



# St. Patrick Parish

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

212 Meredith Street, Kennett Square, PA 19348

[www.stpatrickkennettsquare.org](http://www.stpatrickkennettsquare.org)

### MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

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

Weekday Mass:

7:30 AM — Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

7:00 PM - Wednesday

8:00 AM - Saturday

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM in School

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mondays 8:00 AM—7:00 PM in Church

### PARISH OFFICE

205 Lafayette Street

Phone: 610-444-4364 / Fax: 610-444-2129

Hours: 9:00 AM—5:00 PM

Monday through Friday

### BUFFINGTON HOUSE

227 Lafayette Street

*Receiving and Giving the Love of God*



MARCH 5, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



### Clergy

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

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

Rev. Andres Garcia, **In Residence**

Deacon James K. Madonna, Retired

Deacon Alan T. Haley

### Sunday Assistance:

Rev. James T. McCabe

Oblates of St. Francis DeSales

### 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.*

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# Mass Intentions

**Monday, March 6, Lenten Weekday**  
7:30AM Edward Moran  
r/o Eileen Sutton

**Tuesday, March 7, Lenten Weekday, SS. Perpetua & Felicity**  
7:30AM Marlene Brown  
r/o Forte Family

**Wednesday, March 8, Lenten Weekday, St. John of God**  
7:00PM August & Emily DePipo  
r/o Rich & Joe DePippo & Families

**Thursday, March 9, Lenten Weekday, St. Frances of Rome**  
7:30AM Dennis Williams  
r/o Anne

**Friday, March 10, Lenten weekday, Lenten Weekday**  
7:30AM Mario Lorenzut  
r/o Teresa & Lisa

**Saturday, March 11, Lenten Weekday**  
8:00AM Special Intention  
5:00PM Marlene Brown  
r/o Fred & Rose Marie Fieni

**Sunday, March 12, Third Sunday of Lent**  
7:30AM Mass for Parishioners  
9:00AM Durans Family  
r/o Conrad  
10:30AM Marlene Brown  
r/o Charlie, Dianne & Family  
12:00PM August & Emily DePippo  
r/o Joe & Rich DePippo & Families

*"The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." ~ John 6:51*



## **Eucharistic Etiquette:**

*A weekly word about reverence for the Eucharist.*

This past Saturday we celebrated the Feast of our own St. Katherine Drexel, foundress of the Sisters of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Her love for the Eucharist was so clear. May we consider her words and invite her Eucharistic love into our hearts.

"The **Eucharist** is a never-ending sacrifice. It is the Sacrament of love, the supreme love, the act of love." -Katherine Drexel

**All praise and glory is yours, Lord our God, for You have called us to serve You in love. Bless our sick:** Bill Ewell, Rosemary F. Madrigale, Tim Ewell, Rosa Maria Santos, Thomas Layug, Steven Mangini, John Pellegrino, Thomas Kelleher, Diane Jones, Giovanna Sankus, Frankie Knowles, Richard Reynolds, Marc Palfy, Joshua Brown, Maria Rowe, William Morey, Eufemia Ortega Milagros Ada Maldonado, Bryan Pudelka, Miles Kennedy, Diane Stansberry, Diane & Jeff Jones, Ana Teresa Encarnacion, Robert "Mack" Marc-Aurele, Pamela Maldonado, Mary Anne Proch, Aaron Pogue, Susan Walker, Beth Stingel, Kathi Lafferty, Tom Lafferty, David Brice, Jim Feiler, Dianne & Anthony Smith, Florence Ciliberti, Clint Norris III, Samantha Brown, Mary Ellen Rorke Ventrella, Diane Jones, Kaia Rae Watson-Seery, Tony Brown, Tracy Conway, Thomas O'Neil, Barry Fragale, Ron Blevins, Greg Nolan, Tim Hoge, Janice DiGennaro, Ellen Rendel, Chris Baker, Linda Harris, Millie Basile, Vira Smith, Bob McCaffrey, Ed Homa, Chris Santos, Alan Hobbs, Jessica Moorhead, Carmen Rossini, Joe Posse, Maria Ireson, Karen Neyerson, Patrick Romano that they bear this illness in union with Your Son's obedient suffering, restore them to health, and lead them to glory. Amen.

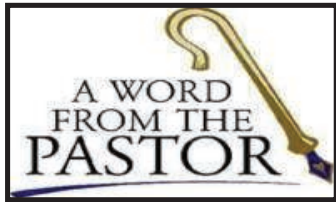
**Names on the prayer list will remain for two months. Please contact the office to add, renew or remove a name.**

**Our Faithful Departed: John "Jack" Murphy**



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**
- SFC Raymond Burke III**
- LCDR Michael Crawford**
- Major Dominic Paul DellaPelle, USMC**
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- LCPL Ben Farrell, USMC**
- 1st LT. USAF Natalie King**
- Army Major Robert C. McDonough**
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- 1st LT. USAF Scott Seidenberg**
- Major Ian C. Whiteman**



My Dear Parishioners,

Praised be Jesus Christ! One of the beautiful aspects of the Lenten Season is its **communal character**. This was on display in a powerful way in our Church on Ash Wednesday and if you were with us that day, you experienced it. With standing room only at all 3 Masses, people patiently waiting in line for ashes, seeing the long line of people of all ages and variety, there was no doubt that we have entered a Season in which we are not alone, but we are with many. We enter this Season with many people, as God’s People, the Church, each and every one of us! Praise God!

In the desert, Jesus may have been alone 40 days in prayer and fasting, being tempted by the devil, but we were on His mind. He did that for us, to give us hope, to reveal His power. In Lent, we are not alone. Jesus is with us and we are with one another. How important and beautiful this is to remember, to know and to believe.

This week, we have an opportunity to experience this once again in our Parish Mission. I encourage you to come to the Mission, use this as a special time, a retreat time, a time to receive God’s Love. Together, we will hear a different voice from the pulpit, a good voice that will challenge and encourage us in our Christian Walk. We have invited other parishes and I know that people are coming in from afar to listen to the preaching and the words of Fr. Emmerich.

In addition, this week, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is having a CONFESSION WEEKEND, Friday and Saturday. Confessions will be heard Friday, March 10th 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Then again on Saturday, March 11th 9:00 am – 11:00 am at St. Gabriel’s in Avondale. Take advantage of this Archdiocesan Wide, Communal experience of coming back to the Lord, with your sins and walking away in His Saving Grace.

Finally, so many are taking advantage of living this Lent with and for others. From our daily Mass attendance to the Stations of the Cross, many are joining us in prayer, in sacrifice and in charity. Each Tuesday Evening, our Bible Study on St. Mark’s Gospel has 19 people in attendance. They are learning about our faith and it’s historical, divine roots. We have a total of 80 people meeting each night of the week in Small Groups.

For all of this, we give thanks. We keep aware of our community and our beautiful opportunity to live this Holy Season well.

May God continue the good work He has begun in us for the Salvation of those in need.

Peace,

Fr. Rogers

# ST. PATRICK PARISH MISSION

Eucharistic Principles of the Spiritual Life

## March 6 - March 9, 2023

Fr. Emmerich comes to St. Patrick for the Mission to reflect on the goodness, beauty, and truth of the faith with which God has gifted us.



**FR. EMMERICH VOGT, OP**

<p><u>Monday thru Thursday</u> Two Daily Options Morning Conference: 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM or Evening Conference: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>Daily Mass 7:30 AM</p> <p>Confessions after Morning Conference</p>	<p><u>Monday thru Wednesday</u> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM</p>
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**ST. PATRICK PARISH WELCOMES FR. EMMERICH VOGT, OP.**

**Please join us this week for our Parish Mission:**

Consider attending Mass (please note there is no 7 PM Mass this Wednesday), attend one of Fr. Emmerich’s conferences, make a good confession, and visit with our Eucharistic Lord. Of note, this Mission WILL NOT be Livestreamed. All conferences will take place in person in Church.

Although NO SIGN UP is required to participate for any part of the Mission, a sign up has been created to ensure the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone. If your schedule permits, please consider making an appointment with our Lord and sign up for an Adoration time by visiting our parish website or [www.signupgenius.com/go/stpatsmission2023](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/stpatsmission2023).

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## ST. PATRICK CHURCH, KENNETT SQUARE, PA

MARCH 5, 2023



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 15346 PRESENT  
**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH GALA**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023  
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Interested in Amazing Bargains?

Looking for a special gift for a dear friend or family member. St. Patrick's Gala should be your first stop. In past galas, local shops, restaurants and small businesses as well as fellow brother Knights have donated over 100 such 'special' gifts for our silent auction. The auction is very important to the Knights since our ticket sales barely cover food and entertainment costs.

Because all proceeds go towards supporting local charities, it isn't surprising that our patrons are exceedingly generous, for which we're extremely appreciative. Given the large number of items and limited number of attendees, it's no wonder that many gifts sell at prices well below their true value. A few of the treasures in this year's auction are:

- Golf outings to local clubs
- A multi month family membership to the YMCA
- A trove of framed fine paintings
- 14K gold pendant with diamond insert from Bove Jewelers
- Gift certificates from LOTS of local restaurants

So join us on March 19 at the Mendenhall Inn to meet your friends, dine on a delicious meal, be entertained and inspired by great artists and walk away with something for your special someone.

Prior gala attendees have commented that with everything happening, they have limited time to examine ALL of the auction items. To help alleviate this problem, we happily announced last week, that this year you can start viewing the Silent Auction items and begin bidding at 1:30 PM. While ONLY the Silent Auction area will be open, in the auction area, the bartender will be ready to serve you and there will be light snacks. Table seating will open promptly at 2:00 PM

**Advance Ticket Purchase is required. Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased after Mass, online through the parish website or in the parish office.**

See you there,  
Brothers of the Knights of Columbus



## CULTURE OF LIFE CORNER

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE...Life is Precious – Defend it!** 40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful, prayerful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. **A total of 22,853 lives have been saved since 2007.**

The St. Patrick Respect Life Ministry, in collaboration with ABVM Respect Life Group, has committed to give witness in front of West Chester's Planned Parenthood on **Thursday, March 23, 2023** from 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM. Please consider joining us to spend one hour in prayer. To sign up for an hour, please visit [www.40daysforlife.com/en/chestercounty](http://www.40daysforlife.com/en/chestercounty). Select "Sign up for Vigil Hours" and then select March 23. For additional questions or help in signing up, contact Jen Keller at [jenkellersp@gmail.com](mailto:jenkellersp@gmail.com).

### **Novena to St. Joseph: For Those on the Path of Adoption March 11 – 19, 2023**

Leading up to the Solemnity of St. Joseph on March 20,\* join us in praying the St. Joseph Adoption Novena found at [www.respectlife.org/adoption-novena](http://www.respectlife.org/adoption-novena). Invoking the intercession of St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, we will pray the Lord blesses all who travel upon the path of adoption. \*Normally March 19th, the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is transferred to Monday, March 20th in 2023 because March 19th falls on a Sunday.



My name is Tony Basilio and I'm a lifelong member of the parish. You may know me because I'm very active in the parish Music Ministry. But today, I want to talk to you about something completely different.

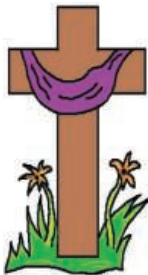
I think we all struggle a bit with what we want to do for Lent. The most popular thing is to "give up" something – sweets, alcohol, TV time, coffee? NAWWW! I also know a lot of folks who do something extra for Lent – morning Mass, Stations of the Cross, family rosary . . . have an additional suggestion.

I volunteer time with the Chester County affiliate of Habitat for Humanity. HFH is a faith-based organization started in 1976 by Millard & Linda Fuller to give a hand up to people who are in need of good quality, affordable housing. At present, there are two worksites in Chester County – Coatesville and West Grove. I'm asking you to join me for a day (8:30 AM to 3 PM) "on the job" in West Grove. In order to be able to work during Lent, I'm looking at Tuesday, March 14th with an alternate (or additional day if enough people sign up) of March 28th. I chose week days because Saturdays are taken up until mid-June.

I can't say what we will be doing since volunteers do whatever needs to be done that day. Construction knowledge & experience, while greatly appreciated, are not a necessity. What is needed are people, ages 16 & up, willing to work to help our neighbors achieve their dream of owning their own house.

If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions, please email me at [tbasilio@verizon.net](mailto:tbasilio@verizon.net) or call me at 302-218-0954.

**CEMETERY CLEANUP—** It's time for the Spring Cleanup at the Cemetery. The work will begin the week of Monday, March 27, 2023. If you want to claim anything you may have placed on the grave during the Winter, please do so now. It is suggested that Palm & Easter Flowers not be placed until after the Spring Cleanup is complete on Saturday, April 1, 2023. As a reminder, no artificial flowers are permitted on graves during the Spring & Summer. 236



The Lord your God will send you a prophet like me from among your own people, and you are to obey him.  
Deuteronomy 18:15

In this week's Gospel, Peter, James and John have a spiritual experience on the mountain. They wanted Jesus' transfiguration; they were brought face to face with the power of God's presence. We too may have a mountain-top experience when we are faced with God's presence in our lives and our spirits renewed. Lent allows us time to focus on renewing our spiritual connection with God. Reflect on a time you felt God's presence in your life.

How did this experience strengthen your faith?

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**Stations of the Cross**

March 10 Levels 3 & 4

**Class Rosary**

March 19 Level 2

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All Confirmation Candidates for March 2023 must attend PREP

Sunday, March 12, 2023

Meet in the St. Joseph Room



Catechesis of the  
**GOOD SHEPHERD**  
"Let the little children come"  
Matthew 19:14

*Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*

*Serving children ages 3-6*

The adult who accepts the silent request of the child: "Help me to come closer to God by myself." We must choose the way to give the child the help they ask for during this

time. As we develop the atrium it is important to provide as many visual and tangible experiences as possible. Thank you to those who have answered our call so far. We are still in need of more handy work. We are looking for someone to make a model ambo as part of our model altar work. Additionally, if anyone is interested in making low bookshelves accessible to the young child, we would greatly appreciate your help. If you would like more information on how you may be able to help us with these projects, please reach out. God bless and thank you for considering helping!

Kelly Pin-Kpin.teacher@gmail.com, mmillerdresp@gmail.com

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Our next Blood Drive will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2023. It will be held in the St. Patrick Religious Education Center (old school) in the St. Joseph Room on the first floor from 12:00PM to 5:00PM. Just like our pantries need constant restocking, so does the blood supply.

When you come to give blood, platelets or AB Elite plasma March 1-31 you will receive a \$10.00 VISA Prepaid Card plus a chance to win a \$3,000 VISA Prepaid Card. There will be five lucky winners.

Sign up to donate by going to RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: stpatrickks to schedule your appointment. Sign up is also available on our WEB site: www.stpatrickkennettsquare.org.



**OUR FAITH COMMUNITY LENTEN FOOD DRIVE IS UNDERWAY!  
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED THUS FAR.**

**Our collection continues through Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023.**

**ST. PATRICK CHURCH WILL BE COLLECTING PASTA, CANNED TOMATOES/SAUCE & SPAGHETTIOS**

Please bring your donations when coming to Church and leave them in the containers found in the Church Vestibule. Thank you for caring for our neighbors in need. Any questions, contact Jen Keller at 610-444-4364.

**Reconciliation Weekend  
throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia**

**COME BE RESTORED TO PEACE.**

**Friday, March 10 and Saturday, March 11, 2023**

No matter how long it's been, Jesus is always waiting to unburden you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Here, you will make your peace with God, with yourself, and with others. On March 10 and 11, priests will be available to hear your confession at many times and locations in the greater Philadelphia area to make it as easy as possible to go. Even if it's been many years, don't let that stop you; the priest is ready to guide you through the process.

Confessions are available at the following times and locations in Chester County:

- St. Joseph, Downingtown: Friday, March 10, 6 PM - 8 PM / Saturday, March 11, 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
- St. Gabriel, Avondale: Friday, March 10, 1 PM - 5 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM / Saturday, March 11, 9 AM - 11 AM
- SS. Simon & Jude, West Chester: Friday, March 10, 5 PM—7 PM / Saturday, March 11, 8 AM - 10 AM

For additional locations visit  
[www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org/reconciliation](http://www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org/reconciliation)

**SOULCORE - SAVE THE DATES -  
SATURDAY, MARCH 18 & SATURDAY, MARCH 25  
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM - ST. JOSEPH ROOM**

For more info, visit [www.stpatrickkennettsquare.org/soulcore](http://www.stpatrickkennettsquare.org/soulcore) 236

THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK PARISH

PARISH MISSION MARCH 6-9 INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON PAGE 3 OF THIS BULLETIN

Sunday, March 5

Children's Liturgy	9:00AM Mass	CB
PREP CLASS	10:00AM	S
Parish Rosary	7:00PM	Zoom
Reach More Small Groups	7:00PM	Home

Monday, March 6

Adoration	8:00AM	C
PREP Class	4:45PM	S
Rosary	7:00PM	C
RCIA	7:00PM	SJR
Reach More Small Groups	7:00PM	BH
Reach More Small Groups –Men's Group	7:00PM	Zoom

Tuesday, March 7

Flame of Love Prayer Group	1:00PM	C
Adult Faith Formation Bible Study	7:00PM	SJR
Reach More Small Groups	10:00AM	SJR
Reach More Small Groups	12:30PM	SJR

Wednesday, March 8

Reach More Small Groups	12:30PM	SJR
Adult Choir Practice	7:30PM	C

Thursday, March 9

Men's Group	6:30AM	SJR
Reach More Small Groups	9:30AM	SJR
Reach More Small Groups	7:00PM	Home

Friday, March 10

Stations of the Cross	7:00PM	C
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Saturday, March 11

Rosary	8:30AM & 4:30PM	C
Confession	3:30PM	SJR



SUNDAY COLLECTION

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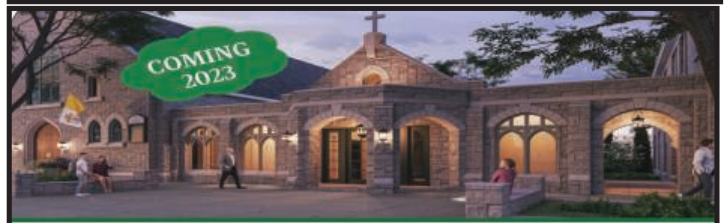
*Do you have a desire to serve your parish family?  
If so, the Parish Council Needs You!*

Saint Patrick's Pastoral Council is seeking a few good men, women, and young people to represent all the people of our growing parish. In particular, we are in **need of six new members** to join us this year.

Praised be Jesus Christ! A word of thanks to all those who have been moved by the Spirit and expressed interest in joining Pastoral Council. If you are interested in learning more about Pastoral Council or would like to nominate yourself, we would love to hear from you!

**COME AND MEET MEMBERS OF OUR PASTORAL COUNCIL THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 5 DURING COFFEE & DONUTS. FIND OUT WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!**

In addition, you can find an Interest Form online through the parish website or through our Parish Flocknote. You can also contact Jen Keller in the Parish Office. All submitted names will be contacted with further information. We look forward to welcoming new members.



LIVING STONES APPEAL  
St. Patrick Connecting Cornerstones Project

WE ARE GETTING CLOSER TO OUR GOAL OF \$1.5 MILLION!  
Thank you to everyone who is part of our Living Stones Appeal to date. The Living Stones Appeal continues throughout 2023. For more information on how you can participate, please visit [www.stpatrickkenettsquare.org/living-stones-appeal/](http://www.stpatrickkenettsquare.org/living-stones-appeal/)



**St. Patrick Parish Rosary  
Sundays at 7:00 PM via Zoom**

To join us online visit [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us). Select JOIN and enter Webinar ID: 878 5447 9881 / Passcode: stpatskq

Please visit the parish website for additional login details and to submit your prayer requests.

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:  
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