



April 6, 2025 5th Sunday of Lent



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Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:45 am in the Main Church

Daily Masses:

Monday through Friday 8:00 am in the Little Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday: 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm in the Main Church
or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays: 1:00 pm

Arrangements must be made in advance of the date.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements must to be made at least six to eight months prior to wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact Fr. Gunderson at 847-234-1401

Holy Communion for the Homebound

Please call the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

Children's Religious Education and Formation

Mondays and Tuesdays, 4:30pm - 5:45pm

Contact Religious Education Office at 847-234-2179

Sacraments, Visiting of the Sick, & New Parishioner Registration

Contact the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

Sacrament of Confirmation

Contact Brandin Stoy at 847-234-1401

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Contact the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

Office for the Protection of Children and Youth

312- 534- 5254 www.archchicago.org

Bulletin Deadlines

All articles must be submitted by noon of the deadline date. Please contact the parish Ministry Office.

Bulletin Date

April 13

April 20

April 27

Due Date

April 3

April 10

April 17



April 6, 2025

From the Desk of Fr. Jerry

Dear Friends,

I am happy to share that Fr. Patrick Kizza has been appointed by Cardinal Cupich as the new administrator of St. Patrick, Lake Forest Parish as of July 1, 2025. Fr. Patrick is a gifted priest who has most recently served as associate pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Glenview, Illinois. He was born in Uganda and was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago in 2020. He has an engaging personality and a very joyful spirit. He looks forward to working with everyone here, especially young people. It is the policy of the Archdiocese that first-time pastors are appointed administrator for the first year.

I have known Fr. Patrick since his seminary days, and I am confident that Fr. Patrick will do a wonderful job continuing the great work of renewal that we have started here.

Fr. Patrick Kizza will share more with everyone in a letter to our parish soon. I ask all of you to keep him in your prayers. Coming into a new parish is both exciting and daunting for anyone – whether you're a priest or a parishioner. We must seek God's grace and ask Him to strengthen Fr. Patrick as he says goodbye to one community and accepts the Lord's call to shepherd ours. Let us also pray that God fills our hearts with gratitude for Fr. Patrick and that we may continue to trust in His Providence for the renewal of our local Church.

It has been a joy of my priesthood to serve St. Patrick as administrator this past year. In the remaining months I will work toward a smooth transition. I will continue in my role through the end of June. After that I will continue my ministry to priests and people as God calls me to do.



Here some final reflections by Pope Francis about the Easter Vigil. Here is a short excerpt from his reflection.

In the darkness of Holy Saturday, joy and light will break through with the rites of the Easter Vigil and, in the late evening, the festive singing of the Alleluia. It will be an encounter in faith with the Risen Christ, and the joy of Easter will continue throughout the following fifty days, until the coming of the Holy Spirit. He who was crucified is risen! All questions and uncertainties, hesitations and fears are dispelled by this revelation.

Christ's Cross is a sign of the hope that does not disappoint; and it tells us that not even one tear, not one sigh is lost in God's plan. The Risen One gives us the certainty that good always triumphs over evil, that life always conquers death, and it is not our end to descend lower and lower, from sorrow to sorrow, but rather to rise up high. The Risen One is the confirmation that Jesus is right in everything: in promising us life beyond death and forgiveness beyond sins. The disciples doubted it, they did not believe. The first to believe and to see was Mary Magdalene; she was the apostle of the resurrection who went to announce that she had seen Jesus... And then, all the disciples saw him.

This year St Patrick's will baptize three young people and two adults will complete their Sacraments of Initiation through Confirmation and Eucharist. Please consider joining us for the Easter Vigil.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Jerry Gunderson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Fr. Jerry Gunderson

This Week

Sunday, April 6

5th Sunday of Lent

8:00am Mass - Fr. Franzman

10:00am Mass - Fr. Jerry
Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:45am Mass - Fr. Hennessey

Monday, April 7

4:30pm RE Classes - PC

6:15pm Men's NCAA Watch Party
- PC

6:30pm Liturgy Com - CR

Tuesday, April 8

10:00am WG Board Meeting - CR

4:30pm RE Classes - PC

Wednesday, April 9

8:30am IH Prayer Group - CR

8:30am Adoration - OC

9:05am St. Mary Mass - MC

7:00pm Sycamore - PC

7:00pm Wed Night Bible Study -
CR

Thursday, April 10

9:30am Thursday Morning
Scripture Group - PC

Friday, April 11

6:30am MG Stations - MC

4:00pm Stations - MC

Saturday, April 12

5:00pm Mass - Fr. Franzman

Sunday, April 13

Palm Sunday

8:00am Mass - Msgr. Dempsey

10:00am Mass - Fr. Jerry
Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:45am Mass - Fr. Hennessey

Monday, April 14

4:30pm RE Classes - PC

7:00pm MG Meeting - PC

Scripture Questions of the Week

First Reading:

The prophet Isaiah teaches us that the Lord forgets our sins and offers us a new beginning so that we might praise him. *What could you do today to honor and praise the Lord?*

Second Reading:

Paul tells the believers in Phillipi of his deep desire and hope to know Jesus and the power of his resurrection. *In what ways have you drawn closer to Jesus during this season of Lent?*

Gospel:

Jesus showed mercy toward the sinful woman when others were quick to judge her. *Is there someone in your life who you could show mercy over judgment this week?*

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This Week's Readings

Sunday:	Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/ Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday:	Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a) Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

Finances

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Surplus/Deficit</u>
Weekend of March 29-30	\$13,211	\$12,667	\$544
	<u>Ordinary Income</u>	<u>Ordinary Expense</u>	<u>Surplus/Deficit</u>
Fiscal Year to Date	\$897,616	957,669	(\$60,053)

Our Prayers

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 6

8:00 am

† Mary Jane Bressanelli, req. Leo & Meg Bressanelli

10:00 am

† Elaine Fleury Brandt, req. Liz & Ted Brandt

Noreen Folkerts, req. Anthony & Marie Lacko

† Susan Wittig, req. Robert Wittig

† Harlin Bachmann,

req. St. Patrick Women's Group board

11:45 am

People of St. Patrick Church

Monday, April 7

8:00 am

† Dave Schilder, req. Patty Schilder Heraty

Tuesday, April 8

8:00 am

† Virginia McCaskey, The Petty family

Wednesday, April 9

8:00 am

† Andrew Falkowski, req. Walt & Pat Falkowski

Thursday, April 10

8:00 am

† Isabelle & James McDonnell, req. Ann & George Stoll

Friday, April 11

8:00 am

† C. E. Blackburn, req. Julie Blackburn

Saturday, April 12

5:00 pm

† Joseph & Marilyn Alaimo, req. The Anderson family

† John & Antoinette Cordeniz,

Special Intention for Teri Sayre & family, req.

† Pat McClean & Judy Snow

Sunday, April 13

8:00 am

10:00 am

† Edmund Zarek, req. The Zarek family

† Jane S Baylor, req. Liz & Ted Brandt

† Mary Condic, req. Mark & Lorraine Condic

† Harlin Bachmann,

req. St. Patrick Women's Group board

11:45 am

People of St. Patrick Church

Those Serving Our Country

Lt. Col. Patrick Burke, Jr., US Air Force

Son of Patrick and Patty Burke

Lt. Col. Patrick J. Fahey, USMC

Son of Tom and Marilyn Fahey

Lt. Col. Michael J. Koob US Air Force

Son of Mike and Donna Koob

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Son of Allison & Brian Walsh

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Son of Tom & Kim Croisant

The Lake County Veterans and Family Services Foundation is dedicated to helping Veterans and their families get the military benefits they have earned. If you need help connecting with Veterans Administration or other related resources, please contact foundation representative Bob Gorman at robertegorman@sbcglobal.net

Our Sick

Fr. Ronnie Calkins
Joseph Zittnan
Nicole Tallarico
Carolyn Welby
Florence Gatti
Jennifer Mikell
Gianfranco Isaia
Cindy Wakat
Ron Moskal
Tom Sullivan
Mariann Gregory
Michael Kozak
Trish Tivnan
Hannah Hodgson
Gina Wessel
Lore Nugent
Jeff Neumayer
Bob Mack
George Kouba

Names added to the prayer requests will remain for 1 month. To add or re-add a person please email jmanarik@stpatrick-lakeforest.org or call the ministry office at 847-234-1401.

Our Deceased



Our parish will be offering parishioners the opportunity to make a donation for the lilies that beautify our church during the Easter season. The donation may be in memory of deceased loved ones or in honor of the living. If you would like to make such a memorial, please fill out the form below and place it along with your gift offering in an envelope clearly marked "Easter Lily Donation" and return it in the Sunday Collection basket or to the Ministry Office. The names of those you wish memorialized or honored will be published in the bulletin during the Easter season unless otherwise requested. Donors' names, however, will not be published. When making your donation for flowers via our

Give Central system, please make certain that a flower donation form is completed and submitted to the Ministry Office. Simply indicate on the form that payment was made via GiveCentral. You may feel free to call the Ministry Office as well.

Easter Flower Donation

Name of Donor: _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Suggested offering: \$10 \$20 Other _____

(Please make checks payable to St. Patrick Church.)



Spring Luncheon

Save the Date

Save the Date for the St. Patrick Women's Group Spring Luncheon,
on Friday, May 16, at Conway Farms Golf Club.





Office of the Archbishop
835 North Rush Street
Chicago, IL 60611-2030
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archchicago.org

March 24, 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As we begin our Lenten journey marked with prayer, fasting and almsgiving, I am writing to let you know that on Ash Wednesday a Senate committee passed a bill, Senate Bill 9, that would legalize assisted suicide in Illinois. This would make it legal for a physician to prescribe an array of lethal drugs to a person diagnosed with a terminal disease who requests to end his or her life. In addition to asking you to offer your Lenten sacrifices to protect life, I ask that you take action by writing, calling or e-mailing your state elected official to vote “NO” on this legislation. There is also legislation pending in the House, House Bill 1328 as you will see at www.ilcatholic.org or by calling 217-528-9200.

The involvement of insurance companies is alarming. In fact, in states with legalized suicide, there are documented cases of people being denied life-saving medical treatment by insurance companies in lieu of the much cheaper option of life-ending drugs. The poor and those with disabilities are particularly in jeopardy as they are the most vulnerable to such abuses. Every major national organization that represents people with disabilities is opposed to assisted suicide. There is no way to prevent the vulnerable from being coerced or intimidated to end their lives once this assisted suicide is legal. There are simply too many documented cases of the vulnerable being coerced or intimidated into ending their life.

Proponents argue that this legislation will end suffering at the end of life. We all agree that no one should needlessly suffer or have to watch a loved one experience unnecessary pain and suffering. Fortunately, there are now effective ways to make a person more comfortable at the end of life through palliative care, which utilizes physician-led teams to care for the whole person – physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually – to relieve the symptoms and the stress related to serious illness and side effects of treatment.

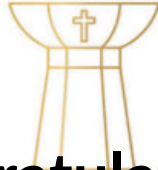
The American Medical Association (AMA) has summed up the case against assisted suicide well: “Physician assisted suicide is fundamentally incompatible with the physician’s role as healer, would be difficult or impossible to control, and would provide serious societal risks.”

Assisted suicide is not the compassionate solution for those who are suffering. Through palliative care, expanded access to mental health care, and stronger family and community support, providers and families are finding better ways to accompany these people compassionately that shows love and respect for the dignity each human life.

Please go to www.ilcatholic.org/take-action or call 217-528-9200 to find out how to contact your local elected official to tell them to vote NO on SB 9 and HB 1328.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago



Congratulations!

Please join us in welcoming into our parish family
those newly baptized in December

Parker Thomas Pavlick, son of Gavin & Leah
Josephine Jeanne Pavlick, daughter of Gavin & Leah
Reagan Marie Pavlick, daughter of Gavin & Leah
Olivia Look, daughter of Arthur & Samantha



FISH FRY FRIDAY



A family-oriented event benefiting the School of St. Mary Crusader Annual Fund!

Friday, April 11, 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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2 & 3 piece fish dinners for \$18 & \$22/person. A mac & cheese option is available. PLUS...a supervised kids' (age 3-10) activity room. For more information about tickets and volunteer opportunities, visit <https://lovestmarys.com/fish-fry> or use the QR code.

TICKET PRICES INCREASE ON MARCH 28! Purchase your tickets today!



Adoration



Come, pray with us in the presence of Jesus Christ

Please join us for Adoration three Wednesdays monthly on the weeks
following First Friday Adoration in the Old Church

Wednesday, April 9, 16, 23, and 30

Adoration will begin after the 8:00 am Mass in the Old Church.

We will pray The Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm, the Rosary at 5:30 pm.
and conclude with Benediction at 6:15 pm. **All are invited!**



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Monday, April 7

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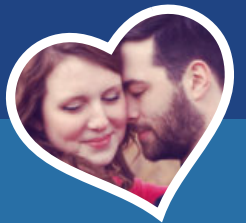
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