St. Patrick Parish

BRADY'S BEND, PENNSYLVANIA



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9 am to 1 pm



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday	
Weekdays	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays	4:15 pm to 4:45 pm
Sunday	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 First Friday of each month.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Items for the bulletin must be submitted a week prior due to printing of the bulletin. (Thursday morning via office/Friday am via email.)

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, JULY 26

Vigil: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm—Angela Galassi—Jack, Elaine & Mark Grazioli

SUNDAY, JULY 27

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am—Andreassi, Pezzuti & McCormick Families—Andreassi Family

MONDAY, JULY 28

Weekday No Mass

TUESDAY, JULY 29

Saints, Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

8:30 am—Tony Rodgers—Rose Snyder

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

Weekday

8:30 am—Joseph & Minnie Curran—The Estate

THURSDAY, JULY 31

St. Ignatius of Loyola

8:30 am—Fortune—Joe & Elaine Curran

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

St. Alphonsus Liguori

8:30 am—Living and Deceased Members of St. Patrick

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

Weekday

8:30 am—Terry Henry—Larry & Grace Henry

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

Vigil: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm—Connie Campbell—Maryann Bowser

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am—Anna Galassi—Grandchildren

From the Desk of the Administrator

I think we can say that all of us in our society today, in one way or another, value being "connected." More originally, to "be connected" meant that you know people who could do favors for you or make certain things happen. Being connected today has become less about who you know and more about how many you know. Whether we realize it or not, we tend to measure, or identify, ourselves by our connections.

Teachers in Jewish circles of the time of Jesus taught their disciples how to pray. The disciples of Jesus wanted to pray like him, and they wanted their own unique connection, their own identity as his disciples. So, Jesus did as they asked; he taught them a prayer. It has been said that: "The Lord's Prayer contains the sum total of religion and morals. It may be committed to memory quickly, but it is slowly learned by heart."

We still learn how to pray from the model of the "Our Father," and, by doing so, we learn something of who God is and about our relationship with him. For this reason, the Our Father is not just a prayer; it is a statement of what we believe about God. Jesus tells us that we do not have to beg God for what we need; all we have to do is seek it! We need to find where we can stay connected with him in this life, so as to ultimately be connected with him forever in the next!

We celebrate again this week several important saints in the life of the Church. July 29 is the Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus. In the household of Bethany, Jesus experienced the family spirit and friendship of these three figures mentioned in the gospels. Martha generously offered Jesus hospitality, Mary listened attentively to his words, and Lazarus emerged from the tomb at the command of Jesus, who destroys death itself. In 2021, Pope Francis added Saints Mary and Lazarus to what was already the memorial of St. Martha.

On July 31, we honor St. Ignatius of Loyola, a priest who lived in the 16th century and founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), which today numbers 14,840 members. Saint Ignatius authored the famous spiritual work The Spiritual Exercises and took as his motto the phrase ad maiorem Dei gloriam (to the greater glory of God). He is also the patron saint of retreatants and soldiers.

August 1 is the Memorial of St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, who lived during the 18th century, and was a master of moral theology, stressing Christ's love and Mary's help. He founded the Order of the Redemptorists, which today numbers 4,785 members. Alphonsus is the patron saint of confessors and moral theologians.

I would encourage you to stop in at the Armstrong Folk Festival in Kittanning this week (July 31—Aug. 3), particularly the Apple Dumpling Booth, which benefits St. Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. There will also be Bingo available in the parish hall behind the church, as well as parking, the proceeds of which go toward the parish.

Yours in Christ, Father Dinga



Liturgical Ministers for August 2 & 3

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
Lectors	Chris H.	Kitty M.
EMoC	Janice B.	Bernie M. Ann T.
Altar Server	Peggy W.	CB—Joseph B. BH: Ty M.



Backpack, School Supply & Personal Hygiene Product Giveaway

Tuesday, August 5th 6:00pm until 7:00pm in the hall.

The collections of school supplies and hygiene products will continue through July 31. Most needed hygiene products are: *Individual* toothbrushes, body wash, soap, girl's deodorant, boy's deodorant, and shampoo for people of all ages.

Monetary donations are accepted. Please make the check payable to St. Paddy's Ladies Group.

Please place donations in the bin located in the church entrance by July 31.

Your donations are greatly appreciated.



Giving Thanks For Summer

Father, Creator of all, thank You for summer! Thank You for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight.

Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation.

Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.

Draw me closer to You this summer.

Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing.

Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence and light my path with Your Word and Counsel. As I enjoy Your creation, create in me

a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You. Amen

Stewardship of Treasure

	July 19 & July 20	Year To Date
Adult Offertory	\$3,276.25	\$8,732.75
Loose	<u>\$479.00</u>	<u>\$1,255.00</u>
Total	\$3,755.25	\$9,987.25
Budget	\$3,600.00	<u>\$10,800.00</u>
Difference	\$155.25	-\$812.25

Cemetery \$336.00

Upcoming Events		
August 4	St. Paddy's Ladies—10:00 am in the church hall. Pack the backpacks.	
August 5	Backpack Giveaway —6:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the church hall.	
August 4-8	No Masses	
August 12	St. Paddy's Ladies meeting at 9:00 am in the church hall.	
August 19	Fall Festival Planning Meeting 6:00 pm in the hall.	
August 20	Young at Heart—Picnic	
August 23	Welcome Reception for Fr. Alan and Fr. Eric after mass in the church hall.	



2025 Fort Armstrong Folk Festival

<u>54th Annual</u> Kittanning Riverfront Park

Thursday, July 31 5-10pm Friday, August 1 12-10pm Saturday, August 2 12-10pm Sunday, August 3 12-6pm