

ST. PATRICK PARISH

BRADY'S BEND, PENNSYLVANIA



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BULLETIN DEADLINE

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

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday 9am-4pm

Closed Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays,
and Fridays

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.



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 20, 2023

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Masses For The Week

Saturday, August 19: Vigil: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sunday, August 20: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am—Ray Snyder—Rose and Rae

Monday, August 21: Saint Pius X

6:00pm—Month’s Mind—Owen Lessner

Tuesday, August 22: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am—Month’s Mind—Connie Campbell

Wednesday, August 23: Saint Rose of Lima

9:00am—Month’s Mind—Nick DeBacco

Thursday, August 24: Saint Bartholomew

9:00am—Matt Bartoe—Mary Ann O’Donnell

Friday, August 25: Saint Louis, Saint Joseph Calasanz

9:00am—Antonia and Frank Habe—Lillian and Tom King

Saturday, August 26: Vigil: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm—Steve Sheakley—Donna and Boys

Sunday, August 27: Twenty-Frist Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am—Living and Deceased Members of St. Patrick

Parking Lots

The Church parking lots and the Cemetery Road will be sealed during the week of August 28. Cars are not permitted in the parking lots or on the cemetery road during this time. There will be no Mass the week of August 28.

Land of Peace and Bethlehem Christian Families

would like to express humble appreciation to you for allowing us to revisit St. Patrick Parish. Thank you for your support in helping us and our brothers and sisters in Christ with compassion, dignity and respect especially in these difficult times. May you and your parishioners enjoy God’s many glorious blessings.

—From Roni Salsa, Bethlehem Christian Families

***20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 15:21-28***

Is our faith in the Lord as strong as the Canaanite woman in the gospel?

The strong faith of the Canaanite woman whose daughter was tormented by the devil is very evident in the gospel. She was initially snubbed by Jesus but she persisted. She heard the disciples tell Jesus: “Send her away.” But she did not budge.

Since she was not a Jew, Jesus told her, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.” She persisted in her request. She knelt before Jesus and begged Him and said; “ Lord help me.”

After a few more dialogues, Jesus saw the Canaanite woman’s strong faith thus He said to her: “O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And the woman’s daughter was healed from that hour.

We too have our own special petitions before Jesus and we too may have not received any signs of reply from Jesus.

In spite of these we must continue to have faith and always be persistent in following Jesus. God’s silence and rejections to our petitions and prayers are a test of faith for us. God wants us follow Him from faith not from actions.

Would we follow Him even if we seem to get nothing in return? If we still follow Him then it is true faith. Faith is something that we can’t see and touch, but is felt by our hearts.

“If you base your faith on lack of affliction (I would add, on a prayer being answered as you had hoped),, your faith lives on the brink of extinction and will fall apart because of a frightening diagnosis or a shattering phone call. Token faith will not survive suffering, nor should it...Losing your faith may be God’s gift to you. Only when you jettison ungrounded and untrue faith can you replace it with valid faith in the true God—faith that can pass, and even find strength in, the most formidable of life’s tests.”

From the Book “If God is Good”

Upcoming Events

<i>August 19</i>	<i>Father Victor’s Celebration After Mass</i>
<i>August 20</i>	<i>Father Victor’s Celebration After Mass</i>
<i>August 26,27</i>	<i>Mission Weekend</i>

Liturgical Ministers for August 26,27

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
<u>Lector</u>	Cindy I.	John E.
<u>EMoC</u>	Judy C.	Bernie M.
<u>Cross Bearer</u> <u>Book Holder</u>	Karen T.	Joey O. Jace B.

CELEBRATION



We will be having a celebration in honor of Father Victor and his devotion and growth of our Parish as he continues his journey of faith back to his home. We will be celebrating after Mass on Saturday evening, August 19 and after Mass on Sunday morning, August 20. Please plan to celebrate with us.



Meet and Greet Celebration

SAVE THE DATE

We will be having a celebration to meet and welcome our new priest on Saturday, September 2, after Mass, and Sunday, September 3, after Mass. Please plan to celebrate with us.

Stewardship of Treasure August 5,6

Adult Offertory	\$ 2,904.75
Loose	\$56.00
Total	\$ 2,960.75
Accent	\$151.25

Faith Formation Update

Plans are underway for the 2023-2024 Faith Formation year. Mark your calendars that the first day of class will be

September 10th. More details will follow.

If your child has not attended Faith Formation in the past and is of preschool age, contact the office at 724-526-5079 to register. Thank you to the teachers who have signed up to teach this year. A preschool teacher is still needed to teach. If you are interested in teaching preschool or being a substitute, please contact the parish office. Remember that all teachers must have their clearances. If you do not, the office will assist you in getting them.

The Ten Commandments

9. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife.

The heart is like the "rudder" of the soul. Where it goes, so goes the soul. This Ninth Commandment—"Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife" - is a Law, like all others, which must be obeyed in the heart first.

The soul must with prudence avoid any envy of another's wife, always respecting the marriage vows taken by any couple. In today's society, marriage is not always viewed as an important institution. Many couples do not even marry before living as one. This is encouraged by entertainment, clothing, and literature, and many forms of modern-day communication. The heart has to desire to stand firm on the path of salvation by obeying this Commandment. He has to let the Commandment stand guard over his heart.

Each week we will be looking at a chapter in each book of the Bible and how it has or may have an impact our lives. Take a moment to read the chapters that are outlined to better understand a situation that may have affected you in your life journey.

Take a Moment.....

—Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah."

Life question: What is the hardest test of faith you have ever been through? How has God been teaching you that you can trust him?

Genesis 22:2



Sunshine Corner

Remember...you cannot expect God to be the source of your peace if the world is the source of your satisfaction.