

November 10, 2019

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



**WELCOME TO  
SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
"To proclaim the Kingdom of God, and seek it before all else."



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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Tues - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Mass Schedule**

Monday-Friday 5:30 p.m.  
Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

**Holy Day Mass Schedule:**

Vigil: 5:30 p.m., Holy Day: 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.

**FAITH FORMATION**

Sundays during the school year at 9:30-11:00 a.m.

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**A Time for Conversion**

As I promised last week, we see the Sunday readings taking a decidedly eschatological turn. That is, we are invited to contemplate the "last things" that will occur at the eschaton—the end of the age when Christ will come again in glory, the world as we know it will come to an end, and all things will be fulfilled in the person of Christ. Given the scale of the transformation, it is a bit scary in once sense, but very exciting in another.

The disconcerting thing is that we don't know when it will happen. Thus, we need to be vigilant. As Jesus says, "Be watchful! Stay awake! You do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming." (Mt. 25:13)

So we need to experience conversion. We need to get our lives in order in three ways: intellectually/emotionally, physically, and spiritually. These three aspects of mind, body and spirit are the essential components of our humanity. They are like a three legged stool. We are at our best when all three are in balance. They are also the three components of any authentic experience of conversion. As I mentioned last week, conversion is that process by which we realize that God is God and we are not. We are not self-sufficient. As Aquinas said, we humans are dependent beings. We did not create ourselves. We owe our creation to God as well as our continued existence.

Please notice that I use the word "PROCESS" very intentionally. Even a quick study of the great saints can be quite revealing. First there has to be a favorable environment that encourages discipleship. Then at a certain point, there is the "aha" moment when everything comes into focus. This is unique and different for every person. For some it is when they are at their best, for others it is when they are at their worst. Most of us are somewhere in between. It has been described various ways. "Seeing the light"; "bottoming out"; "being saved" are just some of the ways that some have tried to describe it.

But it cannot stop there. Otherwise we are simply bumper sticker Christians. True conversion involves moving into ever deepening communion with Christ and His Church. This takes time. The conversion of St. Paul took at least nine years. Similarly that St. Francis took at least seven. Such a conversion involves the reordering of our priorities, placing Christ in the center. It means intentionally engaging with the parish in the sacred assembly, in one's household, and in small groups that will support and deepen our desire for ongoing communion.

Conversion is a process. It takes time. But we have to start somewhere. Why not here? Why not now? - Fr. Leo



**New to the Parish? Welcome!**

Please take a moment to stop by the office! We would love to meet you and show you around.

## IN THE ARCHDIOCESE AND AROUND TOWN

### Military Archdiocese Special Collection

This weekend we are holding a special collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA. The Archdiocese for the Military Services relies on the generosity of Catholics from around the country so that it may continue to minister to the men and women of the US Armed Forces wherever they are stationed. Please consider contributing to this important collection.

### Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Next weekend our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 46 million people in the United States live in poverty today. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

### Glory Bound Retreat

Join the Glory Bound retreat December 2019: separate high school and middle school sessions! Register at [www.stthereseak.com](http://www.stthereseak.com) Return to St. Therese's Camp this December for 3 days of fun, faith and friends. Glory Bound winter retreat provides a great opportunity to reconnect with your faith and the camp community. Our staff leads fun activities including sledding, playing on the frozen lake, snowball fights, music, and more. We will also have Mass, confession, adoration, cabin talks, and a variety of spiritually-focused events. We are looking forward to seeing you in December.

### Christ The King Celebration

To celebrate the end of the liturgical year, we will have a Christ the King Parish Celebration on Sunday, November 24th in Deacons Hall between the 8:30am and 11:30am Masses. This celebration will feature our monthly Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast. Join us for this special celebration with all your breakfast favorites served up by our Knights (following the 8:30am Mass ONLY).

### 12th Annual Advent Benefit Concert Save the Date!

This year's Advent Benefit Concert will be Friday, December 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. What a wonderful time of the year! Please join us for this prayerful concert of Advent music, poems, and stories to guide us through the waiting and watching.

## PARISH NEWS AND NOTES

### MUSIC MINISTRY WEEKLY UPDATE

#### Rehearsals this week:

Sunday - 10:00-11:20 AM - Traditional Choir Practice  
Tuesday - 7:30 PM - Praise Choir Practice  
Wednesday - 6:15 - 8:30 PM - Folk Choir Practice  
Thursday - 7:00 PM - Traditional Choir Practice  
Saturday - 3:45-4:30 PM - Contemporary Choir Practice

#### Coming:

Thursday, November 28 - 10:00 AM - Thanksgiving Mass  
Saturday, November 29-30 - Hymnal Changeover

Friday, December 6 - Advent Concert with dress rehearsal Thursday, December 5

### New Lector Workbooks

The beginning of the new liturgical year is just around the corner, and our Lector Workbooks for 2020 have arrived. All lectors are invited to pick up a copy from the table in the sacristy. Thank you to all who proclaim the Word of God for our community!

### Additional Documents Online at [www:st.patsak.org](http://www.st.patsak.org)

November Parish Calendar  
Bishop's Military Archdiocese Collection Letter  
Climate Change Information Sheet  
2019 Advent Concert Flyer  
Thanksgiving Blessing 2019

### R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults meets Tuesdays at 7pm in the Deacons Hall. For more information please contact the parish office. 337-1538

# PARISH NEWS AND NOTES

## Veteran's Prayer for 2019 God of peace,

We pray for those who have served our nation and have laid down their lives to protect and defend our freedom.

We pray for those who serve us now, especially for those in harm's way. Shield them from danger and bring them home. Turn the hearts and minds of our leaders and our enemies to the work of justice and a harvest of peace.

May the peace you left us, the peace you gave us,  
be the peace that sustains, the peace that saves us.  
Christ Jesus, hear us!  
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer!

## Advent Candles and Wreaths

Advent candles and wreaths will be available for purchase in the gathering area after all Masses Nov. 16 & 17, Nov. 23 & 24, Thanksgiving, Nov. 30 & Dec. 1. The proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase votive candles for the Marian Shrine through out the year. Help us care for the Marian Shrine by preparing your home for Advent. Have a blessed Advent Season.  
Thanks, Jane Guzauskas

## Sunday Collections

**November Goal      \$56,500.00**  
Sunday, Nov. 3      \$14,003.23  
Collected Thus Far: \$14,003.23  
Still Needed: \$42,496.77

**This Weekend's Special Collection:  
Military Archdiocese Special Collection**

**Next Weekend's Special Collection:  
Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

## Brother Francis Foot Care Ministry

Our parish's next service in the Brother Francis Foot Care Ministry will be this Wednesday, November 13th, at 5pm, at the Shelter. Please contact the office or talk with Judy Everard, ministry coordinator, if you would like to help with this important service to our neighbors in need.

## Music Ministry News

Want to join one of our choirs? Simply sign up, show up for rehearsals, and sing (instruments are always welcome). Questions? Talk to any choir director or email the St. Patrick's Music Director, Margaret Simmons, at queenowrits@arctic.net.

Hymnal Changeover – Mark your calendars now to help with the hymnal changeover. Friday, November 29, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., we are changing out the Breaking Bread and Choose Christ hymnals. We inventory the Gather Hymnals and get everything ready for the new Church year. It's a potluck lunch and it will be fun for the whole family!

Advent Concert – 12th Annual Advent Concert: Friday, December 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Join us for this prayerful concert of Advent music, poems, and stories to guide us through the waiting and watching. The proceeds from this year's Advent Concert will help the Music Ministry raise the funds to upgrade our organ. Can you believe we've enjoyed it for almost 10 years!

Warm Clothing Drive - During Advent the Music Ministry collects warm clothing for Brother Francis Shelter, including new or gently used coats, hats, scarves, pants, boots, etc.

The Christmas schedule is coming soon! Watch for it on the St. Patrick's web page and Facebook (like us on Facebook!).

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## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, November 10

Faith Formation	10:00am - All Rooms
CGS Morning Session	10:00am - CGS Atrium
Traditional Choir Rehearsal	10:45am - Church
CGS Afternoon Session	1:00am - CGS Atrium
Praise Choir Rehearsal	3:00pm - Church
Youth Ministry (MS & HS)	3pm - Dcns Hall

### Monday, November 11 - Veterans Day - Parish Office Closed

CSSI Adult Faith Study Group	6:00pm - Tara
SPRED Community	6:15pm - Hosp Rm

### Tuesday, November 12

Legion of Mary	6:15am - Cenacle
RCIA	6:30pm - Tara
ACTS Core Team	7:00pm - Hosp Room
Praise Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm - Church
CGS Catechist Prep	7:00pm - CGS Atrium

### Wednesday, November 13

CSSI Study Group	10:00am - Hosp Rm
Center Prayer Group (Closed Group)	12:30pm - Chapel
Brother Francis Foot Washing	5pm-BFS
Folk Choir Rehearsal	6:00pm - Church

### Thursday, November 14

Adult Faith Study Group	10:00am - Hosp Rm
Funeral: William Miller	1:00pm - Chapel
Inurnment: William Miller	2:00pm - Cloister
Eucharistic Adoration	6:00pm - Chapel
Catechist Meeting	6:30pm - Hosp Rm
Traditional Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm - Church
YM Core Team meeting	6:30pm - Tara

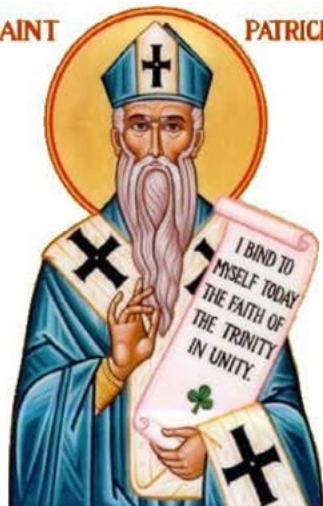
### Friday, November 15

Samoan Choir Rehearsal	7:30pm - Church
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### Saturday, November 16

Soul Core Exercise Group	9:30am - Cenacle
Contemporary Choir Rehearsal	3:45pm - Church
Confessions	4:00pm - Recon Room
KofC Rosary	4:30pm - Chapel
Samoan Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm - Church
AA	8:00pm - Tara

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## READINGS

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2 MC 7:1-2, 9-14; Psalm 17:1,5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes. 2:16-3:5  
 Luke 20:27-38 or Luke 20:27, 34-38

### Monday - Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Wisdom 1:1-7; Psalm 139:1-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Luke 17:1-6

### Tuesday - Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

Wisdom 2:23-3:9; Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Luke 17:7-10

### Wednesday—Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Wisdom 6:2-11; Psalm 82:3-4, 6-7; Luke 17:11-19

### Thursday:

Wisdom 7:22-8:1; Psalm 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175;  
 Luke 17:20-25

### Friday:

Wisdom 13:1-9; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; Luke 17:26-37

### Saturday:

Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Psalm 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43;  
 Luke 18:1-8

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat: 5:00pm	People of the Parish
Sun: 8:30am	Fr. Armond Nigro, R.O.S.
11:30am	Bob & Ruth Harrington, R.O.S (Baptism: SEGAL)
5:00pm	Richard Diehl, R.O.S.
Mon: 5:30pm	Antoni & Maria Zych, R.O.S.
Tues: 5:30pm	Fr. Gerrard T. Ryan, C.S.SP., R.O.S.
Wed: 5:30pm	Edward Corack, Birthday Blessing
Thurs: 5:30pm	Troy Riski, Birthday Blessings
Fri: 5:30pm	John Andrew Koop, Sr., R.O.S.

## BIRTHDAYS!

Sun:	Elyas Badillo
Mon:	Kerrington Gentner, Alysha Polintan Brooklyn Sereyko, Nicholas Sereyko, Brooke Sidoti,
Tues:	Toni Liua, Brycen Stallone,
Wed:	Amelia Gould, Willow Larson
Thurs:	Lucas Keating, Phillip Keating
Fri:	Sean Carey, Cassidy Ellsworth, Amarisa Manuel
Sat:	Hazel Cotter, Armand Mike-Andrade, Korbin Shane Saloka, Kruz Erik Saloka

