



St. Patrick Catholic Church

EST. 1849

September 13, 2026 · 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“I say to you,
not seven times but
seventy-seven
times.”

MATTHEW 18:21-22

To be a welcoming Eucharistic community by providing resources for spiritual growth and faith development, and encouraging service and discipleship to spread the good news of God's Kingdom.

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The family will always be the first school of humanity, where one learns, before anywhere else, the basic grammar of living together: welcoming life, caring for others, forgiving, serving and belonging.

POPE LEO XIV

June 8, 2026



MORE ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THE PARISH
as a way to set an example for your children.

JESUS LOVES YOU...

VISIT THE

“REAL PRESENCE”

DURING ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is an invitation to encounter the Risen Lord truly present in the Eucharistic Host displayed in the Monstrance. Come adore, pray, listen, and allow Jesus to speak to your heart. He longs to bless you, guide you, and your family.



COME AND JOIN
JESUS CHRIST AND THE
“REAL PRESENCE”
IN THE LITTLE CHURCH

every Wednesday with the Exposition of Jesus beginning after the daily Mass, and the Reposition and Benediction occurring at the end of the day at

6:15 p.m.

1



You can visit Jesus anytime during the day or stay all day with Him.

2



You can also sign up for one (1) hour of Adoration to spend with Jesus. Ask Joanne Mararik in the parish office for a sign-up sheet.

3



The Divine Mercy Chapter is prayed at 3:00 p.m.

4



The Rosary is prayed at 5:30 p.m.



SCAN THE QR CODE
TO SIGN UP FOR
AN HOUR OF ADORATION

St. Patrick's Patrick

Forgive from the Heart

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Gospel of Matthew speaks directly to the heart of Christian life: forgiveness. Peter approaches Jesus and asks, **“Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?”** Peter probably thought that forgiving seven times was already generous. But Jesus answers, **“Not seven times but seventy-seven times.”** In other words, forgiveness must not be limited by a number. It must become a way of living for everyone who follows Christ.

Jesus then tells the parable of the servant whose enormous debt is completely forgiven by his master. Although the servant has no way of repaying what he owes, the master is moved with compassion and releases him from the entire debt. Yet, after receiving such mercy, the servant refuses to forgive a fellow servant who owes him much less. He demands payment and has the man imprisoned. When the master hears what happened, he is deeply disappointed: **“Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?”**

This parable reminds us that we are all people in need of God's mercy. None of us can repay God for all the blessings, forgiveness, and love we have received. God has forgiven us generously, and therefore we are called to forgive one another from the heart. Forgiveness does not mean that we deny the pain we have experienced or that we ignore injustice. Rather, it means placing our hurt in God's hands and refusing to allow anger, resentment, or hatred to control our lives. **A forgiving heart makes room for healing, peace, and reconciliation.**

As I celebrate my first installation, I am filled with gratitude for God's goodness and mercy. I thank God for calling me to serve as your pastor and for blessing me through so many people. I am grateful to my Cardinal, to my family, and especially to my parents and siblings, who nurtured me and helped me become the person I am today. May God bless them abundantly.

I am also sincerely grateful to my aunt Margaret and my cousins Carlyne and Godfrey, who played an important role in my life when I came to the United States. I will never forget my professors at Mundelein Seminary, the people of OLPH Parish, and the staff and parishioners of Saint Patrick Church, who welcomed me with open hearts. Through all of you, God has shown me His love and providence.

As I begin this new ministry among you, I humbly ask for your prayers each day. I promise to pray for you as well. Let us support one another, forgive one another, and walk together as one family of faith. May we always remember the mercy God has shown us and share that mercy with others.

Together, let us work for the growth of our parish and help one another journey toward our heavenly Jerusalem. May Christ, who has forgiven us so generously, teach us to forgive from the heart and bless us with unity, peace, and love. Amen.



Fr. Patrick Kizza

PASTOR

Sunday, September 13

8:00am – Mass – Fr. Patrick

8:30am – Religious Ed Classes - PC

10:00am – Mass – Msgr. Dempsey

Intentions:

† Gary Knochel, req. Donna & John LaVitola

† Jim Finkler, req. The McCoy Family

11:45am – Fr. Patrick Installation Mass – Bishop O'Malley & Fr. Sean · *Intention: People of St. Patrick Church*

Monday, September 14

8:00am – Mass · *Intention: † Steve McGlone, req. Peg Scichili*

4:30pm – Religious Ed Grades 1-7 - PC

6:30pm – Men's Group Meeting - PC

7:00pm – Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - CR

Tuesday, September 15

8:00am – Mass · *Intention: Special Intention for Emilia Puszynski, req. Her Grandparents*

9:00am – Opus Dei Women's Day of Recollection - MC

Wednesday, September 16

8:00am – Mass · *Intention: † Judy Heraty, req. The Dick Heraty Family*

8:30am – Adoration - OC

9:00am – Bridge Group - PC

6:15pm – Benediction - OC

7:00pm – Wednesday Bible Study - CR

Thursday, September 17

8:00am – Mass · *Intention: Holy Souls in Purgatory, req. Madeleine McCoy*

10:00am – Women's Group Opening Mass - MC

Friday, September 18

7:00am – Men's Group Stations - MC/PC

8:00am – Mass · *Intention: † Mike Neumayer, req. Judy Kozak*

6:00pm – Angelus/Adv. Prayer - MC

Saturday, September 19

5:00pm – Mass – Fr. Ray Webb · *Intention: † Brian Burns, req. The McCoy Family*

Sunday, September 20

8:00am – Mass – Fr. Patrick · *Intention: † Deceased Members of the Theisen Family, req. Therese Ruedig*

8:30am – Religious Ed Classes - PC

10:00am – Mass – Fr. Jerry

Intentions:

† Barbara Fritzalis, req. Menuhin D'Souza

† Carol Hart, req. Mark & Lorraine Condic

† Amado & Purificacion Correa, req. Pat & Vicky Correa

11:45am – Mass – Fr. McMahon · *Intention: People of St. Patrick Church*

4:00pm – Confirmation Kick-off, Parents & Students - PC

PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers ...

*The healing and restoration of the sick
of our parish and the needs &
intentions inscribed in our Parish Book
of Prayer & Prayer Wall.*

There is a Parish Book of Prayer & Prayer Wall to which you may add specific prayer requests. Please notify the ministry office to add a name to the prayer list if you are unable to do so directly. Please know these intentions are prayed for daily.

SCAN TO SIGN UP FOR ADORATION



GIVE ONLINE

Support St. Patrick through online giving. Scan the QR code to visit our GiveCentral page.



FINANCES

Due to bulletin submission dates, we do not have financial numbers at this time. Numbers will be updated in next week's bulletin.

Welcome Our New Director of Youth Ministry

In the past year, we have begun to collaborate with St. Mary's for our youth group and youth ministry program. It was very successful, and we are excited to announce that we have jointly hired a new Director of Youth Ministry, **Nicole Bacarella**.

Nicole brings extensive experience in education to St. Mary's. She remarked that she is "especially drawn to our parishes because of your commitment to nurturing faith, community, and service to young people."

Our Director of Formation for Youth and Children, **Dianne Marshall**, will still be actively involved in the Youth Ministry program and working with Nicole to make this program a success.



Nicole Bacarella
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH
MINISTRY



Interested in our youth ministry program for students in grades 9–12? Scan the code to sign up for our emails, or follow us on Instagram at [@cor.youthministry](https://www.instagram.com/cor.youthministry).



COR Youth Group

First Youth Group of the Year

Bonfire at St. Mary's

Saturday, September 20
6:00–7:30 PM

S'mores included

All high school students are welcome





A JOURNEY IN FAITH

*Discover
Belong
Become*

**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@stpatrick-lakeforest.org or the Parish Office at (847) 234-1401.

OCIA, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a process by which adults, through inquiry and prayer, become members of the Catholic Church. This was formerly known as RCIA.

LEARN MORE ABOUT OCIA AT

www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/ocia



St. Patrick Church Thursday Morning Scripture Group

Fall 2026 Session: October 1 – December 3

Come and See:

Looking at Jesus in the Gospels and in *The Chosen*

"Come and see." (John 1:38-39)

This fall, the Thursday Morning Scripture Group invites you to 'come and see' (John 1:38-39) by looking at the Lord through two lenses: excerpts from *The Chosen* and the Gospel passages on which those excerpts are based. *The Chosen* is a TV series that tells the story of Jesus of Nazareth by dramatizing scenes from the Gospels and other books of the Bible while adding fictional backstories to the biblical characters.

The goal of our study is to deepen our relationship with Jesus by helping us engage in "Ignatian imaginative prayer," a form of prayer taught by St. Ignatius of Loyola in which you enter a Gospel scene with all five senses, allowing Scripture to become a vivid, personal encounter with Jesus.

The Thursday Morning Scripture Group has been meeting at St. Patrick's since 2001 and is led by parishioner Susan Carlson, who holds a Master of Divinity degree. The group's approach to Scripture is to combine study, prayer, reflection, and small-group discussion. No previous Bible study experience is required, and all are welcome.

**THURSDAYS
9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 3

No meeting on October 8 or November 26.

O'Gara Parish Activity Center

*There is no fee to participate, and
all you will need is a Bible.*

To register, please contact Karen Longe at KarenLonge@gmail.com

ALL ARE WELCOME!

MASS OF THE EXULTATION OF THE CROSS

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You,
because by Your Holy Cross
You have redeemed the world.

8:00 AM MASS
WILL BE HELD IN THE
MAIN CHURCH

*Please join us as we celebrate
the victory of the Cross,
the sign of our salvation.*

A COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN UP FOR

“Little by Little”

Little by Little is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting families and individuals in need by providing food, clothing, financial assistance, and resources that promote self-sufficiency and dignity.

LEARN MORE AT:
www.littlebylittleinc.org





Can I Use AI Without Losing My Soul?



A conversation with Fr. Conrad Espino on AI, the Pope's perspective, and living as a Catholic in an AI-driven world.

Sunday, Sept. 27 • 6:30 PM

St. Joseph Koenig Center
121 E. Maple Ave., Libertyville

Join us for 5:00 PM Mass before!



REGISTER AT
stjoseph-libertyville.org/events

A SAFE PLACE Bricks of Healing

The future home of our new shelter



Partner with us to house over 100 survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking in Lake County.

Thu., Oct. 1 • 7:00–8:30 PM

Holy Cross Church, Community Room
743 Elder Ln., Deerfield



CONTACT MICHAEL
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Knights Corner Lake Forest Council 1268

September 18–20 Annual Knights of Columbus “Tootsie Roll” Drive

Your donations support Camp Hope and individuals with intellectual disabilities and special needs. All gifts are 501(c)(3) tax deductible.



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Fall 2026 Training for New Ministers of Care

Bringing Christ's Care to Others



2 Saturdays
October 17th &
October 24th
8:30 am – 1:00 pm



Our Lady of
Perpetual Help Parish
Hickey Hall
Glenview, IL

Chaplain Rick Nash and Jim Vlazny, Coordinators of the Ministry of Care at OLP, will facilitate this training program. Attendees must attend **both** Saturday sessions to be mandated as a Minister of Care in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Save the Date



*More information, including registration forms,
will be made available in the coming weeks.*



ST. PATRICK CHURCH
**BABY BOTTLE
FUNDRAISER**

Help mothers in need build self-sufficiency
for themselves and their babies.

PICK UP a bottle Oct. 3 & 4
RETURN IT with your gift Oct. 11 & 12

Gift cards and monetary gifts welcome.



helpaidforwomen.org/babybottle

COMPASSION + CARE

Now and at the Hour of Our Death

Every human life is a sacred gift from God, deserving of love and protection from conception to natural death. Our response to suffering is **compassion + care**.

A new law allowing physician-assisted suicide takes effect Sept. 12, 2026. It goes against our teaching that everyone deserves dignity, love and care through every stage of life.

Every person has dignity.

Compassion means walking together.

Love never abandons.

You are not alone.



Catholic Conference
of Illinois
www.ilcatholic.org

Bereavement Ministry

*"I am the Resurrection and the Life;
whoever believes in me will never die."*

John 11:25-26

When a member of the Body of Christ dies, we are called to a ministry of consolation: to care for the dying, to pray for the dead, and to comfort those who mourn.

Our team helps families plan and celebrate the funeral Mass, including the readings and music, and serves at the Mass and Visitation.

Interested in serving?

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SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND

The archdiocesan collection for
the formation of our future priests.

The fund covers the cost of educating men studying for the priesthood as they move toward ordination.

Your generosity supports these men
answering God's call to a life of service.

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SACRAMENTS AND RESOURCES

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 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

New Parishioner Registration

Contact the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

Sacrament of Confirmation

Contact Dianne Marshall at 847-234-1401

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