



# 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.

**November 27, 2016  
First Sunday of Advent**

### PASTOR

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### PASTORAL COUNCIL

### PARISH OFFICE

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### PRAYER CIRCLE

### BELL CHOIR

*Karol Westhoven, 533-2281*

### CEMETERY BOARD

*Mike Metzger*

### LITURGY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday – Isaiah 4:2-6; Matthew 8:5-11  
Tuesday – Isaiah 11:1-10; Luke 10:21-24  
Wednesday – Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22  
Thursday – Isaiah 26:1-6; Matthew 7:21, 24-27  
Friday – Isaiah 29:17-24; Matthew 9:27-31  
Saturday – Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8  
Sunday – Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

### LITURGIES THIS WEEK: (Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> & Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>)

Tues.	St. Patrick	8:00 a.m.
Wed.	St. Louis	9:00 a.m.
Thurs.	St. Patrick	8:00 a.m.
Fri.	St. Louis	9:15 a.m.



### WEEKEND LITURGIES: (Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>)

Sat.	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m. – (For our Parish)
Sat.	St. Louis	6:00 p.m.
Sun.	St. Patrick	8:00 a.m. – (Merlin & Lillian Pollock & Jerry)
Sun.	St. Louis	9:30 a.m.
Sun.	St. Patrick	11:00 a.m. – (Tony Biesiot's Family)

### First Sunday of Advent

“Be on guard,” Jesus warns in today’s Gospel, “lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence.” Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

### 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: Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Weekend Liturgies</b>	4:30 p.m.	C. Lillevik, R. Potter, M. Gase
	8:00 a.m.	B. & C. Taylor, J. Krueger
	11:00 a.m.	T. Kleis, A. Warner, D. Miller



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

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| **Patricia Cook        | **Ed Bump             |
| **Marge Hertzfeld      | **Mary Ann Weasel     |
| Mark Karmol            | **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       |
| VJ                     | 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      |
| Beau & Brin Beemer     | **Georgia Curtis      |
| Stacey Snyder          | **Bonnie Piasecki     |
| Audrey H.              | **Don Westhoven       |
| Jeannine Garrard       | Lois Plotts           |
| Nick Fall              | Tim Scheer            |
| **Evelyn Gray          | Gaylene McGrath       |
| Mary Rosa              | **Malory Beasley      |
| Patrick Crottie        | Shannon Jones         |
| Landon Lightle         | Steve & Sue Hurst     |
| **Rosemary Biesoit     | **Kristy Kitchen      |
| **Dick Mertes          | Dave Brennan          |
| Mark Mackowiak         | Claire Zbierajewski   |
| Loretta Murano         | Dorthy Brennan        |
| Marshal Geiselman      |                       |

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<b>Ministers of Communion:</b>	4:30 p.m.	B. Hertzfeld, R. Herndon, C. Balusik, C. Lillevik, C. Nelms
	8:00 a.m.	S. Hannewald, RM. & RO. Scherzer, B. & P. Weimer
	11:00 a.m.	K. & D. Hertzfeld, J. & E. Collins, C. Agosti

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<b>Servers:</b>	4:30 p.m.	W., A., & D. Gase
	8:00 a.m.	M. Hannewald, S. & K. Johnson
	11:00 a.m.	C. Warner, J. & C. Getzinger

**We give what we have been given:  
Sunday Offertory (11/20/16)**

Offertory Adult Envelopes (97)	\$ 3,039.00
Loose	\$ 209.54
Total	\$ 3,248.54
Votive Candles	\$ 20.00
Coffee & Rolls	\$ 101.00
Magazines	\$ 1.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 85.00
Stipends	\$ 30.00
Campaign for H.D.	\$ 247.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 20.00
Offertory Received to Date (21 wk.)	\$ 82,963.19
Average	\$ 3,950.62

**Recruiting for Children's Liturgy of the Word**

Training and materials are provided. C.L.O.W. is every Sunday @ our 11 a.m. Mass but only if we get volunteer teachers. Please contact Christine at the Parish Office 419-832-5215 during office hours which are Mon, Tues, and Thurs. 9 - 3 p.m.

**Calling all Christmas Eve Singers...**

We need young singers to help us ring in the holiday with song. Please plan on coming 15 minutes early the next four class times to practice for the 4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. Any questions please call or text Sue Hannewald @ 419-250-2540. Hope to see you on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the church!

Thanks, Sue

\*\* 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.



**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 for Level 3. Because our teachers come 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, 419-832-5215.

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:** At this time of the year we are very conscious of our family as we make preparations for Christmas. Today's gospel warns us not to be consumed by all the consumer activity. This Advent appreciate the gift of people in your life. The best gift this season might be your appreciation of others.

**Petition For The Universal Prayer** "Please pray for Bishop Thomas and the priests of our Diocese, as they gather on Monday, November 28, at Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, for the second annual Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests. Please pray that this gathering will bear fruit for our priests in holiness of life and in their service to the Lord and His Church."

**Advent 2016**

Advent is a time of waiting, a time of spiritual preparation. Why? The miracle of Christmas needs an inner space to be absorbed. The miracle of Christmas is God's way of continuing to reach out to us humans, His continuing to call us to a relationship with Him despite any obstacle which we have, individually or collectively, placed in the way. Through Jesus Christ the "Word made flesh," our gracious God touches each of us at the core of our being and expresses His constant and unchanging love for us.

**90 Minutes to Find a Solution** In search of Peace for Israelis and Palestinians at Franciscan Center, Lourdes University, 6832 Convent Blvd., Sylvania on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30 p.m. Free Admission, Limited Seating, Sponsored by Sylvania Franciscan Village, and St. Rose Peace and Justice. Please see flyer on our church bulletin boards for more information.

**2017 March for Life** Interested in attending the 2017 March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 27, 2017? Join the College and Young Adult bus trip sponsored by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Toledo! The trip is only \$129 per person, but college students get a special discounted price of \$99! Our trip includes an overnight stay at the Hyatt Place in downtown Washington, D.C., as well as free time to tour the city. We depart late evening on Thursday, January 26, and return late evening on Saturday, January 28. If you have any questions, contact Respect Life Program Coordinator Peter Range at [prange@toledodiocese.org](mailto:prange@toledodiocese.org) or 419-244-4933. Deadline to register is Thursday, December 15. Please see flyer on our church bulletin boards for more information.

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

-One night, a man was involved in a serious car accident at an intersection where there was a Shell service station. He was thrown from the car and knocked cold. When the EMT personnel finally helped him regain consciousness, the man began to thrash around wildly and scream at the top of his lungs. The EMT team gave him a shot to calm him down, and on the way to the hospital in an ambulance, they asked him why he went berserk when he came to. "Well, the man replied, "when I came to, I knew I was in an accident, it was dark, and these guys were standing over me, and behind them was a Shell sign-but someone was standing in front of the 'S.'"  
 -"Laughter is kind of like a needle and thread...it can patch up about anything."  
 -"Do not regret growing older. It is a privilege denied to many."



**Christmas Food Baskets**



**Otsego Christmas Baskets:** The parish office is now taking names of people for the Otsego Christmas baskets. Please remember that the person(s) have to know about getting the baskets. If you would like to donate food or **NEW** toys

you can bring them to the Northwest corner of the hall. **Please no clothes.** The only clothes we will be accepting are warm items: gloves, scarfs, hats, etc. The Otsego Christmas Baskets are a 501© 3 non-profit organization.

**QUIET PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** is available 40 hours each month beginning with the first Friday of the month (4:00 a.m. Friday – 10:00 p.m. Saturday). This is an excellent opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament and to listen quietly to God. Many types of prayer aids and other books are available for your use. If you would like to experience this first hand please contact Phil Hertzfeld at (419-878-6811, 419-466-2896) or stop in any time; entrance is by knocking on the south ramp door. **It will be Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>.**