

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.



Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5, 2023

Masses For The Week

Saturday, November 4: Vigil: Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm— Stacy Martin—St. Paddy’s Ladies

Sunday, November 5: Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am—Bobby Steiner—Vicki and Family

Tuesday, November 7: Weekday

9:00am—Cathy Coe—Phyllis

Wednesday, November 8: Weekday

9:00am—Glenn Maley—St. Paddy’s Ladies

Thursday, November 9: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9:00am—Thomas G. Mellish—Tom and Pat Double

Friday, November 10: Saint Leo the Great

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

Saturday, November 11: Vigil: Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm—Connie Campbell—Shirley Slagle

Sunday, November 12 Vigil: Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am—Mary Lou Kinkela—Stitt Family

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In the First Reading, God addresses the priests through the prophet Malachi. He admonishes them for neglecting their duty to instruct the people in the Law of the Sinai Covenant and showing favoritism to particular members of the congregation. They have forgotten that they belong to God and are His representatives to the covenant people. The Second Reading is from Saint Paul's letter to the faith community he and his missionary team founded at Thessalonica in Greece. Instead of taking credit for the conversions in Thessalonica for himself, Saint Paul, in humility, graciously refers to the entire missionary team's labors and gives credit for their success to God. In the Gospel Reading, Jesus criticizes the religious leaders of His time for serving themselves in putting forward their agendas and self-interests at the expense of serving God and His people. Jesus upholds the authority of the people's religious leaders as the successors of Moses. However, He gives the people a warning to do what they say but not to imitate their actions because they do not practice what they preach. He condemns the Pharisees' misinterpretation of Mosaic Law, their excessive show of piety that is only a sham to put them in a good light, and their delight in being honored and singled out for praise, putting themselves above the ordinary people.

Our priests who serve Jesus' New Covenant kingdom should reflect on these readings as a constructive critique of priests, their ministry, and their leadership within the family of the Church. Do they fulfill their obligation to teach both the blessings for the obedience of faith and the warnings of punishments for covenant failure? Do they inspire their parishioners to holiness? Do they excuse or neglect to preach about certain sins that have become socially accepted practices, or do they have the moral courage to speak out against the mortal sins that secular society embraces like fornication (sex outside of marriage), adultery, and abortion?

As for those of us in the congregation of the faithful, we should strive to support our priests, offer constructive criticism in love when needed, and encourage them in their ministry spiritually and emotionally. We should also remember that our priests are imperfect human beings like the rest of us and pray for them to succeed in their calling and to find peace and fulfillment in their service.



The Sanctuary Candle will burn
from November 3 through November 16
In Loving Memory of
John and Irene DeBacco
From Monica and Family

November 5, 2023

31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Psalm 131:1-3

1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13; Matthew 23:1-12

THE MINISTERIAL SERVICE OF THE PRIESTHOOD

We expect the best ministerial service our priests and bishops can offer. This service consists of sacramental ministering, preaching the Gospel, and teaching the doctrine of the Church. In their ministry, they are servants of God and His Household, the Kingdom of the Church. In today's First Reading and Gospel Reading, we hear some unkind words for the Old Covenant Church's priests and leaders. The Second Reading, however, provides an example of righteous ministerial service.

Liturgical Ministers for November 11,12

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
<u>Lector</u>	Cindy I.	John E.
<u>EMoC</u>	Judy C.	Art D.
<u>Cross Bearer</u> <u>Book Holder</u>	Karen T.	Joey O. Regan A.

Stewardship of Treasure

October 21,22

Adult Offertory	\$2,478.75
Loose	\$56.00
Total	\$2,534.75
World Mission	\$276.00

The QR code for on-line giving is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. It also has been included in the past bulletins. Please consider choosing the on-line method of contributing.

A Call for Prayer and Fasting for Peace **“Since he is not the God of disorder but of peace” (1 Cor. 14,33)**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

May the Lord indeed give us His peace!

The pain and dismay at what is happening is great. Once again we find ourselves in the midst of a political and military crises. We have suddenly been catapulted into a sea of unprecedented violence. The hatred, which we have unfortunately already been experiencing for too long, will increase even more, and the ensuing spiral of violence will create more destruction.

Everything seems to speak of death. Yet in this time of sorrow and dismay, we do not want to remain helpless. We cannot let death and its sting (1 Cor 15:55) be the only word we hear. That is why we feel the need to pray, to turn our hearts to God the Father. Only in this way can we draw the strength and serenity needed to endure these hard times, by turning to Him, in prayer and intercession, to implore and cry out to God amidst this anguish. On behalf of all the Ordinaries of the Holy Land, I invite all parishes and religious communities to a day of fasting and prayer for peace and reconciliation....This is the way we all come together despite everything, and unite collectively in prayer, to deliver to God.

With sincere prayers for all,
+Pierbattista Card, Pizzaballa
The Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem

Faith Formation News

For Preschool through Grade 5: Faith Formation will meet this Sunday after Mass,

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Prep.
Classes will meet this Sunday, November 5, from 6pm until 7:30pm



FREE TURKEY DINNER

Individual, homemade, frozen turkey dinners will be available for pickup at St. Patrick's Church Hall on **Monday, November 20, 2023** from 4pm until 6pm.

First come, first served.

Take a Moment.....

—”Jesus answered the Samaritan woman “if you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water”

Life question:: For what things do people “thirst”? How has this type of thirst affected your life?

John 4:10-18



Sunshine Corner

Keep the honest moments close to your heart. The ones that are the most human. When you laugh until your ribs ache with your friends, when you feel stars exploding inside of you from falling in love, when life breaks you open and those tears of transformation and faith pour like a river from your soul. Life is really quite simple. We get to experience this planet for a brief while awaiting eternity. We get to learn how to love ourselves and one another for the strange, messy, and magical creatures we are. We get to honor and follow God's path, even when we don't understand it. What a gift from God to have a human life. If you look a little closer, there is always something to be grateful for. True gratitude isn't ignoring the darkness. It's participating with your whole heart in God's promises and miracles and in whatever moment life brings. It's leaning into the unfolding process and having the courage to not need all of the answers.