

ST. PATRICK PARISH

BRADY'S BEND, PENNSYLVANIA



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Thursday
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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
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.)



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 1, 2026

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**SATURDAY, JANUARY 31****Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time****5:00 pm**—Frank Kulasza—Ken & Mary Lavella**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1****Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time****9:30 am**—Ronald DeBacco—Tammy Osborne**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2****The Presentation of the Lord****No Mass****TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3****Weekday****9:00 am**—Phyllis Miller—Family**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4****Weekday****9:00 am**—Cathy Coe—Family**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5****Weekday****9:00 am**—Catherine Miller—Family**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6****Weekday****9:00 am**—Living and Deceased Members of
St. Patrick Parish**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7****Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time****9:00 am**—George & Dorothy Szinai—Marree
Family**5:00 pm**—Bob Henry—Larry & Robin Marree**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8****Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time****9:30 am**—Ronald DeBacco

the Presentation of the Lord, as this would have also been the amount of time following Jesus' Birth that Mary and Joseph brought the Christ Child to be presented to the Lord in the Temple.

Attached to this day, is the World Day for Consecrated Life, which Pope Saint John Paul II instituted in 1997 as a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. Just as candles are blessed on this day symbolizing the Light of the world, so too, are those in consecrated life called to reflect the light of Christ to all people by the witness of their lives and their gifts for the whole Church.

As we acknowledge the prominence of the symbol of "Light" on this feast, it is worth noting that the sanctuary candle which burns perpetually in every church serves to remind us of the true presence of Christ in the tabernacle. It is a custom in many parishes to allow for a donation toward the sanctuary candle to be given in memory of someone. This is an act of charity in that we are offering our prayers for that person during the period of time in which that particular candle burns in honor of our Lord's Eucharistic presence, regardless if we may be physically present in the church or not.

Tuesday, February 3 is the Memorial of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, which is the traditional day for throats to be blessed, touching the throats of the faithful with crossed candles that were blessed the day before. Blessing of throats will be offered at the conclusion of Mass on this day.

Yours in Christ, Father Dinga

From the Desk of the Administrator

Tomorrow, February 2, we will celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Prior to the revision of the liturgical calendar at the Second Vatican Council, this feast would have marked the official end of the Christmas season and was known as the "Purification of Mary." This commemorates forty days after the Birth of Christ, which was the time period for when a mother would have been "purified" after child-birth. We now refer to this feast as

**Sanctuary Candle**

*The Sanctuary Candle will burn from
February 6 through February 19
In memory of Udolo "Lou" Albini
by his Family*

Liturgical Ministers for February 7 & 8

Mass Time	Saturday	Sunday
Lectors	John E.	Kitty M.
EMoC	Karen T.	Bernie M. Ann T.
Altar Server	Peggy W.	CB: Joey O. BH: Reagan A.



St. Paddy's Ladies Purse Party

Date: Sunday, May 17, 2026
Time: Doors open Noon
Where: St. Patrick Hall
Price: \$30 per ticket

For tickets please contact:
 Donna Sheakley (724-756-7133),
 Peggy Wimer (724-526-5883), or
 Jan Bishop (724-756-5015)

2026 FISH DINNER UPDATE

The Fish Dinner planning meeting was held on Tuesday, January 20. Those in attendance decided to add Shrimp to the menu this year. Fish dinners will begin on Friday, February 20 and run through Friday, March 27 from 4:00 until 6:30 pm. You may dine in or take out.

Many volunteers are needed with preparation, setup, and serving of the dinners. What a great way to support your parish family. Young adults are welcome to help especially if they need community service hours.

Clearances are required for volunteers who are 18 years of age or older....it is not too late to start the process.

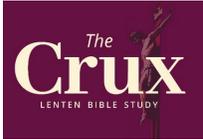
Volunteer sign up sheets are located in the entrance of the church.

Please help support your parish!

Faith Formation News

Preschool—5th Grade: Faith Formation will be held this Sunday after Mass (approximately 10:20 am) to 11:45 am.

Grades 6 through 8 (Confirmation Prep): Class will be held this Sunday evening, February 1, in the hall from 6 pm to 7:30 pm.



LENTEN BIBLE STUDY **Monday Evenings at 6 pm** **February 16 through March 30**

Join us on Monday evenings during Lent for The Crux series (2025) led by Curtis Martin and Dr. Edward Sri, featuring special guests each week who will explore Biblical encounters with the person of Jesus Christ.

Contact the office by Monday, February 9 if you would like to attend this “**Fantastic Lenten Activity**”!

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>January 24 (Snow)*</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
Adult Offertory	\$1,220.00	\$82,840.34
Loose	<u>\$116.00</u>	<u>\$10,602.40</u>
Total	\$1,336.00	\$93,442.74
Budget	<u>\$3,600.00</u>	<u>\$108,000.00</u>
Difference	-\$2,264.00	-\$14,557.26

Cemetery \$250.00

***Mass cancelled on Sunday, Jan. 25 due to snow storm.**

Upcoming Events

Tuesday February 3	Blessing of the Throat at the conclusion of Mass
Tuesday February 10	St. Paddy's Ladies meeting in the church hall after mass
Monday, February 16	Lenten Bible Study , The Crux Series
Wednesday- February 18	Young at Heart Meeting —noon in the Church Hall.
Wednesday- February 18	Ash Wednesday 9:00 am Mass 6:00 pm Mass
Friday February 20 & 27	Fish Dinner from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm in the hall.