



# St. Patrick CATHOLIC CHURCH

at the Beautiful Lake of the Ozarks in Laurie, MO

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*There are many ministries to participant in. If you don't see a ministry that you feel drawn to but have an idea for one, contact the parish office or see Father Schmitz.*

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## 24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

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**MISSION STATEMENT:**

*St. Patrick Catholic Church encourages spiritual growth, lives Christian values and provides meaningful stewardship to the local and world communities.*

**SUMMER MASS TIMES:**

Saturday, 4:30 PM (inside), 8:00 PM (outside)  
Sunday, 8:30 AM (outside) and 10:15 AM (inside)

**Due to Social Distancing constrains, the Sunday 8:30am Mass will continue to be held at the Mothers' Shrine for all Sundays during the month of September.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS  
FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Sir 27:30–28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35  
**Monday:** Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17  
**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 31:2 and 3b, 3cd-4, 5-6, 15-16, 20 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35  
**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 12:31–13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22 [12]/Lk 7:31-35  
**Thursday:** 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 [1]/Lk 7:36-50  
**Friday:** 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 8:1-3  
**Saturday:** 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14 [14]/Lk 8:4-15  
**Next Sunday:** Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

MASS INTENTIONS

**MON. 9:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE**  
**TUES. 5:30 PM MARTIN MOSER, ±**  
**WED. 9:00 AM ROSEMARY STOLTZ, ±**  
**THURS 9:00 AM WILLIAM SHORTINO, SPI**  
**FRI. 9:00 AM MARGE VAN EVERCOOREN, ±**  
**SAT. 4:30 PM JERRY & BEVERLY WIGGS, SPI**  
**SUN 8:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**

GOSPEL MEDITATION

What right do we have to limit the amount and degree of forgiveness we show to others when we are so desperately in need of it ourselves? In not wanting someone who hurt us to downplay or forget the gravity of their wrong, we cling to anger, resentment, and wrath as a way of maintaining control. It is a way to acknowledge and express our deep hurt. We fail to realize that in doing so we hold ourselves hostage to these destructive feelings and actually become mired in the bondage of sin. All we gain is further alienation from ourselves, others, and especially God. We are no longer free but tethered to all of this unresolved negativity. Don't we really want to let it go? The fact is that we need to.

A good self-reflective posture will quickly show us that when the shoe is on the other foot and we are the ones in need of forgiveness, we desire it above anything else. This is especially true with our relationship with God. It is hypocritical to want one thing for ourselves and something else for another. Yet, many act in precisely this way.

Perhaps we think that in offering forgiveness, even for the most grievous of wrongs, somehow excuses the person of their wrong and makes it almost acceptable. This is what makes revenge, retaliation, and punishment so attractive. We see forgiveness as being an eraser that easily wipes away the offense without consequence. Or, we may believe that in offering forgiveness I must somehow forget the wrong and open myself as a victim of even greater possible hurts in the future. In fact, forgiving my sister or brother of their wrongful actions or attitudes involves none of this. It does not erase anything or position me vulnerably as a doormat to be walked on.

Forgiveness is an act of freedom that restores honest dialogue, shares true, and heartfelt feelings and acknowledges the consequences of an action. It admits that the wrong has caused a hurt that must be healed and squarely positions responsibility on the offender. The act of forgiveness recognizes our sinfulness and brokenness. It also admits that the most saintly among us is capable of doing very grave and deep harm to another person. It sees that we all can be victims of our passions and works in progress that deserve unlimited chances to get it right. With forgiveness, I release myself from the bonds of negativity and pursue a path of restoration, wholeness, and healing. I do not forget the wrong nor do I dismiss it. Sometimes, we have to stay far away from the one who hurt us. But we can still heal internally and be free.

For the one who wants to be forgiven and the one who needs offer forgiveness, the journey can be an adventure in learning what brought us to this place and what is needed to move forward. This is exactly how God treats us. Why would we not want to do the same for others?

**Bishop McKnight's  
September prayer  
intention for our  
Local Church**

For children deprived of a safe and healthy home, that they experience the love of God through the care and concern shown by Catholics.



OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day  
**Monday:** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
**Tuesday:** Our Lady of Sorrows  
**Wednesday:** Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs  
**Thursday:** St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
 Friday:  
**Saturday:** St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr  
**Next Sunday:** 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION:

August 30, 2020 Attendance: 98  
Virtual Attendance: 85

St. Patrick's \$ 6031.00  
EFT 1st of month \$432.5  
EFT 15th of month \$1025  
EFT Weekly \$90.00

Please consider electronic fund transfers, (EFT), which helps St. Patrick to more accurately adhere to financial planning.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

*Please advise the Parish Office if a name should be added or removed from the prayer list and ensure the person is aware their name will be published in the bulletin.*

PARISHIONERS

Butch Bayer, Mary Baydrl, Ceil Bish, Bob Brinkoetter, Dorothy Bock, Barbara Bogardo, Mary Bray, Steve Callahan, Louise Carter, Theresa Carter, Ivy Hankinson, Marty Debert, Amy Drake, Jeanne Dunn, Glenn Gebhardt, Jeanie Hatfield, Bob and Kay Henrichs, Mike Hutton, Greg Metz, Teresa Morgan, Bob and Charlotte O'Bryan, Nancy Pate, Pat Reidy, Tom Reidy, Elizabeth Rourke, Barb Schweiger, Bill Shortino, Clarence Smith, Rex Smith, Logi Vande Haar, Al Vasey, Sandy Vossen, David Wilke

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KC HALL ★ 206 6th Street ★ VIENNA, MO

2 Quilts  
30 Cash Prizes  
Raffle  
55 Prizes!

Visitation Catholic Church

**FALL Festival**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Kettle Corn ☀ Beer Garden/Gin Rickey  
Country Store ☀ Street Fair & Craft Vendors  
For a booth, contact LeAnn FJoepfel at 573.619.3381

Fresh Whole-Hog Sausage & Fried Chicken Dinner  
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, Sauerkraut, Coleslaw  
Homemade Pies

\$12.00 each or 4 meals for \$40.00

2 Carryout Lines in Air-Conditioned Hall (no dine-in)  
Drive Through - enter from Highway 63 onto 9th Street and Follow the Signs  
Cash or Checks Only

Please follow responsible Social Distancing Practices | Not Responsible for Accidents

SEEING US THROUGH 2020  
50/50 RAFFLE

The pot continues to grow for the 50/50 raffle. This is the largest fund raiser of the year for St. Patrick. If you purchased tickets, Thank You! Please consider picking up additional tickets to sell to friends, neighbors, family members, future friends, etc. Support your parish while having a chance to be 1 of 3 winners.

Seeing US through 2020!

50/50 Raffle

(the 50% winnings will be broken into 3 prizes.)

First Prize 25% Second Prize 15% Third Prize 10%

Drawing will be November 1st, after the 8:30 MASS.

As of the publish date of this bulletin, funds raised are \$10,320. Prizes would break down as follows...

First Prize \$ 2,580 Second Prize \$1548 Third Prize \$ 1032

Remember, the more tickets sold, the higher the prize. If \$20,000 in tickets were sold, the first prize would be \$5,000!!!

**We are in need of parishioners to sell tickets before or after a Mass. It only takes a few minutes.**

*Please reach out to the parish office. It only takes a few minutes and is a HUGE help.*

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST

The Community For Christ Thrift Shop is in need of volunteers. If you a couple of hours every 5 or 6 weeks, your help is greatly appreciated. Please reach out to Marlene Rowe at (913) 544-5486

The Community For Christ Food Pantry is providing needed items to those who may not be able to get to the facility to pick items up. Food Donations are always needed.

The food pantry is in need of staple items. The list can be found on the wall in the Vestibule outside of the family room. Items can be left in the Vestibule or brought to CFC front door on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday (between 10 & 2).

Lyrics for Mass on September 12 & 13

LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS

1. Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares can destroy, Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
2. Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
3. Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
4. Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm, Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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**Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

LORD YOU GIVE THE GREAT COMMISSION

1. Lord, you give the great commission: 'Heal the sick and preach the word.' Lest the Church neglect its mission, And the Gospel go unheard, Help us witness to your purpose With renewed integrity; With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.
2. Lord, you call us to your service: 'In my name baptize and teach.' That the world may trust your promise, Life abundant meant for each, Give us all new fervor, draw us Closer in community; With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.
3. Lord, you make the common holy: 'This my body, this my blood.' Let us all, for earth's true glory, Daily lift life heavenward, Asking that the world around us Share your children's liberty; With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.
4. Lord, you show us love's true measure: 'Father, what they do, forgive.' Yet we hoard as private treasure All that you so freely give. May your care and mercy lead us To a just society; With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.
5. Lord, you bless with words assuring: 'I am with you to the end.' Faith and hope and love restoring, May we serve as you intend, And, amid the cares that claim us, Hold in mind eternity; With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.

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TAKE AND EAT

**Refrain: Take and eat; take and eat: this is my body given up for you. Take and drink; take and drink: this is my blood given up for you.**

1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made; I am the seed that died to be reborn; I am the bread that comes from heav'n above; I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
2. I am the way that leads the exile home; I am the truth that sets the captive free; I am the life that raises up the dead; I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
3. I am the Lamb that takes away your sin; I am the gate that guards you night and day; You are my flock: you know the shepherd's voice; You are my own: your ransom is my blood.
4. I am the cornerstone that God has laid; A chosen stone and precious in his eyes; You are God's dwelling place, on me you rest; Like living stones, a temple for God's praise.
5. I am the light that came into the world; I am the light that darkness cannot hide; I am the morning star that never sets; Lift up your face, in you my light will shine.
6. I am the first and last, the Living One; I am the Lord who died that you might live; I am the bridegroom, this my wedding song; You are my bride, come to the marriage feast.

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SING OF THE LORD'S GOODNESS

1. Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom, come to him and bless his name. Mercy he has shown us, his love is for ever, faithful to the end of days.

**Refrain: Come, then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness, melodies of praise and thanks to God. Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music, worship him and bless his name.**

2. Power he has wielded, honor is his garment, risen from the snares of death. His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken, new life he now gives to all.
3. Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow, Spirit of our God most high; solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner, splendor of the living God.
4. Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet, praise God with the lute and harp; praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing, praise God till the end of days.

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THE  
NATIONAL  
SHRINE OF **Mary**  
MOTHER OF THE CHURCH



#### WHAT IS A SHRINE?

A shrine is a sacred place to which the faithful make pilgrimage for a special reason of piety. It is a place consecrated for commemoration or devotion to a Saint or holy person. Our Shrine is dedicated to Mary as Mother of the Church and honors all mothers of all faiths. A shrine is considered a place where divine grace is manifested in a very special way.

#### WHAT IS A NATIONAL SHRINE?

A National Shrine is a sacred place which has met certain requirements prescribed in the 'Norms for the Designation of National Shrines' and is given this honor by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in recognition of religious significance. It must be dedicated to promoting the faith of pilgrims by centering on a mystery of the Catholic faith, a devotion based on authentic Catholic tradition, revelations recognized by the Church, or the lives of those in the Church's calendar of saints. We obtained the sixteenth National Shrine designation in the United States on March 18, 2003.



#### BACKGROUND

Father Fred J. Barnett began construction on the Shrine in the mid-1980s to honor Mary, the Mother of Jesus and to handle the overflow crowds for the summer Masses at the adjacent St Patrick's parish. It was dedicated in 1988 as Mary, Mother of the Church. From those humble beginnings, it has since grown into a National Shrine. Mary, Mother of the Church Shrine was incorporated in 1998. The Board of Directors consists of members who reside throughout the United States overseeing all operations, finances, and long-range planning.

Today our beautiful Shrine includes an outdoor amphitheater with seating for 6,000, a permanent altar and ambo, beautiful fountains, a 14-foot stainless steel sculpture of Mary by the renowned artist Don Weigand surrounded by polished black granite panels inscribed with mothers' names from around the world, and all the lighting, pumps, plumbing, speakers, music system and landscaping to enhance our place of pilgrimage.

The Shrine hosts various programs such as outdoor Masses for visitors to the Lake of the Ozarks from Memorial Day to Labor Day, and programs which include pilgrimages, retreats and Marion Conferences. In 2018, over 10,000 people attended our summer Masses and over 1,000 people attended our 16 programs. In 2016, the Jubilee Year of the Divine Mercy, we were designated a Holy Door for the indulgence offered to pilgrims. On March 3, 2018 Pope Francis declared Mary, Mother of the Church Feast Day to be celebrated each year on the Monday after Pentecost. The first Mary, Mother of the Church Feast Day was celebrated at the Shrine on May 21, 2018 with Bishop Shawn McKnight presiding. These and other activities fulfill our mission to honor our Blessed Mother, promote the true appreciation of motherhood, the preciousness of life and the preservation of families.

#### MOTHERS' WALL OF LIFE

The Mothers' Wall of Life features the names of mothers throughout the world engraved in the beautiful polished black granite that surrounds the fountains. Mothers, and mother figures, living or deceased, regardless of race, color or religious affiliation are included on the wall. Over 4000 names have been engraved on our Wall, including the mothers of Pope John Paul II, Pope Benedict and Pope Francis, that of a female minister whose congregation provided the funding, and movie star Jane Wyman. The cost of engraving a name on the wall is \$400.

WHY DO WE DO THAT?  
CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Cremation and The Church

**Question:**

Can Catholics be cremated?

**Answer:**

As the practice of cremation becomes more and more common, it's important to know what the Church asks of families who have chosen this for a loved one who has died.

As the US Bishops observe on their website, "Ideally, if a family chooses cremation, the cremation would take place some time after the Funeral Mass, so that there can be an opportunity for the Vigil for the Deceased in the presence of the body." However, if cremation takes places before the Funeral Mass, the cremated remains can be present at the Funeral Mass and the appendix to the Order of Christian Funerals provides adaptations for the texts and rituals that are part of the Funeral Mass and the Committal.

The primary concern is that the cremated remains should be treated with the same respect given to any human remains. The Order of Christian Funerals instructs, "This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping cremated remains on the home of a

QUILT RAFFLE



**Quilt Raffle**  
Tickets \$5 each

Quilt is on display in the Vestibule  
Drawing to be held  
November 1st, 2020 after Mass



**Every Monday, Beginning September 14th  
Through November 2nd, Meet at St. Patrick  
Catholic Church Main Sanctuary at 7PM**

*Please Join US*

The Patriotic Rosary is a special set of Rosary based prayers to pray for guidance for our elected officials and peace in our country. Booklets will be provided so that you can pray along.



RESPECT FOR LIFE

Part 3 of 10 Letter from Bishop John Meyers

"Some Catholic voters also appear to falter in their duties in justice and charity to the unborn . Some who maintain a pro-life view neglect to act on their commitment in the exercise of their responsibilities as citizens. Certain Catholic theologians, some priests and religious publicly endorse the view that the right to life of unborn children lacks sufficient importance to warrant protection by public law.

In these circumstances, the Church's constant and certain teaching on the dignity of human life must be clearly restated and steadfastly reaffirmed. **Let there be no doubt that striving for legal abortion is radically inconsistent with the Catholic faith.**

Any citizen or public official who helps to make abortion more widely available, or any priest, religious, or theologian who teaches that it ought to be made available, commits a grave injustice against the most vulnerable members of the human family. Those who openly commit such injustices while purporting to share the Catholic faith, scandalize the faithful and undermine the teaching of the Church. By their own actions they seriously weaken their own relationship with the Church, the Body of Christ. "

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

As we continue to highlight the various Ministries at St. Patrick, you should find plenty of opportunities to share your time and talent. Phone numbers to the leads of a Ministry that you might be interested in, are located on the front page of the bulletin.



Music Ministry

Our musicians serve an integral role in ministry in that we are called to animate the assembly into full, conscious and active participation in the liturgy by leading in song. When we sing, we pray twice. Some liturgies call for joyful praise, others for reflection or penitence. During Lent, the music is more somber, softer, and thought-provoking. At the Christmas Season we rejoice in the birth of the Redeemer. After Lent is over, we are joyful—Christ has arisen! Just like our décor in the church, our music changes with the seasons and with the Scriptures assigned to each Mass. The music reinforces what we've heard in the proclaimed Scripture—and that changes daily! The leaders of our musicians are Sharon Slovinski and Sue Purdon.

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP—RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS: Should I Stay or Should I Go?**

Life is not always easy on us and it can be hard to figure out the next step to take in our journey. We can even become immobilized by indecisiveness and fear about making the wrong move or choosing the incorrect path. I think of the song, Should I Stay, or Should I Go, as a mantra for many times in my life. Should I stay in this house, this job, or this car? Should I go here or there? When those times of decision surface, I usually turn to my wife, my friends, or even my children. Talking it out can help, and their perspectives give me more data to consider. When I lean on others to help me make a decision, it helps me become more confident in my choices.

Discerning the will of God is not easy either. Rarely do we understand God’s calling clearly at first. God’s calling is always more easily discerned within a community of faithful disciples. Our stewardship way of life can suffer greatly if we refuse to allow others to assist us in the process of discernment. What gifts or talents are needed for the task at hand? Where do I fit best into God’s plan? Where is God leading me? No one should have to decide the answers to these questions alone. We need to always lean on the Body of Christ to help us see the path that God has laid before us. Without a little help along the journey, over time we might find ourselves stuck in the same place where we started.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Youth Faith Formation

**Classes will begin on Saturday, September 19 following the 4:30 pm Mass with Family Meal and Registration. All children from Kindergarten through High School are encouraged to attend. Please call Michele at (573) 372-8594 with ?s.**

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

Jesus sent His disciples out to spread the Good News! We are also asked to give His message to others. One way we do this is through the R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). You can share the Good News by telling those you may know who are interested in our faith and encouraging them to join the inquiry group this fall.

“Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice” (Psalm 105:3).

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process in which adults study the Catholic faith, and if they desire, they become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. Weekly meetings are held to discuss scripture, our relationship with God, and much, much more.

For questions, call Michele Haggerty (573) 372-8594.