



Mass Intentions For the Week

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday through Friday
7:30 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. - New Church Chapel

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Monday - 7:30 P.M. - Stone Church

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Third Monday of the Month
8:00 to 10:00 P.M. - New Church Chapel

PRAYER GROUP

Thursday - 8:00 P.M. - Parish Center Meeting Room

EARLY BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Tuesday - 6:00 P.M. - Parish Center Library

PARISH COUNCIL

4th Monday of the Month - 8:15 P.M. - Parish Center

ST. PATRICK'S LIBRARY

Parish Center
Sunday 10:15 to 12:30
Tuesday 9:30 to 11:00 A.M.

THE TRINITY GIFT SHOP

Parish Center
Weekdays - 9:30 to 12:00 noon
Saturdays - 9:30 to noon - 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

GABRIEL PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

1500 Front St. - Suite D - Yorktown - 962-8337

COLLECTION FOR MAY 8, 2005

Tithing Last Year \$24,904.00
Tithing This Year 23,871.50
Children's Last Year 317.00
Children's This Year 273.50
Thank you for making St. Patrick's a Tithing Parish.

Monday - May 16

6:55 Mother's Day Novena
9:00 Michael Brennan

Tuesday - May 17

6:55 Mother's Day Novena
9:00 Special Intention for Paris Mastroddi

Wednesday - May 18 - Pope John I

6:55 Mother's Day Novena
9:00 Carmela Potenza

Thursday - May 19

6:55 Madeline Borrelli
9:00 Mother's Day Novena

Friday - May 20 - St. Bernardin of Siena

6:55 Mother's Day Novena
9:00 Helen Culhane

Saturday - May 21 - St. Christopher Magalianes

9:00 Carmine Ferrara
5:15 Deceased Members of the Dumser Family

Sunday - May 22 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:45 Veronica Lasser
9:00 For the People of St. Patrick's
9:15 Restituta Cappuccitti and Palma Ferri
10:30 Gloria Curcio
11:00 Owen and Marguerite Tierney
12:45 Mr. & Mrs. and Americo Saleti
5:00 Winifred McGinty

CELEBRANTS

Saturday - May 21

Fr. Herb

Sunday - May 22

7:45	Fr. Jim	11:00	Msgr. Brennan
9:00	Fr. Smith	12:30	Msgr. Brennan
9:15	Fr. Jim	5:00	Fr. Herb
10:30	Fr. Smith		

Confessions - Saturday

Fr. Herb

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Sir 1: 1-10/Mk 9: 14-29
Tuesday: Sir 2: 1-11/Mk 9: 30-37
Wednesday: Sir 4: 11-19/Mk 9: 38-40
Thursday: Sir 5: 1-8/Mk 9: 41-50
Friday: Sir 6: 5-17/Mk 10: 1-12
Saturday: Sir 17: 1-15/Mk 10: 13-14
Sunday: Ez 34: 4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13: 11-13/Jn 3: 16-18



Nicole Robinson and John Scerra
 Kim Vitolo and Jack Saltarello
 Kristen Shallow and Lawrence Curran

Weddings

Saturday - May 21, 2005
 3:00 - Stone Church
Kim Vitolo and Jack Saltarello
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU! Msgr. Brennan will be celebrating his 75th Birthday on May 22nd and, as he has done in the past, he has invited the



Valerie Capers Quintet to highlight the celebration. They will be performing on Sunday, May 29th at 7:30 p.m. in the New Church and everyone is invited! Her past performances have been outstanding and enjoyed by hundreds, so come and enjoy - and feel free to bring your friends. It promises to be a wonderful evening of great music played in superb fashion.

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IS GOD CALLING YOU TO A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM? “Come, then, return to me and learn to know me as your Father, who repays good for evil, love for injury, and boundless charity for piercing wounds.” If you have considered becoming a member of the Catholic Faith, or you are a Baptized Catholic who has not completed the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, then please contact Deacon Michael at the Rectory to explore this relationship with God.

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THE CARDINAL’S APPEAL is going into the final six weeks and we are still \$12,000 short of our goal (\$159,000). If you haven’t already done so, we urge you to pick up an envelope in the vestibule of the Church and consider making a donation. You can also make your pledge online at www.cardinalsappeal.org. Please indicate our parish ID number (583) on your pledge. Sincerest thanks to all who have given so generously to help bring us up to \$147,000.

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the New Church this week was donated by Rita Coughlin in **Celebration of the Birthday of REV. JOSEPH McLAFFERTY**

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by Peggy and Jack O’Reilly in memory of:
DESMOND C. LAWE

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church this week was donated by Teresa Walsh and Family in memory of:
JEAN SUNDSETH

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Stone Church this week was donated by Dorothy and John F. Fanning in loving memory of their son:
JOHN FANNING

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by The Puzzuco Family in loving memory of:
MARGARET GUIDALI

UNANNOUNCED MASS.....Deceased: Anna DeSantis, Jack McQuillan, Louise Lambert, Lee Parrell, George Brown, Gertrude Bazinet, Patrick Barrett, Winifred Barry (2), Florence Reibl (2), Adeline DaRonco DaRin, Martin Lenihan, Diego Bueti, Phyllis Cifu, Michael Leno, Michael & Rose Leno, Mary (Mae) Foley, Peter McDonough, Tina Napoli, Joann Criscetelli, Winnie Barry, Kevin Foley, Lindsay Bonistall, James Miles. **Special Intention:** Patrick Driscoll, Bernice Kelly, John Sorgi.

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“COULD YOU NOT SPEND ONE HOUR WITH ME?” The Nocturnal Adoration Society invites you - and a friend - to join them for an hour in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday night, May 16th, from either 8-9:00 or 9-10:00 in the New Church Chapel. Please call 245-7165 for information.

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A HEALING MASS will be celebrated here on Thursday, May 26th, by Fr. Tom Kreiser. Song and praise will be at 7:30 p.m., the Mass at 8:00. Bring your physical, emotional and spiritual needs to the Lord for His healing touch. For information, please call 737-4286.



Move over Bob!
 "GOD THE BUILDER"
 is coming to St. Patrick's!

Join us on
 Saturday - June 11th - 9:30 to 3:00
 St. Patrick's School Auditorium

See the School stage as it is transformed into a whole world that will entertain and educate parents and children alike!
 Keep busy with fun and activities that will strengthen your family ties built on faith in Christ.
 Donuts and lunch provided.

Registration is \$10 per family.

Please return the registration form to the Rectory before May 29th.

St. Patrick's Parish Council

FAMILY NAME: _____

PARENT'S NAMES: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

CHILD(S) NAME(S) AND AGE(S): _____

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS will be held next weekend. Parishioners over the age of 18 years are eligible to vote. A ballot of the candidates is in the Bulletin today. Please review the ballot, vote for the five candidates of your choice, and return the ballot next weekend. Boxes will be available at the entrance of each Church to receive your ballots



IT'S BACK! The Great American Olde Tyme Circus will return to St. Patrick's on Friday, June 3rd, sponsored by St. Patrick's HSA. This is a fun-filled show for all ages featuring animal acts, feats of daring, clowns, acrobats, and much more. The Big Top will be erected on our upper field and the shows are at 5:15 and 7:30 p.m. Advance tickets are \$9 per person - \$11 the day of the circus. We encourage you to buy your tickets early as the HSA will receive 50% of all advance ticket sale proceeds. This is a major fund raiser for the School. Volunteers will be selling tickets after all Masses today and again on May 29th. Tickets are also available at the Rectory. Please call the School for more information at 962-2211.

ARE YOU A EUCHARISTIC MINISTER? Would you like to assist at Mass and distribution of Holy Communion on Friday mornings at Holy Comforter nursing home? We can use more help in this ministry and ask that you consider volunteering. For more information, please call Richard Scheibe at Holy Comforter - 739-2244.

ST. PATRICK'S SENIORS will meet this Tuesday morning, May 17th, at 10:00 in the Parish Center. Featured speaker will be Todd Orlowski discussing "Fraud and its Pitfalls." Refreshments will be served.

COMMUNITY DAY 2005 - A YORKTOWN HAPPENING! The 16th Annual Community Day will be on Saturday, May 21st from 12-5 at MES Middle School. Area businesses, civic organizations, students, seniors, local and county officials will be there to network and share their creative activities and good works. Enjoy a day of music (DJ from Q104.3) games, food, special exhibits, health & fitness information, and much more. Please call the Consortium at 243-8170 for more information.

From the Pastor's Desk.....

IT'S THE RIGHT TIME FOR ME

In my State of the Parish article last October I asked for your prayers as the time for decision making was drawing closer. The decision was about whether I should retire from being the Pastor of St. Patrick's Parish this year as I celebrate my 75th Birthday (archdiocesan policy) or wait until next year when I celebrate the 50th Anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. After a great deal of thoughtful reflection, seeking council from trusted advisors and above all, seeking to know God's will in consistent

and intense prayer, the answer came clearly. So I will be retiring as your Pastor officially on July 1st. The exact day of my departure from St. Patrick's will be determined by the arrival of your new pastor. When that is known, we will announce it and select a day when I can celebrate a Mass of Farewell and greet you at a reception. Meanwhile, please pray that those who are involved in selecting the new pastor will be open to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

IT'S YOUR TIME FOR SOME SELF-REFLECTION

This weekend we will welcome into our parish community Ms. Daisy Medina. We have been praying for her throughout the Easter Season and she is being baptized, confirmed and receiving her First Communion at the Vigil of Pentecost. While we are joyful at her becoming one of us, we can also spend a few moments reflecting on a few ideas. The first is that we should take time to think about our own baptism. How gracious our God is to fill our souls with His own divine life (grace) so that He can use us as His own instruments to spread the Good News that is Jesus. How generously do we respond to His presence? Is it visible to others in the way we speak, act and interact with those around us?

something or do we make time for reflective conversation with the Lord?

Do we acknowledge our sins, admit our weaknesses and really mean it when we say, 'I firmly resolve to sin no more and avoid those things which lead me to sin.' How often and well do we use the Sacrament of Penance...or do we feel we are so good that we don't need it?

All of these things are very fundamental to our being faithful followers of Jesus because that is what being a Catholic really means: having a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, seeking to know His will for us and then doing all we can to fulfill His will.

Do we realize how different we are because we are members of the Catholic Church? Do we really appreciate what an enormous privilege it is to participate in the sacrifice of the Mass? Do we understand that Jesus is really present in the consecrated bread and wine, that we offer Him to the Father as He was offered on the Cross and that we really do receive the Risen Christ in Holy Communion? How often do we read the Bible? We say that it is truly the inspired Word of God but how often do we read it? Would we rather read the newspapers or watch television?

Finally, while we rejoice at the fact that this year we have had two adults baptized into our Catholic Community, three others received into full communion from other Christian churches and two young Catholics complete their sacraments, in a parish our size and an area well populated, shouldn't we have many more people seeking to join us? Our RCIA process can only work with those who come to inquire and almost always they come through the invitation of an active Catholic. Have you invited anyone to join us? Do you ever speak to others about how Jesus has affected your life or do you keep your Faith to yourself? It's a good time to reflect on these questions

How much time do we spend in prayer each day? Do we simply rattle off a few memorized prayers or do we make time to be still and open our hearts and minds to God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit? Do we pray only when we are in trouble or want

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