



Now that we're into 2018, everyone will sooner (or later) file some version of a 1040 with the IRS. If you wish to itemize and claim your 2017 charitable contributions to St. Patrick Parish, it's essential that you obtain your itemized contribution statement from the parish; if you're audited and don't have paperwork to substantiate cumulative donations in excess of \$249.99, the IRS will deny your deductions!

Contribution statements may be picked up in the parish office Mon-Fri 9A-5PM. Additionally, they'll be available after Masses in the chapel starting next week.

Should you attempt to retrieve a statement, only to find that there's not one there, it means one of two things: during 2017 your total donations amounted to less than \$250, or; I made a mistake in the search parameter when I generated the statements.

For many years it was imperative that everyone pick up a bulletin on their way into church because the hymn numbers (and often the lyrics of at least one song) were contained therein. But for more than a year now, the hymn numbers have been posted on the board and we no longer publish lyrics (because it's illegal to do so without purchasing a reprint license, which St. Pat's has never done).

As we spoke, during our Liturgy Lessons, the time prior to Mass is intended to allow us to prayerfully set the worries, frustrations, and cares of the world aside—and focus ourselves upon the Lord, and His will for us in our lives. Some do this with the assistance of their prayer book or a rosary, others may kneel in prayer, and still others choose to sit quietly with eyes closed.

Reading through the pastor's column or other articles of the bulletin before Mass does little to focus us on the Lord whom we've come to worship. If anything, it distracts us from what we ought to be doing prior to the start of Mass. To help us focus on our private prayer before Mass, starting next weekend the bulletins will be available following Mass—rather than before Mass.

If, on the way out of church, you happen to grab two bulletins instead of one → DON'T return it; instead, take it home and share it with a friend or neighbor who doesn't attend St. Pat's!

On January 30th St. Pat's will host its first Wellington Community Meals for the local hungry—both physically hungry, as well as those who might be starved for friendship and/or comradery.



Additionally, we're actively looking at opening a *Helping Hands* food pantry that'll be open two days mid-month to help provide food for those whose funds are running short. Because we'll be open different days/times from the local WellHelp, we'll be working in concert (rather than competition) with them. We're also making contacts with the local Salvation Army presence as well.

January's Charitable Outreach collection will be used to help us stock the food pantry with food (and refrigeration).

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 8

9:00 am Laddie Lid

Tuesday, January 9

9:00 am George & Julia Fayer

Wednesday, January 10

5:15-6:00 pm Rosary

6:00-7:15pm Eucharistic Adoration

6:00-7:15 pm Confessions

7:30 pm Poor Souls

Thursday, January 11

9:00 am Betty Eberling

Friday, January 12

9:00 am Robert Robles

Saturday, January 13

4:23 pm Rosary

5:00 pm In honor of St. Peregrine

Sunday, January 14

8:30 am Norman Novak

11:00 am Parishioners



Readings for the Week Of January 7, 2018

Sunday	Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12
Monday	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9/ Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/ Mk 2:13-17
Sunday	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

The full text of all Mass readings may be found at uscgb.org.

FYI: Parish Registration Forms for anyone wishing to register (or update info) are available in the hallway bookshelf drawers. Once completed, simply drop it in the collection basket.



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



Collection Report

31 December 2017

Sunday Offering.....	\$2,690.00
Designated for Parish Use Only	\$3,005.00
Electronic Giving (myEoffering).....	\$468.00
Loose bills/change	\$360.00
Total Received.....	\$6,523.00

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



Mass Intentions

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.

STEWARDSHIP

SHARING THE GIFTS WE HAVE



“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.”

Luke 14:13-14

Please Pray the Rosary
with us

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



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Scheduled Parish



Monday 1/8	9 am	Daily Mass
Tuesday 1/9	9 am	Daily Mass
Wednesday 1/10	4-5:10 pm	PSR Class (gr. 1-6)
	5:15 pm	Rosary
	6-7:15 pm	Adoration
	6-7:15 pm	Confession
	7:30 pm	Mass
Thursday 1/11	9 am	Daily Mass
	7-8 pm	Choir Practice
Friday 1/12	9am	Daily Mass
Saturday 1/13	4-4:30 pm	Confession
	4:23 pm	Rosary
	5 pm	Mass
	6:11 pm	Card Night
	8:30 am	Mass
Sunday 1/14	9:40-10:40 am	PSR Class (gr. 7-12)
	11 am	Mass
	1-2:30 pm	Family Bowling



St. Patrick Men's Club Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

today (January 7th)
after the 8:30 Mass



CARD PARTY

Saturday **January 13th** at 6:11 pm (yes, it's 6:11 pm) in the church basement.

Join us for an evening of card games! Friendly games of Euchre, Rummy, Poker (no gambling please), "66", UNO, etc. will be offered.

Anyone 18 and older is invited. Bring your own beverage and a snack to share.



DO YOU ...

...LIKE TO SING?

...have an ear for music?

ARE YOU...

...able to get close to the right note?

...willing to make a commitment to rehearse?

Participate in the **Saint Patrick Choir!** Our purpose is to support congregational singing of hymns, acclamations, and new hymns. Choir practice is held on Thursday evenings from 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. Questions? Leave a message for Becky at 440.647.4375 x52.