



# St. Patrick Church, Providence

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## 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.

**March 26, 2017**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

## PASTOR

*Fr. David D. Tscherne*  
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## PASTORAL COUNCIL

## PARISH OFFICE

*Catherine Agosti*

## COORDINATOR OF REL. ED.

*Christine Nelms, 832-5215*

## WORSHIP

*Sue Sochacki, 832-1228*

## LITURGICAL ROLES SCHEDULING

*Colleen Lillevik, 261-0543*

## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

*Heather Johnson, 274-1094*  
*Debbie Hertzfeld, 878-0731*

## YOUTH

*Kevin Hertzfeld, 878-0731*

## ST. VINCENT De PAUL SOCIETY

*C/O Parish Office, 832-5215*

## R.C.I.A. TEAM

*Marie Wolfram, 419-419-8185*  
*Tony & Barbra Kleis, 419-266-1392*  
*Ruth Herndon, 832-6047*  
*Bev Wilson, 875-5834*

## PRAYER CIRCLE

## BELL CHOIR

*Karol Westhoven, 533-2281*

## CEMETERY BOARD

*Mike Metzger*

## LITURGY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday – Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54  
Tuesday – Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; John 5:1-16  
Wednesday – Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:17-30  
Thursday – Exodus 32:7-14; John 5:31-47  
Friday – Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
Saturday – Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53  
Sunday – Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45

## LITURGIES THIS WEEK: (Mar. 28<sup>th</sup> & Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>)

|        |             |           |
|--------|-------------|-----------|
| Tues.  | St. Patrick | 8:00 a.m. |
| Wed.   | St. Louis   | 9:00 a.m. |
| Thurs. | St. Patrick | (No Mass) |
| Fri.   | St. Louis   | 9:15 a.m. |

## WEEKEND LITURGIES: (Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> & Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup>)

|      |             |            |
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| Sat. | St. Patrick | 4:30 p.m.  |
| Sat. | St. Louis   | 6:00 p.m.  |
| Sun. | St. Patrick | 8:00 a.m.  |
| Sun. | St. Louis   | 9:30 a.m.  |
| Sun. | St. Patrick | 11:00 a.m. |



## Fourth Sunday of Lent

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?

## Liturgies

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday, 8:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
Holy Days 7:00 p.m.

## Sacrament of Penance

Saturday, 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.  
or call Fr. Dave, 832-2414 for appt.

## Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:

Call pastor anytime (832-5215 (O);  
832-2414 (H))

## Marriages

Notify pastor at least six months before your wedding date.

## Baptisms

Meeting with parents is needed before liturgy.

## Parish Membership

*New members are most welcome!*

To join, call our office or speak with pastor.  
If planning to leave parish, please notify office.



**LITURGY APPOINTMENTS: April 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>**

|                          |            |   |
|--------------------------|------------|---|
| <b>Weekend Liturgies</b> | 4:30 p.m.  | H. & F. Zbierajewski,<br>R. Potter      |
|                          | 8:00 a.m.  | J. Prchlik, RM. Scherzer,<br>J. Krueger |
|                          | 11:00 a.m. | L. Ellinwood, D. Miller,<br>N. Bump     |

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| <b>Ministers of Communion:</b> | 4:30 p.m.  | N. Athanitis, B. Krukowski,<br>B. Heier, B. & P. Hertzfeld |
|                                | 8:00 a.m.  | J. Hahn, S. Hannewald,<br>M. & K. Hertzfeld, R. Pollock    |
|                                | 11:00 a.m. | A. & J. Collins, C. Agosti,<br>R. Guyer, W. Wiewiora       |

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| <b>Servers:</b> | 4:30 p.m.  | N. Potter, B. Hertzfeld,<br>R. Kessler |
|                 | 8:00 a.m.  | G. Dolgoff, S. & K. Johnson            |
|                 | 11:00 a.m. | L., J. & R. Brewster                   |

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

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|------------------------|-----------------------|
| **Patricia Cook        | **Ed Bump             |
| **Marge Hertzfeld      | **Mary Ann Weasel     |
| Marshal Geiselman      | **Marcy Dick          |
| Ruth Hurd              | Greg Paul             |
| **Margaret Mockenstrum | **Tony Biesiot        |
| **Denise Krabill       | **Steve Hertzfeld     |
| Deborah Page           | **Kim Kempf           |
| Jason Henderson        | Julia                 |
| **Larry Hertzfeld      | Susan Ammon           |
| **Mary Ann Kowalik     | **Beverly Liske       |
| Norm Liebrecht         | Michelle Harting      |
| Robert Bowman          | **Jamee Bernthisel    |
| Joe Boyle, Jr.         | Sister Carmilia Stinn |
| Corey Longenecker      | **Jerry Hahn          |
| **Bob Hertzfeld        | Galvin Moore          |
| Marie Thomas           | **Rich Piasecki       |
| Rita Biesiot           | Forest Plotts         |
| Tom Auth               | **Ethel Sheeley       |
| **David Durham         | Theresa Metzger       |
| Brenda Michaels        | **Jean Burt           |
| Susan Stohl            | Janice Wade           |
| Mindy Vance            | Bob Freeworth         |
| **Evan Simon           | **Lillian Mertes      |
| Brynn Beemer           | **Georgia Curtis      |
| Stacey Snyder          | **Bonnie Piasecki     |
| Audrey H.              | **Don Westhoven       |
| Jeannine Garrard       | Lois Plotts           |
| Nick Fall              | Tim Scheer            |
| Summer Johnson         | Gaylene McGrath       |
| Mary Rosa              | **Malory Beasley      |
| Patrick Crottie        | Shannon Jones         |
| Landon Lightle         | Steve & Sue Hurst     |
| **Rosemary Biesoit     | Chris Grunden         |
| **Dick Mertes          | Dave Brennan          |
| Mark Mackowiak         | Claire Zbierajewski   |
| Loretta Murano         | Alvin Oberhaus        |
| Addy Thieman           | Grace Bower           |
| Deb Fox                | Jeanne Harnish        |
| Frederick Coss         | **Marcella McCaig     |
| Joyce Smith            |                       |

\*\* is a member of St. Patrick

If you know of anyone who needs to be removed please contact Cathy in the parish office 419-832-5215.

**Way of the Cross (Stations) & Benediction:**

Stations & Benediction will be celebrated on Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick-Providence at 4:00 p.m.

**Lenten Regulations for Fast and Abstinence**

On Ash Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> and Good Friday April 14<sup>th</sup>, we are asked to fast and abstain from meat. Fasting means not to eat between meals and that our two smaller meals must be less than our one main meal. For medical reasons another act of sacrifice can be substituted. All Fridays in Lent, we are asked to abstain from meat totally and this applies to those who have reached their 14<sup>th</sup> year.

**We give what we have been given:  
Sunday Offertory (3/19/17)**

|                                     |               |
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| Offertory Adult Envelopes (83)      | \$ 2,723.50   |
| Loose                               | \$ 253.50     |
| Total                               | \$ 2,977.00   |
| Votive Candles                      | \$ 10.00      |
| Coffee & Rolls                      | \$ 58.95      |
| Hall Rental                         | \$ 100.00     |
| Catholic Relief Services            | \$ 10.00      |
| Catholic Home Missions              | \$ 40.00      |
| Annual Catholic Appeal              | \$ 10.00      |
| Offertory Received to Date (38 wk.) | \$ 148,107.43 |
| Average                             | \$ 3,897.56   |

**ATTENTION ALL: QUIET PRAYER BEFORE THE**

**BLESSED SACRAMENT:** is in need of volunteers in order to continue this important ministry. If we do not receive more volunteers to get involved with our adoration then it will be forced to discontinue. It is only one hour of your time once a month. If you would like to try this ministry please contact Phil Hertzfeld at (419-878-6811, 419-466-2896). **Our next Eucharistic Adoration will be on April 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. We would like to ask for special prayer in regards to Vocations for Priesthood.**

**Rest In Peace:** Our prayers and sympathy to the family Of Marcella McCaig who died Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> and whose Mass of Resurrection was celebrated on Wednesday March 22<sup>nd</sup>. May she rest from all her labors in the splendor of heaven. God Bless!

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:** Failure to forgive blinds us to another's goodness. Lent provides an opportunity to wash away our blind-spots in the pool of forgiveness. Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "Go wash and see."

**Vocation Retreat:** The Conventual Franciscans are offering a Vocation Retreat April 7-9, 2017 for single men, ages 18-40, who are interested in learning more about priesthood and brotherhood. Come and experience our fraternity, our prayer life, and our mission as we live the Gospel in today's world. The retreat is at Mount St. Francis Center for Spirituality (near Louisville, Kentucky). It begins Friday evening at 7 p.m. and ends Sunday by noon. There is no cost for the weekend. For more information please contact: Friar John Bamman, 800-424-9955 or [franvoc@aol.com](mailto:franvoc@aol.com).

**Exposition of Sacred Relics:** "Treasures of the Church" is a ministry of evangelization of the Catholic Church. Run by Fr. Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross, its purpose is to give people an experience of the living God through an encounter with the relics of his saints in the form of an exposition. For more information see the flyer on both of our parish bulletin boards. Three parishes in the Diocese of Toledo are hosting Treasures of the Church:

**Wednesday March 29 at 7:00 PM** St. Thomas More University Parish 425 Thurstin Ave. BG, Ohio 43402 (419)352-7555

**Thursday March 30 at 7:00 PM** St. Aloysius Church 150 S Enterprise St BG, Ohio 43402 (419)352-4195

**Friday March 31 at 7:00 PM** St. Peter Church 430 Main Street Huron, Ohio 44839 (419) 433-5725

**"Building His Church, Fulfilling His Mission"**  
**Toledo Diocese 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal:**

As of March 21<sup>st</sup>, St. Patrick-Providence had 26 individuals/families contribute \$3,530.00 and we have achieved 33% of our goal. This is a critical annual appeal for our church throughout the Diocese of Toledo. The Annual Catholic Appeal supports the Office of Vocations for the encouragement and education of future priests, St. Louis Helping Hands of Toledo to feed the hungry, several housing units for homeless and emergency shelter for families, partially funds Catholic Charities ministry, Catholic Education and religious education, Young Adult and Campus Ministry, Youth Ministry, Respect Life Ministry, Jail and Prison Ministry. Ministries which one parish alone could not possibly support. Please consider a donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal. God Bless You!

**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Run to the Rapids:** Benefiting ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) Research the race is on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 5k or 1 Mile Fun Walk and starts at 9:00 a.m. Location is at Bluebell Island Park, 24040 Front Street, Downtown Grand Rapids, Ohio for more information please see the flyers located on both our bulletin boards. You will also find extra registration sheets on the board.

**RICE BOWL 2017:** Encounter Community! We encounter Maria in Mexico, where a community of hardworking women share joys, sorrows and fellowship while growing economic opportunity at a greenhouse. How have your communities helped you encounter Christ anew this Lent? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.

**2017 Spring Trip Planned!** You are invited to join the Sunshine Committee for a trip to Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, OH on Sat., May 6, 2017. A carpool will leave church by 10:45 a.m. and arrive by 12:00 Noon for lunch at the center. Tour of the grounds and walking the Labyrinth will follow. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Return time around 4:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet is available in the hall. Payment will be due at St. Patrick's office by April 21, 2017. Please take a moment to check out the flyer on both our parish bulletin boards for more information. If you have questions please contact Marie Wolfram at 419-419-8185.

**Annunciation Radio Spring Sharathon:** "So that they may be one" –John 17:21 the Sharathon is from April 4-7, 2017. Tune in to hear Bishop Daniel Thomas Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. Please call in your pledge or donate securely online-and help keep our listener-supported Catholic programming on the air in our Diocese! Our pledge line is 888-215-0624 or go to our other sites [www.annunciationradio.com](http://www.annunciationradio.com)/[annunciationradiotwitter.com](http://annunciationradiotwitter.com)/[annunciationoh.com](http://annunciationoh.com). For more information please see the flyer on our bulletin boards.

**Holy Mass for the Preservation of Peace and Justice:** Our call to be merciful with all immigrants through prayer, advocacy and education on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> @ 10 a.m. at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral 2535 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo, Oh 43610. Please see the flyer on both our bulletin boards for more information.

**Pilgrimage to EWTN May 22-25, 2017:** Hosted by Phil Hertzfeld and Toledo-area Parents of Priests and open to the public, we will travel to Hanceville, Alabama to visit the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament and venerate the tomb of Mother Angelica the foundress of EWTN. This will be followed by a visit to the EWTN television studio. Spiritual Director: Fr. Nick Weibel. \$492 per person based double occupancy. (\$667.00 single room option) For more information contact Maggie McDaniel at 419-290-8782 or visit [CatholicFaithJourneys.com/Open-Pilgrimages](http://CatholicFaithJourneys.com/Open-Pilgrimages).

**Cathy's Joke's of the Week!!**

-While on vacation, a friend and her husband visited a church one Sunday. They settled into a pew near the front of the church. An usher came up to them, tapped on the pew and said, "This pew is saved." Her husband looked up, smiled and replied, "That's OK. So are we!" -via Rev. Dr. Karl R. Kroft

-To impress his date, a young man took her to a very fashionable Italian restaurant. After tasting a couple samples of fine wine, he picked up the menu and ordered. "We'll have the Giuseppe Spomdalucci," he said "I'm sorry, sir," replied the waiter. "That's the owner." -Jokes from JoyfulNoiseletter.com-