



For countless years St. Patrick Parish has prepared and served meals at St. Joseph Center in Lorain 12-16 times each year. With changes that have recently taken place in the consolidation of St. Joseph into the St. Elizabeth Center, it was necessary for St. Pat's to re-evaluate our ability to conform to their newly refined guidelines and requirements. To this end, all parish volunteers were invited to a meeting to discuss viable options with regard to the aforementioned changes.

Having discussed three different options, the consensus of volunteers at the meeting was that they'd like to reorient our outreach from St. Elizabeth Center to the *Wellington Community Meal Program*.

Throughout each month, community meals are served from 5-6pm at various locations. Some who attend the community meals would not otherwise eat; others who attend may have the wherewithal to provide their own meals, but are starved for comradery and/or friendship. Ordinarily around ±50 people attend the meals served at other area churches that are a part of this endeavor.

St. Patrick will be assuming a place in the *Wellington Community Meal Program* after the first of the year; we'll be serving the **LAST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH**. Ideally we'll start on Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>—providing we have sufficient volunteers. Because we'll be hosting it in the Church Hall, we'll need people to help with:

- Setup
- Cook
- Serve
- Clean up (kitchen area)
- Clean up (church hall area/garbage)

Those who volunteer do not need to be present from start-to-finish. If you volunteer to help with clean-up, then you'd show up around 6pm as the meal is ending; others may find themselves available earlier in the day to help with other responsibilities. For more information, or to volunteer in any way, please contact Anne Linden at 647.4375 x24 to convey your interest.

Because the various community meals are funded by the hosting parish/entity, St. Patrick Parish will cover the cost. As this seems a suitable use of the St. Patrick Charitable Outreach funds, **TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION** will be used to help pay for the upcoming community meals ... as well as to assist with other local outreach to those in need of food/gas/etc.



## Mass Intentions

**Monday November 13**

9:00 am..... John Brinker

**Tuesday, November 14**

9:00 am.....Gerry Thompson

**Wednesday, November 15**

5:15-6:00 pm ..... Rosary

6:00-7:15pm .....Eucharistic Adoration

6:00-7:15 pm ..... Confessions

7:30 pm..... Jeffrey Garn

**Thursday, November 16**

9:00 am.....Andrew Fetchik

**Friday, November 17**

9:00 am..... Arlene Wacker

**Saturday, November 18**

4:23 pm.....Rosary

5:00 pm..... Darlene Fye

**Sunday, November 19**

8:30 am..... Alvin McDonough

11:00 am..... Parishioners

### Readings for the Week Of November 12, 2017

Sunday	Wis 6:12-16/1	Thes 4:13-18	or	4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13
Monday	Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6			
Tuesday	Wis 2:23—3:9/Lk 17:7-10			
Wednesday	Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19			
Thursday	Wis 7:22b-8:1/Lk 17:20-25			
Friday	Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37			
Saturday	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8	or		Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/Mt 14:22-33
Sunday	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/			1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30
				or 25:14-15, 19-21

The full text of all Mass readings may be found at [uscbb.org](http://uscbb.org)

## Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

next Sunday, November 19 at 7:00 pm  
First United Methodist Church  
Park Place—Wellington

## BROWNS PARTY & Chili Cook-Off

TODAY Sunday (Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>)  
at 12:57 PM in the church hall.

Need a restroom? Please use the downstairs facilities—accessible via the south foyer stairwell (or elevator).

# Liturgy Lesson

## *How Late Can I Be / How Long Must I Stay?*

Having discussed the liturgy, there are a few topics that might be good to discuss as these liturgy lessons conclude; one that's often pondered is: Why do people leave Mass early? One of the reasons is that, in previous eras of the Church, we only stressed "going to Mass" or "attending Mass" rather than participating in a celebration. There was even a point in time wherein we defined how late you could be or how early you could leave without doing something serious against Church law.

On the other hand, there is probably just a bit of human nature in it. Sometimes we just think that we have more important things to do and want to avoid the rush. Fortunately, this isn't a big issue here at St. Patrick Parish. Mass begins with the start of the opening hymn and concludes with the last word of worship ... which is often the final word of the closing hymn.

And here is another complex issue: How long should Mass be? Remember when you would hear a priest praised because he "did a twenty minute Mass." In light of what we now know about the Liturgy, that would not be something of which to be proud. Our celebration of Word and Eucharist should be as long as is necessary to enrich our lives as Catholics.

Trying to figure out answers to both questions, "Why do people leave early?" and "How long should Mass be?" is really pointless. Today the whole emphasis of the Church is different. The Church is saying to us that the Mass is a celebration of a family. We should want to be here, and we should participate as fully as possible. So rather than emphasize the negative, we hope that the people of St. Patrick Parish will celebrate together as a family – arriving on time, staying until the end, and recognizing that what we celebrate at Mass is the center of our Catholic life.



Please be reminded that any parishioner is welcome to ask that Masses be celebrated for a deceased or living loved one, Catholic or non-Catholic, or for an important occasion. Intentions can be made for Sunday and weekday Masses. The suggested donation is \$10. To schedule a Mass intention, please contact the office during business hours. **There are still Mass Intention Openings available for 2017 that must be filled before the 2018 Mass Book can be opened.**

# Collection Report

5 November 2017

Sunday Offering .....	\$2,375.00
Designated for Parish Use Only.....	\$1,950.00
Electronic Giving (myEoffering).....	\$530.00
Loose bills/change.....	\$423.00
<b>Total Received .....</b>	<b>\$5,278.00</b>

Thank you for sharing that which God has so generously shared with you!

## Weekly Scheduled Parish



<b>Monday</b> 11/13	9 am	Daily Mass
<b>Tuesday</b> 11/14	9 am	Daily Mass
<b>Wednesday</b> 11/15	4-5:10 pm	PSR (gr. 1-6)
	5:15 pm	Rosary
	6-7:15 pm	Adoration
	6-7:15 pm	Confession
	7:30 pm	Mass
<b>Thursday</b> 11/16	9 am	Daily Mass
	7-8 pm	Choir Practice
<b>Friday</b> 11/17	9 am	Daily Mass
<b>Saturday</b> 11/18	4-4:30 pm	Confession
	4:23 pm	Rosary
	5 pm	Mass
	8:30 am	Mass
<b>Sunday</b> 11/19	9:40-10:40 am	PSR (gr. 7-12)
	11:00 am	Mass
	1-2:30 pm	Family Bowling
		@ Strike-Out Lanes

## Family Bowling Afternoon

**Sunday, Nov 19**  
from **1-2:30** at Strike Out Lanes. \$6 per person (includes shoes) for unlimited bowling. **RSVP required at 440.647.4375 x 51.**



## Please Pray the Rosary

with us

every

Wednesday at 5:15 pm  
& Saturday at 4:23 pm

