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Founded 1866

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



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 10, 2024

This Week: 1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44 Next Week: Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32

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.



Our Journey to Catholicism sessions meet each Sunday, in the St. Brigid Room in the Rectory from 9:45am to 10:45am.

Please call or email Sally Greene (901) 483-3656 or <u>sbg1220@aol.com</u> with questions.



Nov 10, 11:00 am, Intentions of the Polish Priest of our Diocese in celebration of Polish Independence on Nov 11, 1918

Nov 12, 5:15 pm, Special Intentions of our country

Nov 13, 5:15 pm, Joe Davis

Nov 14, 5:15 pm, Special Intentions of our country

Nov 15, 5:15 pm, Fr. Jim Martell

Nov 17, 8:30am, +Deceased members of the Hough and Bridges families by Carolyn Bridges

WEEKLY CALENDAR Nov 10 - 17 Sunday, Nov 10

- 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 5:15pm Masses
- 9:45 am, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Atria
- 9:45 am, Journey to Catholicism, St. Brigid Room
- 9:45 am, Sunday by Sunday Group, Braganza Rm
- 11:00 am Mass live streamed on Facebook
- 12:30 pm, Children's Choir Practice, St. Brigid Rm
- 12:15 pm, Youth Group, Youth Room, Center
- 1:00 pm, Soup Kitchen, Outreach Center

Tuesday, Nov 12

• 5:15 pm, Communion Service, Chapel

Wednesday, Nov 13

• 5:15 pm, Communion Service, Chapel

Thursday, Nov 14

- 5:15 pm, Communion Service, Chapel
- 5:45 pm, Praying the Rosary, Chapel
- 6:00 pm, Choir Practice, Church

Saturday, Nov 16

10:00 pm, Prayer and Care Ministry, Annex

Sunday, Nov 17

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NEEDED: 100 TURKEYS!

Thanksgiving is quickly approaching!



If you are able to donate one (or more) turkeys, please bring them to the **Food Pantry** in the Champion Outreach Center by

November 20.

Drop-Off Hours

Sunday 9:00am - 2:00pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 1:00 - 2:30pm



Financial donations can be dropped in the collection basket on Sundays, taken to the Food Pantry, or made di-

rectly to the Outreach Center on our new web page under the tab GIVE,

www.spcoc.org

If you would like to help assemble the baskets and/or distribute the baskets to the recipients, contact Melissa (m_krylowicz@hotmail.com) or Gene (poppy@mangiante.com).



Prayer and Care Ministry



The Prayer and Care Ministry will hold a prayer ritual on **Saturday**, **November 16 at 10:00am** 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 <u>hughtylr@yahoo.com</u>.

St. Patrick Children's Choir



Children in grades 1-8 are invited to join the St. Patrick Children's Choir! They will sing at, and be part of, the Christmas Eve Prelude before the 6pm Mass. Rehearsals are Sundays at 12:30pm in the church, beginning October 27th. Parents are more than welcome to observe and volunteer in rehearsals! For more information, reach out to our Music Director, Diego Parra at diego.parra@stpat.cdom.org.

Please Pray for our St. Patrick Community Every Day



Worship Aids and Bulletins

www.stpatsmemphis.org click Communications

Please pray for the sick in our parish community, our friends and loved ones: Ricky Burnett, Pete Alfonso, Mary Baldwin, Fran Barendse, Ray Barker, Rosemary Batorski, Ray Berthiaume, Jane Marie Blackham, Sydney Bowers (Pamela Higgins' granddaughter), Antonio Bradshaw, Dick Brereton, Terri Burns (Mary Ann Burns' daughter-in-law), Andrew Carroll, David Carter



(Renae Taylor's nephew), Deacon Eugene Champion, Sam Cochran, Janice Craven (Tim Craven's daughter), Annabel Crowson, Peggy Cunningham, Mateo Duarte, Bryan Duffel Sue Ann Duffy, Dot Eubanks,

Gloria Sangster Fort, Jerry Foster, Sean Garlick, Senait Gebreab, Stephen Golanka (Mary Evans' son), Pat Gorney, Thelia Green, Bob Greene, Terry Greene Sr (Bob Greene's brother), Diane Griggs (Don Lawrence's daughter), Richard Grinder, Sr. Maureen Griner, Janis Habbaz, Travis Handwerker, Diane Harder, Patrick Harkins, Lisa Harris (Bob Greene's sister), Pamela Higgins, Maureen Hough, Brian Huebner, Juanita Huff, Floridia Jackson, Roberta Kane (Mike Watermeier's sister-in-law), Jan Kidder, John Letchworth, Luca (Aletta Roebuck's two-year-old great-grandson), Evelyne Malone, Karen Mathis (Mac Mathis' daughter), Fenton McEvoy, Della Miles, Maureen Mischler, Bill Morman (Monica and Stephen Juma's uncle), Terry Nesmith, Nora O'Connell, Brad Patterson, Julian Prewitt (Linda Prewitt's husband), Deacon Eddie Ramsey, Rusty Ramsey, Earl Randle, John Clarence Simmons, Connie Simpson, Louise Slater (Mike Watermeier's daughter's mother-inlaw), Samantha Smith, Tara Stebbins, Tracy Sweat, Shelby Terry (Ray and Louise Terry's daughter-inlaw), John Trouy (Beth Trouy's brother), Mary and Melvin Tuggle (Chandra Tuggle's parents). Lvnn Tune, Robert Tutson, Pam Watermeier, Nia Watkins, Jan Watson, Basil White, Cynthia Zawacki, Jan Zinselmeyer (Sr. Margaret Ann Zinselmeyer's sisterin-law)

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: <u>www.stpatsmemphis.org</u> Read recent Bulletins online



Small Faith Sharing and Prayer Groups

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

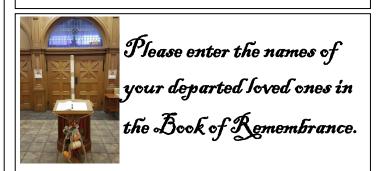
Pat Papachristou ppapachr@cbu.edu

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 Fridays 10:30 am - Noon on 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 jan.kidder62@gmail.com

Sunday by Sunday Faith Sharing Group Thursday, 10:30 - noon Judy Bettice Call 901-327-8068 or text 901-216-7208



May He Rest in God's Eternal Peace



Lewis Fort's "Celebration of Life" is next Friday, Nov 15, 5-7pm at Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery in the Parkside Event Center in the main building. Enter through the side patio doors under the canopy.

Air Force Honor presentation is at 6pm. Refreshments and Music

Funeral Mass is Saturday, November 16, 11am at St. Patrick Church. Repast to follow in St Patrick-Champion Center

Winter is Approaching



It's the time of year when temperatures begin to decline, so we are asking for donations of new or gently used warm coats, blankets, knit caps, and gloves, including sleeping bags and blankets, to have on hand to give to our neighbors as we move into winter. You can bring donations to the church on Sundays or to the Food Pantry on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between 1:00 -2:30pm.

Embers of Hope

If you would like to make a monetary contribution just note "Embers of Hope" on your check or envelope and place in the collection basket.



St. Patrick Choir:

Do you like to sing? Do you want to be part of a rewarding and musical community?



Share your gift with the St. Patrick community and join the St. Patrick Choir! No experience or music reading knowledge necessary! We rehearse Thursdays at 6pm, Sundays at 9:45am, and sing on most Sundays.

For more information, reach out to our Music Director, Diego Parra at

diego.parra@stpat.cdom.org



Join us for goodies, fun, prayer and reflection.

Next Event Morning Hike at Shelby Forest 11/16 10 am

Text Monica and Stephen Juma at 408-802 -8376 for more information.

> What if you woke up today with only the things you thanked God for yesterday?

Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation

Sunday, November 17, 2024 11:00 am Mass

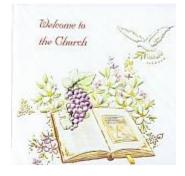
The Most Reverend David P. Talley, M.S.W., J.C.D. Presiding

Please pray for our Confirmands as they prepare for this holy Sacrament



Gabe Burgess Maria Hernandez Avery Kjellin Liam O'Connell Dylan Ramirez





Mia Day-Galizzi will be welcomed into the Church on Sunday, Nov. 24, the Feast of Christ the King! Please pray for her, her family, and our community!

> Sr. Thea Bowman Montessori School at st. patrick catholic community



This week, we explored the powerful mind of the young child further. To learn sensitive periods, visit stbms.org or scan the QR code below.



On Wednesday, I woke up with two quotes ringing in my mind:

Sometimes people think they have to do big things in order to make change. But if each one would light a candle, we'd have a tremendous light.

- Sr. Thea Bowman

No one has a right to sit down and feel hopeless. There is too much work to do. - Dorothy Day

These women knew better than anyone what it means to find hope, safety, change, inspiration, and God in community. Grounded in their faith, in the Gospel values of liberation and preference for those pushed to the margins, these women fought against racism, classism, fascism, and misogyny. They uplifted their communities and worked wherever they were needed.

Despair is a powerful sedative. Anxiety and fear are natural human reactions to an uncertain world. But when we let them get in the way of keeping on in our work of growing and sustaining community, then we have a problem.



I'll be honest with you, on Wednesday, I did sit down and feel hopeless. On Wednesday, I betrayed Dorothy Day and gave in to discouragement. I couldn't find it in me to light a candle for Sr. Thea.

But on Thursday, I did. And Friday I lit many candles at our Mass in Remembrance of the Dead. On Saturday, I cleaned and polished the candle sticks.

Because even when we glow dimly, we still light the way for others. That light comes from our God. That light that burns when we love one another and serve one another as we are commanded becomes a beacon.

Hope and despair live beside each other in our souls. That's why we are given the image of Jesus in the Garden. It's also why we are given the greatest light, His resurrection and His instructions for us to go out and, using our gifts from the Holy Spirit, work for each other.

And how do we do that exactly?

Attend an after-Mass breakfast. Participate in Sunday by Sunday. Accompany our young folks in the Sunday morning Catechesis of the Good Shepherd atrium or the youth group. Join up for a Saturday morning mobile food pantry. Participate in daily Mass in our Holy Spirit Chapel. Become a liturgical minister (lector, cantor, EMHC, sacristan, or altar server!). Represent our Catholic faith at a MICAH (Memphis Interfaith Coalition for Action and Hope) meeting. Listen and learn at a monthly potluck held by the Catholic Ministry with Gay and Lesbian People. Let the Holy Spirit be your guide.

I don't know what the world will look like tomorrow. God never promises us answers or a straight path. In the readings on last Wednesday, St. Paul assures us that when God guides our work, we shine like lights in the world, and we do not labor in vain. In this time, I am grateful that we have each other and can uplift one another when we want to sit down and give in to the hopelessness. Let us go on in the work of growing community, serving God in one another, and being the light in the world.

- Shannon Curtis



Annual Creole Feast Fundraiser St. Jules Elementary School in Petit Bourg du Borgne, Haiti Thursday, December 5, 2024 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saint Patrick - Champion Outreach Center





The Annual Creole Feast fundraiser benefitting St. Jules Elementary School in Petit Bourg du Borgne, Haiti will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2024, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Saint Patrick Catholic Church Outreach Center on the corner of 4th Street (Ida B. Wells) and Pontotoc across from the FedEx Forum.

There will be music, featuring Ms. Judi Gray, fellowship with sponsors and longtime supporters of the ministry, and a creole cuisine including seafood gumbo, dirty rice, spiced pork, jambalaya, mixed greens, smothered okra, pecan pie, and bread pudding.





In Haiti, the most impoverished Country in the

Western Hemisphere, education is "not free"- all schools, both public and private, charge tuition. For most children and their families, education is a dream and not a reality where the per capita family income the Northwest region of the country was 300USD in the year 2019. The families realize that education is the ticket out of a life of poverty for their children.

At St. Jules the annual tuition is \$200.00 per child which covers instruction, initial books and school supplies, fabric for uniforms and one meal per day while school is in session. For many children, the school meals are the only meals they get.





In this blessed season of giving and thanksgiving, please come and help us support the students at St. Jules to make their vision of a life out of extreme poverty a reality by sponsoring a tuition scholarship.

DINE-IN or TAKE OUT. Security and Parking will also be provided.

Please RSVP at the link below by Sunday December 1, 2024. For more information, please contact M, Dell Stiner at <u>mdstiner@thewhartonlawfirm.com</u>.



Your tax deductible donation can be made payable to The Wharton Charitable Foundation C/O Banks Finley White, Accountants, 1450 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, TN 38104

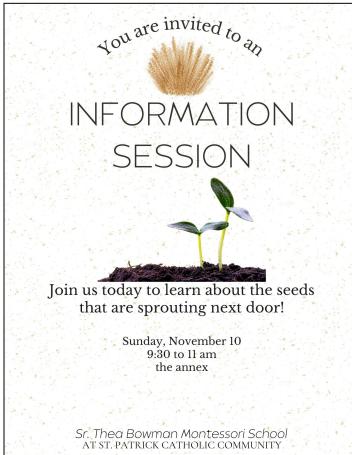
Attention all Grizzlies Fans!

St. Patrick's Night At the Grizzlies Wednesday, November 27th The Grizz play the Detroit Pistons



We have 31 seats reserved in Pinn 13, and the ticket price is \$60 each. To get your seats reserved, contact John Killmar at johnkillmar@gmail.com or call or text at 901-569-6059. All seats must be paid for by **Tuesday**, **November 13th.** John Killmar will be collecting payment for tickets by check, cash or Venmo.

Go Grizzlies!!



Hope JOHN ANGOTTI & FRIENDS IN CONCERT DECEMBER11, 2024 6:30 PM ST. PATRICK'S MEMPHIS, TN Free Will Donations Appreciated $\langle \mathcal{I} \rangle$ Join us Christmas Sim Cornfoot (piano) and Bethann Easterly (flute) will perform beloved carols, holiday standards, and classical selections. THURSDAY, DEC. 19 6:30PM FREEWILL DONATIONS

APPRECIATED

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Día de Los Muertos



We celebrate Día de Los Muertos with a special "side altar" where **we invite you to bring in and place pictures and remembrances of your deceased loved ones.** The altar will remain on display **until Thanksgiving**. Please put a label on the back of the item or photo stating who is in the photo, who the picture belongs to, and the "life-span" of the person. (DOB– DOD)

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Preparation begins weeks in advance when statues, candies, breads and other items to please the departed are sold in markets. A sweet bread, pan de muerto, with decorations representing bones of the deceased is very popular as are sugar skulls.





Altars, *ofrecetas*, are set up in the home with offerings of sweets and the favorite foods and beverages of the deceased. These offerings may later be given away or consumed by the living after their essence has been enjoyed by the dead. Marigolds are the traditional decorative flower and copal is the traditional incense.

The particulars of the celebration vary widely by region in Mexico. On November 2, the spirits of the dead return. Entire families visit the graves

of their ancestors, bringing favorite foods and beverages as offerings to the deceased as well as a picnic lunch for themselves. They spend the day cleaning and decorating the grave sites and visiting with each other and other families. Traditionally there is a feast in the early morning although many now celebrate with an evening meal. There are cake, candy and cookie sugar skulls and toys for the children, emphasizing early on that death is a positive part of the life cycle. It is a happy occasion for remembering pleasant times with departed family members.





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 <u>www.stpatsmemphis.org</u>.

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



Offertory Donations



Sr. Thea Bowman Montessori School \$1,170

Thank you for your generosity!



http://bit.ly/StPatrickGiving

You can now also donate to St. Vincent de Paul Tanzania Health Ministry Sr. Thea Bowman Montessori School



\$3,700

3.008

2,138

\$8,846

FR. DEXTER'S NOTE

Dear St. Patrick family,

The following are the days I will be **out of town** for the rest of the year:

November 8th- 10th – Vacation On November 10th, Sunday, Fr. Ernie DeBlasio will do all the Mass

December 26th, - January 17th, 2025 Visit my family in the Philippines after almost 4 years



Memphis Interfaith Coalition for Action and Hope

As a partner in the Memphis Interfaith Coalition for Action and Hope (MICAH), we have experienced the significance and strength that comes from collaboration to create a more just and equitable Memphis. Together, we have achieved remarkable progress in our city and have even started expanding our efforts to address issues at the state level. In 2018, MICAH's charter partners covenanted together in this work, pledging to stand together against the disparities and injustices that have impacted our community.

We reaffirm this commitment through a Re-Covenanting Ceremony

> November 17, 2024 4-6 PM New Direction Christian Church 6120 Winchester Rd.



Parish Library

You are invited to visit our parish library in the Annex

Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm or by Appointment

November 3, 2024	8:30	11:00	5:15
Lector 1	Lauren Ready	Debra Brittenum	Joe Catrambone
Lector 2	Scott Ready	Chris Claude	Nana Sintim-Damoa
EMHCs	Pat Papachristou Judy Bettice Susan Prince	Margaret Calicott Oneata Windler	Donna McLellan Jeanine Blackwell
Cantor	John Killmar	Sandy Heiss	Russell Moose
Musician	Diego Parra	Diego Parra	Diego Parra
Altar Servers	Teaira Ford	Liam O'Connell	
Sacristan	Sharon Valente	Marlene Keenan	Shannon Curtis
Flowers	Delia Molinski		

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Lector 2	Judy Bettice	Margaret Calicott	Donna McLellan
EMHCs	Tobia Fuller Dell Stiner	Stephanie Poje Joe Birch	Jeanine Blackwell Matthew Bowles
Cantor	Ann Miranda	John Killmar	Bill Gaudet
Musician	Diego Parra	Diego Parra	Diego Parra
Altar Servers	Jon Korneliussen	Teddy Donati	
Sacristan	Tracy Burgess	Gemma Washington	Chuck Blackwell
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ST. PATRICK PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please contact any of these people with comments, suggestions, or offers of help!

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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.





Volunteer Shifts: Volunteers Check In: 7:30 Gates Open: 8:30 Second Shift: 10:00 We are done by 12:00 Noon



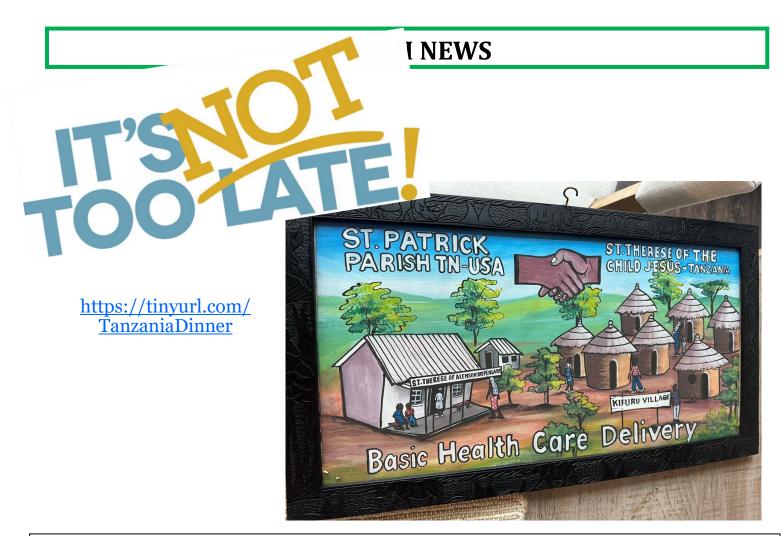


Charlotte Briscoe Chad Nieri Heather Wilson Gene Mangiante Louise Cavo Erik Korneliussen Maureen Griner Brenda Somes Alexa Dominguez Chris Claude Kaitlyn Christy Stephen Pereira Michael Rack Raymond Case Dave Smith Bambi Williams Donna McLellan Kathleen Sullivan Teresa Hernandez Charles Cesare, Jr. John Killmar Nikita Christy Sylvia Gallaher

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Grace Montes Marriah Burns Franklin Donati Katelyn Leamon Mark Harbin Reed Long Eric Peabody Timolynn Montgomery Calvin Foster Mike Simpson Patricia Split Precious Baldwin Ho Le Martin Claire McEwen Margo Jean-Baptiste Anna Champion Sofia Lesure Alton Bloodworth, III James "Nick" Newcomb Nate Newcomb David Rasner Karen Robinson

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The St. Patrick Global Health Ministry will be hosting its 2nd Taste of Tanzania Fundraiser on Saturday, September 21st from 6-9p, hosted by Barrie and Mike Simpson at their home in Central Gardens.

Come enjoy Tanzanian cuisine, specially prepared by Inspire Cafe, Tanzanian-inspired cocktails, and African music. Funds raised will go to empowering the village clinic in rural Tanzania that St Patrick's has partnered with.

Hope you can join us!

Kifuru village in rural Tanzania now has a full time clinic thanks to your generosity! Now we are fundraising for an ambulance to get patients to the nearest hospital in case of emergencies, as no one owns a car in the village of Kifuru and the nearest hospital is over 6 miles away.

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Get Your Tickets Here <u>https://tinyurl.com/TanzaniaDinner</u>





Donate Here https://tinyurl.com/TanzaniaDonation





November 1 All Saints' Day

This feast celebrates that everyone is invited to salvation, and that many have been welcomed after death into the full presence of God. Many people



have gone before us into the glory of heaven. These are not just those designated as saints by the Church, but all who have loved much and achieved the rewards promised to the followers of Jesus.

November 2 All Souls' Day



Because of the strong bonds of love, human beings want to remain connected to loved ones who have died. Even after they have died, we want our loved ones to be safe, secure, and loved. We pray

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