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Adoration

Monday: 9:30AM - 6:00PM (Benediction)

Contact Information

Office: 610-647-2345 School: 610-644-5797 PREP: 610-296-8899

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Liturgy Schedule

Daily Mass: 6:30AM & 9:00AM Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM Sunday Mass: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM

Reconciliation

Thursday: 8:00AM - 8:45AM **Saturday:** 9:30AM - 10:30AM



Fourth Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

7:30AM – For the Parish 9:30AM – For the Parish 11:30AM – For the Parish

The Nativity of Our Lord

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

7:30AM – For the Parish 9:30AM – For the Parish 11:30AM – For the Parish

TUESDAY. DECEMBER 26

6:30am – No Early Mass 9:00am – Catherine Novak Sorge

WED.. DECEMBER 27

6:30am - No Early Mass 9:00am - Larry Ferraro

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

6:30AM - No Early Mass 9:00AM - Joseph Duffy Sr.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

6:30AM – No Early Mass 9:00AM – David & Mary McQuiston and Willian & Lorraine Condon

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

9:00AM – Caddy &
Bobby Wiliamson
5:00PM – Joseph Leach

Feast of the Holy Family SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

7:30am – Joe O'Donnell 9:30am – Nina Kash 11:30am – Marie Callan

Week of December 24

The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of:

Maire R. & Michael Wilk

Blessed Mother Candle burns in memory of: Nina Kash

The St. Joseph Candle burns in memory of:

Joseph Novelli

Laura & Anthony Vendetti

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Savior (Entrance Antiphon).

On this Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve, these words express the thirst our souls experience for the Savior. With great longing we have awaited His birth during this season of Advent. Our Lord comes to us, born as a baby into our world. The Lord who emptied Himself of majesty and glory is born for us in a manger. In a Christmas card I received, I read these words from Dorothy Day: "I am so glad that Jesus was born in a stable. Because my soul is so much like a stable. It is so poor and in unsatisfactory condition because of guilt, falsehoods, inadequacies and sin. Yet, I believe if Jesus can be born in a stable, maybe He can also be born in me." May all of us take consolation in the love and mercy of the newborn King who comes to dwell in our hearts.

As Saint Patrick Parish celebrates Christmas, I thank all who have done so much to assist in the preparations for the Nativity of Our Lord: Father Arul, Father Cavara, Father O'Donnell, Deacon Lou Libbi, Deacon Tom Strohmetz, and all of the Parish Office Staff (Julia Goldschmidt, Dan Milani, Theresa McKeon, Laura DeJong), Miss O'Donnell, and all of the Faculty and Staff of Saint Patrick School, Sister Eileen, Mrs. Bartoldson, and all of catechists and volunteers in our Parish Religious Education Program. I thank Bill Lindsay and Fred Feeko for all their hard work, as well as our volunteer Sacristans and Knights of Columbus. I am grateful to Ed and Ann Gunning and Margy Daniels and the volunteers who decorated the church. I thank our altar servers, lectors, extraordinary ministers, ushers, greeters and collection counters, and a very special thank you to Bill Norman, our Adult Choir and Children's Choir, as well as our cantors and instrumentalists, for enhancing our Liturgies with sacred music. So much work takes place "behind-the-scenes" in preparation for Christmas. I thank all who do so much, and all of you for your generous and prayerful support.

As we gather on this Holy Night to celebrate the birth of Jesus, who was laid in a manger, let us approach the manger with awe and gratitude. Let us approach Our Blessed Lady and Saint Joseph and ask them to help us to adore and love the Holy Child! Pope Francis tells us: "The Christmas manger, the first message of the Divine Child, tells us that God is with us, he loves us and he seeks us. So take heart! Do not allow yourself to be overcome by fear, resignation or discouragement. God was born in a manger so that you could be reborn in the very place where you thought you had hit rock bottom. There is no evil, there is no sin, from which Jesus does not want to save you. And he can. Christmas means that God is close to us: let confidence be reborn" (Pope Francis, Homily for the Nativity of the Lord, Christmas 2022)!

I join the Priests, Deacons, and entire Parish Staff in wishing all of you a Blessed and Merry Christmas!

Monsignor Duncan

Sacraments



If you would like your child to be baptized here at St. Patrick Parish, please email Sr. Eileen at

etiernan@stpatrickmalvern.org for information and guidance on the process of preparing for this Sacrament.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 9:30AM to 10:30AM



Mass Schedules for Christmas

This year Christmas falls on a Monday which may cause some confusion about obligations to attend Mass. Our Sunday obligation should be observed by attending a vigil Mass on the evening of Saturday, December 23rd or a morning Mass on December 24th.

Our Christmas obligation should be observed by attending a Vigil Mass on the evening of December 24th or on Christmas Day.

Our specific Mass times are listed below:

4th Sunday of Advent Masses

December 23th: 5:00PM (Vigil) December 24th: 7:30AM & 9:30AM NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO 11:30AM Mass

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve: 4PM, 6PM, & 8PM (Vigil) Christmas Day: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, & 11:30AM

Feast of the Epiphany

Sunday, January 7, 2023

Just as the three Kings brought gifts to the Infant Child, Jesus, the St. Patrick's Pro-Life Committee invites you to bring gifts for young children and the unborn. Each family is asked to bring Infant and Toddler hats and mittens to Mass on the Weekend of January 6th & 7th to be collected in the church vestibule.



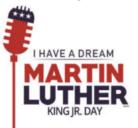
Thank You!!



Thank you to all who have contributed to our outreach programs over the last few months. The response to Turkeys to the Table, Adopt a Child and the Giving Tree have been amazing! Due to your generosity we have enabled families to celebrate the holidays with full tables and well stocked gift bags. Your contributions have blessed people throughout the Delaware Valley.



Coming Soon... MLK Day of Service Monday January 15th



Join us to celebrate the life and legacy of Martin Luther King by participating in kid-friendly service activities. The event will begin with Mass at 9:00AM. Please start collecting unused travel sized hygiene items such as soap, shampoo, conditioner, tooth brushes and tooth paste.

Scan the QR code to signup today!

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration is offered on Mondays following the 9:00AM Mass and concluding with Benediction at 6:00PM.

Night Prayer

Night Prayer will be paused for the next few weeks and resume in January.

OFFICE HOURS

This week our parish office will operate on the following schedule:

> Monday 12/25 & **Tuesday 12/26** Closed

Wednesday 12/27 & Thursday 12/28 9:00AM-12:00PM

> Friday 12/29 Closed

Join the Flock!

We are so glad you're here today. Stay in touch and receive our weekly parish Flocknotes (email) which includes updates and invitations to parish events and activities. Text the keyword "saintpats" to 84576 and you will receive all the latest news.

Pray for the Sick

Nick Bonlli, Mark Allen Ruegg, Jack Donnellu, Chuck Marvil, Jay Holland, Jack Reynolds, John Michael Killinger, Debbie Herrington, Roses Madrigale, Karen Walsh, Richard Beston. Karen Donnelly, Nancy Meredith, Sophia Borzillo, Carmen Bevilacqua, Lindsay Dillon, Norman Collins, Kevin Baffa, Colin Dwyer (child), Isabella Rambo (child), Jennifer Anderson, Linda Barton, Chrissy Brown, Lisa Bove, Gina Butcher, Andrew Butler, Sue Castaldi, Dolores Christmas, Audrey Clarke, Mary Cola, Rosemary Crecco, Alicia Dellario, Eve DelSoldo, Anthony Diels, Nerisa Eachus, Stephanie Elko, Nellie Emigh, Samantha Falcone, Cara Grim, John Hendricks, Sr. Immaculata, IHM, Mary Huhtenan, Karen, Elizabeth Kelly, Carol Lubecki, Daniel Luther, Margaret Martin, Riley Palmer, Elizabeth Pentek. Priscilla Pfizenmayer, James Rizzo, Jodi Schmon, Claire Sieracki Clardy, Howard Shellem, Kim Spada, Aya Rock Stryker, Christopher Thorpe, Lily Walker, Patricia Warren, Rita Yeost, Ann Zillitto,

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

Barry Zimnoch.

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners and benefactors.

Sick List Information: If you would like to add an

intentions to the list, please contact Dan Milani: dmilani@stpatrickmalvern.org



It is hard to believe that our children have been attending their PREP classes for a few months now. These weeks pass quickly. During December, the children will learn of our Advent faith customs and prayers as we observe Growing in Faith this holy season. Before we break for Christmas time, we will celebrate an Advent/Christmas

prayer in which all involved in PREP choose a place at the court of the Infant King and try to live that practice all through the coming year. We continue to grow in our love of Jesus as we learn more about him and our Catholic faith. Wishing all in our parish a Blessed Advent and Christmas!

For more information about PREP, please contact Monica Bartoldson (610-296-8899 or mbartoldson@stpatrickmalvern.org) or visit our webpage at:

www.stpatrickmalvern.org/prep

Sunday Collection Report

December 3rd: \$34,781

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish. We now offer an online giving option through Parish Giving. Giving online offers the convenience of recurring payments so you never forget to make your contribution. Sign up to give online at: http://saintpat.net/give

St. Patrick Young Adults

St. Patrick's Young Adult Group is an active community of young adults (20s and 30s) growing in virtue and understanding. We invite all young adults in the area to join us for bible study, adoration, hangouts and service opportunities each month.

Dive into the Word to learn more about the faith and grow in friendship with each other! Meetings will be held in the parish office at 6:30pm.

Contact us or get more info: scan the QR code or visit: saintpat.net/YA

Weekly Prayer Meetings

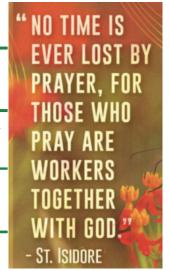
Legion of Mary: Meetings each Thursdays at 10AM in the Vesting room (up the stairs from the church vestibule). Also, daily rosary, 8:30AM in the chapel.

Flame of Love: Meetings are held on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 7 PM in the Church. Contact Deacon Lou for more information: llibbi@stpatrickmalvern.org

Divine Mercy Cenacle - 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month | 2PM to 3:15PM | Malvern Retreat Center, St Joseph building | Contact Kathy: ksstrvker7@gmail.com

Men's Gospel Reflection Friday Morning | 7AM to 8AM | Parish office | Contact Tony Celentano for more details: acelentano66@gmail.com

Friends of Mary meeting are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7 PM in the parish office. All are welcome!



2023 Giving Statements

Year-end statements summarizing your 2023 contributions for tax purposes are available upon request by emailing Laura De Jong at: **ldejong@stpatrickmalvern.org**. You may also call the office at 610-647-2345. The statement will be mailed to you or, if you prefer, your statement can be emailed to you. Please provide your current email address and mailing address at the time of your request. Thank you for your generosity to St. Patrick Parish.



SAVE THE DATE:

ST. PATRICK PARISH



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Outreach

Ongoing Needs

The Patrician Society and the Dorothy Day Room are serving approximately 200 families each week. Due to inflation, reduced SNAP benefits and the end of the Child Tax Credit, more families are experiencing food insecurity. Please see the updated list of items that are extremely low in the pantries.



DOROTHY DAY ROOM:

- Pasta Sauce (plastic bottles)
- Boxed Milk
- 1-2 lb bags white rice
- 1-2 lb bags sugar
- 1 lb bags black beans
- 1 lb bags pinto beans
- Spaghetti or Pasta
- Salt
- Corn Flour

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PATRICIAN SOCIETY

- Macaroni & Cheese
- Jelly
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Meat: Tuna/Spam/Beef Stew/ Chili/Canned Chicken
- Legumes Black Beans/ Kidney Beans, etc

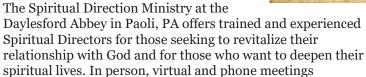
All types of non perishable food is always appreciated!

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For more information on how this ministry can enrich your life, contact Daylesford Abbey at 610-647-2530 ext. 1020 or at spiritualdirector@daylesford.org.

The PAWS Program at Pope John Paul II High School

The PAWS Program at Pope John Paul II High School supports the individual needs of students with learning differences through instruction and academic accommodations. We will be hosting an information session about the program on Thursday, January 11 at 6:00PM in the Panthers' Learning Center at PJP to outline the program objectives, enrollment process, fees, and financial aid opportunities. Individual meetings and tours are also available. To register, please contact Mr. Joseph Rogers, Director of Academic Support, at jrogers@pjphs.org.

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College-Age* Retreat

January 5 - 7,2024

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* High School Seniors are welcomed

Young Adult Retreat

February 9 - 11, 2024

Come join other young adults (ages 22-35) married or single, to take a step back from our busy lives. This will be a time to examine your personal faith and your relationship with God, your family members and yourself. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun! Cost: \$145 per person

For information, brochure and application visit our website:

www.capemaymarianists.org

New Years Young Adult Retreat

Malvern Retreat House

Young Adults in their 20s & 30s are all welcome to Malvern Retreat House for a weekend retreat with the CFR Brothers and Sisters to close out 2023 with praise and thanksgiving and prepare for a new year with prayer, fellowship, reflection and the presence of the Holy Eucharist. The weekend will include talks, testimonies and music from the CFR Franciscans, Holy Mass, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, group discussion, a bonfire, and time for silence and solitude amidst the peace and beauty of Malvern Retreat House. Come, be filled anew with the Holy Spirit and enjoy the company of friends during the final days of 2023!

Cost: \$175 (includes meals & lodging; scholarship is available)

For more information please contact **pland@malvernretreat.com** or 484-321-2538

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