

# St. Patrick Church, Providence



14010 S. RIVER RD, GRAND RAPIDS, OH

JANUARY 7, 2018  
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

## **Plenary Indulgence Available – March for Life:**

By special grant of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, Cardinal Mauro Piacenza, the Major Penitentiary of the Catholic Church, has informed the Bishops of the United States that a plenary indulgence can be obtained by the Christian faithful by taking part in the sacred celebrations of the 2018 March for Life (18-19 January 2018). Those that are unable to attend or participate in the March for Life due to age, sickness, or other grave reason, may also obtain the plenary Indulgence, provided that they have the disposition of detachment from any kind of sin and have the intention of fulfilling, as soon as they are able, the three customary conditions of the Indulgence if they spiritually unite themselves to the sacred events of the March for Life, and also having offered prayers and their sufferings or the ailments of their own life to the merciful God.”

The three customary conditions for receiving the plenary indulgence include: sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayers for the intentions of Pope Francis.

**Snow Emergencies:** If any of our counties (Lucas, Henry, Fulton, or Wood) declare either a Level 2 or 3 we will cancel. We will attempt to put the cancellation on Channel 11 WTOL and Channel 13 WTVG. However, on the weekends television stations have short staffs and so the cancellations may not go up on time for our classes.

This is different than the Diocese policy that mass can be cancelled only for Level 3. This is due to our parishioners/teachers coming from a wide area, and road conditions can be different in different counties. We will not wait until a Level 3 to cancel! Any questions call the parish office at 419-832-5215.

**The Parish Office will be Closed on Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.**

**Helping Hands of St. Louis (Soup Kitchen):** If you wish to donate cupcakes, cookies, cakes, brownies, etc please drop off at St. Patrick’s Providence kitchen. The month of January desserts must be here by the weekend of Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup> and the latest would be Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> by Noon. There are mixes, pans, and frosting available on our kitchen counter for your use. Thank You!

**St. Louis School, Custar:** is currently accepting applications for a part-time secretary. Hours are 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Computer skills are needed- especially knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel. If interested, please call the school office at 419-669-1875 and ask for Ellie Panning.

**Heartbeat of Toledo Baby Bottle Campaign:** Help Heartbeat of Toledo makes a difference in the lives of Toledo-area moms and babies by participating in their baby bottle campaign. Just pick up a baby bottle as you leave church during the weekend of January 6 & 7. Take it home, fill it with your spare change and return it to the box near the church entrance the weekend of January 27 & 28. For more information on Heartbeat call 419-241-9131 or visit [www.heartbeatoftoledo.org](http://www.heartbeatoftoledo.org).

**Family Perspective:** First Sunday/Baptism of our Lord: The words in today’s gospel, “This is my beloved, with Him I am pleased” are words every child needs to hear often. Affirmation is important to raise happy and confident children.

**A Bench for Caps Program:** St. Louis students are collecting all sorts of plastic caps that will be recycled and made into benches for the playground! Some examples are caps from bottled water, pop, milk, medicine bottles, detergent bottles, etc. Flip caps are acceptable, however, no trigger-spray caps. There is a basket available in the back of church to place the caps. We ask that they are rinsed clean. The students will then sort and weigh the caps until we have reached the amount needed. Thank you for helping us!

**“Entering Canaan” Day of Prayer & Healing Retreat for Women (Jan. 27) and Men (Feb. 10):**

Suffering from a past abortion? You’re not alone. Begin your healing journey and experience God’s mercy. The day is hosted by Project Rachel, a ministry of Catholic Charities of Toledo. For more information and confidential reservations, please email [projectrachel@toledodiocese.org](mailto:projectrachel@toledodiocese.org) or call 1-888-456-HOPE or 419-260-5811. For more information on Project Rachel visit [hopeafterabortion.com](http://hopeafterabortion.com).

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**Grand Rapids Blood Drive Thursday Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>:** It will be held at Hosanna Lutheran Church from 1:00 pm – 7 pm. Contact Gloria at 419-215-5416 or online at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org).

**Listen to Mass on Annunciation Radio:** “Listen to the Sunday Mass from EWTN on Annunciation Radio each Sunday at 8 a.m. Tune in to one of our five stations: WNOG 89.7 FM in the Toledo area; WHRQ 88.1 FM in the Sandusky area; WRRO 89.9 FM in the Bryan area; WSHB 89.5 FM in Willard, or WFOT 89.5 FM in the Mansfield area. You can listen live online at [www.AnnunciationRadio.com](http://www.AnnunciationRadio.com). Annunciation Radio, a listener-supported station, has “Faith with Frequency!”



**Please pray for the following housebound and sick:**

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| **Joe Periat     | **Bonnie Piasecki |
| **Ed Bump        | **Rich Piasecki   |
| **Janis Wade     | **Dick Mertes     |
| **Don Westhoven  | **Lillian Mertes  |
| **Alma Westhoven | **Kelly VanOrder  |
| Malory Beasley   | Robert Freeworth  |
| Robert           | Thomas            |
| Gretchen         | Terri             |
| **Cindy Brown    |                   |

\*\* is a member of St. Patrick - On the first Sunday of every month the prayer list will be reset with names that have contacted the office that prior month. You can call our Parish Office @ 419-832-5215 for more details! Thank You!

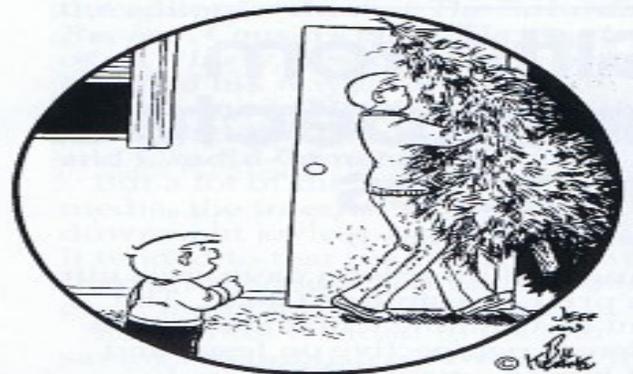
**RE News:** Religious Education classes will resume on Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> for grades 5-9 and on Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> for grades K-4. Welcome back kids!

**Helping Hands...In Need:** They provide several services to those in need. One of those is the 5-day a week lunch-dinner, served from around 10:30 to 12:30. On average, they serve about 200 to 250 patrons, sometimes more. From the get go it has been the policy to encourage any group that wants to assist in the kitchen, the preparation and serving food to the patrons. It was many years ago that St. Patrick’s got involved. The purpose of this writing is to encourage the newly retired, those that can take a day off (some companies encourage volunteering), empty nesters, any and all able bodied people that want to fulfill one of the Corporal Acts of Mercy “To feed the Hungry.” We serve the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month. We arrive between 8:30-9:00 and are finished at 12:30. The last lines of our parish vision, which is in the bulletin every week states, “Our efforts within our parish will focus on our fuller union with God, our strengthened relationships with each other and our CARING SERVICE TO OTHERS!” We hope to hear from you. Please contact Gene Heising @ 419-878-4962 or our Parish Office @ 419-832-5215.

**We give what we have been given:  
Sunday Offertory (12/31/17)**

Offertory Adult Envelopes (77)	\$ 2,968.00
Loose	\$ 390.00
Total	\$ 3,358.00
Votive Candles	\$ 11.00
Coffee & Rolls	\$ 78.00
Magazines	\$ 5.00
Cemetery Maintenance	\$ 100.00
Christmas (5)	\$ 290.00
New Year’s	\$ 100.00
Offertory Received to Date (27 wk.)	\$ 109,988.80
Average	\$ 4,073.65

**THE FAMILY CIRCUS**



“Oh, boy! Does this mean we don’t have to be good anymore?”

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**"If humans are still evolving, mothers will soon have more than two hands."**

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**Cathy's Joke's for the Week!** –Start the New Year, a pastor asked his secretary to set up a special filing drawer for the church's bills. It was labeled: "Due unto others."

-A woman took two nuns to lunch at a restaurant where the Lions Club happened to be having its monthly luncheon. The hostess greeted them and asked, "Are y'all with the Lions?" "No," one of the nuns replied. "We're with the Christians."

-JoyfulNoiseletter.com-

**First Sunday/Baptism of the Lord:** Our Baptism, like the Lord's, is a consecration to service. The bishops' pastoral on stewardship reminds us that "...there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism that people place their gifts, their resources-their selves-at God's service in and through the Church."

**LITURGY APPOINTMENTS: Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Weekend Liturgies</b>	4:30 p.m.	C. Balusik, J. May, C. Lillevik
	7:30 a.m.	P. Weimer, J. Hahn, M. Hannewald
	11:30 a.m.	A. Warner, L. Ellinwood, N. Bump

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<b>Ministers of Communion:</b>	4:30 p.m.	N. Athanitis, R. Herndon, P. Hertzfeld, B. Krukowski, K. Kessler
	7:30 a.m.	M. Wolfram, P. Maas, R. Pollock, J. Sattler, RM. Scherzer
	11:30 a.m.	J. & E. Collins, S. & J. Coburn, D. Miller

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<b>Servers:</b>	4:30 p.m.	L. & R. Brewster, R. Kessler
	7:30 a.m.	Z. Jones, M. & J. Sattler
	11:30 a.m.	A. Divis, T. & G. Miller

**LITURGY READINGS FOR JAN. 8-14**

Mon.–Is. 42:1-4, 6-7; Mrk. 1:7-11  
 Tues.–1 Sam. 1:9-20; Mrk. 1:21-28  
 Wed.–1 Sam. 3:1-10, 19-20; Mrk. 1:29-39  
 Thurs.–1 Sam. 4:1-11; Mrk. 1:40-45  
 Fri.–1 Sam. 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mrk. 2:1-12  
 Sat.–1 Sam. 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mrk. 2:13-17  
 Sun.–1 Sam. 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Cor. 6:13c-15a, 17-20;  
 Jn. 1:35-42

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> -No Weekday Liturgies-**

**WEEKEND LITURGIES**

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**Sat. St. Patrick 4:30 p.m. For our Parish**  
**Sun. St. Patrick 7:30 a.m. Fannie Scherzer**  
 St. Louis 9:30 a.m.

**St. Patrick 11:30 a.m. For our Parish**

**Holy Day Liturgies are at 7:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance is on Saturdays from 3:30-4:00 p.m. or call Fr. Walter Tuscano for an appt. 419-832-2414**

***OUR VISION***

We are a people of God, nourished by sacred Scripture and Sacrament. We believe in and are experiencing the mystery of God's unconditional love for us. Through Jesus Christ — and with the help of the Holy Spirit — we work to build God's Kingdom on earth. Our efforts within our parish will focus on: our fuller union with God, our strengthened relationships with each other and our caring service to others.

**DIRECTORY**

**Pastor**-Fr. Walter Tuscano, SAC  
**Parish Office**-Catherine Agosti  
**Coordinator, Religious Ed.**-Stacie Maas  
**Parish Pastoral Council**-Sue Sochacki (Secretary)  
**Worship**-Sue Sochacki  
**Liturgical Scheduling**-Colleen Lillevik  
**Youth Coordinator**-Kevin Hertzfeld  
**St. Vincent DePaul Society**-Contact Parish Office  
**R.C.I.A.**-Marie Wolfram, Tony & Barbara Kleis, Ron & Rachael Borders, Ruth Herndon & Bev Wilson  
**Bell Choir**-Karol Westhoven  
**Cemetery Board**-Mike Metzger  
 \*\*Contact Parish Office on any Directory Questions!

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