

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.



The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2024

Masses For The Week

Saturday, January 13: Vigil: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm— In Birthday Remembrance of Steve Sheakley—Donna and Boys

Sunday, January 14: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am—Glenn Maley—Janice and Bob Bishop

Tuesday, January 16: Weekday

9:00am—In Birthday Remembrance of Thomas McCloskey—wife, Bernie

Wednesday, January 17: Saint Anthony

9:00am—Angelina Matijak—Joe and Elaine Curran

Thursday, January 18: Weekday

9:00am—Cathy Coe—Family

Friday, January 19: Weekday

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

Saturday, January 20: Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm—John and Joanne Andreassi—Amy

Sunday January 21: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am—Gary Yough—Dan and Anne Harmon

January 14, 2024

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19; Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-9, 10
1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20; John 1:35-42

The Call and the Response

The theme of this Sunday's readings is Jesus is the Father's Emissary. From the beginning of His ministry, "He called to Him those whom He desired ... And He appointed twelve, whom also He named Apostles, to be with Him, and to be sent out to preach." From then on, they would also be His 'emissaries' (Greek word *apostoloi*). In them, Christ continues His own mission: "As the Father has sent me, even so, I send you." The Apostles' ministry is the continuation of his mission; Jesus said to the Twelve: "he who receives you receives me." *In the readings, we have examples of individuals God called to take up a life dedicated to His service.* In the First Reading, God called the prophet Samuel to serve Him when Samuel was still a child. In the Responsorial Psalm reading, attributed to David, we recall that, anointed to divine service when a child, David served God faithfully

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throughout the struggles of his life. Then, there is the example of St. Paul in the Second Reading who, as the voice of God to the Corinthians, warned them of the dangers of immorality. The final examples are robust fishermen in the prime of life who left their occupation catching fish to become "fishers of men" for Christ. In each case, these very different individuals responded to God's invitation to serve Him in the same way. They gave up everything to follow a divine calling. *In the First Reading, Samuel, adopted as a son of the High Priest Eli when he was three years old, received a divine call to prophetic service when he was a child sleeping in the Sanctuary near the Holy of Holies that sheltered the Ark of the Covenant.* The Lord called Samuel's name twice for a series of three times before he understood that it was the voice of God calling him. He responded to God's call the fourth time and submitted his entire life to God's holy service. *Saint Paul admonished the Christian community at Corinth in the Second Reading to avoid acts of immorality.* He reminded the Corinthians that in the Sacrament of Christian Baptism, they were reborn to a new life in Christ, and their bodies became temples of the Holy Spirit. He told them that they had become members of the Body of Christ and must live in an intimate relationship of holiness with the Lord, sharing in Christ's life and being "one spirit" with Him. *In the Gospel, Simon (Peter) meets Jesus for the first time on the east side of the Jordan River where Saint John the Baptist was ritually immersing the covenant people in a baptism of repentance in preparation for the arrival of the Messiah.* John pointed out Jesus as the "Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world" to the crowd, and Andrew, a fisherman from Galilee, sought out Jesus with a friend and spent the day talking with Him. Then Andrew, convinced Jesus was the Messiah, took his brother Peter to meet Him, and the introduction changed their lives forever. *The examples of humility and self-sacrifice demonstrated in these men's lives are models of behavior for us on this side of salvation history.* Theirs is the kind of pleasing sacrifice made to the Lord when one entirely offers up oneself as a Temple of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God. In responding to God's call, we acknowledge that our bodies, as Saint Paul writes, have been purchased at a price" by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the altar of the Cross. How often does God call us when we fail to recognize His voice or His call to service? Listen for His voice with an open heart, and miracles can happen in your life like the work of God in the transformed lives of the men in today's Scripture readings.

Liturgical Ministers for January 20, 21

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
<u>Lector</u>	Cindy I.	John E.
<u>EMoC</u>	Dave C.	Scott A.
<u>Cross Bearer</u> <u>Book Holder</u>	Karen T.	Peggy W. Jace B.

Stewardship of Treasure

	Dec 30,31	Year-To-Date
Adult Offertory	\$4,128.75	\$78,425.50
Children Offertory		
Loose	\$82.00	\$3,208.19
Total	\$4,210.75	\$81,633.69
Budget	\$3,600.00	\$97,200.00
Difference	+\$610.75	\$15,566.31
Christmas \$125.00 Solemnity of Mary \$399.00 Flowers-\$15. First off \$153.00 Home Mission \$20. Eoy giving \$510.00		



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

Upcoming Events

Jan 15	Parish Council Meeting 6:00pm in the hall
Jan 17	Young at Heart Noon
Jan 17	Fish Dinner Meeting 6:00pm in the hall
Jan 20	Adoration 2:30pm Benediction 4:30pm



The Sanctuary Candle will burn from January 12 through January 25 In Birthday Remembrance of Steve Sheakley

Love, Donna

Faith Formation News

For Preschool through Grade 5: Faith Formation will meet this Sunday, January 14.

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.



FISH DINNERS

There is a planning meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 17 at 6:00pm in the hall. Everyone welcome, any help is always appreciated.



The flowers this weekend are In Birthday Remembrance of Steve Sheakley From Donna and the Boys



Welcome Frank Bratkovich to our Parish Staff. He has taken the maintenance position previously held by Scabby Andreassi who retired on December 31. Thank you Scabby for many, many years of hard work and devotion to this Parish.



Easter Paschal Candle

If anyone is interested in purchasing our Paschal candle this year in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact the office on Wednesdays, you may also leave a message or email Sarah at sclark@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Take a Moment.....

—”The Lord who delivered me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.”

—1 Samuel 17:37

Life question: Are you facing any great fear or danger about which God is telling you to rely utterly on him?



Sunshine Corner

“Integrity is doing the right thing even when no one is watching.”—C.S. Lewis