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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday through Thursday: 8:30 am - 8:00 pm
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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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Dear Friends,

I worked in the hospitality business while studying my way through seminary school. There was not much else to do in Flagstaff in those years, yet I learned to love what hospitality had to offer. I have met so many people in my life who have a deep passion and love for hosting, serving, and gathering people to enjoy their home. They do it so well and they bring great joy to many people.

For some reason when it comes to being outwardly hospitable in our faith community there can be a hesitation to offer their passion/gift around our Eucharistic table. There are many reasons I am sure as to why people do not step forward to offer our greatest gift at the table of the Lord.

This time of year our parish will be personally inviting parishioners to consider serving as a Eucharistic Minister at Mass or Proclaimer of the Word (Lector). I would like our community to take even more ownership of our worship.

I will be explaining at Masses through the month of January what it means to step forward to serve, to offer ministry of hospitality at our Liturgies.

I am so grateful to the many ministers who already serve in this capacity. Their commitment and willingness to serve is a great witness to many. That is why it makes sense to call forth even more parishioners to serve and offer their gift of hospitality and service.

In the meantime pray about this. The Lord calls all of us to serve in some way because our baptism reminds us we are responsible to one another.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Eric
Christian Disciples in Mission

Living Beyond Sunday

BY MARY PERMODA,
Director of Pastoral Activities

Christian Disciples in Mission!
The Next Chapter (ministry to support those who have lost a spouse) does an annual service project in conjunction with their Christmas luncheon. They have been doing this since the ministry was created about 8-9 years ago.

We loosely use the Reverse Advent Calendar concept along with the nutritious food suggestions our Social Justice and Outreach Team have put out. Well we exceeded expectations. DRUM ROLL please.... We delivered 216 lbs. of GOOD non-perishables to Vista Del Camino (the social service arm of Scottsdale)....from approximately 20 widows and 2 widowers 'of a certain age'!!!! One said she used ALL her Frys coupons to buy her donations.

For more information or to join The Next Chapter you can email thenextchapter@stpatcc.org or call Peg at 480-201-7829.

Christians Disciples in Mission...INDEED!

THANK YOU St. Patrick Catholic Community!

As you may know, we are proud to host and support our local community and behavioral health classes, support groups and advocacy groups by offering our meeting space at no charge. It doesn't go unnoticed! Here is a thank you from one of our AA groups:

We host these vitally important support groups/agencies and they are open to everyone:

- Alcoholics Anonymous - AA
- Women's AA
- NAMI Family Support Group
- Al Anon
- Hope Exists
- Catholic Charities Counseling
- Medicare Benefits
- Fridays 7:00 pm in Matthew
- Thursdays 6:00 pm in Luke
- Tuesdays 6:00 pm in House of Mercy
- Fridays 7:00 pm in Luke
- Saturdays 10:00 am in House of Mercy
- Mondays 8:30 am - 4:00 pm by appt.
- Tuesdays 9:00 am by appt.

More information in the bulletin and weekly email Connection.
Thank you, Lord, for your word. As no word in scripture is devoid of meaning, may your Word make clear to me the meaning of my own life. Please be with me today as I open my heart and mind to understanding you better through your holy Bible. Amen.

Gold, frankincense, and myrrh- why not something the Holy Family could have used, like a horse or a donkey, some new tools for Joseph, or some baby clothes to replace the swaddling cloth? Why are we still talking about these gifts two thousand years later? Beyond their monetary value to the Holy Family, these gifts carry symbolic significance.

Pope Saint Gregory the Great viewed the three gifts in even more practical, spiritual terms for modern followers of Christ, saying “Gold is Christ’s wisdom, which shines in us, frankincense is the prayer and adoration we give him, and the myrrh is our daily self-sacrifices.”

In the first reading, we are told that the glory of the Lord (to come in the Messiah) will shine radiantly through the darkness (one might say, like gold). The psalm reminds us that “every nation on earth will adore you”; adoration and worship-like the use of (frank)incense - are liturgical and priestly acts. The second reading to the Ephesians speaks of “the mystery made known,” which is precisely what we celebrate on Epiphany Sunday: the grand, revealing of God’s mystery to the world. Still, what do these actions and gifts have to do with us in the twenty-first century?

If we want to live as modern Magi, we must put in the effort. We must go to where Jesus is (Holy Mass, sacraments, Word of God, adoration chapel). We must offer our God-given gifts back to him for his glory, not our own. We must worship him and him alone. Then, we must live lives that demonstrate the divine encounter, forever changed by the radiance pouring forth from the manger (tabernacle) at every Mass.

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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, 2024, 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.
4. Show up at the Easter Vigil or when the Bishop 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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GET ON THE BUS AZ
MAY 10

Please join us on January 11 at 6:30 pm in the Daily Mass Chapel for an informational meeting about this wonderful Ministry.

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 big and small that will need to be done before next May. Your help is greatly needed so the day is a success for everyone.

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

A faith-based weekly support group designed to help you rebuild your life after the death of a loved one.

Register at griefshare.org
by selecting one of the workshops at St. Patrick Catholic Community
Questions: griefsupport@stpatcc.org

Attend either:

Mondays
January 22 - April 22
6:00 - 7:30 pm

OR

Tuesdays
January 23 - April 23
10:00 - 11:30 am

House of Mercy
Monday - Dorothy Day Room

Tuesday - Room of Martyrs

ST. PATRICK Catholic 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
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

The Epiphany of the Lord
First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6
Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6
Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Next Sunday:
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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 8
8:00 am  †Barney France

Tuesday, January 9
8:00 am  †Florence Brown

Wednesday, January 10
8:00 am  †Vincent Turco

Thursday, January 11
8:00 am  For the people

Friday, January 12
8:00 am  †Daisy Campana

Saturday, January 13
4:30 pm  †Bill Martin

Sunday, January 14
8:30 am  †Barbara Silbert
10:30 am  †Deb Hausch
5:00 pm  †Rose Turco

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

Benefits of Donating Blood!

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Your Heart Will Thank You
Regularly donating blood may improve your heart health. Donating reduces the thickness of your blood, allowing it to flow more easily through your body and reach your heart faster. A study, published in the American Journal of Epidemiology, found that people who donated blood had an 88% lower risk of suffering a heart attack.

You May Skip the Gym
A study by the University of San Diego found that donating one pint of blood “burns” between 600 and 650 calories. Calories are burned when the body expends energy to replace red blood cells that were removed.

You Can Be Part of a Greater Community
People who frequently donate often develop friendships with the center staff and their fellow donors, who are all committed to helping save lives.

You May Reduce Your Cancer Risk
A study published in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute found that donating blood may reduce the amount of iron people have in their bodies. You need iron to live, but too much can increase your chances of getting cancer. Frequent blood donors had lower risks of liver, lung, colon, stomach, and throat cancer.

It's important to note that these findings don't apply to everyone. Check with your doctor about your iron levels and donating blood.

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.
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...

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

The Just Coffee Ministry will be selling the Cafe Justo brand coffee next weekend on January 13 and 14. You are invited to stop by the table in the Narthex.

Selling this Cafe Justo coffee product supports the farmer cooperative in Mexico and provides their workers with livable wages and job opportunities, ultimately keeping families together on their own land. This is a faith in action ministry at St. Patrick that addresses immigration, trade imbalances, and poverty in third world countries. All workers and families receive healthcare and pensions, and profits are reinvested in their communities.

Community News

Would you like to feel closer to your spouse by resolving conflicts effectively? The more we can work through our issues effectively, the closer we will feel to each other, and the more we will feel heard!!

COUPLE COMMUNICATION PROGRAM - January 13 & 20 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Cost: $200 per couple, includes a continental breakfast and materials. Held at the House of Mercy, St. Patrick.

Start off your year connected!! After our January workshop, the next one will not be until Fall, 2024!! Contact Bonnie to sign up or get more information!

This Program will teach Talking and Listening Skills and a Conflict Resolution Process. It is a wonderful Marriage Enrichment and it is also offered to our Engaged Couples as they prepare for their Marriages.

We have had married couples and engaged couples in this process in the past and it has been most rewarding for all involved! Please join us and improve your communication skills and have some fun!

Contact Bonnie Lewis, LMFT (Instructor) for more information at bonnie@therapywithheart.com.
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. For more information, please reach out to Diane Kar (dkar@stpatcc.org 480-998-3843 ext. 209).

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.

Thank you to our EDGE Core for all of your hard work. You may not know that every week 30 loving adults and caring older teens come together to welcome our EDGE middle schoolers. They engage with these young teens and share their faith journey with them. In this season of giving we are so grateful for the gift that they make each week. If you see an EDGE core member, please say thank you, on behalf of our entire community!

Life Teen is a ministry for high school teens. We meet Sundays following the 5:00 pm Youth Mass until 8:15 pm in our Fenlon Hospitality Center. 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!

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Contact: Carol LoPorto at cloporto@stpatcc.org.

On Christmas Break for Children’s Ministries.

Contact: Sharon Fabyanic at sfabyanic@stpatcc.org.

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