

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 Third Sunday in Lent March 3, 2024

Masses For The Week

Saturday, March 2: Vigil: Third Sunday in Lent

5:00pm— Fr. William Maloney—Dan and Anne Harmon

Sunday, March 3: Third Sunday in Lent

9:30am—Anniversary of Steve Sheakley—Donna and Boys

Tuesday, March 5: Lenten Weekday

9:00am—Ruth Foster—Peggy Wimer

Wednesday, March 6: Lenten Weekday

9:00am—Laura Hogan—Rose

Thursday, March 7: Saints Perpetua and Felicity

9:00am—Virginia Morrow—Jack Grazioli

Friday, March 8: Saint John of God

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

Saturday, March 9: Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:00pm—Jim and Jan Magnani—Jeff and Mary Miller

Sunday March 10: Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:30am—Ethel Double—Chris Henderson

March 3, 2024 – 3rd Sunday of Lent - Year B
Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19:8-11

1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25

**OBEDIENCE TO THE LAW AND WORSHIP
ARE THE SIGNS OF COVENANT LOVE
AND COMMITMENT**

In the First Reading, the Ten Commandments were the foundation of the Law of the Sinai Covenant. They focused on love expressed with a two-part division concerning love for God followed by a series of laws dealing with expressing love for humanity. The articles of the Law were God's gift of love and protection for His covenant people. The Law, conceived in love, served as a tutor and a guide, teaching the children of Israel about sin and sacrifice, and setting them apart as a holy people on the path to salvation.

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God gave His people what we sing in today's psalm: "Lord, you have the words of everlasting life." The people expressed their love for God and His covenant union with them in obedience to the Law and by participating in the liturgy of the Jerusalem Temple's twice-daily worship service. The people offered the daily communal sacrifice of the unblemished Tamid lambs for their atonement and sanctification. Together with the morning and afternoon Tamid sacrifice, they also brought to God's altar their sin sacrifices, communion sacrifices, whole burnt gift offerings, and the feast days' festival offerings that bound them in their love relationship with the Almighty God. In the Second Reading, St. Paul complains that the Jews demand spectacular signs or miracles while the Greeks want wisdom or reason that makes everything understandable. Paul reminds us that Christ crucified and resurrected is both the sign and the wisdom of God for humanity. He is the Living Word of God who makes possible God's gift of everlasting life in His eternal Kingdom. In the First Reading, we recall the basic outline of divine Law in the Ten Commandments, and in the Gospel Reading, Jesus gives a sign of His divine authority. He cleanses the Jerusalem Temple of the people's profane practice of buying and selling within the Temple precincts. His purification of His Father's house prepares the way for the inauguration of a new liturgy of worship "in spirit and in truth" and a New Covenant. The New Covenant will open the gates of Heaven and will give the gifts of eternal salvation and the Holy Spirit that the Old Covenant was incapable of providing.

After His Ascension, God the Father and Son send the Holy Spirit to the New Covenant community on the Jewish pilgrim feast of Weeks. Greek-speaking Jews called it Pentecost, meaning "fiftieth" because it fell fifty days as the ancients counted after the pilgrim feast of Unleavened Bread. The Holy Spirit came to establish the New Covenant Law of love for God and love of neighbor that fulfills the old Law. Jesus' Body, offered in sacrifice on the altar of the Cross and resurrected after three days, is the New Covenant Sanctuary. From His Body, rivers of living water flow in the Spirit of grace that makes every baptized Christian a temple of the Holy Spirit and forms the New Covenant people of Jesus Christ into the dwelling place of God. Are you someone who needs "signs" to bolster your faith? St. John Chrysostom, writing in the late 4th century, commented: "Many people are like that. They carry the name of faithful, but they are fickle and inconstant..." Faith is a matter of obedience and trust. It takes courage to have faith, but even more, it takes love. If you obediently place your love and faith in Jesus, you will never be disappointed. St. Paul had this advice for believers: But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one. We are confident of you in the Lord that what we instruct you, you [both] are doing and will continue to do. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ.

(Taken from Agape Bible Study.com)

Liturgical Ministers for March 9,10

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
<u>Lector</u>	Monica A.	John E.
<u>EMoC</u>	Jan B.	Vicki S.
<u>Cross Bearer</u> <u>Book Holder</u>	Karen T.	Wyatt M. Jackson B.

Stewardship of Treasure

	Feb 17,18	Year-To-Date
Adult Offertory	\$2,714.75	\$98,151.50
Children Offertory		
Loose	\$71.00	\$3,909.19
Total	\$2,785.75	\$102,060.69
Budget	\$3,600.00	\$122,400.00
Difference	\$-814.25	\$-20,339.31
Ash Wednesday \$591.00 Missions \$131.00 Cemetery \$5.00		



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

March 6	Stations of the Cross-6:00pm
March 8	Fish Dinner-4:00pm—6:30pm
March 10	Choir Practice—8:30am



Sunshine Corner

The Vital Skill of Empathy.....

The incredible ability to imagine ourselves into other people's minds and feelings and sympathize. But it comes to us with a hitch:: In situations of anxiety, strife or trauma, our empathy becomes selective. At worst, that makes us identify entirely with who we choose deserves our empathy. We can dehumanize those that do not fit neatly into our box and decide who is deserving of our empathy and who is not. Are these choices ours to make, or has God created us to love and empathize with all persons even if we cannot necessarily relate to their struggles? Love thy neighbor, even when its hard.

Faith Formation News

For Preschool through Grade 5: Faith Formation will meet this Sunday, March 3.

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Prep. Classes will meet this Sunday evening March 3 from 6:00pm until 7:30pm

We are still in need of a Faith Formation Director for the school year of 2024/2025. Please contact the office for details.

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

WILL BE SERVED EVERY FRIDAY

Remaining Fridays:

Friday, March 8

Friday, March 15

Friday, March 22

BATTERED FISH HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE MENU, BREADED AND BAKED AS WELL WILL BE SERVED!!

Along with: Baked Potato, French fries, or Mac and Cheese Cole Slaw, dessert, bread and beverage.

Cost: \$15.00 Adult, \$8.00 Children (ages 3-10)

Ages 2 and under Free

COME SUPPORT OUR PARISH!!

TAKE OUTS CALL 724-526-5180



St. Paddy's Ladies Group

Designer Purses & More Party

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Designer Purse Raffle Begins at 1:00pm

Doors Open at Noon .

**St. Patrick's Church, 915 State Rte 68
East Brady PA 16028**

**Entry in the 14 Designer Purse Raffle
2 Door Prizes and Food**

\$30.00 Donation

Extra Raffles Available at Event

Chinese Auction, 50/50

Small Purse Wristlets

2 Mystery Purses

Choir practice will take place every Sunday between February 18 and Easter at 8:30am.

A Minister Schedule for Special Masses will be available for sign up in the Narthex this weekend. Please consider volunteering.