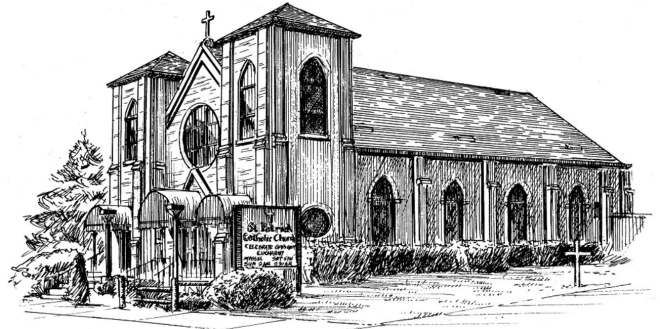


# Saint Patrick Parish

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**August 26, 2018**

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## SPIRIT AND LIFE

“This saying is hard; who can accept it?” Those who had been following Jesus found the teaching about eating his flesh and drinking his blood, words that we heard in last Sunday’s Gospel, puzzling and unbelievable. There are Catholics who innocently believe that our Eucharist is only symbolic of the Body and Blood of Christ. Yet Jesus did not command us to eat this *symbol* of his body and blood. He said, “This *is* my body” and “This *is* my blood.”

“Does this shock you?” In fact, it did seem to shock many of his followers, the disciples no less than anyone else. Referring to another future action which would be hard to believe, Jesus says, “What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before?” Nothing more is said about the Ascension at this time, but he is teaching them gradually how to accept something that seems unbelievable.

Today’s Readings: Jos: 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b; Ps 34:2–3, 16–17, 18–19, 20–21; Eph 5:21–32 [2a, 25–32]; Jn 6:60–69  
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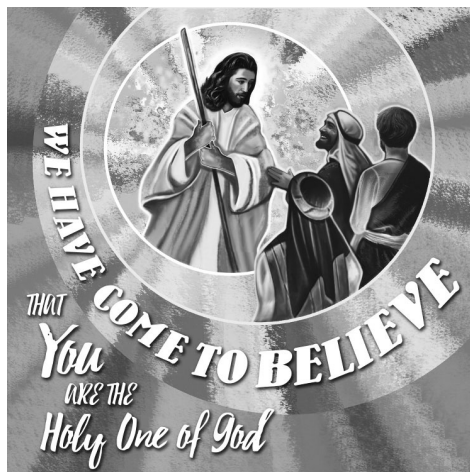
**Baptisms:** By appointment

**Weddings:** Arrangements must be made with Fr. Vaghetto at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

**Spiritual Formation (CCD):**  
Grades K-5: Sunday: 9:05 AM - 10:15 AM  
Grades 6-8: Monday: 7:00 PM - 8:10 PM

**Bulletin Deadline:**  
15 days advance notice in writing.

**Office Hours:**  
Mon. - Thurs. 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM



## Sunday Masses:

Saturday evening: 6:00 PM  
Sunday: 10:30 AM

## Holy Day:

Check the bulletin for Mass times

## Weekday Masses:

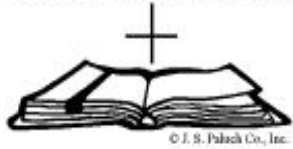
Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00 AM

## Reconciliation:

Saturday: 5:15 PM to 5:45 PM

**Benediction/Holy Hour:** 2nd & 4th  
Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.  
(Check the bulletin for any changes)

Mass Intentions



SUNDAY 10:30 AM Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**All Members of St. Patrick Parish**  
 TUESDAY 8:00 AM Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Audrey Schollaert**  
 (Bob & Diane DalBon)  
 THURSDAY 8:00 AM Weekday  
**Mike Cardillo**  
 (Pat & Bernie Sypien)  
 SATURDAY 6:00 PM Vigil: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Deceased of the Heron & Mullooly Families**  
 (Family)  
 SUNDAY 10:30 AM Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**All Members of St. Patrick Parish**

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Saturday Vigil—4:00 PM; Sunday—8:30 AM  
 Monday, Wednesday & Friday—8:00 AM  
 Confessions- Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 PM

SCHEDULES

**Saturday - 6:00 PM**                      **Sunday - 10:30 AM**  
**September 1**                                      **September 2**

**Lectors:**

*E. Cardillo*

*S. Coyne*

**Altar Servers:**

*Madison Henry*

*Allen Bejoy*

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

*F. Kokoskie*

*S. Coyne*

*H. Kennedy*

*M. Kelsey*

**HOLY HOUR/BENEDICTION:** The next scheduled Holy Hour and Benediction will take place Wednesday, August 29th, at St. Alphonsus from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

**WARNING FROM LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS:** that any cars illegally parked during Mass will be ticketed and towed at owner's expense. This includes parking in front of people's garages, or on their lawns, etc. Please be a good neighbor and do not park blocking other vehicles or blocking private/ public entrances. Thank you.

**MESSAGE FROM FR. HARRY BIELEWICZ AND FR. ZACHARY GALIYAS:** We thank all the priests, deacons, religious, and lay faithful who have served or are serving in the parish. We are grateful for Father Benedetto Vaghetto and Father James McDonough who will be in residence with Weekend Mass Help. Both of these priests will have full time ministry with the Diocese. I, Father Zach grew up in Kennedy Township and I was ordained a priest on June 27, 2015. I am currently parochial Vicar for multiple parishes in New Castle. I, Father Harry grew up in Moon Township and I was ordained a priest on May 24, 1986. I am currently pastor of three parishes in Butler. We look forward to serving you on October 15th.

**ST. ALPHONSUS PARISH PICNIC:** will be held this year on Sunday, September 9th at the Women's Club Pavilion of Heritage Park, beginning with Sunday Mass @12:15 PM; the Mass counts for the Sunday obligation More info to follow. All from St. Patrick's are welcomed.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:** will begin on September 9th. If you have any questions, please email Jen Greenawald at [saintpatyouth@yahoo.com](mailto:saintpatyouth@yahoo.com) or call 412.327.5822.

**OUR 2018 MISSION APPEAL:** second collection will be held at all Masses on the weekend of September 22nd/23rd. The reasons for mission is because the diocese in Kenya is facing a major financial difficulty to feed, educate and financially support 50 orphans, to buy medicine, to pay hospital bills for 80 children and 20 adults, who are HIV positive in our two diocesan hospitals and to pay tuition for 45 major seminarians. The diocese covers an area of 4,019 kms, has 44 parishes run by 99 diocesan priests, 12 missionary priests, 12 religious congregations, 1 congregation for women, 2 diocesan hospital, 1 missionary hospital and 14 dispensaries. It also sponsors several primary school and secondary schools, 2 schools for the deaf, 3 special education schools; all in two big districts. The donations from the Mission Appeal will be used as follows: to feed, educate and support financially 50 orphans, to help in the formation and education of 45 major seminarians and to buy medicine for 80 children and 20 adults, who are HIV positive in our two diocesan hospitals. Thank you for your generosity. May God bless you.

**SPECIAL HOLY HOUR/BENEDICTION:** will be held at St. Patrick on **Tuesday, September 11th**, from 7:00 – 8:00 PM, **replacing** Wednesday, September 12th Holy Hour; not only will our parishes, groupings, clergy and Church of Pittsburgh be remembered but also the victims of the 9/11 tragedy. Come together to pray for our parishes and parish groupings, our clergy and the Church of Pittsburgh as we continue our journey On Mission for the Church Alive!

**5TH ANNUAL MCFALL FEST:** will take place on Saturday, October 13th, from 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM at McDonald Presbyterian Church, 119 Station St, McDonald, PA. There will be free children's fun area, live music, vendors and crafters, mum and pumpkin sale, bake sale and homemade food.

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This is the height of vacation season, but as anyone who has ever been to Rome in the summer knows, no time to visit there! The city is sweltering, and in a pre-air-conditioned world long ago, Romans figured out that they needed a break in the surrounding hills. Even the pope clears out. His destination is usually Castelgandolfo, a lovely little hill town southeast of Rome, overlooking a tranquil lake. It has been a papal possession since about 1600, and in 1929, when most of the papal states were finally lost, the papal dwelling was given "extraterritorial rights," meaning that it is an extension of Vatican City and not under Italian rule. The Vatican observatory maintained telescopes here for decades, far from the glare of the city lights of Rome, but although the observatory offices remain here year round, the telescopes are in Arizona. Pope Francis spends less time here than his predecessors, though he still slows down the pace of his work in Rome.

Vacations can help us visit friends and relatives, and revive those human contacts that the pace of our lives keeps us from cultivating. The pope needs a break, and so do you. Vacation comes from a word meaning to empty oneself. There's still time to clear the calendar for at least one golden summer day even if you don't have a personal castle in the hills!

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**CULTIVATE, A YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY LEADERS COLLABORATIVE:** 12 spaces are available for anyone working (full time, part time, or volunteer) in young adult ministry for CULTIVATE, which will begin with a weekend retreat from September 21st to 23rd, followed by a six month community of practice experience. Please visit [www.diopitt.org/cultivate](http://www.diopitt.org/cultivate) for more info and to register. Registration fee is \$150; scholarships are available.

**THE DIOCESAN FALL RETREAT:** is taking place Fri., Nov. 16 - Sun. Nov. 18 at Camp Allegheny in Ellwood City. It's open to high school students in grades 9 - 12. There will be music, games, engaging talks, prayer, and good food! Cost will be \$35. Anyone interested in going should contact Fr. Zach Galiyas at [zgaliyas@diopitt.org](mailto:zgaliyas@diopitt.org) or 724-652-3422. We are also in need of adult chaperones with safe environment clearances. Stay tuned for more details!

**OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA:** Polish Falcons Heritage Foundation is holding the 10th annual Mass honoring Our Lady of Czestochowa and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Polish Independence at St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland Section of Pittsburgh. This mass will begin at 7:00 PM on August 27th. For more info, call 844.203.9917, visit [polishheritage.org](http://polishheritage.org), or email [millera@polishheritage.org](mailto:millera@polishheritage.org).

**NIGHT OF WORSHIP:** Join us for the 3rd Mega Night of Worship (NOW) on Thursday evening September 13th at the St. Bernadette Parish, Monroeville with the charismatic worship teams from Steubenville Worship team along with awesome sight and sound support by Pittsburgh Prosound Plus. Pastor Fr. Tony Gargotta is our Holy Hour presider and Fr. Boniface Hicks, O.S.B., is our conference speaker. Doors open at 6:30 PM; Program starts at 7:00 PM and ends at 9:00 PM. Admission is free. For more information contact Santos Hernandez at [1026hernandez@gmail.com](mailto:1026hernandez@gmail.com).

**"IN OUR OWN WORDS: RELIGIOUS LIFE IN A CHANGING WORLD":** The Sisters of St. Joseph invite you to attend a panel discussion, "In Our Own Words: Religious Life in a Changing World," from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM on Sunday, October 28th, at their Motherhouse in Baden. The event is free, but registration is encouraged for planning purposes. Light refreshments will be served. Among the confirmed panelists, to date, are Desiré Findlay, CSSF, and Virginia Herbers, ASCJ. They are among a diverse group of younger women religious from North America whose essays on issues central to apostolic religious life today have been published as a collection in "In Our Own Words: Religious Life in Changing World" by Juliet Mousseau, RSCJ, and Sarah Kohles, OFS. For more information and to register online, visit <https://inourownwords.eventbrite.com>.

**DIVORCECARE FOR KIDS (DC4K):** Helping your Children Heal from the Hurt of Divorce-Meetings Starting on September 10. DivorceCare for Kids is a special group to help children ages 5-12 heal from the hurt caused by the separation or divorce of their parents. The DivorceCare for Kids group sponsored by Sts. John & Paul parish will begin a 13 week cycle of meetings on Monday, September 10th. Meetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00PM-9:00 PM and will be held at Sts. John & Paul Church, 2586 Wexford Bayne Rd., Sewickley, PA, in Room 1 in the Lower Cardinal DiNardo Center (CDC). Anyone who has questions or would like more information should contact Erik Palmer (412-491-5511 or [rerikpalmer@gmail.com](mailto:rerikpalmer@gmail.com)) or visit <http://stsjohnandpaul.org/>.

**DIVORCED AND SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP:** The Divorced and Separated support group sponsored by Sts. John & Paul parish will begin its next 13 week cycle of meetings on Monday, September 10th. This peer led group provides caring support to anyone who is experiencing the pain of separation or divorce. Meetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00PM to 9:00 PM and will be held at Sts. John & Paul Church in Rooms 8 & 9 in the lower Cardinal DiNardo Center. Anyone who has questions or would like more information should contact Ralph Joy (412.741.5456 or [ralph.r.joy@gmail.com](mailto:ralph.r.joy@gmail.com)) or visit <http://stsjohnandpaul.org/>.

**CAREER FAIR:** JFCS Career Development Center, North Hills Community Outreach, and the United Way are collaborating to host a major Career Fair on Thursday, September 13th from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM at the Knights of Columbus, 450 Lincoln Avenue, Bellevue, PA 15202. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet with representatives from a variety of employers and training providers to discuss available job and training opportunities. Registration is preferred via email at [youn@cdcpgh.org](mailto:youn@cdcpgh.org), although walk-ins are welcome!

**SICK LIST:** Your prayers are requested for Gabriel J. Belak, Richard Grzegorzczuk, Rosalyn (Belak) Heleniak, Rose Hribar, Joe Rasch, Adeline Slovick, and Joe Swider. Please pray also for those in hospitals, nursing homes, and at home.

**STEWARDSHIP:** The offertory collection information will be printed in a future bulletins. Thank you.

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