

St. Patrick's Church

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon, 1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays after 9:00 A.M. Mass, and 4:00 to 5:00 P.M.
at other times, please call the Rectory

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Prospective parents should come to the Rectory no later than three months prior to the arrival of their child to pick-up a Baptism Preparation Package to begin the process for Baptism.

MATRIMONY

Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding. Parishioners who are registered can make arrangements of date and time only after speaking with the Pastor.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

We welcome adults considering membership in the Catholic Church and those Catholics desiring to complete their initiation to inquire into the RCIA process. Please call the Rectory for more information.



Epiphany of the Lord
January 6, 2008

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

New Church

Saturday - 5:15 P.M.

Sunday - 7:45, 9:15, 11:00, 12:30 and 5:00 P.M.

Stone Church

Sunday - 9:00 and 10:30 A.M.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday - 6:55 and 9:00 A.M.

Saturday - 9:00 A.M.

We, the St. Patrick's Parish Family, are a Roman Catholic community of sons and daughters of God the Father who are empowered by the Holy Spirit to commit our lives to worship, prayer, compassion, service, education and sharing our Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and His Gospel with all others.

Mass Intentions for the Week



Monday – January 7 – *Raymond of Penafort, priest*

6:55 Pasqualina Repetti

9:00 Mary Sammel

Tuesday – January 8

6:55 Mary Grace Kappes

9:00 Mary Sammel

Wednesday – January 9

6:55 Mary Mignanelli

9:00 Jean Silka

Thursday – January 10

6:55 Michael Meenan

9:00 Shirely Acord

Friday – January 11

6:55 Ann McGoff

9:00 Caroline Bailey

Saturday – January 12

9:00 Mary Sammel

5:15 Barbara DePerna

Sunday – January 13

7:45 William Coughlin, Jr.

9:00 For the Parishioners of St. Patrick's

9:15 Kay Zames

10:30 Jack Edwards

11:00 Fr. Joseph Milone

12:30 Shannon Dunn

5:00 Deacon Paul & Josephine Vorel

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: 1 Jn 3: 22 -4: 6 Mt 4: 12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4: 11-18/Mk 6: 34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4: 11-18/Mk 6: 45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4: 19- - 5: 4 Lk 4: 14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5: 5-13/Lk 5: 12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5: 14-21/Jn 3: 22-30

Sunday: Is 42: 1-4, 6-7/Acts 10: 34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Parish Calendar

Monday – January 7

7:00am AA (Lower Church)

4:00pm Basketball (Gym)

4:45pm Choristers (EC 109/110)

6:30pm Cub Scouts Den 7 (Art Room)

7:30pm Boy Scouts Troop 173 (Gym)

7:30pm Boy Scouts Adults (EC 109/110)

7:30pm Parish Council (EC 107/108)

Tuesday – January 8

7:00am AA (Lower Church)

9:45am Movie (PC-M)

4:00pm Basketball (Gym)

6:30pm Early Bereavement (PC-M)

7:00pm Knights of Columbus (LC)

7:00pm Widow & Widowers (PC-H)

7:00pm SPS Parent Assoc. (EC 109/110)

7:30pm Choir (NC)

Wednesday – January 9

7:00am AA (Lower Church)

4:00pm Basketball (Gym)

6:00pm AA (Lower Church)

6:00pm 7-8th Gr. Youth Group (PC-H)

7:00pm RCIA (EC 107)

7:00pm Al-Anon (EC 109)

7:30 Teen Choir (NC)

Thursday – January 10

7:00am AA (Lower Church)

9:30am Trinity Gift Shop Opens

10:00am Seniors Exec. Bd. (PC-M)

4:00pm Basketball (Gym)

4:45pm Choristers (NC)

7:30pm Choir (NC)

8:00pm Prayer Group (PC-M)

Friday – January 11

7:00am AA (Lower Church)

4:00pm Basketball (Gym)

Saturday – January 12

9:00am Basketball (Gym)

9:30am Trinity Gift Shop Opens

Sunday – January 13

9:00am Trinity Gift Shop Opens

10:15am Library Opens

2:00pm Volunteer Party (PC-H)

6:00pm AA (Lower Church)

6:00pm God's TYM (PC-H)

COLLECTION FOR DECEMBER 30 2007

Tithing Last Year \$27,884.00

Tithing This Year \$N/A

Tithing For Christmas This Year \$75,913.50

Children's Last Year \$362.00

Children's This Year \$N/A

Children's Christmas This Year \$682.00

St. Patrick's Library will show the video **Saint John Bosco - Mission to Love**. This epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that Don Bosco had to overcome from his childhood through founding his religious order, the Salesians, for educating boys. It will be shown in four parts on Tuesday mornings starting January 8th, after the 9 o'clock Mass and Rosary. Join us for refreshments and a great film.

Attention Volunteers! All who have provided volunteer service to St. Patrick's during 2007 are cordially invited to St. Patrick's Annual Volunteer Party, on January 13 in the Parish Center Hall from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch and desserts, wine, soda and coffee will be served. Please RSVP to the Rectory by January 7th.

35th Annual March for Life in Washington, Monday, January 22. Peaceful non-confrontational march witnessing to the sanctity of life; the most vulnerable and defenseless, the unborn. Speakers will include Bishop's, Rabbi's and political leaders. This year the bus will depart **promptly** at 5:45 AM from St. Patrick's parking lot and return approximately 11 PM. Mass will be celebrated at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington after the march. Please call the rectory to reserve your seat on the bus. 962-5050. For information other than your reservations call Maria Litrenta at 962-1815.

If you are seriously ill at home or in the hospital or are having major surgery and would like a visit, please notify Sr. Jean at St. Patrick's Rectory Office on 914-962-5050 ext. 207.

Volunteers Needed! Hospice Care in Westchester Putnam needs your help to provide patient & family support, spiritual comfort, adult Bereavement Program, Children Caring Circle Program, special community events and office support. Training is planned to prepare volunteers for this meaningful service: January 26th, February 2nd and 9th

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the New Church this week was donated by Marie & Don Traditi in memory of :

Kathryn Lewis

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by Their loving daughter Marie Patricia LoBue & Family in memory of:

Michael & Theresa Iacovino

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church this week was donated by the Giglio family in memory of:

Elizabeth Carbone

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Stone Church this week was donated by Georgia Willett & Family memory of:

Robert E. Lee

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by his loving wife Marie Patricia LoBue & family in memory of:

Frank LoBue

UNANNOUNCED MASSES: Deceased: Rocco Bueti, Howard Norton, Mary O'Grady, Rose Sczesny, Samuel Sant (3), Giovanni DeVivo.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament



Our Parish offers Adoration of Most Blessed Sacrament Monday to Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in the Main Church. The Church teaches that the Blessed Sacrament is not to be left unattended when exposed

during these hours. Consider spending some time visiting with Jesus in Adoration.

The Knights of Columbus will be meeting on January 8th at 7:00 pm in the lower portion of the Stone Church.

St. Patrick's School
1st Quarter Honor Roll
Grades 4- 8
November 2007

Thomas	Adamo	Honorable Mention
Hannah	Anderson	Honors
Emily	Anderson	Honorable Mention
Parker	Baltazar	Honors
Emily	Beckett	Honors
Lauren	Boutross	Honors
Kenneth	Brown	Honorable Mention
Michael	Bueti	Honors
Alexander	Campbell	Honorable Mention
Dylan	Campbell	Honors
Sydney	Campion	Honors
Michael	Campobasso	High Honors
Lee Anne	Chung	High Honors
Sean	Coffey	Honors
Matthew	Cregan	Honors
Tara	Cremin	Honors
Daniel	Cruz	Honors
Taylor	Cutrone	Honors
Alison	Danahy	Honors
Deirdre	DeLasho	Honors
Gianna	DeMase	High Honors
Teresa	DeVino	Honors
Thomas	DeVino	High Honors
Margaret	Donohue	Honors
Juliet	duBourg	Honors
Jacqueline	Dunn	High Honors
Jared	Fitzpatrick	Honors
Pauline	Gilmore	Honors
Michael	Gjuraj	Honorable Mention
Charles	Guidarelli	Honors
Austin	Haddock	Honors
Mary Alice	Hall	Honorable Mention
Kristen	Heitzmann	Honors
Timothy	Henning	Honorable Mention
Marie	Henning	Honors
Olivia	Hughes	High Honors
Julia	Hughes	Honors
Kayla	Kalbfell	Honors
Christian	Kapp	Honors
Alexander	Kapp	Honors
Marlana	Kitsakos	Honors
Margaret	Kreiser	Honors
Kyle	Lampersberger	Honors
Eileen	Leddy	High Honors
Laura	Leddy	High Honors
Angela	Longhi	Honors
Vincent	Lota	High Honors
Brianna	Mancuso	Honors
Joanne	Mante	High Honors
Grace	Mante	Honors

Maeve	McGowan	High Honors
James	McGowan	Honors
Emily	Monigan	Honors
MaryKate	Murphy	Honorable Mention
Isabella	Oliveira	Honorable Mention
Tristan	Oliveira	High Honors
Kaitlin	Parulan	Honors
Alexa	Parulan	High Honors
Racquel	Piscitelli	Honors
Christine	Plant	Honors
Taylor	Pompilio	Honors
Genesis	Rivera	Honors
Laurunce	Rosenthal	Honors
Janna	Rosenthal	Honors
Daniella	Rourke	Honors
Marissa	Ruschil	High Honors
Taylor	Savastano	Honors
Cynthia	Schmidt	High Honors
Ellen	Schoen	Honors
Kevin	Schoen	Honors
Joseph	Schultzberg	Honors
Sara	Skelton	High Honors
Amy	Sniffen	Honors
Ellen	Spillane	Honors
Nicholas	Staib	Honors
Angelica	Staib	Honorable Mention
Gary	Tambascio	Honors
Christopher	Tinger	Honors
Margaret	Treanor	Honors
Jennifer	Weisberger	Honors
John	Wolff	Honors

High Honors	95% average; no mark less than 90%
Honors	90% average; no mark less than 85%

Epiphany: Journey, Star and Gift

Three concrete images reveal the meaning and message of Epiphany, (1) the journey of the Magi (2) the star providing guidance and (3) the three gifts offered to the Christ-Child. Let us explore further these three images of journey, star and gifts. (1) The journey of the Magi is a symbol of searching. The Gospel portrays the Magi searching for "the newborn King of the Jews." They journeyed from their own country to Judea, then from Jerusalem to Bethlehem. You and I are searching too, are we not? We keep searching for inner peace, for good relationships with others, for a worthwhile life. Fundamentally, our searching is for God, the true source of peace, harmony and life. The God Who is the goal of our searching has chosen to reveal Himself, to manifest Himself, in the clearest way possible through His Only-Begotten Son whom He sent to be like us in all things except sin. On Christmas, we relived the coming among us of God's Son "And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us." Today, we are in touch with the truth that God who is revealed in Jesus has come to be the light and life of all peoples, Jews and Gentiles alike. The very word "epiphany" means "revelation" or "manifestation." In today's second reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians, we heard: "... the mystery was made known to me by revelation ...: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel." So, then, God desires to save all people. Yes, the God who is revealed in His Son Christ Jesus is the goal of our searching because in Him, we truly begin to understand not only who God is but also who we are. Do we really know Jesus as our Lord and Savior? As our Divine Companion on the journey? Regardless, of how well or poorly we think we know Him, we can grow in our knowing and loving Jesus. The new year just beginning — only seven days old — offers us countless grace-filled opportunities to focus on Jesus more deeply and more fully. For example, through consistent daily prayer, we can grow in our knowledge and love of the Lord. Could we daily spend five or 10 minutes with Jesus in prayer, in addition to our morning and evening prayer? We could reflect each day on some lines from the Gospel according to St. Mark or on the Gospel for each Sunday, asking the Lord to reveal to us the message He intends us to receive and reflecting on how this Word of God applies to our lives here and now. Or, we could study the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, especially Part Four whose focus is "Christian Prayer." The best way to know and to love Jesus is to experience His Real Presence in a unique way by participating in the Eucharistic Sacrifice and by visiting our Blessed Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. As Catholics, we gather every Sunday and Holy Day of obligation to take part in the Holy Mass. This is not an option or

merely a recommendation. Rather, taking part in the Holy Mass on Sunday is fulfilling the Third Commandment: "Keep holy the Lord's Day" and responding to Jesus' own words: "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will have no life in you." In fact, not to participate in the Eucharistic Sacrifice on Sunday or Holy Day without a valid reason is a serious sin, if we knowingly and willingly refrain from going to Mass. Yes, in this New Year, Jesus must be our focus. If He is, we shall discover how He responds to our searching and fulfills our yearning. And this yearning takes unexpected twists and turn as it did for the Magi. If we persevere and support one another — that is why God wills that we be gathered together in parishes, like the Magi, we shall more and more find "the Child with Mary his Mother." (2) If journey is the first image of Epiphany, the star is the second. Our searching as believers is guided by the star of faith. Faith is a virtue, that is, a power or an ability given us at Baptism whereby we surrender ourselves to the Lord. Faith guides us like a light. In fact, we often call faith "a light." The star is a symbol of the light of faith. This light will sometimes lead to unexpected places, but if we persevere in following its guidance, it will bring us to Jesus. Again, we see the need for prayer, study and reflection; these help us understand where the light of faith is leading. (3) The third image of Epiphany is the gifts given by the Magi to the Child Jesus: gold, frankincense and myrrh. Their gifts symbolized the gift of their hearts, their total surrender to the Lord in faith. The best gift we can give to Jesus is the gift of an open heart, a heart willing to continue searching, a heart willing to be guided by the light of faith, a heart willing to let the Lord lead us. Yes, the three concrete images of Epiphany do help us to understand the meaning and message of today's solemnity. Our journey guided by the star of faith leads us ever more closely to Jesus to whom we give the gift of our open willing hearts. Let us be in fact Epiphany people all through 2007 and beyond, searching for the Lord Jesus by the light of faith until the day we reach the eternal Epiphany: seeing our God face to face forever. Amen! Alleluia

(Adapted from Homily by Bishop Paul S. Loverde)