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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

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Contact the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

Sacrament of Confirmation

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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

May 24

May 31

June 7

Due Date

May 14

May 21

May 28



From the Desk of Fr. Patrick

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On this Mother's Day weekend, we pause as a community of faith to give thanks for one of God's most beautiful gifts in our lives: mothers. Mothers are truly special people, women who nurture, guide, sacrifice, and love in ways that shape not only families, but the very future of our world. Today, we say with grateful hearts: thank you. And we wish all mothers a blessed and joyful Mother's Day.

In the Gospel of John 14:15-21, on this sixth Sunday of Easter, Jesus speaks words of comfort and promise: *"I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you."* These words reveal the tender heart of God, who never abandons His children. In many ways, mothers reflect this very promise. Through their constant presence, their care, and their unwavering love, mothers make visible the closeness of God. They are often the first to teach us how to love, how to pray, and how to trust. When Jesus speaks of love expressed through action, *"Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me,"* we see this lived out daily in the quiet sacrifices of mothers.

Motherhood is a vocation, a calling to love generously and faithfully. Whether through sleepless nights, daily efforts, or years of guiding and supporting their children, mothers give off themselves so that others may flourish. They embody patience, strength, and hope. In honoring mothers, we also celebrate the gift of life itself, recognizing that each of us has received life through a mother's love.

At the same time, Mother's Day is not always easy for everyone. For some people, it carries quiet sorrow, the loss of a mother, a strained relationship, the pain of infertility, or the grief of losing a child. As a Church, we hold all these experiences with compassion. We remember that love takes many forms, and motherhood is lived not only biologically, but spiritually and emotionally as well. We give thanks for grandmothers, godmothers, adoptive mothers, and all women who care for others with a mother's heart.

The month of May also invites us to look to our Blessed Mother, Mary the Blessed Virgin, who is the perfect example of faithful and loving motherhood. In her "yes" to God, she shows us what it means to trust completely and to love without reserve. On this special day, we entrust all mothers to her care and ask her intercession.

As we celebrate, let us remember that honoring our mothers is not meant for one day alone. The commandment reminds us: *"Honor your father and your mother."* This is a lifelong call, to show gratitude, respect, and love in our words and actions every day.

To all mothers, thank you. You are loved. You are cherished. Your sacrifices are seen, your love is felt, and your lives are a blessing to us all. May God bless you abundantly today and always.

-Fr. Patrick

This Week

Sunday, May 10

Mother's Day

8:00am Mass - Fr. Fred

10:00am Mass - Fr. Fred

11:45am Mass - Msgr. Dempsey

Monday, May 11

6:30pm MG Meeting - PC

7:00pm PPC Meeting - CR

Tuesday, May 12

Wednesday, May 13

8:30am Prayer Group - CR

8:30am Adoration - OC

6:15pm Benediction - OC

Thursday, May 14

9:00am Scripture Group - PC

Friday, May 15

WG Spring Luncheon - O/S

Saturday, May 16

5:00pm Mass - Fr. Franzman

Sunday, May 17

Ascension Sunday

8:00am Mass - Fr. Patrick

10:00am Mass - Msgr. Dempsey

11:45am Mass - Fr. Patrick

Reception for Deacon Brad Morris Following the 11:45am Mass - PC

Monday, May 18

Scripture Questions of the Week

First Reading:

We hear how even the Samaritans came to believe in Jesus and received the gift of the Holy Spirit. *When have you been surprised by God?*

Second Reading:

Peter taught his community to learn how to explain their faith to others, even if they are hostile. *Do you feel confident defending the faith?*

Gospel:

Jesus assures his disciples that God gives us the Holy Spirit to serve as our Advocate. *What might you pray for this week from the Holy Spirit?*

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This Week's Readings

Sunday:	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21
Monday:	Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148: 1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17
Friday:	Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47: 2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28
Next Sunday:	Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

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 May 2 - 3

Actual

\$14,813

Budget

\$15,118

Surplus/Deficit

(\$305)

Ordinary Income

Ordinary Expense

Surplus/Deficit

Fiscal Year to Date

\$1,238,294

\$1,185,146

\$53,148

Our Prayers

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 10

8:00 am

† Special intention for Mary Heinz, req. Jane Sullivan

10:00 am

† Krystyna Borecka, req. Violette Kolcan

† Kathy Knapik, req. Mark & Peggy Gaier

† Margie Collins, req. Mark & Peggy Gaier

† Bernadette Gaier, req. Mark & Peggy Gaier

† Beth Barger, req. Pat Sullivan

11:45 am

People of St. Patrick Church

Monday, May 11

8:00 am

† Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, May 12

8:00 am

† Dr. Richard J Miguel, req. The Brandt family

† Mark McCoy, req. The McCoy family

Wednesday, May 13

8:00 am

† Deceased members of the Lidral family,
req. Therese Ruedig

Thursday, May 14

8:00 am

† David Gewalt, req. Therese Ruedig

Friday, May 15

8:00 am

† Holy Souls in Purgatory, req. Madeleine McCoy

Saturday, May 16

5:00 pm

† Judy Heraty, req. Dick Heraty family

† Connie Damico, req. Lois & Phil Sheridan

Sunday, May 17

8:00 am

Special intention for the Brennan & Haffner families,
req. Ann Brennan

10:00 am

† Michael Nolan, req. Colleen Olson

† David Gewalt, req. Pat Sullivan

Special intention for Christopher Valenti, req. Jane Sullivan

† Connie Damico, req. Ann & Frank Burke

11:45 am

People of St. Patrick Church

Those Serving Our Country

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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

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

Spc. Daniel Masnik, US Army

Son of Zofia & Chet Masnik

Emilia Puszynski, 2nd Lieutenant United States Air Force

Granddaughter of Ron and Chris Puszynski

Our Sick

Fr. Ronnie Calkins

Joseph Zittnan

Nicole Tallarico

Carolyn Welby

Jennifer Mikell

Gianfranco Isaia

Carolyn Cimarrusti Erickson

David Kozak

Patricia Tivnan

Darrel Folkerts

Martin Henson

Jeff Neumayer

Deb Boyter

Judy Thomson

Colin Osborne

Terry Clarke

Wojciech Slodowy

Michael Scichili

George Jackson, Jr.

James Coath

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

Connie Damico, mother of Justine Santello

Mary Jane McAndrew, mother of Judy McAndrew



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Spring 2026

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Each May, our hearts turn with gratitude to the mothers and mother figures whose love has shaped our lives. It is a moment to pause, to remember, and to honor the steadfast witness of those who have nurtured us in faith and in hope.

May is also the month when, as an archdiocese, we lift up the vital ministry of our partner, **Catholic Charities**. Their work—rooted in the Gospel and animated by the compassion of Christ—stands as a living sign of the Church’s commitment to accompany mothers and families in need. When we support mothers, we strengthen the fabric of our communities, and the mercy we extend today echoes across generations.

Your generosity to the **Mother’s Day Collection for Catholic Charities** sustains this essential mission. For more than a century, Catholic Charities has served as the Archdiocese’s hands and feet in caring for our neighbors throughout **Cook and Lake counties**, responding to the hardships faced by nearly **300,000 people each year**. This extraordinary reach is possible only because of the faithful support you so consistently provide.

Each year, I ask our parishes to stand with Catholic Charities, and once again I invite you to give with a generous heart. Thank you for your steadfast commitment and your willingness to walk with those who rely on us. Together, we make present the love of Christ, who calls us to bring hope where it is most needed.

As St. Paul reminds us in Romans 5:5, *“And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.”* May that same Spirit guide us as we continue this important work.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago

Deacon Brad Morris

Please join us in warmly welcoming our newly appointed Deacon, Brad Morris, as he celebrates his 1st Mass on Sunday, May 17th at 11:45 AM.



This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish community to gather in fellowship, offer congratulations, and extend our prayers and support as he begins his ministry among us. Light refreshments will be served.

All are invited—we hope to see you there!



The Bunco for Babies event was held on April 22nd in the O'Gara Parish Center. We are very grateful to our parish for your support of the moms and babies at Aid for Women's Heather's House and Monica's House. Thank you to the many parishioners who provided donations of over \$3000.00 in cash, checks and gift cards. You also donated hundreds of baby items which provided a total impact of over \$5000.00. Special thanks to the volunteers who made this event possible and to the people who attended the event. The attendees made the event successful through their laughter, willingness to make new friends and of course their donations.

Thank you for your support!





Spring Luncheon

Friday, May 15, 2026

Conway Farm Golf Club

Doors Open at 11:00am • Lunch is Served at 11:45am

Program begins following lunch

We are excited to welcome renowned performer & historian, Leslie Goddard, who will take us back to 1964, and will present 'Jackie Kennedy' in this unforgettable portrayal, where you will meet the private woman behind the public myth.



It is one year after her husband's assassination and the former first lady, besieged by tourists and paparazzi, is struggling to cope. As she attempts to determine her next step, she looks back on her life, sharing stories about her marriage, her fight for privacy amidst intense media scrutiny, her work to restore the White House, and her attempts to showcase the arts.

Cost is \$50 per person through May 1.

May 2-12 the cost is \$60 per person.

Please RSVP by scanning the QR code.

Questions: peggy.gaier@outlook.com

www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/springluncheon





Catholicism's Impact on America: Two Perspectives

A Two-Part Lecture Series

Join us for an engaging two-part lecture series exploring the enduring influence of Catholicism on American life—through both the lens of law and the shaping of culture and thought.

Lecture 1

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 | 6:00–8:00 PM | O’Gara Center

Catholic Influence on Religious Liberty in America

Thomas Olp, Executive Vice President, the Thomas More Society, Chicago

Lecture 2

Tuesday, June 2, 2026 | 6:00–8:00 PM | O’Gara Center

Celebrating Catholicism in America

Presented by Daniel I. Wasserman-Soler, Executive Director of the Lumen Christi Institute, Chicago

Whether you attend one session or both, this series offers a meaningful opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Catholic Church’s lasting contributions to our nation.

Register to attend these free events on our website:

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Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or do you know someone who might be interested?

Are you an adult Catholic wishing to receive First Communion and Confirmation?

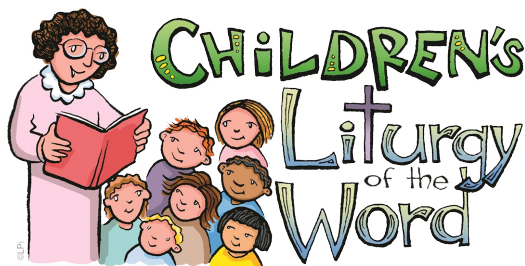
Do you simply want to learn more about the Catholic faith?

Registration is now open for the coming year, with the pinnacle of the program being the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil on March 27, 2027.

Please get in touch with Brad Morris at jbmorris@stpatrik-lakeforest.org or the Parish Office at (847) 234-1401.

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To learn more about OCIA visit our website at:
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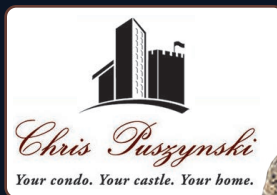
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