

St. Patrick's Church

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Rev. Herbert P. DeGaris, Parochial Vicar
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Deacon Kevin T. Byrne
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School Principal
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Kathey Lewis, Director 962-5050
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Youth Ministry
Joanne Niece 243-9562
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Sal Greco 962-5050
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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.



Exaltation of the Holy Cross
September 14, 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 – September 15-*Our Lady of Sorrows*

6:55 Mary Mastro
9:00 Kathryn Lewis

Tuesday – September 16-*Cornelius, pope; martyr and Cyprian, bishop, martyr*

6:55 Emmett O'Brien
9:00 Restituta Cappuccitti

Wednesday – September 17

6:55 Teresa Stasio
9:00 Antonio Cavasotto

Thursday – September 18

6:55 Mike Anderson
9:00 Kathryn Lewis

Friday – September 19-*Januarius bishop, martyr*

6:30 Joanne Lotze
9:00 Michelle Moncini

Saturday – September 20-*Andrew Kim Taegon & Paul Chong Hasang and companions, martyrs*

9:00 Theresa Herman Klein
5:15 Michael Tavares

Sunday – September 21

7:45 Frank Christian III
9:00 Daniel McNamara
9:15 For the Parishioners of St. Patrick
10:30 Michael Glendon
11:00 Jason Foley
12:30 Vera Gentile
5:00 Rose Pennacchia

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday:	1 Cor 11: 17-26, 33/Jn 19: 25-27
Tuesday:	1 Cor 12: 12-14, 27-31/Lk 7: 11-17
Wednesday:	1 Cor 12: 31-13: 13/ Lk 7: 31-35
Thursday:	1 Cor 15: 1-11/Lk 7: 36-50
Friday:	1 Cor 15: 12-20/Le 88: 1-3
Saturday:	1 Cor 15: 35-37, 42-49/Lk 8: 4-15
Sunday:	Is 55: 6-9/Phil 1: 20c-24, 27a/Mt 20: 1-16a

COLLECTION FOR SEPTEMBER 7 2008

Tithing Last Year	\$26,673.50
Tithing This Year	\$27,658.50
Children Last Year	\$171.00
Children This Year	\$249.50

Parish Calendar

Monday – September 15	
7:00am	AA (Lower Church)
9:45am	Parentcare (PC-H)
4:45pm	Choristers (EC 109/110)
7:00pm	Bible Study (PC-H)
7:30pm	Boy Scouts (LC)
7:30pm	Finance Council (Rectory)
Tuesday – September 16	
7:00am	AA (Lower Church)
10:00am	Seniors Meeting (PC-H)
6:00pm	Bereavement Group (PC-M)
7:30pm	Choir (NC)
7:30pm	Parish Council (EC 107/108)
Wednesday – September 17	
7:00am	AA (Lower Church)
9:45am	Parentcare(PC-H)
6:00pm	AA (Lower Church)
7:00pm	RCIA (EC 107/108)
7:00pm	Cub Scouts Leaders (Art Room)
7:30pm	AI-Anon (EC 109)
7:30pm	Teen Choir (NC)
Thursday – September 18	
7:00am	AA (Lower Church)
9:45am	Bible Study (PC-H)
4:45pm	Choristers (EC 109/110)
6:00pm	Cub Scouts Signup (PC-H)
8:00pm	Healing Mass (NC)
Friday – August September 19	
7:00am	AA (Lower Church)
6:00pm	Cub Scouts (Art Room, EC 109/110)
Saturday – September 20	
	No Events Scheduled
Sunday – September 21	
6:00pm	God's TYM (PC-H)
6:00pm	AA (Lower Church)
7:00pm	Conf. Class (NC)

Calling all Children...Exciting opportunity to be part of the Children's Liturgy: The Family celebration of the Mass is at 9:15 am the first Sunday of every month. We are looking for children of the parish to become more involved in this very special liturgy. The first practice is Thursday, October 2nd in the New Church at 4 pm. If your child is interested in reading, bringing up the gifts or being a lector in this wonderful family celebration please be there so they can give it a try. If you cannot attend, but would like more information, please call Terry Lanza at 914-250-2797.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament



Our Parish offers Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament Monday to Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 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?

A Healing Mass will be celebrated here at St. Patrick's by Fr. Herb DeGaris on Thursday, September 18th. Songs of praise will begin at 7:45pm, the Mass at 8:00. Individual prayer for healing will follow the Mass. Bring your physical, emotional and spiritual needs to the Lord for His healing touch. This Mass is sponsored by St. Patrick's Prayer Group. Information: (914) 526-6538.

Education for Parenting

Parents of infants, toddlers and preschoolers are invited to explore our Parentcare program which will begin on Monday, the 15th and Wednesday, the 17th. Parents and children attend on either Monday or Wednesday mornings during the school year, from 9:45 am – 11:15 am. The little ones have supervised play in the same room with us so parents can participate in the educational group discussion about raising children. For more information, please call Eileen Murphy at the Rectory, leave name, address and telephone number to have information sent to you.

St. Patrick's Library will resume its popular Tuesday morning video program on September 23rd. The Film Festival will take place after the 9:00 am Mass and Rosary, in the Parish Center Meeting Room. As always, refreshments will be served. Reserve your Tuesday mornings for this interesting and inspiring series. All are welcome.

The Undies Drive will run till September 21st, 2008. Please leave all donated items in the Reading Room of the New Church. St. Patrick's Youth Group 7th – 12th Grade in conjunction with Beaver Farm will be collecting packages on new underwear and socks for men, women, and children to be given to our needy neighbors. Please leave all donated items in the Reading Room of the New Church. For further information, please call 962-6033.

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Main Church this week was donated by Mom & Dad in memory of:

Michael Tavares

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Main Church this week was donated by Gaetano Melissa & Angelise Gentile in memory of:

Michael Tavares

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by John & Claire Kelly in memory of:

Michael Griffin

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Main Church Chapel this week was donated by the Wallace family in memory of:

Christine Langhans-Wallace

UNANNOUNCED MASSES:

Deceased: James Signorile, Kevin Beakhurst, Thomas Harris, Daniel Vize, Anthony Falcone, Bernadette Fitzpatrick, Brian Haig, Pierce & Liam Pavdr, Miguel Hernandez.

Special Intentions: the Falcone family, Nonie Mendogni.

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

914-962-5050 ext. 207

The Good Samaritan Fund is a parish-based confidential fund for assisting our neighbors in need. If you can make a contribution to help your fellow parishioners who are in financial straits, please do so by sending a check to the Rectory for whatever amount you can afford payable to Good Samaritan Fund. Know that your neighbors will be most grateful.

St. Patrick's Seniors will meet on Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at 10:00 am in the Parish Center Hall. Members Only.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Michael Courtney & Renee Tomoselli

St. Patrick's GGD Corner



ATTENTION

ALL FAMILIES OF ST. PATRICK'S:

All classes begin
The week of September 15th -19th.

Phone: 962-5586 Email:

SaintPatricksREd@yahoo.com

DEACON MICHAEL MOVING:

Deacon Michael DeVivo and his wife Patricia are moving to York, PA. In appreciation for all that they have done for the parish, there will be a special Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, September 21 at 12:30. Deacon Michael will preach at the Mass, and there will be a reception to follow. Please save the date and join us in giving thanks to God for Deacon Michael and Patricia and to ask for God's blessings on them both in the future.

SINGERS GRADES 3 – 8: St. Patrick's Choristers, our choir for young people, is accepting registrations for the 2008-2009 season. Rehearsals for grades 5 – 8 are on Mondays from 4:45 to 5:45. Rehearsals for grades 3 & 4 are on Thursdays from 4:45 to 5:30. The Choristers sing at the monthly 9:15 AM Family Mass, for Christmas and Easter, and at special parish events. For registration information, contact Kathey Lewis, Director of Music Ministries, at 962-5050, extension 208.

THE GREAT ADVENTURE BIBLE STUDY will begin on Monday September 15th for the night group (7-9 PM) and Thursday September 18th for the day group (9:45- 11:45 AM) both classes will be held in the Parish Center downstairs in the new church. The 24 week calendar is available on the parish website, but everyone will receive a printed copy at the 1st session. Each person registered will also receive a phone call from one of the small group leaders a few days before. PLEASE ARRIVE ON TIME, as we have between 70 and 100 binders to distribute at EACH session before we hear the 1st talk!!! IF YOU OWN A BIBLE, please bring it to the 1st session. If NOT, Bibles will be on display for purchase.

SAVE THE DATE

Save a life! Donate blood.

Sunday, September 28th

8:30AM to 2PM

Parish Center in St. Patrick's New Church
Administered by Hudson Valley Blood Center

The St. Patrick's Yorktown Golf Classic, to benefit the Church and School, will be held on Sept. 29, 2008 at Somers Pointe Golf Club, in Heritage Hills, Somers, NY. The Committee still needs Advertisers, Sponsorships, Volunteers, Raffle Prize Donations and naturally, Golfers. The Sponsorship forms and Registration forms can be found on the St. Patrick's School website at: www.saintpatsschool.com/news01.html or you can contact Frank Peters at (914) 962 5066. Please support this enjoyable and profitable event.

65" Flat Screen Sharp TV

The Youth Group was given a very generous financial donation by a client of a parishioner, Mr. Joseph Mazzella. Mr. Mazzella is the husband of Margaret Mazzella, who volunteers her time for the Youth Program.

Because the parishioners of St. Patrick's have been so generous in supporting the Youth Program, the Youth Ministries, grade 7th -12th, wanted to give back to the Parish. We purchased and installed a 65" Flat Screen Sharp TV in the Parish Center Hall for the use of all Parish Ministries.

We are happy to say that the first Ministry to be using the TV is the Great Adventure Bible Study Program. Please keep the youth of our Parish in your prayers as we look forward to another exciting year.

The Triumph of the Cross

September 14

September 14 is the feast of the Triumph of the Cross, previously called the Exaltation of the Cross. Christians have celebrated this feast on this day since the first half of the fourth century. According to an Eastern text, the empress Helena discovered the Lord's cross on September 14, 320. Fifteen years later, on September 13, two churches on Golgotha in Jerusalem were consecrated (the Church of the Cross and the Church of the Resurrection). On the following day, the relic of the cross found by Helena was



solemnly exposed for public veneration. An annual commemoration began in Jerusalem, and churches in other cities that had relics of the cross brought them forth this day for veneration by the faithful. The ceremony was called the exaltatio (lifting up). What follows are some words our ancestors in the faith have used to describe the mystery, glory and power of the cross of Christ.

May I never boast of anything but the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ! Through it, the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.

Galatians 6:14–16

*Faithful Cross, above all other,
One and only noble tree,
None in foliage, none in blossom,
None in fruit your peer may be;
Sweet the wood and sweet the iron
And your load, most sweet is he.*

*Bend your boughs, O Tree of glory!
All your rigid branches, bend!
For a while the ancient temper
That your birth bestowed, suspend;
And the King of earth and heaven
Gently on your bosom tend.*

Venantius Fortunatus, 6th century

How splendid the cross of Christ!
It brings life, not death; light, not
darkness; Paradise, not its loss. It is the
wood on which the Lord, like a great
warrior, was wounded in hands and feet
and side, but healed thereby our wounds.
A tree had destroyed us, a tree now
brought us life.

Theodore of Studios, 9th century

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