

# 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.



**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 24, 2023**

## ST. PATRICK PARISH

### Masses For The Week

#### **Saturday, September 23: Vigil: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00pm—In Birthday Remembrance of  
Kenny Ealey—Rose and Rae

#### **Sunday, September 24: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

#### **Monday, September 25: Weekday (beginning October 2nd there will be no Monday Mass.)**

6:00pm—Glenn L. Maley—Janice and Bob Bishop

#### **Tuesday, September 26: Saints Cosmas and Damian**

9:00am—Harley Flick—Pat and Bob Chlosta

#### **Wednesday, September 27: Saint Vincent de Paul**

9:00am—Ralph DeBacco—Ron and Jane DeBacco

#### **Thursday, September 28: Saint Wenceslaus and Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions**

9:00am—Ethel Double—Dan and Anne Harmon

#### **Friday, September 29 Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael**

9:00am—Owen Lessner—Ted and Kitty Miller

#### **Saturday, September 30: Vigil: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

#### **Sunday, October 1: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30am—Joshua L. Stitt—Stitt Family

#### Pastoral Council

*We are in need of two (2) members to serve on our Pastoral Council. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Cari Harmon or call the Parish Office.*

*Current Members are: Cari Harmon, President. Cheryl Pistorius, Jen Maharg, Chris Henderson and Bill Weibel.*



When you hear “God does not give you more than you can handle;” I hear; “Yes, he does. He gives us way more than we can handle, until we realize we must give it to Him to handle.” And when we do, we begin the journey to peace and acceptance. It doesn’t mean we no longer grieve or feel pain, it doesn’t mean that we don’t suffer when our most precious prayers aren’t answered the way we want them to be, it means that we have chosen His path, His plan and His will over ours. We aren’t meant to understand it, but we do have to trust it. And when we falter (and we will) we run to Him with the most powerful of prayer to bless and grace us with healing, reassurance, hope and love— that is what I hear. —Sarah Clark

*25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 55:6-9; Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a; Matthew 20:1-16a  
God's Generosity*

**One of God's many attributes is His generosity.** He is unlimited in His acts that demonstrate His compassion, love, and mercy. In the time of the prophet Isaiah (8th century BC), the children of Israel began to take God's works on their behalf for granted and failed to be grateful for His many blessings. As a result, they did not produce the "good fruit" of righteousness, and in judgment for their wickedness, God punished His people for their sins. And yet, as Isaiah told the people in our First Reading, God is always ready to forgive the repentant sinner and to show His mercy. God is not like human beings who harbor resentment and fail to forgive past wrongs. God's salvation is freely extended to His covenant people and to people of all nations who seek a relationship with Him, for He is both generous and merciful.

**The Responsorial Psalm tells us that our loving God is near to everyone who calls upon Him.** The Lord hears the prayers and petitions of all who come to Him, not because they have worked to deserve it, but because God is merciful. Our response should be to offer God our praise in thanksgiving for His generosity in intervening in our lives, even when we cannot recognize how He is meeting our needs. St. John Chrysostom wrote: "Devotion to praise is a mark of the truly filial heart. He who praises the Lord every day will praise him for the eternal Day".

**In the Second Reading, St. Paul wrote that we must conduct ourselves in a manner that is worthy of Christ.** Paul testified that he would remain faithful to Christ no matter what the circumstances of his life. Paul bravely professed that he would honor God whether he lives and continues his apostolic work of spreading the Gospel of salvation in a life that belongs to Christ through his Christian baptism, or if he is martyred and can bear his witness of Christ in his death.

**In today's Gospel Reading, Jesus speaks about God's generosity. He challenges the misconception of God's gifts as merely a reward for services rendered in the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard.** God calls professing Christians to serve as laborers in His vineyard that is Jesus' Kingdom of the Church. God gives His Christian children the mission to share the Gospel message of salvation and to bear the fruits of righteousness that are a sign to others to come to faith and believe in the promises of our generous and merciful God.

**Have you answered God's call to labor in His vineyard?** Do you acknowledge the Lord's blessings, and are you thankful for His mercy and forgiveness in your life? We demonstrate our gratitude to our Lord and Savior in the willing labor of our Christian witness. It is our righteous actions as Christians, living in obedience to the teachings of Christ and His Church, that is a testimony of our devotion and gratitude for His generosity in calling us, and all people, to eternal salvation and an everlasting home with Him in Heaven.



**Beginning October 1, 2023,** there will be no Monday Mass. All other Mass times and days will remain the same.

**The Mass book will be open for your requests as of October 1.** In order to ensure correct spellings, please place your mass requests in the collection basket or mail to the Parish office. We will be able to accommodate more weekend Masses this year, as we have been granted permission to have Mass “For the People” on weekdays instead of only weekends as has been done in the past.

## Liturgical Ministers for September 30, Oct 1

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
<u>Lector</u>	Anne T.	Kitty M.
<u>EMoC</u>	Janice B.	Vicki S.
<u>Cross Bearer</u> <u>Book Holder</u>	Karen T.	Joey O. Theresa M.

### Stewardship of Treasure September 9, 10

Adult Offertory	\$ 3,367.50
Loose	\$44.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,411.50</b>
<b>Cemetery</b>	<b>\$421.00</b>



### Retiring

Silvio (Scabby, Andy, or any of his other nicknames) has expressed that he will be retiring at the end of 2023 as Maintenance for St. Patrick Church. Scabby has been working for St. Patrick for 36 years and knows a great deal about the day-to-day workings of the facilities. Because of his vast knowledge, a new maintenance person is needed to spend several months with Scabby to learn some of the trade secrets. If you are interested, please read the information below.

#### Part Time Maintenance Position Available

St. Patrick Parish is looking for a part time maintenance person to oversee grounds for an average of 10 hours a week. Some of the duties include:

- Walk through of facilities at least once a week.
- Handle general repairs.
- Coordinate seasonal outside maintenance.
- Coordinate equipment maintenance with contractors.
- Handle calls from the office regarding situations that may arise, which may include emergency calls.
- Clearances and references are required.

Interested parties are ask to contact the office at 724-526-5079. If you receive the voicemail system, please leave a message.

## Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to the family of Glenn Maley who passed on September 9. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.



Please consider donating a basket for our basket raffle.

## Faith Formation News

**For Preschool through Grade 5: Faith Formation will be held immediately following Mass this Sunday, September 24. There will be **NO Faith Formation on October 1**, due to the Fall Festival. Just a reminder, please stay with your child until the teachers are in the classrooms. Faith Formation will end at 11:45am. Parents must meet their children at their classrooms and sign them out.**  
**6th, 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Prep. Classes will meet this Sunday, September 24, from 6pm until 7:30pm.**



Please consider leading the Rosary during the Month of October. Volunteers are needed for before both Saturday evening Mass and Sunday morning Mass.

### Upcoming Events

October 1

Fall Festival  
11am-3pm



Fall Festival October 1st  
11am until 3pm

**Please see sign up sheets in the Narthex for volunteers to help with the dinner and sign up sheets to donate an item to the bake sale.**

**If you have not received your raffle tickets**, please contact the office. Please return all sold and unsold tickets to the office by September 24.

**Donations for desserts to be served with dinners** are greatly needed and appreciated.

**We are asking your support in donating a basket** for our basket raffle. You may drop off baskets in the cry room or at the Parish Office.

#### Eight Beatitudes and their meanings

4. **Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.**  
(Do what is fair for everyone.)

#### Take a Moment.....

—”Balak said to Balaam, “What have you done to me? I brought you to curse my enemies, but you have done nothing but bless them!”

**Life question:** Have you ever been used by God despite your own reluctance?



**The Sanctuary Candle will burn from September 22 through October 5 In Loving Memory of Tom Kusick From Amy**