

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

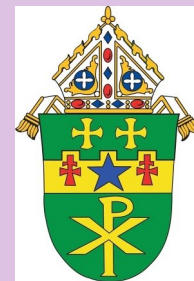
Normally celebrated on Sunday and are encouraged at a Sunday Eucharist. Baptism preparation is required.

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.



Our Lord Jesus Christ November 26, 2023

ST. PATRICK PARISH

Masses For The Week

Saturday, November 25: Vigil: Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

5:00pm—Harley Flick—Pat and Bob Chlosta

Sunday, November 26: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:30am—Forster Family—Peggy

Tuesday, November 28: Weekday

9:00am—Jennie Steiner—Vicki Steiner

Wednesday, November 29: Weekday

9:00am—Ralph DeBacco—St. Paddy's Ladies

Thursday, November 30: Saint Andrew, Apostle

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

Friday, December 1: Weekday

9:00am—The Living and Deceased Members of St. Patrick

Saturday, December 2: Vigil: First Sunday of Advent

5:00pm—In Birthday Remembrance of John Bedner, and John E. Bedner I, II, III.

Sunday, December 3: First Sunday of Advent

9:30am—Matt Bartoe—Mom



Choir Practice for preparation for the Christmas season will be Sunday mornings at 8:30am.

The sign up sheet for the Pilgrim Statue is in the Narthex.

Advent Penance Services

December 11	Brady's Bend	6:30pm
December 14	Cadogan	6:30pm
December 16	Kittanning	12:00pm
December 18	Freeport	6:30pm

November 26, 2023

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalm 23:1-3, 5-6
1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD OF LORDS AND KING OF KINGS

On this last Sunday before the beginning of the liturgical season of Advent, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. In our readings, we end the Church's liturgical year with a vision of the Divine King's return and the end of the age as we celebrate Jesus' universal kingship.

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As heirs of Christ the King, we are anointed at our Baptism when we become members of a royal family in Christ's Kingdom of the Church. We are a royal people, and we share in our King's crown. Most earthly kings wear jewel-encrusted crowns and sit on golden thrones, but our King wears a crown of thorns, and His throne is the wood of the Cross. He calls us to share in His Kingdom of justice, self-sacrifice, peace, and freedom, and we recognize our royal ruler in the faces of the impoverished, the hungry, and the oppressed.

The First Reading, the Responsorial Psalm, and the Gospel Reading describe our Lord as a king over His people, using the imagery of a shepherd who cares for his flock. The last verse in the First Reading is the link to the Gospel Reading. The Gospel Reading uses the imagery of the Divine Shepherd separating the sheep from the goats in judging between the righteous and the wicked. In the Psalms, we acknowledge the Lord as our Divine Shepherd, who lovingly provides for the sheep of His flock who are His covenant people. In the Second Reading, Saint Paul teaches that Jesus' reign as king, inaugurated in His Resurrection, will last until His Second Advent when He will return to collect His Bride, the Church, and sit as the Divine Judge over humanity. After the Last Judgment, He will take His Bride to Heaven for the Wedding Supper of the Lamb when He submits Himself and His Church to the Father.

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus identifies with the poor and the oppressed, and He makes the Christian's outpouring of active love toward those who suffer a condition for entering His eternal Kingdom. We cannot hope for an eternal reward without loving God, and the love of God is tied to love and concern for our brothers and sisters in the family of humanity. Saint John wrote in 1 John 3:14-15: We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers. Whoever does not love remains in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life remaining in him.

The Gospel teaching describing the Last Judgment marks the end of the Liturgical year. Jesus' teaching on the Last Judgment should call us to an examination of conscience in recognition that we must keep our souls pure in preparation for this event that will come upon us without warning. We must remember that Christ's Second Advent does not mark the end but a new beginning for those who love Jesus and are obedient to His command to love.

Liturgical Ministers for December 2, 3

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
<u>Lector</u>	Cindy I.	Kitty M.
<u>EMoC</u>	Dave C.	Vicki S.
<u>Cross Bearer</u> <u>Book Holder</u>	Karen T.	Joey O. Jace B.

Stewardship of Treasure

	Nov 11,12	Year-To-Date
Adult Offertory	\$2,777.75	\$57,497.25
Children Offertory		
Loose	\$154.00	\$2,075.19
Total	\$2,931.75	\$59,572.44
Budget	\$3,600.00	\$72,000.00
Difference	\$-668.25	\$-12,427.56



To sign up for online giving, please use the QR code on the bulletin board or contact Barb in the office on Monday evenings.



St. Paddy's Ladies working hard preparing the frozen turkey dinners for everyone. Thank you for your hard work and devotion.



Faith Formation News

For Preschool through Grade 5: Faith Formation will **not meet this Sunday in observance of Thanksgiving.**

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Prep. Classes will **not meet this Sunday.**

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



The Giving Tree

Thank you for the past 23 years of generosity in donating to those in need during this Christmas season. Our giving tree is displayed in the Narthex. Please know that each and every donation will aid in a caring Christmas to those in need.

Please keep the following in mind:

***The tags attached to the tree are only recommendations, all of the items listed do not have to be included.

***Please leave ALL gifts unwrapped. Place items in a large garbage bag with the tag attached to the outside. Please tape the tag to the bag. If you wish, you may enclose a roll of gift wrap with your items. Gift wrap may also be placed inside the garbage bag.

Please leave bags in the cry room.

***If you would prefer to make a donation rather than shop, please place donations in an envelope marked "Giving Tree" and place in the offertory. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to St. Patrick's Church.

***All items must be returned by **December 3**. This deadline is important to ensure that gifts may be delivered in a timely fashion.

If you have any questions or need your gift picked up, please contact Susan Reeves at 724-526-5591 or 724-496-8808.

November Faithful Challenges



In addition to remembering and praying for those who have died, Bishop Kulick challenges the faithful this November to visit their graves. It is also important to attend Mass and receive the Eucharist. These rituals of memorial can unite us to our departed loved ones.



Sunshine Corner

"When asked if my cup is half-full or half-empty my only response is that I am thankful I have a cup."

—Sam Lefkowitz