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



The Baptism of the Lord **January 12, 2025**

This Week: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-38; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22
Next Week: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 96; Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-11

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.

PARISH NEWS



Welcome to Saint Patrick Parish, a Roman Catholic community that gathers day by day, week by week, to be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ. Our close-knit and diverse parish family has been serving our neighborhood since 1866. Young, old, poor, rich, various ethnic origins and differing backgrounds gather 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. From our lively music to our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd formation program; from our commitment to liturgy being truly "the work of the people" to plentiful social outreach opportunities through our St. Patrick-Champion Outreach Center, St. Pat's continues to be a vibrant community of faith that is centered in prayer and action that extends far beyond the walls of our buildings.

Saint Patrick is the third oldest parish in Memphis following St. Mary in The Pinch and St. Peter downtown. Our community was founded to serve the growing number of working-class Irish families in the south Memphis neighborhoods.

Despite sickness and tragedy of the Yellow Fever Epidemics in Memphis, the community continued to grow. In 1904, construction on a new Romanesque church building began. The parish served as a "mother church" to two new parishes, St. Thomas in Soulsville and Immaculate Conception in Central Gardens during this time. To honor our Irish heritage, the co-patrons of Ireland, Saint Patrick and Saint Brigid are featured on either side of the Holy Family in the apse above the Sanctuary. Our pipe organ is the oldest working pipe organ in Memphis. Completed and dedicated in 1905 by the Bishop of Nashville, Right Reverend Thomas S. Byrne, our gathering space stands today as a testament to not only the enduring spirit of our community, but also our charism of accompanying the people of God through the tests of time. The St. Patrick campus resides on the ancestral homeland of the Quapaw Nation.

In 1954, St. Patrick welcomed the Paulist Fathers, who served our community until 2013. Our time with the Paulists during the Civil Rights Movement, drastic changes to our neighborhood, and changes within the Catholic Church at large imbued our community with our famous radical welcome, commitment to justice and solidarity, and a call to action to love God and each other. As a result of the missionary spirit of the Paulist Fathers, many of our traditions such as an empowered laity, the Good Friday Neighborhood Stations of the Cross, Noyze in the Hood caroling, the first LGBTQ Catholic ministry in Memphis, and various outreach ministries that still root us in place and faith began.

Inspired by the Holy Spirit and Vatican II, St. Patrick became a full-time gathering space for the community and worship and not just a space for Sunday obligation. Taking note from the global Church and the Acts of the Apostles, we choose to forego kneeling and commit to the active act of standing shoulder-to-shoulder in communion with God and each other during Mass. Except during the solemn seasons of Advent and Lent, we clap during the Great Amen and hold hands during the "Our Father." We believe Mass is a celebration, Mass is a feast, Mass is a chance to share in the glory of God together actively and with joy. Some of our members still kneel and we encourage everyone to do what connects them with God and makes them comfortable.

We heartily welcome all who come through our doors and are committed to accompanying each other on all journeys of faith.

PARISH NEWS

Today's Psalm Response

The Lord will bless his people with peace. (Psalm 29)

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.

JOURNEY TO CATHOLICISM

Our Journey to Catholicism sessions will resume on January 12 at 9:45am. We are now entering the period of more intense preparation for those who have decided to become Roman Catholics at Easter or if you are an active Roman Catholic who missed Confirmation, please contact Sally Greene if you are interested in being Confirmed.

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



Jan 19, 11:00 am, +Cesar Perez for his birthday
Jan 16 by Tulio Perez
Feb 7, 5:15 pm, +Ivan D'Cruz for the repose of his soul on the 12th anniversary of his death by Maria D'Cruz

WEEKLY CALENDAR Jan 12 - Jan 19

Sunday, Jan 12

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

Tuesday, Jan 14

- NO Mass

Wednesday, Jan 15

- 5:15 pm, Communion Service, Chapel

Thursday, Jan 16

- 5:15 pm, Mass, Chapel

Friday, Jan 17

- 5:15 pm, Mass, Chapel

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

Courtney Whalum (Kirk and Ruby's daughter), Pete Alfonso, Mary Baldwin, Fran Barendse, Ray Barker, Rosemary Batorski, Ray Berthiaume, Jane Marie Blackham, Sydney Bowers (Pamela Higgins' granddaughter), Antonio Bradshaw, Dick Breerton, Ricky Burnett, 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, Florida 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), Stephen and Margaret Murphy, 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, Samantha Smith, Tara Stebbins, Tracy Sweat, Shelby Terry (Ray and Louise Terry's daughter-in-law), John Trouy (Beth Trouy's brother), Mary and Melvin Tuggle (Chandra Tuggle's parents), Lynn Tune, Robert Tutson, Pam Watermeier, Nia Watkins, Jan Watson, Basil White, Mary Wynn (Sharon Shea's mother), Cynthia Zawacki, Jan Zinselmeyer (Sr. Margaret Ann Zinselmeyer's sister-in-law)



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 lindaopiel@comcast.net
Sandy Heiss heisshouse@yahoo.com
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

Prayer and Care Ministry



The Prayer and Care Ministry will hold a prayer ritual on **Saturday, January 18 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 hughtylr@yahoo.com.

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.stpatmemphis.org



PARISH NEWS

Offertory Donations



Offertory	\$4,064
Parish Giving	2,926
Outreach Center	955
Other	
Total	\$7,945

Thank you for your generosity!

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



Parish Giving

simple. secure. convenient.

<http://bit.ly/StPatrickGiving>

You can set up your offerings to St. Patrick Church through Parish Giving. Your contributions will be automatically deducted from your checking or savings account or credit card and deposited directly to St. Patrick's bank account.

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



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:

December 26th, - January 17th, 2025

**Visit my family in the
Philippines after almost 4 years**

Worship Aids and Bulletins

www.stpatsmemphis.org

click Communications



Parish Library

You are invited to visit our parish library in the Annex

**Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm
or by Appointment**

AROUND THE DIOCESE

2025 New Year Series with Sr. Cathy Galaskiewicz, OP Catholic Social Teaching Bible Study

In person classes:

6 Mon., Jan. 13-Feb. 24 at the Cathedral, 10-11:30 a.m. (Skip Jan. 20, Dr. MLKing Day)

6 Tues., Jan. 7-Feb. 25 at Holy Spirit, 10-11:30 a.m. (Skip Jan. 21 and Feb. 18)

Online classes: Register to receive link

6 Mon., Jan. 13-Feb. 24 via *Zoom*, 6:30-8 p.m. (Skip Jan. 20, Dr. MLKing Day)

6 Wed., Jan. 15-Feb. 26 via *Go To Meeting*, 10-11:30 (Skip Jan. 22.)

Materials. *Bible, Catechism of Catholic Church.*

A study guide is provided for each session.

Video Recordings are sent to class members each week; this helps those who miss a class.

Register 901-726-5611 or email cathy.galaskiewicz@gmail.com

\$15 for entire series (6 Sessions) to Dominican Sisters of Peace.

In-person classes pay at first session. Online persons will receive a mailing address.



PAX CHRISTI MEMPHIS GATHERING

SATURDAY JANUARY 25TH
Church of the Holy Spirit
2300 Hickory Crest Dr.

10:00 am MASS in the Chapel
Fr. Al Kirk presiding

RENEW VOW OF NONVIOLENCE

POT LUCK LUNCH - Conference Room

**Discussion:
FINDING COMMON VALUES
WITH THOSE WHO THINK DIFFERENTLY**



www.paxchristimemphis.org

Dinner WITH Dorothy
A LITTLE BIT ABOUT FOOD, A LOT ABOUT COMMUNITY

Sunday, March 2
4:00 pm-7:00 pm at Avon Acres
4361 Summer Ave.

We invite you to our dinner table to celebrate the successes of families who have transitioned out of homelessness into stable housing while raising funds for families still struggling.

- Enjoy live entertainment as you browse our auction
- Connect with other members of the community over happy hour and dinner
- A brief program, including a moving testimonial by a former Dorothy Day House family, a live auction and dessert will wrap up the evening

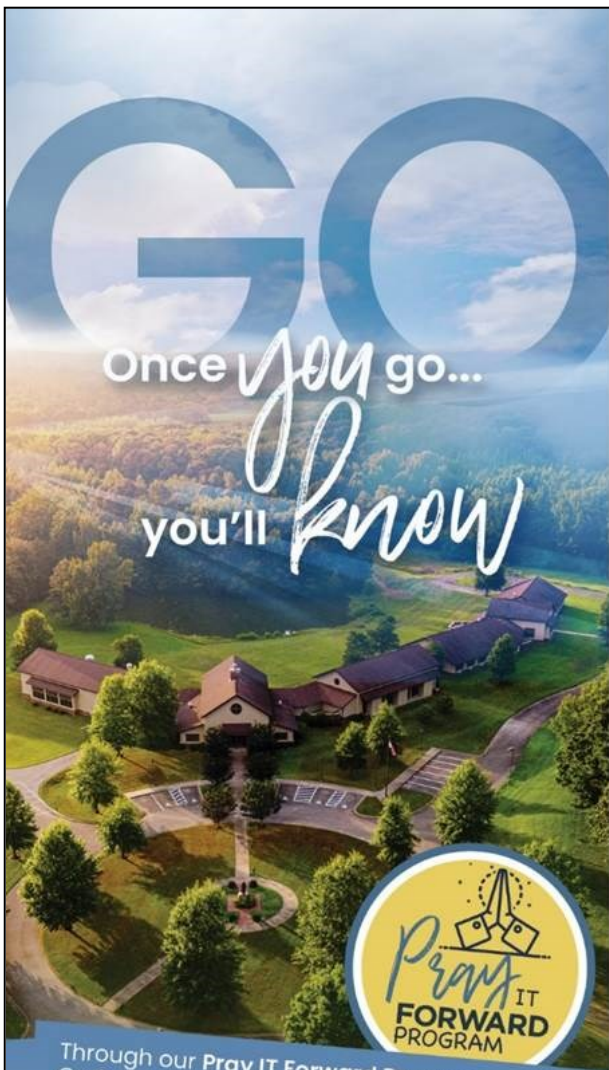
Purchase your tickets today!

Visit dorothydaymemphis.org
OR scan the QR Code



Dorothy Day House
keeping homeless families together

AROUND THE DIOCESE



GO
Once you go...
you'll know



Through our **Pray IT Forward Program**, we offer Catholic resources and free or discounted retreats for those who would normally not be able to attend. Will you "Pray IT Forward" by gifting a retreat to someone in need? If interested, please contact **Steve Fracchia** (see email below.)

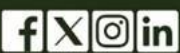
OUR LADY QUEEN OF **peace**

Save Your Spot and Register Now!

SCAN to get more information and REGISTER or email: steve.fracchia@olqp.cdom.org



olqpretreats.com



SHARE US with your family and friends!

Be in the know

Upcoming Events

January 2025



JANUARY Thurs. 23–Thurs. 30
A Week of Silence
Join us for a **3-night retreat** starting on Thurs. 23, until midday Sun. 26. You're welcome to extend your stay for 1 to 4 more nights and depart on Thurs. 30. Engage in Spiritual Exercises, attend Mass, Adoration, and enjoy personal meditation time.



JANUARY Thurs. 30– FEBRUARY Sun. 2
Men's Cursillo (English)
The Cursillo movement in the Catholic Church fosters fellowship, spiritual growth, and sharing the Gospel. It's all about meeting Christ, deepening faith, and spreading His message of love.

February 2025



FEBRUARY Fri. 7–Sun. 9
Marriage Preparation Weekend
Planning to tie the knot? Join us for a weekend of prayer, prep, and peace at the "To Be One in Flesh" Marriage Prep Weekend. 3 days/2 nights of talks, small groups, Mass, Confession, and meals.



FEBRUARY Fri. 14–Sun. 16 **SERIE Uno:Uno**
Retiro de San Valentín en español
¡Disfruten del tiempo juntos durante el fin de semana del Día de San Valentín! Tendremos Misa, tiempo de oración y reflexiones del Padre Gerald Azike. Actividades adicionales y tiempo de inactividad para estar juntos.



FEBRUARY Fri. 27– MARCH Sun. 2
Women's Cursillo (English)
The Cursillo movement in the Catholic Church fosters fellowship, spiritual growth, and sharing the Gospel. It's all about meeting Christ, deepening faith, and spreading His message of love.

March 2025



MARCH Fri. 7–Sun. 9 **One:One SERIES**
Lenten Retreat
Come and be part of our second annual Lenten retreat. Experience inspiring talks, delicious meals, and a peaceful opportunity to reflect, find serenity, and embrace the Lenten season.



MARCH Wed. 19–Mon. 24
Mary & Elizabeth
Silent Five Day Spring Retreat. Join Kris McGregor and Fr. Joseph Sax for a tranquil 5-day Spring Retreat. Experience daily Mass, Adoration, silent prayer, and spiritual guidance.

PARISH NEWS

January 12, 2025	8:30	11:00	5:15
Lector 1			
Lector 2			
EMHCs			
Cantor	Ann Miranda	John Killmar	Rusty Ramsey
Musician	Diego Parra	Diego Parra	Diego Parra
Altar Servers			
Sacristan			
Flowers	Stephanie and Dan Poje		

January 19, 2025	8:30	11:00	5:15
Lector 1			
Lector 2			
EMHCs			
Cantor	Sandy Heiss	Kevin Kimberly	Russell Moose
Musician	Diego Parra	Diego Parra	Diego Parra
Altar Servers			
Sacristan			
Flowers	Donna McLellan		

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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.