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PARISH OFFICE

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday in Pana 2:45-3:25 P.M.
Tuesday in Oconee 5:00-5:30 P.M.
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are ordinarily celebrated at Sunday Celebrations of the Eucharist. Parents wishing to have their child baptized must be registered and practicing members of Saint Patrick's Parish. A sacramental preparation program for all parents is held prior to baptism. It is necessary for all parents to participate. Godparents are also welcome. Please call the Parish Office prior to your child's birth to schedule your participation in the preparation program.

DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS

Bishop Thomas John Paprocki
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217-321-1155

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to Saint Patrick's Parish! We invite you to register as a member of the Parish if you are new in town. Also we invite those young adults, graduated from high school and no longer living at home, to register as well. Please contact the Parish Office and we will gladly assist you in this process.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact Fr. Joseph at least 6 months before the desired wedding date. All those wishing to be married at Saint Patrick's Parish are required to attend a Pre-Cana conference or weekend for the Engaged. To be married at Saint Patrick's Parish you must be a practicing Catholic. Please contact Fr. Joseph for more information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Inquiry sessions are held each fall for adults interested in learning about our Catholic Faith, and for those interested in becoming Catholic. If you are interested, or know someone who is, please call Toni Winchester (217) 824-6503 or the Parish Office (217) 562-5396.

COUNCILS/COMMITTEES/OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Children's Choir
Sacred Heart Organization of Parents (S.H.O.P.)
Adult Choir
Eucharistic Ministers
Lectors
Pastoral Council
Buildings & Grounds
Parish Finance Council
Parish Board of Education
Cemetery Board
Liturgy Committee
Knights of Columbus

Welcome to the Church of St. Patrick's

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 1 - Sol. of Mary, Mother of God
9:00 a.m..... + Clarence & Irene Schmitz

Tuesday, January 2 - St. Basil the Great
8:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m.....**Oconee** - + Ruth Holiday

Wednesday, January 3 - The Most Holy Name of Jesus
8:00 a.m..... + Bob & Rose Zueck
10:00 a.m..... **Prairie Rose**

Thursday, January 4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
8:00 a.m..... + Dennis J. & Anna U. Kennedy, their Children & Spouses

Friday, January 5 - St. John Neumann
8:00 a.m..... + Sandy Spinner by Sue & Cheryl Oller

Saturday, January 6 - Vigil of Epiphany
2:45 - 3:25 p.m..... **Confession**
4:00 p.m.....+ Joyce Schmitz by Leland & Doris Schmitz

Sunday, January 7 - Epiphany of Our Lord
7:30 a.m..... **Oconee** - + Jackie Rudow
9:00 a.m..... + Matt Nollman by Family
10:30 a.m..... Pro Populo

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle, *the Eternal Light*, will be lit the week of December 31 for A.J. Wiss.

MEETINGS

SPY – Sunday, Dec. 31 – No Meeting
RCIA – Monday, Jan. 1 – No Meeting
PSR – Wednesday, Jan. 3 - Grades K - 5 - 3:00-4:30 pm – Parish Hall

In Memoriam

Please remember in your Prayers, Eugene Schmitz, parishioner of St. Patrick's Church. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed by the mercy of God rest in peace.

Ministry Schedule

January 6 – January 7
Servers
Monday 9:00 a.m.....Volunteers
Saturday 4:00 p.m.....Colt Perkins, Riley Gorenz, J.J. Bonn
Sunday 9:00 a.m.....Reid Koons, Abraham Morrow, Aaron Moss
10:30 a.m.....Cash Lynch, Brayden Carlson, Jacelyn Carlson

January 6 – January 7
Extraordinary Ministers
Monday 9:00 a.m.....Rosemary Horthemke
Saturday 4:00 p.m.....Melvin Green
Sunday 9:00 a.m.....Eric McMillen
10:30 a.m.....Ron Swenny

January 6 – January 7
Lectors
Monday 9:00 a.m.....Tom Latonis
Saturday 4:00 p.m.....Tom Latonis
Sunday 9:00 a.m.....Faith Morrison
10:30 a.m.....Secily Fillip

January 6 – January 7
Security Schedule
Monday 9:00 a.m.....Volunteers
Saturday 4:00 p.m.....Greg Gruber, Doug Epley
Sunday 9:00 a.m.....Clint Epley, Sam Nollman
10:30 a.m.....Jim Hicks, Dylan Sisk

NOTICE: If You Are Unable To Be A Server, Lector, Extraordinary Minister, At Your Assigned Time, Please FIND A Replacement.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

I commend those who faithfully take Jesus in Holy Communion to the homebound. May I ask a favor? If you currently take Holy Communion to someone after any of our Masses, would you please let me know whom you are visiting? I have absolutely no issue with this. As a priest, I have the solemn obligation of knowing where the Holy Eucharist is taken. If you would kindly contact Gina in our Parish Office and let her know, I would greatly appreciate it. + Bless you for your charity towards those who cannot be with us!

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On the back page of our bulletin is a suggested Business Directory. Please consider these businesses for their products or services. Because of them, this bulletin is cost-free to the Parish. When you patronize one of them, tell them you saw their ad on our bulletin.

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December 23 - December 24, 2023
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Loose	$397.00
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Religious Retirement	$100.00
Children's Home	$120.00
Christmas Flowers	$15.00
Catholic Times	$30.00
Cemetery	$100.00

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Church Operations

Christmas	$6,900.00
Regular	$1,294.00
Major Repairs	$2,020.00
First Offering	$10.00
Buildings & Grounds	$50.00
Loose	$1,111.00
School (Church's Support)	$400.00
Christmas Flowers	$15.00
Children's Home	$672.00

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

This shouldn't be news to anyone… I would like those who attend Mass on Sundays, especially, to give some thought and reflection to the possibility of offering only one Mass on Sundays. (This will not impact Saturday 4 p.m. Mass) I will address this during Mass after the holidays. There are multiple reasons why this might be a good direction to take. I will share those with you in the New Year. Until then, please give this some consideration. Until we can have deeper conversation, you are free to share your thoughts with me either in person or by email: pastorstpatrick@yahoo.com. I only ask that you be charitable and practical in your response to this. Thank you for your faithfulness to our parish and school! More to follow…

CATHOLIC TIMES

Catholic Times has always been a key communication tool for our diocese. Whether it is important announcements, teaching the faith, or inspirational stories, the magazine provides tremendous value to readers. That was apparent this past year with a special edition highlighting the rich history of our diocese when we celebrated the 100th anniversary of the transfer of the See city from Alton to Springfield and a special edition that captured the historical Eucharistic Congress in Springfield. For another consecutive year, *Catholic Times* received a national award from the Catholic Media Association's national awards program. Also new this past year, Catholic Times launched a new website, dio.org/catholictimes that features podcasts, videos, articles, Bishop Paprocki's column, and a better search tool. We ask parishioners to respond gratefully in support of this communication tool so we can ensure *Catholic Times* remains an inexpensive source of Catholic information, education, and inspiration.

"…as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive." – Colossians 3:13

Forgiving is one of the hardest things for people to do. We can't give what we don't have. We need to receive God's mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others. Go to the sacrament of Reconciliation and receive God's mercy and forgiveness. Then, share the gift of forgiveness with someone – a family member, a friend or a co-worker. Pick up the phone or text someone right now.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

Pray to Protect Human Life: Join others from across the country in praying the 9 Days for Life annual novena, January 16-24, 2024. The novena is for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Sign up at www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup.

LOVING ARMS

We had a good response to Loving Arms Baby Bottle Boomerang campaign. St. Pat's was proud to present $568.00 towards their incredible programs offering Christ-centered care in helping young fathers and mothers choose life in an unplanned pregnancy, as well as prevention and recovery programs. Thank you for giving!

CHURCH NOTICES

- **2024 lector books are available for pick up in the church sacristy.**
- We have 2-$350 spaces available for businesses interested in advertising on our bulletin back cover. Please call the parish office (217-562-5396) to reserve your spot!

KING OF CLUBS

There is no drawing on Saturday, December 30. The next drawing will resume on Saturday, January 6 starting at 7:00 p.m. Board will be set up at 5:00 p.m. 50/50 available. Food served to be announced. Jackpot is $13,500. Must have a PIN number to play. Numbers are free and available when King of Club tickets are sold. Tickets available on Wednesdays prior to the drawing from 4-8:00 p.m. and up to 6:45 p.m. day of the drawing. Please visit facebook.com/PanaKofC896for for additional information.

LOAVES & FISHES FOOD PANTRY

Please continue to support our local food pantry, Loaves & Fishes. Donations of food and nonperishable items may be dropped off in baskets located in the church vestibule. Please remember those who have very little. One canned good/item from each family one weekend a month can make a difference. Food Pantry is open on Mondays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and Fridays 3:00-5:30 p.m. St. Pat's working days for January are Monday, January 8 & 29, 2024. **If anyone is interested in helping out on our designated day, please call the parish office at 217-562-5396.**

THANK YOU

Many thanks to the K of C Hall for allowing SHOP the use of their hall to set up for our annual "Kids Christmas Store." Sacred Heart School students truly enjoy shopping for that special, well thought out gift for parents and family members. The kids look forward to this shopping experience with great excitement, and we thank all parishioners who donated to make this possible. Thank you for your generosity in giving to the "Christmas Store!"