



# Saint Patrick Parish

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August 23, 2015 • Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

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**Irish & More Store**

Open Wed. from 9-12, after Mass  
Saturday & Sunday  
Appointments, call (931)528-3633 or  
(615) 337-5189

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:**

(931) 582-8454  
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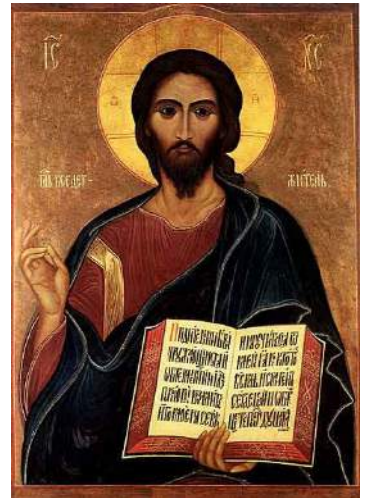
**Prayer Intentions:**

Marcella Moran (931) 296-4399

*“It is the spirit that gives life,  
while the flesh is of no avail.  
The words I have spoken to you  
are Spirit and life. But there are  
some of you who do not believe...*

*For this reason I have told you  
that no one can come to me unless  
it is granted him by my Father.”*

*-John 6:63-65*



**HOLY MASS SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY MASS**

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 pm  
Sunday - 9:00 am

**HOLY DAYS**

As Announced

**WEEKDAY MASS**

8:00 am Monday, Tuesday  
6:00 pm Wednesday  
8:00 am Thursday, Friday, Saturday

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Sundays: 8:00 am Saturdays: 4:00 pm  
7:00 pm Penance Service on the First Friday of every month  
Also by appointment

**24 HOUR ADORATION**

First Friday of every month

**New to the Parish? Welcome! To register as a parishioner of St. Patrick Church, please contact the Parish Office.**

**Are you Connected? If you would like to sign up for our phone tree, which offers updates on Mass changes etc., please contact the Parish Office.**

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Church law directs that Catholics receive marriage preparation and be married in the Church. Please contact the office at least four months prior to the wedding. Advent and Lent are Penitential Seasons; weddings are discouraged during these seasons.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Baptism should take place A.S.A.P. following birth. Expectant parents should contact the office for baptismal preparation.

**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:** Anyone in danger of death from illness or old age should receive this sacrament. Please inform Father Michael of any parishioners who are seriously ill.

**Religious Education Classes (CCD):**

Is available for Grades Pre-K - 8. 10:30 am on Sunday in the school.

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

**FAITH FORMATION**

**RCIA- INQUIRY INTO THE FAITH**

With the gift of Jesus' Precious Blood on the Cross and in the Eucharist, let us reflect on the freedom given to us through our Baptism into him - to be heirs of the promise and liberated from sin. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the way by which persons become "citizens of the Kingdom" through Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. Inquiry sessions have begun. For more information, please contact Alyssa Ginter. This Wednesday, RCIA will be in the Teen Hall at 7 PM.

**SEARCH** is a weekend retreat for rising juniors and seniors in the Diocese of Nashville. **SEARCH** uses peer-to-peer or "youth talking to youth" ministry to foster an environment of acceptance & encouragement. Our teen led teams provide an opportunity for the Holy Spirit to help us all grow closer to Christ. Check available dates and register online here at [www.dioceseofnashville.com/cyo-search](http://www.dioceseofnashville.com/cyo-search). Spots fill up quickly and most retreats sell out a month in advance! If you have any questions, please email Brandon Quigley at [brandon.quigley@dioceseofnashville.com](mailto:brandon.quigley@dioceseofnashville.com)

**HAVE YOU READ THE LATEST?**

*On Care for Our Common Home (Laudato Si')* is the new appeal from Pope Francis addressed to "every person living on this planet" for an inclusive dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. Read the encyclical in its entirety online at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org). **Read up now and get ready for a special discussion night at St. Patrick's on August 31<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in the Teen Hall.**

**FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN**

Parish religious education classes will be starting soon. Children entering 7th and 8th grade may be eligible to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this year. We are also looking for Catechists who would like to share their faith with the children in our program. **Register this Sunday after Mass in the Teen Hall.**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO MAKE A HOLY HOUR BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.**

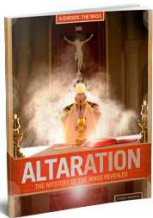
Eucharistic Adoration. It is the coming in prayer before the Real Presence of God found in the exposed Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed in a "monstrance" (gold stand) so that the Host is clearly visible to all who come to pray. Outside of Mass, we come to Adoration to be with Jesus in the Eucharist to pray to Him, to listen to Him, to rest in Him, and to keep Him company.



**Call the Church Office to sign up for an hour or more with our Lord for 24 HR First Friday Eucharistic Adoration on September 4<sup>th</sup>.**



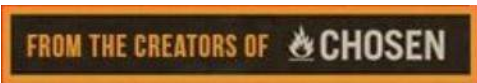
**The Answer to "Why Do I Have to Go to Mass?"**



Through a unique five-part\* series learning experience, teens will come to see the Mass and the priesthood in a dramatically new way.

AltARATION is designed to stir thought, create conversation, dispel myths, and inspire young souls to a deep and lasting love for the Mass through powerful videos and small group discussions that allow you to talk about what you're seeing—and ask your own questions about the Mass and the Catholic Faith.

\*To be completed over a 5 week period every Wednesday beginning September, 7 pm in the Teen Hall. For more information, please call Alyssa Ginter at (931) 209-6859 or email [jandaginter@comcast.net](mailto:jandaginter@comcast.net)



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY**

Join us for Breakfast following 9 AM Mass next Sunday. The Knights will be serving Mrs. Helen's homemade biscuits, sausage & eggs.

The breakfast is free, and all donations go towards the Capital Campaign fund.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

**VINCENTIAN MEDITATION**

In today's Gospel Jesus asks, "Do you also want to leave?" We must ask ourselves if we really want to hear the good news of his love for us and for others. Is the word of God able to break into our consciousness, change us and call us to hear the cries of the poor?



**As you give your gift to the poor through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, in your heart you also will find the good news of God's Love.**  
The next food distribution is August 25<sup>th</sup>.

**SVDP GARAGE SALE**

The second annual SVdP Garage Sale is fast approaching. Please call the office if you have any goods to donate as storage units are available. All proceeds are used in Humphreys County to assist our neighbors in need.

The dates are September 11 and September 12. We appreciate your generosity!



**BUSINESS DIRECTORY**

**ST. PATRICK'S BUSINESS DIRECTORY**

If you or someone you know in the Parish or School has a business, provides a service, sells a product, etc., please invite them to submit their listing for our new online business directory. **We are currently collecting business directory requests.**

This service is free for registered members of St. Patrick Church and for families or individuals affiliated with our school. To submit your listing for approval, please fill out a request form either online at [stpatrickmcewen.org](http://stpatrickmcewen.org) (About > St. Patrick's Business Directory) or pick up a form in the back of the Church.

**We invite our parishioners and friends to patronize businesses which serve our local community!**

DATE	8/22	8/23	8/29	8/30
LECTOR	Lynn Frost	Terry Coleman	Erin Ginter	Laura Ross
EMOHC	Anne Hamann	William Minnis	Wade Garmon	Vicki James
	Tom Powers	Vince Brewster	Tom Powers	Dan Cesario
		Bridget Ross		Mary Chaney

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**AUGUST 23, 2015**

**21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."*

*(Joshua 24:15)*

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a partner in the work of the Lord. A partner is a person who invests their time, talent and treasure. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!

Last Sunday's Collection: \$3,600.46

Needed Each Week: \$3,673.00

For the week: Under Budget (\$72.54)

Year to date: Under Budget (\$1,022.93)

Last Weekend's Sunday Attendance: 128

*"Father Baltrus,  
Your kindness & gifts for my brother and his family are beyond generous. The ability for Evilin to visit and support her father during this time will change her and our family life.  
Thank you and St. Patrick's members.  
With gratitude, Paul Citro"*

**THE SECOND ANNUAL SAN GENNARO MUSICFEST**

Reminiscent of the Italian Street Fair of years gone by, this event at the Cathedral of the Incarnation in Nashville, Tennessee is the largest event of it's kind in Midtown, and this year admission is FREE!

This year's festival is planned for September 19th & 20th, 2015, to coincide with the Feast Day of San Gennaro, Patron Saint of Naples. Chock full of fun and entertainment, a wide variety of local and traditional Italian foods and beverages, tours of the historic Cathedral, wine tastings in our beautiful courtyards, artisans, and an expanded activity area for children.

More info at [sangennaromusicfest.org](http://sangennaromusicfest.org)





# PRAYER INTENTIONS

# Weekly Calendar of Events

**\*FOR THE HEALTH & RECOVERY OF OUR PARISH FAMILY:** Lisa Smith, Helen Nichols, Donna Zuercher, Joe Sheehy, Peggy Hooper, W.L. (Moe) Needham, Frances Gran- nis, Christopher Proctor, Neil Wilson, John Peeler, Nicole Moore, James Citro, Diane Mac- conni, Patricia Harbison, Denny Claude, Walter Holland, Zoerita Proctor, Lester Collier, Tatum Wilson, Carson Trout, Mary Tarp, Tom Pow- ers, Darlene Stroba, Judy Smith, Jane Sparks, Harley Grebner, Barbara Hooper, Elvira Kin- dred, Susan Hooper, Donna Bradley, Marc Eichhorn.

**\*FOR THOSE IN THE NURSING HOMES:** Waverly Health Care- Gail Thomas. Humphreys County Nursing Home- Joyce Whitaker.

**\*FOR THOSE ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE MILITARY:** Marc White, Buford Rachford, Miguel Martinez, Mitch Lagan, Jim Coleman, Jonathan Bourke, Brandt Strickland, Wiley Barnes, Raymond Schneider, Jesse B. James II, Collin Trout.

**\*SEMINARIANS:**

Rev. Mr. Joe Fessenden, Anh Tuan Phan, Rodolfo Rivera, Anthony Stewart.



**\*FOR ALL OF OUR OTHER PRAYER INTENTIONS:**

Kelly Lagan Spelman, Peggy Wallace, all who are served by the SVdP Society, Johnny Lagan, Ray Maasen, Jason Lagan, Katherine Perigo, Earl Wright, James Mat- lock, Cash Scholes, Micky Burns, Gregg Spickard, Jerry Smith, Betsy Hickman, John Diehl, Michiko Eberle, Tina Cooley, Roman Lood, Murphy Copeland, Ryan Simpson, Eric Warden

**EVENING WITH THE SPIRIT**

This Sunday, join Father Michael in the Church for prayers and songs of praise. August 23 at 6 PM.



**IRISH AND MORE**

St. Patrick & St. Christopher decals, beautiful art work, plus many more items are available for purchase.

**AUGUST SACRISTANS:** Jean Copeland, Christina Matt, Melissa Harbison

<p><b>Sunday, August 23:</b>                  Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b                  Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21                  Eph 5:21-32                  Jn 6:60-69</p>	8:00 am Confession 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass for St. Patrick Parish CCD Registration 6:00 pm "Evening with the Spirit"
<p><b>Monday, August 24:</b>                  Rv 21:9b-14                  Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18                  Jn 1:45-51</p>	8:00 am Mass for Cindy Barnes 6:30 pm Finance Meeting
<p><b>Tuesday, August 25:</b>                  1 Thes 2:1-8                  Ps 139:1-3, 4-6                  Mt 23:23-26</p>	8:00 am Mass for Bridget Ross 9:00 am Legion of Mary SVDP Food Distribution
<p><b>Wednesday, August 26:</b>                  1 Thes 2:9-13                  Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab                  Mt 23:27-32</p>	6:00 pm Mass for Eva Shoulta 7:00 pm RCIA
<p><b>Thursday, August 27:</b>                  1 Thes 3:7-13                  Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17                  Mt 24:42-51</p>	8:00 am Mass for Vicki Holland
<p><b>Friday, August 28:</b>                  1 Thes 4:1-8                  Ps 97:1 &amp; 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12                  Mt 25:1-13</p>	8:00 am Mass for Tom Powers
<p><b>Saturday, August 29:</b>                  1 Thes 4:9-11                  Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9                  Mk 6:17-29</p>	8 00 am Mass for Special Intention 4:00 pm Confession 4:30 pm Rosary 5:00 pm Mass for Tommy Hooper
<p><b>Sunday, August 30:</b>                  Dt 4:1-2, 6-8                  Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5                  Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27                  Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23</p>	8:00 am Confession 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass for St. Patrick Parish Knight's Breakfast 10:30 CCD