



March 8, 2026 • 3rd Sunday of Lent

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*his voice,*  
HARDEN  
NOT YOUR  
*hearts.*

*Psalm 95*



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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: 4:00 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. Patrick Kizza 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 Dianne Marshall 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

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## Bulletin Deadlines

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

### Bulletin Date

March 22

March 29

April 5

### Due Date

March 12

March 19

March 26



## From The Desk of Fr. Patrick

### Living Water and Grateful Hearts: A Reflection on John 4:5-42

In the Gospel of John, Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well at noon, the hottest and brightest part of the day. It is not only the sun that exposes things; it is also Grace. Jesus, tired and thirsty, asks her for a drink. In that simple request, barriers fall between Jew and Samaritan, man and woman, sinner and Savior. This encounter reminds us that God meets us in the ordinary moments of daily life: at a well, in a kitchen, at work, in church. As Saint Augustine beautifully said, "Our hearts are restless until they rest in You." The Samaritan woman came for water, but she left with something far greater, living water welling up to eternal life.

The woman's thirst represents our own. We all draw from wells that cannot fully satisfy; success, possessions, reputation, even relationships. They are good, but they are not ultimate. Jesus gently reveals her broken story, not to condemn her, but to heal her. That is how grace works: it tells the truth in order to set us free. In daily life, we experience this when we bring our wounds to prayer, when we seek reconciliation, or when we admit our weaknesses to God. Saint Teresa of Calcutta often said, "God thirsts for us." At the well, Jesus thirsts not only for water, but for her faith, her trust, her heart. And once she encounters Him, she leaves her jar behind. The jar symbolizes her old life. She runs to tell others: "Come see a man who told me everything I have done." An encounter with Christ naturally becomes mission.

This Gospel also reminds us of harvest and gratitude. Jesus tells His disciples, "Look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest." We are not the first to sow; others have labored before us. In our parish community at **Saint Patrick Church**, we reap what others have planted, faith handed down, generosity practiced, sacrifices quietly made. I am deeply grateful for all your support of Saint Patrick Church and for your generosity toward the Annual Catholic Appeal. Your giving is not simply financial support; it is participation in the mission of Christ. When you contribute, you help bring living water to others; through ministries, outreach, formation, and care for those in need.

The Samaritan woman's story ends with the townspeople proclaiming, "We know that this is truly the savior of the world." Faith begins with personal encounter but grows into shared conviction. In daily acts of generosity, supporting the parish, caring for the poor, volunteering your time—you become witnesses like her. As Saint John Chrysostom taught, "Not to share our wealth with the poor is to steal from them." Generosity is not loss; it is harvest. May we continue to drink deeply of Christ's living water, and with grateful hearts, share that gift so that many more may come to know Him as Savior of the world.

-Fr. Patrick

## This Week

### **Sunday, March 8**

3rd Sunday of Lent

8:00am Mass - Fr. Franzman

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

11:45am Mass - Fr. Patrick

### **Monday, March 9**

4:30pm RE Classes - PC

7:00pm PPC Meeting - CR

### **Tuesday, March 10**

4:30pm RE Classes - PC

### **Wednesday, March 11**

8:30am Prayer Group - CR

8:30am Adoration - OC

6:15pm Benediction - OC

7:00pm OCIA - YR

### **Thursday, March 12**

9:00am Scripture Group - PC

### **Friday, March 13**

6:30am MG Stations - MC

4:00pm Stations of the Cross - MC

6:30pm Stations of the Cross - MC

### **Saturday, March 14**

5:00pm Mass - Fr. Franzman

6:15pm St. Patrick Party - PC

### **Sunday, March 15**

4th Sunday of Lent

WG Hospitality Sunday - GA

8:00am Mass - Msgr. Dempsey

10:00am Mass - Bishop O'Malley  
Children's Liturgy of the Word  
Blessing of the St. Joseph Garden

11:45am Mass - Fr. Koehr

4:00pm Confirmation Clases - PC

### **Monday, March 16**

4:30pm RE Classes - PC

## Scripture Questions of the Week

### **First Reading:**

God answers Moses' prayer of petition to give the israelites water to drink before they die of thirst in the desert. *What would you like to ask from the Lord in the upcoming week?*

### **Second Reading:**

Paul tells th Romans to have hope because the Holy Spirit pours the love of God into our hearts. *What are you hoping for this Lent?*

### **Gospel:**

The samaritan woman eventually comes to believe in Jesus as the Messiah and savior of the world. *What convinces you that Jesus is your Lord and Savior?*

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## This Week's Readings

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 42:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/ Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/ Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

As you know, Sunday collections are vital to the health and sustainability of SPLF. We are always so thankful for the generosity of our parishioners.

The best way to do so right now is to donate through our Give Central Portal. Please scan the QR code to go directly to our SPLF Give Central Homepage.



## Finances

Sunday Collection for the  
Weekend of Feb. 28 - Mar. 22

### Actual

\$15,663

### Budget

\$15,118

### Surplus/Deficit

\$545

### Ordinary Income

\$950,005

### Ordinary Expense

\$950,792

### Surplus/Deficit

(\$787)

Fiscal Year to Date

# Our Prayers

## Mass Intentions

**Sunday, March 8**  
8:00 am

10:00 am  
† Lorraine Mahnke, req. The Joseph Passalino family

11:45 am  
People of St. Patrick Church

**Monday, March 9**  
8:00 am  
† Joe & Sue Maze, req. Judy Kozak

**Tuesday, March 10**  
8:00 am

**Wednesday, March 11**  
8:00 am  
† Carl Scichili, req. Peg Scichili

**Thursday, March 12**  
8:00 am

**Friday, March 13**  
8:00 am

**Saturday, March 14**  
5:00 pm  
† John E Sabalasky, req. John & Mary Jo Sabalasky

**Sunday, March 15**  
8:00 am

10:00 am  
† Robert Mack, req. Ken & Mary Billings

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

**Col. Patrick J. Fahey, USMC**  
Son of Tom and Marilyn Fahey

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Son of Mike and Donna Koob

**Captain Colt Marcyan, US Army**  
Son of Ana and Carl Marcyan

**Major General Stephen L. Davis, US Air Force,**  
Son of Karen Davis

**Staff Sgt. Section Chief Joseph D. Whitley, US Army,**  
Nephew of Cathe Keres

**Ensign Owen William Platt, US Navy,**  
Son of Roger and Liz Platt

**Cadet Reid Walsh, United States Military Academy,**  
Son of Allison & Brian Walsh

**Lt. JG Matthew Croisant, US Navy**  
Son of Tom & Kim Croisant

**Midshipman Joseph Remus, US Naval Academy**  
Son of Laura and Mark Remus

**Midshipman Hugh Wilson Ludington, US Merchant Marine Academy**  
Son of Sarah and Steven Ludington

**Lt. Emily E. Phelps, M.D. Medical Corps, US Navy**  
Daughter of Tom & Kim Phelps

## Our Sick

Fr. Ronnie Calkins  
Joseph Zittnan  
Nicole Tallarico  
Carolyn Welby  
Jennifer Mikell  
Gianfranco Isaia  
Carolyn Cimarrusti Erickson  
David Kozak  
Patricia Tivnan  
George Kouba  
Crista Olufs

Darrel Folkerts  
Patrick Fitzpatrick  
Martin Henson  
Sheila Anderson  
Jeff Neumayer  
Deb Boyter  
Judy Thomson  
Colin Osborne  
Terry Clarke

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

## Our Deceased

Susan Ewert, spouse of Greg  
Thomas Ahern  
Robert Gorman, brother of Mary Beth Hand

# Religious Education

As we begin to prepare for next school year, our parish is contemplating some changes in Religious Education to respond to the needs of many of our families. I know that our Monday classes remain popular, but I also realize that working parents may have difficulty getting to those classes on time. As a result, we are considering changing our Tuesday classes to a different day or time. If you are a parent with students in grades Kindergarten through 6th grade, who would be interested in having your child in religious education in the future, we invite you to fill out this survey. This in no way commits you to the program or the session, but will help us to make an educated decision about these changes.

You can complete the survey by scanning the QR code.



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YOUR  
GREEN!

## St. Patrick Party

Saturday, March 14

6:15pm - 9:30pm

In the O'Gara Center

**Tickets are Complimentary**

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Must be 21 years and older to attend

Total Registrations are restricted to 250 people

Register to attend on our website at:

[www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/party](http://www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/party)

Deadline to register is March 3





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.)*

# **Lent Stations of the Cross**

**Fridays During Lent**

**4:00pm & 6:30pm in the Main Church**

**Friday, February 20**

**Friday, March 20**

*Hosted by East Lake Academy*

**Friday, February 27**

*at 7:00pm*

**Friday, March 6**

**Friday, March 27**

**Friday, March 13**

**Good Friday, April 3**

**at 2:00pm**





# Holy Week

## The Essence of Our Faith

*All services held in the Main Church*

### **The Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Holy Thursday, April 2**

8:00 am Morning Prayer

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

9:45 pm Night Prayer

Adoration Following Mass Until 12:00am

### **Friday of the Passion of the Lord**

**Good Friday, April 3**

8:00 am Morning Prayer

2:00 pm Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

### **Easter Vigil**

**Holy Saturday, April 4**

9:00 am Morning Prayer

12:00 pm Blessing of Easter Baskets

7:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

### **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, April 5**

8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 11:45 am Easter Mass

# Disciple Maker Index Survey

St. Patrick Church is partnering with Catholic Leadership Institute for the Disciple Maker Index survey. Our parish is on a journey to know, love, and serve Christ as a parish community. Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

The very first step in this process involves assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities, and that is where the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) comes in! The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at St. Patrick Church.

Take the DMI survey today.

- Your input helps strengthen our parish.
- Results help leadership prepare for the future.
- A report of the findings will be shared in the coming months.

The **10-15-minute survey can be accessed through an online link through March 29** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide your perspective on our parish's efforts to help you grow in relationship with Christ. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We will share the link with you a bit closer to the launch of the survey. Paper surveys will also be available for those who do not have the ability to complete the survey online.

At St. Patrick Church, we are blessed in so many ways. Together, we will identify our strengths and opportunities in greater detail as we strive to grow in missionary discipleship.

Please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our parish.

[www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/dmi-survey](http://www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/dmi-survey)





# Save the Date



## Wednesday, April 22, 2026

7:00pm - 9:00pm in the O'Gara Center



## FISH FRY FRIDAY



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

Friday, March 13, 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

School of St. Mary, Upper Grade Center

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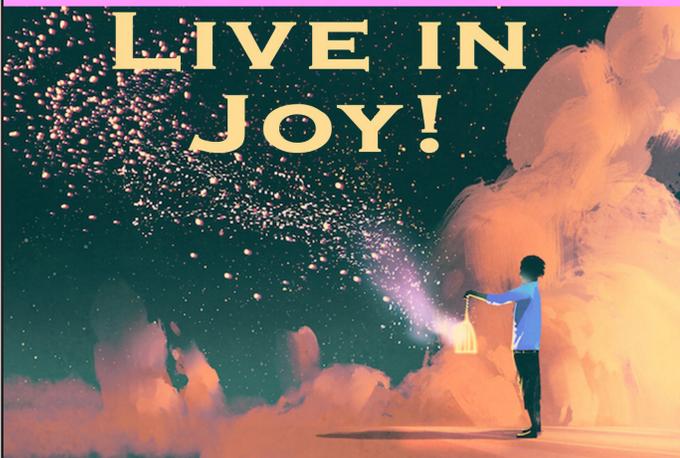
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