

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 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 11, 2024

Masses For The Week**Saturday, February 10: Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00pm—Ralph Debacco—John Farone Family

Sunday, February 11: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am—Matt Bartoe—Dave and Peggy Lambert

Tuesday, February 13: Weekday

9:00am—Phyllis Miller—Rose

Wednesday, February 14: Ash Wednesday

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

6:00pm—Beverly Davis—Dan and Anne Harmon

Thursday, February 15: Thursday after Ash Wednesday

9:00am—Ethel Double—Cheryl and Ken Knox

Friday, February 16: Friday after Ash Wednesday

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

Saturday, February 17: Vigil: First Sunday of Lent

5:00pm—Poor Souls in Purgatory—Donna Sheakley

Sunday February 18: First Sunday of Lent

9:30am—George Dietz—Dan and Anne Harmon

February 11, 2024

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B*Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11**1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45***GOD RESTORES US**

In the Old Testament, any person suffering from the contagious disease of leprosy was declared unfit for living within the community and for offering sacrifice and worship in the Jerusalem Temple. Similarly, an unconfessed and unrepentant sinner becomes spiritually unclean, spiritually separated from the community of believers, and unfit to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist.

In the First Reading, God commands Moses and Aaron to judge whether a skin lesion was contagious. It was a tragedy for a covenant member to be diagnosed with a skin disease like leprosy. They were expelled from the community and forced to live alone or in groups with others in "unclean" state. They were required to show physical signs of their forced separation by shaving their heads, wearing torn garments, and covering their beards, all signs of death, penance, and mourning. They could not offer sacrifices in the desert Sanctuary, nor, in Jesus' time,

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could they join the congregations of the local Synagogues or worship in the Jerusalem Temple because their unclean condition made them "unfit" for communal worship.

Like the psalmist in the Responsorial Psalm, we come before the Lord in the liturgy of worship to express repentance for our sins and, through His priestly representative, to offer God our sincere confession in the Penitential Rite. We seek forgiveness for our venial sins and the restoration of fellowship (mortal sins are forgiven in the Sacrament of Reconciliation). We acknowledge that sin is both the act and its injurious consequences. The psalmist reminds us that the humble contrition of the penitent sinner leads to forgiveness, and blessed is the sinner who experiences God's mercy and forgiveness, allowing fellowship with a cleansed soul and a sincere heart.

In the Second Reading, Saint Paul reminds us that every Christian is morally responsible for his actions and the negative or positive influence his actions might have on others. All human efforts should give glory to God by living "in imitation of Christ." In this way, others who view your life as sanctified to God may be encouraged to follow your example, which could lead them to a relationship with Christ and their eternal salvation.

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus stretches out His hand, pronounces His divine word, and cleanses a leper, restoring him to his community and making him fit to offer God worship in the Temple. The same miracle happens in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance). We confess our sins to the Lord, and through the outstretched hand and divine word spoken by the priest in Jesus' name, the Lord God takes away the "uncleanness" of our sins and restores us to fellowship with Him and the covenant community.

Like the repentant sinner in our Psalm Reading, we should rejoice in the Lord because He has forgiven us. And like the lepers in the First and Gospel Readings, we should show our gratitude by praising God, sharing the good news of His mercy and forgiveness, and by making a personal commitment to believe in Him and obedience to His commands. We should testify to our spiritual healing by living in holiness, renouncing sin, and demonstrating in our actions our love for God and our neighbor. As Saint Paul wrote in the Second Reading, we should show our gratitude to the Lord by doing even the littlest acts that give glory to God so that others who see our example might believe and be saved.

Liturgical Ministers for February 17,18

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
<u>Lector</u>	Cindy I.	Kitty M.
<u>EMoC</u>	Jan B.	Art D.
<u>Cross Bearer</u> <u>Book Holder</u>	Peggy W.	Joey O. Joseph B.

Stewardship of Treasure

	Jan 27, 28	Year-To-Date
Adult Offertory	\$3,070.50	\$88,805.25
Children Offertory		
Loose	\$210.00	\$3,657.19
Total	\$3,280.50	\$92,462.44
Budget	\$3,600.00	\$111,600.00
Difference	\$-319.50	\$-19,137.56
Cemetery	\$276.00	



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

Feb 13	St. Paddy's Ladies After Mass (<i>weather permitting</i>)
Feb 16	First Fish Dinner



We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers for both Saturday and Sunday Masses. Please consider volunteering. Please contact the office if you are interested.



SUNSHINE CORNER

Dear Lord:

Give me the empowering grace to walk in holiness. Give me the empowering grace to accept the path that You chose for me. Let me realize that sometimes I should glorify you through suffering. I understand this reality is what you expected from Your son, there is no reason You should not expect this from me too. If it takes this kind of path for me to walk down, so be it. I only ask that you give me the grace to be content with the decisions You make for my life.

Faith Formation News

For Preschool through Grade 5: Faith Formation will meet this Sunday, February 11.

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Prep. Classes will NOT meet this Sunday February 11.

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.

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



Fish Dinners

FISH DINNERS WILL BEGIN THIS FRIDAY AND EACH FRIDAY THROUGH 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



DESIGNER PURSE PARTY !!!!

The purse party this year will be Mary 19, 2024 Tickets are on sale Now!! \$30.00 per ticket. These make a great Valentines, Easter or Mother's Day gift!! Please see Jan Bishop or Donna Sheakley for your ticket !!! More details to follow.

FOOD 4 KIDS



The Backpack program is ongoing in schools in our area. This program provides food for students in need for the weekends. All three schools in our area will be providing these students with backpacks every week which are filled with food that is easy to open. Beginning Sunday, February 4th until Sunday February 18, bins for your donations will be located in the Narthex. Monetary donations made out to St. Patrick Parish will also be accepted. Please note on check "Backpack Program"

ITEMS MOST IN NEED:

Single-serve cereal
 Granola Bars
 Instant Oatmeal
 Soups (canned or microwavable)
 Microwavable pasta, rice, or other
 Single-serve meals
 Chef Boyardee Items
 Easy Mac or Velveeta
 Single-serve
 Cup of Noodles, Oodles of
 Noodles
 Pop Tarts

OTHERS ITEMS NEEDED

Raisins
 Cereal bars
 Single-serve fruit cups
 Single-serve applesauce
 Single-serve pudding or jello
 Sandwich crackers
 Single-serve goldfish
 Microwave popcorn
 Juice Boxes
 Single-serve potato chips
 Handi-snacks

* Please be sure all items are microwavable and non-parishable. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.