first at 1-877-237-0004, then to the Diocesan Director of Child & Youth Protection at 901-359-2027 or the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 901-652-4066.