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Monday through Thursday: 8:30 am - 8:00 pm Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

#### LITURGY:

Weekend Mass: Saturday 4:30 pm and Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 5:00 pm Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00 am Holy Days: 8:00 am, 12:05 pm and 5:30 pm

#### SACRAMENTS:

**Baptism:** To arrange a baptism and begin the required preparation class, call 480-998-3843 a minimum of three months in advance.

**Marriage:** Arrangements must be made a minimum of nine months in advance. Call the Parish Office for an appointment.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 pm

**Anointing of the Sick or Communion to the Sick:** To request either sacrament, call the Parish Office.

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# First Down with Fr. Eric5 0 4 0 30 20 10



#### Dear Friends,

Regarding the recent news from the Vatican regarding blessings, specifically for LGBTQ couples, and for the divorced who are remarried, at every Mass the priest blesses everyone. This always includes people who struggle with sin, or not fully living the ideal of the Gospel and Church teaching. The point of the blessing is God has a desire to bless everyone. What we do with the grace the blessings offer us is up to us.

Pope Francis is reminding us that a priest can bless anyone/everyone and this has always been done. Now the priest can consecrate only males with females for the blessing of

marriage. There is a distinction (always has been) in the point and power of the blessing. Some can be offered by the non-ordained if given in the individual's name, like a dad giving his blessing to a marriage or a parent blessing their child like we do at Mass for Children's Liturgy of the Word. When done in the name of the whole Body of Christ, ordination is what is needed.

The Church is stating that in the name of the Church, a priest can bless a gay couple, as in asking God to help and guide them. The priest cannot bless a gay couple in the manner of uniting them in the sacramental covenant relationship. When a priest blesses many things at a given Mass and asks God to become a sign of grace, it is not the same as a consecratory blessing (of bread and wine for example). Pope Francis is NOT really saying anything new here. Blessings do not impart approval, they impart the grace to lead to approval. This can be confusing for people because we are at the mercy of all types of media that are not experts or understand how the church works. I would say St. Patrick has been doing this all along, blessing all types of people, being pastoral and compassionate. Calling people to deeper conversion. The Pope wants a bigger tent where there is room for everyone.

I hope this helps give a better understanding for people regarding how we strive to be an inclusive people of God.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Eric



#### **Christian Disciples in Mission** Living Beyond Sunday

#### BY MARY PERMODA, **Director of Pastoral Activities**



January 15, 1929 - April 4, 1968

Martin Luther King Jr. was an American Baptist minister, activist, and political philosopher who was one of the most prominent leaders in the civil rights movement from 1955 until his assassination in 1968. A Black church leader and a son of an early civil rights activist, Dr. King advanced civil rights for people of color in the United States through non-violence and civil disobedience.



We honor Dr. Martin Luther King Ir. this year on Monday, January 15. Dr. King changed the course of history and inspired us to build what he called "the beloved community."

#### **Christian Disciples in Mission!**

Dear MOMS Group, St. Patrick Parishioners and Social Justice and Outreach Team,



I want to take this opportunity to thank you for organizing the donation drive to help Monte Vista Baptist Church assist asylum seekers and migrants. Please let all those who donated know how much it was appreciated.

A little bit about Monte Vista. It's a small church in central Phoenix headed by Pastor Campos. Four days a week, the church welcomes 50-150 asylum seekers/migrants a day. They are dropped off by a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement bus after they've been processed by the U.S. Border Patrol. The guests are given food, clothing, and help making travel arrangements. There are two mobile showering units. They are not at the

church long, usually one night before traveling to their families or host families throughout the country.

The guests come from all over the world. I have seen more and more families with young children. Other government and non-government agencies assisting asylum seekers are reporting the same.

As I hand out toiletries I find myself wondering, how do these mothers make this long and dangerous journey with a baby in one arm and a young child in another. They are tired. Yet once they step out of the shower, combing their long hair and their children's hair, they are smiling. You can feel the hope, the renewal.

On behalf of all of them I thank you again, you have helped them 'walk' their journey. Faith in Action.

May you each have a blessed Christmas season filled with love, joy, and peace, Lulu O'Meara, St. Patrick's Social Justice Ministry



To learn more about DIGNITY Diversion or to donate, call 1-602-258-2785 or visit us at Cat en, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" Mattl







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#### Stewardship

Prayer: Lord, thank you for meeting me exactly where I am. Thank you for seeking me, even when I am sleeping. Thank you for loving me, even when I am unlovable. You are more than I deserve, yet you give me the great gift of receiving your love each and every day. May I never take for granted the fact that you were always seeking me. In my darkest moments, teach me how to open my arms wide, and receive the great wealth of grace you wish to lavish upon me each day. I love you Lord. Amen.

Do you look at your prayer life, Mass attendance, scripture study, and other "holy" activities as your pursuit of God? Certainly, we are all pursuing the Lord in our own ways, hopefully daily. That being said, it's one of the greatest mistakes modern Christians make to believe that the Christian life is all about us pursuing God. In reality, Christianity is about God's pursuit of us.

The first reading reminds us of this. Here's Samuel, being discipled by Eli, and guite literally sleeping in the Temple, the dwelling place of the Lord. From this perspective, one could say that both Eli and Samuel were seeking the Lord. Both were responding to the great call of the Lord. The gospel mirrors and accentuates this point even further as we again see God calling out to those whom he desires, this time his future apostles.

Why does God choose to empower and use imperfect sinners in his mission of salvation? In part, it's because he sees far more in us than we do in ourselves. As St. Paul affirms to the sinful masses in Corinth, we are not merely bodies; we are also souls. God looks at us as living and holy temples set apart from the world! The Lord is always seeking us, desiring to use us to spread his message of mercy and love. He needs only our humble and joy-filled response that is echoed in the psalm: "Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will!"

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#### Catholics who need to be Confirmed, THIS MESSAGE IS FOR YOU!

Have you been BAPTIZED but never received your **CONFIRMATION?** Now might be the right time to receive your final Sacrament of Initiation.

All you need to do is show up on January 27, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm with your baptism certificate, sponsor (if they can come), and your birth certificate. If you need a bit more time to get your Baptism Certificate or Birth Certificate, Dr. Lenny will work with you to get it done.

Dr. Lenny Kelley is doing a one-morning Sacrament of Confirmation workshop for all Baptized Catholics. I know many of you have been thinking about receiving your Confirmation for some time because you have told me. Now is your chance.

The Actual Confirmation will happen at the Easter Vigil (March 30) or when the Confirmation Mass is scheduled by the Diocese of Phoenix Bishop's office (TBD at this time).

What do you need to do to receive your Confirmation?

- 1. Register by emailing **lkelley@stpatcc.org** with the subject line reading "Adult Confirmation."
- 2. Get your baptism certificate from the parish where you were baptized.
- 3. Send your baptism certificate to **lkelley@stpatcc.org** or bring it with you on January 27.
- Show up at the Easter Vigil or when the Bishop 4. schedules Confirmations and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Lenny at 480-998-3843 or lkelley@stpatcc.org.



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#### **Words and Prayers from MLK**

"God, remove all bitterness from my heart and give me the strength and courage to face any disaster that comes my way."

"Love is the most durable power in the world. This creative force, so beautifully exemplified in the life of our Christ, is the most potent instrument available in mankind's quest for peace and security."

"True peace is not just the absence of tension; it is the presence of justice."

"O God, make us willing to do your will, come what may. Increase the number of persons of good will and moral sensitivity. Give us renewed confidence in nonviolence and the way of love as taught by Christ. Amen."







# BREAK THE SILENCE. BREAK THE CHAINS.



A TALK ABOUT HOW TO STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING WITH EXPERT JIM GALLAGHER

> Guest Speaker Presentation Monday, January 29, 2024 6:30 p.m.

St. Catherine of Bologna Performing Arts Center Notre Dame Prep | 9701 E. Bell Road, Scottsdale RSVP at ndpsaints.org/speaker

#### FIND OUT HOW TO:

- GET INVOLVED
- · AVOID TRAPS
- KNOW WHAT TO BE AWARE AND MINDFUL OF
- MINISTER TO OTHERS

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# LENTEN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR ST. PATRICK COMMUNITY



ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN DISCIPLES IN MISSION Looking for a deeper commitment to live as *Christian Disciples in Mission*? Lent is a great time to start!

Come join the St. Patrick Calling Ministry where you will reach out to our entire Parish Community.

- Training is provided.
- Call from the comfort of your home.
- Flexible calling times and days.

For more information, please email callingministry@stpatcc.org or call Gina Accola at 602-793-0585.



# GET ON THE BUS AZ MAY 10

This Ministry works one-on-one with each family to prepare for the visit in May. If you're interested in being an interviewer, please join us on January 18 at 6:30 pm in the Daily Mass Chapel.



Get on the Bus Arizona and St. Patrick Catholic Community provide for the reunification of children, their guardians, or caregivers with their incarcerated Mothers for Mother's Day. Your help is greatly needed.

There are many jobs, both large and small that will need to be done before this May. Please join us in making the day a memorable one for Mothers and their children.

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If you have any questions, please email gotb@stpatcc.org.





For information about these ministries, contact Laura Whitney at lwhitney@stpatcc.org

Golf Cart Ministry golfcarts@stpatcc.org



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN DISCIPLES IN MISSION

#### **Social Justice**



**Just Faith** formation sessions are once again being offered. Parishioners who have participated in these classes walked away with transformed hearts and guidance towards their personal faith response.

The upcoming topic is **Indigenous Justice** and will consist of eight sessions. Your small faith group will meet once a week to learn about this issue through prayer, readings, meditation, videos, and discussion:

Session 1: The Places We Call Home

Session 2: Whose Land?

Session 3: Sacred Land, Sacred Air, Sacred Water

Session 4: Stolen Children

Session 5: Exile

Session 6: Honoring Indigenous Women Immersion Experience

#### **Immersion Experience:** Session 7: "We Are Still Here!": Sovereignty and Representation

Session 8: "Solidarity is Not Symbolic"

Schedule options will be:

Tuesday evenings - January 30 - March 19, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

#### OR

#### Thursday mornings - February 1 - March 21, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Both session options will be held in the House of Mercy (Dorothy Day Room).

For questions: Email ministry leader Kris Jacober at justfaith@stpatcc.org.

For signups: Go to **rock.stpatcc.org/justfaith** and choose your time slot.

### Mass Readings

#### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10,19 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a,17-20 Gospel Reading: John 1:35-42

Next Sunday:

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Gospel Reading: Mark 1:14-20

## Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Monday, January 15

8:00 am Rose & Frank Ligammari

### Tuesday, January 16

8:00 am 🛛 🕄 Joe Villa

#### Wednesday, January 17

8:00 am Catherine Anne Mullan

#### Thursday, January 18

8:00 am 🕆 Esther Litivin

#### Friday, January 19

8:00 am 🕅 Maureen Wilner

#### Saturday, January 20

4:30 pm ♥Sherry Roselius

#### Sunday, January 21

| 8:30 am  |  |
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| 10:30 am |  |
| 5:00 pm  |  |

If you would like a specific Mass Intention offered for someone, living or deceased, please come to the Parish Office to schedule one.

#### **Nurses Corner**

### BABY HEALTH

Tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics to reduce the risk of SIDSsleep-related infant death.

- The baby should sleep on a firm, flat non-inclined surface.
- Sitting devices, such as car seats, strollers, swings, infant carriers, and infant slings, are not recommended for routine sleep for infants younger than four months.
- Breastfeeding reduces the risk of sleep-related infant deaths, and while any human milk feeding is more protective than none, two months of feeding at least partial human milk has been demonstrated to significantly lower the risk of sleep-related deaths.
- Parents may sleep in the same room but not in the same bed as a baby.
- Avoid parent and infant exposure to nicotine, alcohol, marijuana, opioids, and illicit drugs.
- Make sure the baby receives routine immunizations.
- Pacifier use is associated with reducing risk.
- Avoid the use of commercial devices that claim to reduce the risk of SIDS or other sleep-related deaths. There is no evidence that any of these devices reduce the risk of these deaths.
- Supervised, awake tummy time is recommended to facilitate infant development. Parents are encouraged to place the infant in tummy time while awake and supervised for short periods of time beginning soon after hospital discharge, increasing incrementally to at least 15 to 30 minutes total daily by 7 weeks of age.

#### **CARE and SUPPORT AT ST. PATRICK**

**Cancer Support** This support group is for those dealing with the effects of cancer in their lives and their families' lives. Group meets virtually the first Wednesday of the month, September to May, 7:00 - 8:30 pm. For more information please contact Gloria Yturralde at 602-370-7042.

**Divorced/Separated** The "Catholic Divorce Survival Guide" is a twelve part program of sharing, comfort, and healing for divorced or separated people. It is a journey of learning, reflection, and prayer. All are welcome. This course is offered in the spring and fall. For more information contact Benny Jetson at 602-920-1671 or Therese Mexas at 480-278-3805.

**Family, Personal Support** Catholic Charities Counselor available Mondays from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. For an appointment call 602-749-4405. Fees based on sliding scale.

**Annulment Support**—A group of annulment ministers help people navigate the system of annulments in the Phoenix Diocese. For an appointment call 480-264-4319.

**Prayer Support** Small Christian Communities is a support for people who have a desire to pray with others in a supportive community. For prayer requests email to **weprayforyou@stpatcc.org**.

**Grief Support** Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one GriefShare is a special weekly Monday or Tuesday seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Please contact Kathleen Trilk at **ktrilk@stpatcc.org**.

**Benefits Assistance Program** Assistance with Medicare and other health insurance benefits available for seniors, the disabled and caregivers. For information, please call Connie Jada at 480-998-3843 ext. 138.

**The Next Chapter** A group for men and women further along on their grief journey to address the ongoing needs after the loss of a loved one through spiritual, educational and social activities. Please contact Peg Bohnert at **thenextchapter@stpatcc.org.** 

**NAMI Family Support Group** - This group is a free, confidential and safe place, open to family members, partners and friends of individuals living with a mental illness in order to support each other. Group meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 6:00-7:30 pm in the House of Mercy/Pope Francis Room. Questions: namimaricopa@gmail.com.

**Hope Exists** Is a confidential, no cost support group for parents and families suffering from the effects of a loved one's addiction. We offer educational topics from the recovery community and a network of support that goes beyond just the meeting. We meet Sat. 10-11:30 am at St. Patrick's House of Mercy building E. For more information call 480-998-3843 or email **hopeexists@stpatcc.org**.

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## January Weddings

#### January 6

*Steve Gruber and Megan Moura* Mentored by Connie and Jose Diaz

January 20 Cody Wagner and Peyton Winder Mentored by Stephanie and Matt Clark



### Advanced Theological Studies with Fr. André

The next meeting will be held on **Monday**, **January 22** at 9:00 am in Fenlon Hospitality Center.

Future dates are...

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- February 12
- March 18
- April 22
- May 20
- June 17

**Community News** 

#### 15th Annual Nun Run Saturday, March 2



The Poor Clare Nuns invite you to participate in the 15th Annual Nun Run. They are offering a 10K, 5K Run/Walk, and 1-mile walk at Kiwanis Park in Tempe.

Registration is \$40 for adults (early bird by February 18). Registration for children 18 and under is \$15 before race day.

To learn more about the Poor Clare Nuns and to register or donate, please visit their website at **desertnunrun.com**.





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Diane Kar 480-998-3843 ext. 209 dkar@stpatcc.org **ROCK45** invites 4th & 5th graders to deepen their faith with fun, dynamic evenings that invite them to encounter God's immense love for them. Through games, crafts, service, scripture study and prayer, students grow deeper in knowledge of Christ and the teachings of the Catholic Church. ROCK45 helps our youth foster faith-based friendships. All 4th & 5th graders are invited on Mondays from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the Church/Narthex area.



**ROCK45 is OFF for the Christmas Season and will resume on January 22.** Find our Winter/Spring 2024 Schedule online at **stpatcc.org/families/kids**.

For more information, please reach out to Diane Kar (**dkar@stpatcc.org** 480-998-3843 ext. 209).



Sharon Fabyanic 480-998-3843 ext. 204 sfabyanic@stpatcc.org

Instagram: @stpatrickedge sptheedge.org **EDGE** resumes on Monday, January 22. All middle schoolers are welcome in Fenlon Hospitality Center from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Please check your email for information on our upcoming FREDGE event.



Sharon Fabyanic 480-998-3843 ext. 204 sfabyanic@stpatcc.org

Website: splifeteen.com Facebook Page: facebook.com/splifeteen Instagram: splifeteen

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**Life Teen** is a ministry for high school teens. We meet Sundays following the 5:00 pm Youth Mass until 8:15 pm. All Teens are welcome to attend! We start each evening with dinner and then move on to games, talks, small group discussions, prayer and more. Bring a friend and come check it out!

Life Teen resumes on Sunday, January 21 following the 5:00 pm Mass in our Fenlon Hospitality Center.

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Happy New Year! Have your wisemen found their way to Baby Jesus? Praying our FFF families have enjoyed bringing the Christmas season alive with their FFF materials.

Lenten Materials Pick-Up: Mark your calendars for the weekend of February 3 & 4. Materials will be available before and after all Masses that weekend.

Family Faith Formation is our at home catechetical program, where we support parents with enriching materials to bring faith alive in the home. Questions? Please contact Diane Kar (dkar@stpatcc.org 480-998-3843 ext. 209).



Contact: Carol LoPorto at cloporto@stpatcc.org.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is looking for caring adults who can help facilitate the program during Sunday Mass times. No prior knowledge is needed and training is provided. Please contact Sharon Fabyanic at the parish office if you would like to find out more.

January 14 ~ OFF in observance of MLK Weekend

January 21 ~ CLOW resumes

Young Disciples is a program for potty-trained preschool aged youth, 3-5 years old to encounter the gospel through story, puppets, drama and song. Young Disciples resumes from Christmas Break on Sunday, January 21.

Contact: Sharon Fabyanic at sfabyanic@stpatcc.org.



