



St. Patrick Parish

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

212 Meredith Street • Kennett Square, PA 19348

www.stpatrickkennettsquare.org

MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, 12:00

Weekday Mass: 7:30 AM Monday through

Friday, 8:00 AM Saturday

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45 PM to 4:45 PM

Holy Days of Obligation - See Sunday bulletin.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mondays 8 AM to 7 PM in the Church

Parish Office

205 Lafayette Street

Telephone: 610-444-4364

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Hours: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Monday through Friday

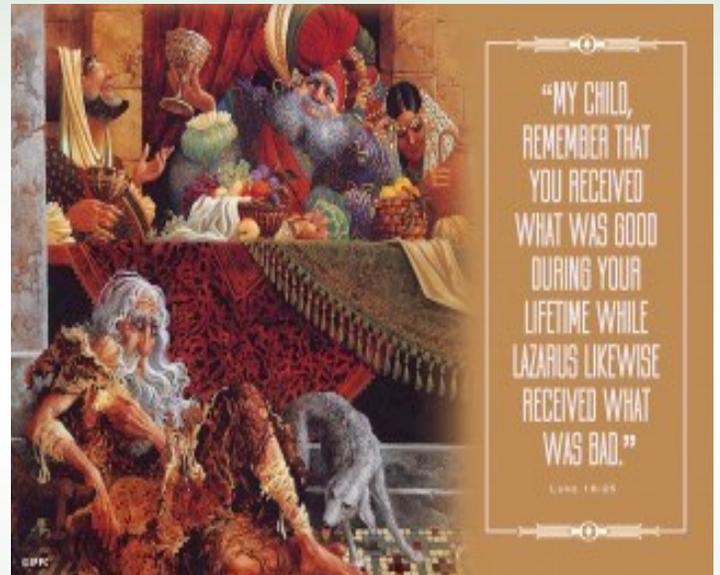
Buffington House

227 Lafayette Street



September 29, 2019

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Clergy

Rev. Christopher B. Rogers, **Pastor**

Rev. Victor F. Sharrett, **Pastor Emeritus**

Rev. Andres Garcia, **In Residence**

Oblates of St. Francis DeSales, Sunday Assistance

Deacons James K. Madonna and James J. Elliott

Seminarian Phong Le

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Patrick Church, in the process of strengthening its Catholic Community, seeks to make the gospel of Jesus Christ better known and loved through prayer, stewardship and good works.

Mass Intentions

- Monday, September 30, St. Jerome**
7:30AM Val Lemma
r/o Family
- Tuesday, October 1, St. Therese of the Child Jesus**
7:30AM Joseph Boxler
r/o Bobbie O’Sullivan
- Wednesday, October 2, The Holy Guardian Angels**
7:30AM Elizabeth Brooks
r/o Wife
- Thursday, October 3, Weekday**
7:30AM Jack DePoulter
r/o Wife
- Friday, October 4, St. Francis of Assisi**
7:30AM Maggie O’Sullivan
r/o O’Sullivan Family
- Saturday, October 5, Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos**
8:00AM Special Intention
- Vigil, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00PM Patrick Grant
r/o Thomas Grant
- Sunday, October 6, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30AM Mass for Parishioners
9:00AM Fr. Christopher B. Rogers
r/o Conrad
10:30AM Deceased members of Iacono Family
r/o Iacono Family
12:00PM Ruth Eleanor Kimmel
r/o Jack & Ethel Ann Murphy



Letters, we get letters, we get lots and lots of letters....

Between 48AD and 62AD, St. Paul wrote letters to the infant Christian Church. From these writings we get a picture of how the early Church operated, worshipped, and governed itself.

What insights can we take away for the challenges we face in our times?

November 3 & 17

After Noon Mass

Join Fr. Michael Connolly, OSFS

To find out

All praise and glory is yours, Lord our God, for You have called us to serve You in love. Bless our sick: Ro Teel, Gweneth Malchione, Bill Ewell, Ronald Hall, Frank Reck, Mario Lorenzut, Phil Morehead, Rosemary F. Madrigale, Tim Ewell, Rosa Maria Santos, Ilidi Brown, Phyllis Palos, Thomas Layug, Steven Mangini, John Pellegrino, Thomas Kelleher, Diane Jones, Giovanna Sankus, Frankie Knowles, Jackie VanGrofski, Richard Reynolds, Marc Palfy, Karen Dinius, Joshua Brown, Maria Rowe, Margaret DiNorscia, Walter Oram, William Morey, Eufemia Ortega Milagros Ada Maldonado, Tiffany Volovich, Christopher Iacono, Bryan Pudelka, Miles Kennedy, Tippi Carlino, Ron O’Brien, Diane Stansberry, Dolores Stingel, Kathy Norris, Diane & Jeff Jones, Katelyn Johnson, Janice Rowe, Ana Teresa Encarnacion, Robert “Mack” Marc-Aurele, Matilda Bazzano Bronson, Joseph Tercha Janice Hogan that they bear this illness in union with Your Son’s obedient suffering, restore them to health, and lead them to glory. **OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED** An eternal dwelling place awaits them in heaven.

Patricia Magyar & John “Jack” Pannell



Good and loving Father, watch over and protect all who serve in the Armed Forces of our nation. Surround them with your love and care and bring them safely home.

- SGT Richard Baffa**
- SSG Raymond Burke III**
- LT Michael Crawford**
- Capt. Dominic Paul DellaPelle, USMC**
- LCPL Ben Farrell, USMC**
- Chief Petty Ofcr 1st CI Shauna McNeely**
- SFC Tyler Nellens**
- E1 Airman 1st CI Andrew Szonntag**
- Major Ian C. Whiteman**
- 1st Lt. USAF Scott Seidenberger**
- 1st Lt. USAF Natalie King**
- Major Robert C. McDonough 236**



My Dear Parishioners,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Of all the weeks of the year, this week-the last of September and beginning of October-is a special one for it's loaded with great saints. From Vincent DePaul to Jerome of Bethlehem, from

the Arch and Guardian Angels to Francis of Assisi, all these saints are remembered this week. And right in the midst of it all on October 1, we find one of the most popular saints of our day, namely Therese of Lisieux. Born just 4 years after our parish Church began, in 1874, Therese lives and speaks in our day, attracting countless souls to her Little Way. And that Way is nothing less than the Gospel, itself: doing everything with great love. And what a beautiful/powerful word that is for us today.

Therese grew up in very anxious times and she battled the demon of anxiety in her own life. Her mother died when she was a child and that loss did a real number on her and her dad. Yet, through all the anxieties, Therese grew strong and confident. And today, she stands as a strong, prophetic witness, a Doctor of the Church, teaching us how to live, how to love and how to advance on the way of peace. I share now an article entitled "*Serving God in Possible Things: A Saint's Advice on Dealing with Anxiety*". It's written by a man named Tony Rossi. I hope it is as much help to you as it is to me.

People today are filled with a lot of anxiety about a lot of different things, one of which is all the troubles going on in the world. Of course, people in the past were no different so we can find some wisdom on how to deal with this anxiety from the saints.

The following is an excerpt from a book called "***The Love That Keeps Us Sane: Living the Little Way of St. Therese of Lisieux***" by Marc Foley, O.C.D. Specifically, it's about St. Therese advising her sister Celine not to fret over things that were out of her control.

In 1880, France passed laws against religious orders. Celine was very upset that many religious communities were submitting to these laws. One day she said to Therese, "My entire being rises up in rebellion when I witness such a spirit of cowardice. I would be cut into a thousand pieces rather than belong to any of these communities or assist them in any way." Therese responded, "We should not be concerned about such matters at all. It is true that I would be of your opinion and act perhaps in the same way had I any responsibility in the matter. But I have no obligation whatsoever. Moreover, our only duty is to become united to God. Even if we were members of those communities which are being publicly criticized for their defections, we would be greatly at fault in becoming disquieted." Therese's advice to Celine is basic for maintaining sanity. It asks her to differentiate what she can do from what she can't. What could a cloistered nun in nineteenth-century France do about the political situation except pray and be faithful to her vocation? Put positively, how does God want Celine to be responsible regarding the political situation of France? Ruminating about what we would do if our life were different does nothing except churn us up inside and tempt us to neglect what we are called to. St. Teresa of Avila wrote that **"sometimes the devil gives us great desires so that we will avoid setting ourselves to the task at hand, serving our Lord in possible things, and instead be content with having desired the impossible."**

Being able to focus on the task at hand when the whole world is falling around us not only can keep us sane, but also may be a sign of deep holiness. The two are often interrelated.

Peace,

Fr. Rogers

THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK PARISH

Sunday, September 29

Children's Liturgy of the Word	9:00AM	C
PREP Classes	10:00AM	S
Bereavement Meeting	1:00PM	BH

Monday, September 30

Eucharistic Adoration	8AM-7:30PM	C
PREP Classes	4:45PM	S

Tuesday, October 1

Symbolon Adult Education	7:00PM	BH
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Wednesday, October 2

St. Rocco PREP	3:30PM	S
Fall Adult Education Series	7:00PM	BH
Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00PM	C

Thursday, October 3

St. Rocco PREP	3:30PM	S
KOC Monthly Meeting	7:00PM	CB
Credo	7:00PM	PO

Friday, October 4

Saturday, October 5

Rosary	8:30AM & 4:30PM	C
Jubilee Pictures	9:00-5:00PM	CHMR
Guitar Group Practice	10:30AM	S
BH- Buffington House		
C- Church		
CB- Church Basement		
CHMR- Chapel Meeting Room		
PO- Parish Office		
S- School		

St. Patrick Jubilee Yearbook-Parishioner Photographs-IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

Help St. Patrick's commemorate our 150th Jubilee Year and be part of our legacy! Lifetouch Studios will be at St. Patrick's during the month of October for our Jubilee Yearbook photography event. We need **ALL** of our parishioners to sign up to make our jubilee year complete! It is not too late to sign up and be part of this event. **Did you know?** Every participating parishioner receives a free 8x10 portrait that will be delivered before the holidays. You will also receive a printed copy of our Jubilee Yearbook. Photography session times are still available and sign-ups will be held this weekend after all Masses. You may also sign up online through our parish website. Sign up today!



HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

The holidays will be here before we know it. Let us celebrate the bounty of the Lord with those who are less fortunate. As a parish community, let us join together by bringing as many items as you can hold to the vestibule of our church during the months of Sept., Oct., and Nov. for the Kennett Food Cupboard.

- box of stuffing
- turkey gravy
- box of mashed potatoes
- box cake mix
- can of corn
- can of string beans
- can of yams
- can of pumpkin pie mix
- can of condensed milk
- box of pie crust mix

Final day of collection is November 6, 2019

CENSUS FORM

We have inserted a larger version of our census form in the bulletin. Please feel free to use this form rather than the one you received in the mail.

Sorry for any inconvenience.



It is time for the blessing of your pets! Bring your 4 legged creatures to be blessed. Father Rogers will be ready to greet all the rational and irrational animals!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2019

10:30 IN THE COURTYARD



Parish
Religious
Education
Program

The month of October will be a very busy time for our parish. Listed are dates to remember for our PREP families. We look forward to seeing our families as they support their children's Catholic faith formation.

October 6 at 10:00AM-Sunday PREP children's Living Rosary

October 7 at 4:45PM-Monday PREP children's Living Rosar

October 13-Family Class Mass for 2nd grade PREP students and parish children who attend Catholic and private schools, who are making the sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2019-2020.

Immediately after the Mass we ask the families of these children to attend a short meeting about preparation for the sacraments. Those families unable to attend this brief meeting are asked to contact the Office of Religious Education to obtain information regarding their child's reception of the sacraments. Please contact Marianne Kane at 610-444-2214 or stpadre15@gmail.com

Respect Life Sunday Life Chain-Sunday, October 6, please gather along both sides of Cypress Street at 2:30-3:30PM for a powerful demonstration to defend LIFE. Please join your fellow St. Patrick parishioners to bear witness and share with the Kennett Square Community your commitment to the culture of life.

Pray a Public Rosary-You are invited to pray a Rosary on the sidewalk next to the Religious Education Center on Saturday, October 12 at **10:00AM** to commemorate the 102nd anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima. There is expected to be more than 20,000 other Rosary Rally groups throughout the United States who will be praying the Rosary on this same day/time. Praying the Rosary in public is exhilarating and powerful! Our Lady will pour forth graces on the entire world and bring peace! Everyone is WELCOME-including non-Catholics and children. Invite your family and friends! FREE Rosaries will be provided. More information can be found on the America Needs Fatima website at www.americaneedsfatima.org. Questions? Contact Susan at 610-388-6334.

FLU SHOTS AVAILABLE



Flu shots will be available on Sunday, October 6 from 8:00AM to Noon, in the church basement. The flu shots are made possible by "Rite Aid Pharmacy" of Kennett Square.

It is also "Donut Sunday", so after your shot treat yourself and enjoy a donut!

The Knights of Columbus Change for Life Program begins the weekend of September 28 through October 27. Be sure to get your baby bottle after Mass and return it filled with change or bills. Return the bottle by October 27 and make 2019 a big success in support of life!

OKTOBERFEST-Join us for the annual fall parish picnic which will be celebrated as part of our Jubilee Year as Oktoberfest! This family friendly event takes place on Sunday, October 13 from 1:00PM-5:00PM on the lawn located behind the church. All the fun includes a special jubilee brew from Braeloch Brewing, delicious buffet from Hood's BBQ, lawn games, DJ, bonfire, volleyball, and pumpkin contest! Tickets will be sold both online now through September 29, and after Sunday Masses ending on September 29. Learn more at:

stpatrickkennettsquare.org/events

Sunday Celebrant Schedule-Subject to Change

October 5-6, 2019

- 5:00 Fr. Rogers
- 7:30 Fr. Rogers
- 9:00 Fr. Rogers
- 10:30 Fr. Morrissey
- 12:00 Fr. Rogers

Sunday Collection

September 21-22, 2019

This year-\$12,235.00
Last year-\$14,618.44



COMING UP THIS JUBILEE YEAR:

October 6, 2019	Noon	Dedication of New Altar in St. Patrick's Church-Celebrant: Bishop McIntyre	All are welcome
October 13, 2019	1-5:00PM	St. Patrick's Oktoberfest	St. Patrick Campus Sign-ups required
November 2	5:00PM	Pastoral Visit and Mass Celebrated by Archbishop Chaput	

JUBILEE LEGACY APPEAL UPDATE:

Thank you to all who have responded so far to our special appeal. The response has been terrific. As of July 15, 2019 we have raised \$513,962.00 for our Jubilee Legacy Appeal. Visit our website, click on Jubilee Logo.

SPECIAL JUBILEE EVENT

If you haven't signed up for your photo, please do so today. We're almost out of time to be sure that this project goes forward. We need a minimum number of parishioners to sign up and we still have a considerable shortfall. Please help. It's free. When you sign up for your photo after Mass you can buy tickets for our Oktoberfest. That isn't free, but it's become a favorite, fun tradition here at St. Patrick's and well worth the price of admission.

DID YOU KNOW? The bold color palette in the nave contrasts beautifully with the warmth of the re-finished pews and the new stained wood liturgical pieces. The new structures in the altar area were designed with Gothic proportion and unique molding profiles in the altar, high altar with the tabernacle, pulpit and baptismal font. You should take a look at the lovely design incorporated in all of these important features of the church sanctuary as well as the image of a pelican and her chicks on the front of the altar. Father Rogers explained the meaning of this icon in last week's bulletin. The new crucifix also reflects the same Gothic design. The Corpus of Jesus is the one from the old church. One of Father Rogers' priorities was to keep the same Corpus in the renovated church.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptism: celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each Month. Please call the parish office to schedule.

Matrimony: celebrated throughout the year. Please contact Fr. Rogers.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration is held on the First Sunday of Each Month or at the parish office. Roman Catholics who live within the boundaries of the parish should register in the parish. This will regularize one's status and allow for the issuance of certificates and make possible the arrangements for Baptism, Weddings and Confirmations. 236

Fr. Rogers' homilies are available online:
www.cbr.podbean.com

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Flock Note Sign Up:

Sign up by visiting www.flocknote.com/StPats or text the message 31716 to the Number 84576 from your cell phone.