

ST. PATRICK PARISH

BRADY'S BEND, PENNSYLVANIA



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BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline for items to be placed in the bulletin is Friday at 12 Noon.

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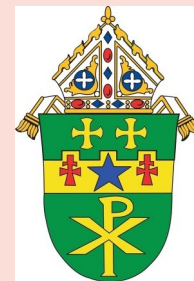
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00am-2:00pm
Friday 9:00 am—2:00 pm
Closed Tuesdays, Wednesday,
and Thursdays



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil.....5:00 pm
Sunday.....9:30 am
Weekdays.....see schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays—4:15 pm to 4:45 pm
Sundays—8:45 am to 9:15 am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Normally celebrated on Sunday and are encouraged at a Sunday Eucharist. Baptism preparation is required.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made one year in advance. Marriage preparation is required.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

A family member must notify the parish office if a parishioner is hospitalized or confined to home. Eucharist is brought to the homebound on the third Sunday of each month.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent March 26, 2023

Masses For The Week

Saturday, March 25: Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent

5:00pm—Ralph DeBacco—Monica Andreassi

Sunday, March 26: Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:30am--For the Living and Deceased Members of St. Patrick

Monday, March 27: Lenten Weekday

6:00pm—Harley Flick—Frank and Gloria Lewandroski

Tuesday, March 28: Lenten Weekday

9:00am—Joseph and Minnie Curran—Estate

Wednesday, March 29: Lenten Weekday

9:00am—In Birthday Remembrance of Ruth Dumbaugh—Ken, Sarah and Emma Clark

Thursday, March 30: Lenten Weekday

9:00am—Robert DeBacco—Jim and Karen Buzzard

Friday, March 31: Lenten Weekday

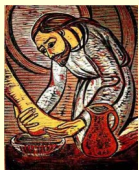
9:00am—Michael Renfrew—Peggy Wimer

Saturday, April 1: Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5:00pm—For the Living and Deceased Members of St. Patrick

Sunday, April 2: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:30am—James (Matthew) Bartoe—Dan and Anne Harmon



We are looking for three volunteers for the Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday Mass on April 6, at 6:00pm. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help.



2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal

Diocesan Goal: \$22,434

Parishioner pledges received to date: \$10,285.00

Percentage of Diocesan Goal46%

Parishioner Participation:20%

Our diocesan goal did not change from last year to this year. Because we did not make our goal last year, it is important that we reach it this year. If we do not, our parish will still be responsible for the difference.

Please prayerfully consider your pledge.

**5th Sunday of Lent
John 11:1-45**

The story is told about a middle aged woman who was afraid to die. The mere mention of death would make her tremble. One day she read about the Gospel passage about the friendship of Jesus with siblings Martha, Mary and Lazarus. She tried to discover more about Jesus by reading the Bible and especially the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and also by attending Holy Mass.

In our present time life is so uncertain and compounded by the Covid-19 virus that no matter how hard we try to be careful not to be infected by it there is still no assurance that we will not get it. No one is exempt from catching this deadly virus. The rich, the famous, and the powerful have been infected by it. We are naturally afraid of this deadly virus.

In our gospel for this Sunday, the display of deep and true friendship of Jesus and the siblings Martha, Mary and Lazarus is very obvious. When the sisters were in need of help because of the death of their brother Lazarus, Jesus went to them to reassure them that He would be with them to help them in whatever way possible.

When Jesus raised Lazarus from the grave, He showed us that there is life after death. There is hope and resurrection when we die. To experience this resurrection and hope we must be friends with Jesus. It is only through Him that we can have hope and resurrection.

Let us develop our friendship with Jesus. Let us discover more about Him through our faithful attendance to Holy Mass, through our daily reading of the Scriptures, and through our deep prayer.

We have nothing to be afraid of if we strongly believe in Jesus and if we have developed a deep friendship with Him. In the Bible/Scripture it says: "Everyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Penance Service in Brady's Bend will be on Thursday, March 30 at 6:30pm. Please view our bulletin on-line at www.stpatrickbradysbend.org for dates and times of Penance services at church's within the Diocese of Greensburg.



Sunshine Corner

The object of Prayer is not to ask God what He can do for you, but to ask what you can do for Him.

Liturgical Ministers for April 1, 2

| Mass Time | Saturday | Sunday |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Lector</u> | 1. Ann T. 2 Volunteer needed | 1. Jen M. 2. Scott A. |
| <u>EMoC</u> | Judy C. | Volunteer needed |
| <u>Cross Bearer</u> <u>Book Holder</u> | Karen T. | Wyatt M. |

Upcoming Events

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| March 29 | <i>Stations of the Cross</i> 6:00pm |
| March 30 | <i>Penance Service, Brady's Bend</i> 6:30pm |
| March 31 | <i>Fish Dinner</i> 4-6:30pm |

Elements of the Mass

Episode 19: The Door of the Church

The door of the church is not simply a practical or pragmatic thing; it is not simply for entry and exit. The door of every church is a sacramental sign that reminds us of our future entry into paradise. The Church's worship always moves us in the direction of our heavenly homeland.

Every church is dedicated before it is put into service for worship; the prayer of dedication tells us what the church building and its furnishings signify.

From the moment of the opening of the doors, the crossing of the threshold, of the entering in, the doorway becomes significant. This is the place where couples about to be united in Holy Matrimony are greeted by the Church's official representatives. This is the place, too, where that same couple will be greeted again as they carry their children for Baptism. Here, again, is the station where mourners pause as they carry their deceased loved one a final time to church for the Mass of Christian burial. Every Catholic, crossing this threshold, pause to dip your fingers into holy water and trace the Sign of the Cross.

Faith Formation News

Faith Formation—For Preschool through Grade 5 classes will resume this Sunday in the hall after the 9:30am Mass.

6th & 7th Grade Confirmation Prep. Will meet on Sunday evening, **April 16**, from 6-7:30pm in the hall.

Youth Ministry (grades 8 through 12) Will meet on Sunday evening, **April 16**, from 6-7:30pm in the hall.

In the event that Faith Formation class must be canceled due to inclement weather, the cancellation will be posted on WPXI (Channel 11 News) and on WPXI.com.



Huge Thank You to the Faith Formation class, their families and all those that helped make our St. Patrick's Day Brunch and Bishop Kulick's celebration a success. May God Bless all of you for your service to this Parish.



The Sanctuary Candle will burn
from March 24 until April 6

In Loving Memory of John Barger
From Alice

Stewardship of Treasure **March 18,19**

Adult Offertory \$ 2,871.75

Loose \$30.00

Total \$2,901.75

Ash Wednesday—\$20.00 Easter Flowers—\$65.00



Fish Dinners will continue each Friday through lent, from 4:00pm until 6:30pm. You may dine in or take out. Call anytime after 4 at (724-526-5180) for take outs.

Adults\$14.00

Children (3years to 10 years of age)\$7.00

Children 2 and under.....FREE

Choose between baked or breaded fish. (or on hoagie roll) Also includes a side of Mac n cheese, baked potato or French fries along with coleslaw and a dessert.

Looking forward to seeing all of you there!