ST. PATRICK CHURCH AND SHRINE

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023

31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant." - Mt 23:8-11

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT **BECOMING CATHOLIC... OR WANT TO STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH**

Want to know more about the gifts of God, His Grace & Mercy, present in the church, Maybe sacraments are for you? Classes 9:50am on Sundays during CCD



https://stpat.church/Spiritual-Formation/RCIA-Program/RCIA-Information-Request

All adults are welcome to join us!!!

Mon	7:35 AM	Repose of Mike Reynolds
Tue	7:35 AM	Repose of Walter Ratermann
Wed	7:35 AM	Repose of Joan Cain
Wed	7:00 PM	Repose of Marilyn, Diana, Steven, and Al Mayleben
Fri	7:35 AM	Deceased Members of the St. Patrick Morning Masses
Sat	4:30PM	Deceased Members of the Ellison and Bauer Families
Sun	8:30 AM	Repose of Pal and Betty Schadler
Sun	11:00 AM	Repose of Bill Dreyer
	Tue Wed Wed Fri Sat Sun	Tue 7:35 AM Wed 7:35 AM Wed 7:00 PM Fri 7:35 AM Sat 4:30PM Sun 8:30 AM

Pray For: Dennis Jones, Sandy Johnson, The Carneal Family, Savana Baumgartner, Viola Cleo Bradshaw

Repose of: Judy Reilly, Tim Kruempelman



Sacraments

Baptism For more information, please visit the parish website. Baptism classes are generally held at 10am on the first Saturday of every month. Please call the office to register for class or register through the parish website.

Eucharist, Confirmation, & Sacrament of the Sick Contact the parish office.

Reconciliation Every Saturday 12-1 pm or contact Fr. Jeff anytime for an appointment.

Holy Orders Contact Father Conor Kunath at (859) 392-1566.

Matrimony You must contact the parish at least six months in advance to the desired date. Please complete a Wedding Registration form to schedule a wedding. It is a good idea to confirm the date with the parish first before reserving a reception hall as that date may not be available. For more information, please visit the parish website.

		Mass Schedule			
Secretary:	Christy Cool	(859) 356-5151	Sunday Masses		
Hospital/Nursing Home	Fr. Jeff VonLehmen	(859) 356-5151	Saturday	4:30 PM	
Visit:	Paul Washnock	(609) 0000	Sunday	8:30 AM	
				11:00 AM	
School Principal & VIRTUS Coordinator:	Pam Nunnelley	(859) 344-7040 (859) 356-5151	Holy Day Mass schedule see inside bulletin		
			Daily Masses		
CCD Religious Education Administrators:	Mallory Hamilton Stephanie Profitt	(859) 356-5151	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 7:35 AM		Adoration Chapel Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a
Acolyte, Worship Minis- tries, Sick & Homebound:	Paul Washnock	(859 -356-5151	Wednesday (Evening Only) 7:00 PM		week.
				rday Month every	Jesus is waiting for You.
Youth Ministry Coordina- tor:	Katie Schawe	(859) 356-5151	month 8am St. Patrick Primary School		ool
Bereavement, Welcome Committee & Altar Socie-	Judy Schneider Mary Ann Wilson	(859) 356-9562 (859) 356-6498	Phone: (859) 344-7040		
ty:			Website:	http://stpat.school/	
Joyful Noise Choir:	Joe Ising	(513) 616-4463	Facebook: StPatrickTMSchool Communications: For more info		
Parish Hall:	Pam Nunnelley	(859) 356-5151	or schedule a tour text the keyword stpatschool to the number		
Pastor, Spiritual Direction, Adult For- mation	Fr. Jeff VonLehmen	859-356-5151	 84576 & select Enrollment Info Request or: <u>https://stpatricktm.flocknote.com/</u> <u>signup/81184</u> 		



Fr. Jeff & Spiritual Direction

Fr. Jeff will be available in the church at certain times for Spiritual Direction. In the case of youth, please bring another person along. If you have a time scheduled, please feel free to come to the church. He is available for about 20-30 minutes per person. However, he will make himself available for longer if needed. Spiritual Direction is a way to help an individual discern how the spirit is leading the person. The role of a spiritual director is not to direct attention to oneself, rather it is to help the directed focus on Christ and sort out confusion or obstacles. Confession is also available during these times. Please contact Fr. Jeff if you would like to schedule a time to meet with him contact the parish office.

Sick & Homebound

If you know of someone in our parish that 4th Tuesday each month in the Parish is: in the hospital, nursing home, sick and/ or is homebound, or is in need of the sacrament of the anointing of the sick, please notify us by calling the parish office or email the secretary. Due to privacy laws we are no longer automatically notified unless someone tells us. Please help us serve our fellow brothers and sisters in the parish that are in need of this ministry. Your help in serving them is welcomed and greatly appreciated!

Thank you and Christ's Peace,

Fr. Jeff

VIRTUS & Volunteering Safe Environment Requirements

All volunteers and coaches must be VIRTUS compliant before they may participate.

The first step is to contact the parish office. Compliance

- 1. Fill out parish application form.
- 2. Register online at www.virtus.org, sign up for & attend a class and submit a background check.
- 3. Background check cleared.
- 4. Read the bulletins within 30 days of the first Sunday each month.

For more information visit the diocesan website:

https://covdio.org/safe-environment/howdo-i-start/

Parish Ministries

Grief Support Group- Come and be comforted._ A group for the bereaved, meets at 9:00am in the parish hall, the second Saturday of the month. Each session explores mourning through scripture, prayer, reflection, activities, and faith sharing. All materials and refreshments are provided.

Helping Others Return to bring our loved ones to return to a relationship with Christ and his Church. We have monthly Masses on the 2nd Wednesday at 7pm. Everyone welcome. Call John or Sue Zurborg: 859-816-1645 for more info. or sign up for group notifications at: https://stpatricktm.flocknote.com/ signup/64711

Ladies Altar Society meets 7pm every Hall.

Liturgical Ministry Volunteers-More

volunteers are needed: Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC), Lector, Server & Usher. All volunteers 18 & over must be VIRTUS compliant. Choose specific time frames, request a sub for your scheduled position. http://www.rotundasoftware.com/no -dl/ministry/knock?enroll=1 or call office.

Martha's Ministry -Baby on the way? Loved one sick and in the hospital? Making Meals Meeting Needs is here to help make things a little easier with a meal or two for you and your family. Please contact the office if you would like to help.

New Men's Group Meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at 6:30pm in the Mercy Risen Center (building across street with blue cross). Sign up for group notifications: https://stpatricktm.flocknote.com/

signup/94586.

Parish Nurse Ministry -blood pressure screenings offered the first weekend of each month. Call the office or contact Judy Schneider if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

Project Rachel—God's Greatest Desire is to Forgive if you have ever had an abortion experience, the Catholic Church wants to reach out to you and

offer healing and reconciliation through Project Rachel, a confidential ministry for women and men. For more information, please call our Project Rachel confidential telephone number at: (859) 392-1547.



Our donations will go to **Madonna House of Northern Kentucky** for the month of November please.

Madonna House is requesting sippy cups, diapers size 5 & 6, and pullups.

Madonna House of Northern Kentucky

WHO WE ARE: In the spirit of Christian concern, the Madonna House strives to help and support the single young woman who has chosen to give birth and raise her child. The goal of the Madonna House is to prepare the mother emotionally, financially, spiritually, and educationally for independent living.

Please say this prayer when assembling your donation then come place it on the shelf by elevator in the upstairs hallway.

<u>A Prayer of Thanksgiving</u>

Thank you Lord, for making my life free of serious want. Protect those in need with food this day. Give me a chance to nourish the poor through my compassion. Help me to see the hungry and never turn away. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Stewardship Thank you for your almsgiving, as we have much to do for further development of ministries and maintenance here!

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When you login online, using your current email address and password, you will



	see the new landing page & Improvements.	
Offertory Program Pledge Amount:	\$ 7,068.00	Securely make a gift by texting
TOTAL REGULAR OFFERTORY	\$4,895.00	You'll be asked to register if it's your first time
TOTAL BUILDING FUND	\$1,514.20	Text
Maintenance & Repair	(Now included in Building Fund)	
Loan Balance As of 10/16/2023	\$351,683.39	GIVE
Parish School Development/Assistance	\$60.00	to 859-340-8356

NOTE FROM FINANCE OFFICE: Offerings given may not be reflected in this weeks totals depending on bank processing.

St. Patrick 2023 DPAA Update as of September 30, 2023				
Parish Goal	\$60,300.00			
Pledges Received	\$65,876.00			
*Actual Amount Collected	\$54,378.32			

Thank you!



Don't forget to save our giving number in your phone! You can always text EDIT to update your information, set up a recurring gift, and check the status of a gift.



CCD REGISTRATION IS OPEN CCD 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

(Preschool Age 4—8th Grade) In Person & Homeschool Classes Available

CLASS SCHEDULE:

Every Sunday | 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM To register or get more information visit our website: https://stpat.church/

Contact Mallory Hamilton: hamiltonm@stpat.church or phone: 859-356-5151.

St. Patrick Primary School TM

REGISTRATION IS OPEN PRESCHOOL - 3RD GRADE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Enrollment for all day Kindergarten thru 3rd Grade is open to everyone. We welcome enrollment to all children regardless of race, religious affiliation, national origin or sex. Preschool Student Enrollment: There is a registration fee of \$100.00 due at the time of enrollment for all preschool students, and we require a copy of your child's birth certificate and current immunization record. Your enrollment is not complete until we receive these two forms and your registration fee. Not Ready to Enroll... But Would Like to Request More Information: https://stpatricktm.flocknote.com/Enrl-InfoReguest For tuition assistance and more information or if you are interested in a preschool tour, contact us http://stpat.school/School/Contact-Us or call (859) 344-7040.

For More Information Visit Our Website: http://stpat.school/



A special virtue based education is included to help build good character and bring out the image of God in each child

LOW TUITION COST

2023-24 Tuition Kindergarten - 3rd Grade: \$4,000/

student Pay in full or minimum monthly payments (required for 10 months)

Parish News & Local Events



CHRISTMAS CHOIR – 2023

Now is the time to assemble our "Joyful Noise" Christmas singers and musicians. We invite everyone over the age of 14 to join us. No formal experience is necessary. And no tryouts are required. We are not trained professionals and don't expect you to be. We sing and play the 8 pm Mass on Christmas Eve, plus a number of concerts in December, including the Independence Annual Christmas Walk on Saturday 12/2/23. Also, some nursing & retirement homes. All our practices are on Thursday evenings from 7 PM to 9 PM in the church. If you can make most of the practices then, please consider joining us. For more information, contact me by phone or e-mail: Joe Ising 859-616-4463 peddler78@aol.com

Remember: tis the season for giving, so 'give' your talent this year, and join us in making a "joyful noise unto the Lord" this

K of C Tootsie Roll Drive– members of our local K of C will be at the doors of the church after all Masses taking donations for Tootsie Rolls. <u>All money collected</u> goes to groups working with Special Needs children and adults. Thank you for your support.

<u>St. Patrick School News</u>— There will be a Kindergarten Information Meeting on Tuesday, November 14th at 7pm in the Parish Hall to let people meet Mrs. Rosing and hear from her what a typical day is like at St. Patrick School and answer any questions parents might have.

St Patrick's CCD

 Sunday November 19th will be our Family Catechesis class. We will be meeting in the church this year. Lee will be leading us in music. All in the parish are invited to Encounter the Light of the world as we prepare for His coming.

November 5th begins Vocation Awareness Week— As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to the religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call-is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life— children, grandchildren, students and friends— to be open if God calls them for the priesthood or religious life.

You are invited to a Morning of Reflection– with Fr. Conor Kunath at All Saints Parish, 1 Beatrice Avenue Walton, Ky 41094 November 11 – "Call to Holiness" We are looking forward to seeing all of you! SCHEDULE: 9:00 AM - Presentation and Discussion 10:00 AM - Mass 11:00 AM - Adoration with Confession available <u>Diocesan Youth Ministry Events- Workshop: Understanding GenZ –</u> November 9; 11:00 am to 3:30 pm. Cost \$15.00 includes lunch and snacks. Gain better insight into the lives and culture of teenagers and learn practical skills to effectively communicate the unchanging gospel in a constantly changing landscape. Open to anyone who has a heart for sharing Jesus with the next generation. Sponsored by NET ministries. Registration: www.covdio.org/youth. Location: Diocese of Covington Curia Office - Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium (BHMA), 1125 Madison Ave., Covington, KY 41011

Diocesan Youth Ministry Meeting – November 9; 3:45 pm to 5:00 pm. (Immediately following the Understanding GenZ workshop). Open to everyone interested. Network, pray, collaborate, and plan. Bring your ideas, questions, and needs. Location: Curia Office - BHMA.

Diocesan Youth Ministry Leadership Team Forming- Seeking applications from high school, college, and adults with a passion for developing, leading, or promoting dynamic Catholic youth ministry. Application form available at www.covdio.org/youth.

For additional information, contact Angie Poat at apoat@covdio.org

ELECTION DAY IS COMING UP!

<u>Tuesday, November 7th -</u>You are encouraged to go to the USCCB website and read a document entitled <u>Faithful Citizenship</u>, for what principles Catholics vote for especially life and dignity.

Remaining VIRTUS Trainings for 2023

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Tuesday, November 14th, 2023, 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Tuesday, November 14th, 2023, 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

Catholic Charities, Training Room, 3629 Church St. Covington, Kentucky 41015. Wednesday, November 15th, 2023, 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM.

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Tuesday, November 28th, 2023, 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Tuesday, November 28th, 2023, 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Tuesday, December 5th, 2023, 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Tuesday, December 5th, 2023, 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

Fr. Jeff would like to share with you the text of the presentation that Linda Connelly gave with St. Patrick last weekend.



Saint Gemma

Saint Gemma Galgani had a short but remarkable life. She was born in 1878 in Lucca, Italy and developed a great devotion to prayer and the Mass from her mother who died when she was a young girl.

A devotion to Christ's Passion blossomed in her from the Passionist nuns who educated her after her mother's passing. The Eucharist and the Passion of Christ were one in her heart. When she made her First Communion at age 9 (a young age for this sacrament at the time) she prayed fervently for the grace "to know perfectly the life and Passion of Jesus."

Due to chronic poor health, Gemma was forced to quit school before completing her studies. Causing her to leave the nuns she dearly loved. At the age of 19 her father died leaving her and seven siblings without either parent. After being a mother figure to her siblings for a while, Gemma moved in with her aunt and uncle, but shortly after, became seriously ill with meningitis.

She was moved back to Lucca, where her illness caused her to be bedridden with paralysis in her arms and legs, gave her migraine headaches and partial deafness. Her doctors tried everything they could to help her, but she only became worse. They had given up hope for a cure and expected her to pass away.

Gemma was given a book on the life of then venerable, and now Saint, Gabriel Possenti, whom she began to pray to for his intercession. He appeared to her multiple times in visions giving her strength and encouragement. Eventually, through his intercession, she was miraculously healed. Although healed, she continued to suffer from persistent weakness.

She hoped to join the Passionist nuns, but her chronic bad health caused her to be refused multiple times.

Instead, she took private religious vows and lived a quiet, prayerful life with a family her confessor asked to take Gemma in.

While living with this family, more incredible graces were given to Gemma and she experienced visions, locutions and the stigmata, which appeared every Thursday and stopped the next day, leaving white marks where the wounds had been.

Gemma could see and speak to her guardian angel, often sending him on errands to deliver messages to her confessor who lived in Rome.

She also saw and had conversations with Jesus. Several times, He gave her the grace of seeing His crucifixion. This caused Gemma deep sorrow for all sins, and gave her the desire to suffer with Jesus in reparation for them.

Gemma was often found in a state of ecstasy and her words were recorded by her confessor or a member of the family she lived with.

Although her life was hidden, these recorded ecstasies, as well as, her letters, diary and autobiography were made public after her death.

Her writings are a treasure trove of Eucharistic insights.

In one entry she wrote, "Is it possible that there are souls who do not understand what the Blessed Eucharist is? Who are insensible to the Divine Presence...to the mysterious and fervent effusions of the Sacred Heart of my Jesus? O Heart of Jesus! Heart of love!"

In another entry she wrote, "Yesterday, in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament I felt myself burning so fiercely that I had to go away. I felt stunned that so many could stay so close to Jesus and not be reduced to ashes. I felt I would be consumed. Jesus is such a sweet and irresistible Lover; how can one fail to love Him with one's whole heart and soul? How can one not wish to be wholly united to Him, and consumed in the flames of His holy love?"

Daily Gemma was eager to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, yet aware of her unworthiness, sometimes she would get red-faced with embarrassment before the Lord.

She once commented, "Jesus gives me all of Himself, though I give Him nothing worthy in return. I always ask Him for so many things, and to tell the truth, I am afraid of wearying Him, but He says no and not to worry. Blessed be Jesus!"

In early 1903 Gemma was diagnosed with tuberculosis. A few months later, at the age of 25, she died on April 11th, Holy Saturday. She died with a smile on her face.

Thirty years later, she was canonized a Saint on May 2, 1933 by Pope Pius XII.

Despite her many sufferings, St. Gemma was known for her kindness and sympathy for the poor. She offered her sufferings in union with those of Jesus for the atonement of the world's sins.

Like Saint Gemma, we can also offer up any sufferings God sends to us in reparation for all the sin in the world.

Saint Gemma, patron saint of students, pharmacists, tuberculosis patients, spinal injury, migraines, love and hope, pray for us!

(Thank you Linda!)

DIOCESAN NEWS AND INFORMATION

Safe Environment Information

All volunteers at church, school, or parish events, <u>must be</u> VIRTUS compliant before they may participate. Please contact the Safe Environment Office with any questions or concerns.



VIRTUS Online: Please visit the following website to learn more about VIRTUS: <u>VIRTUS® Online (virtusonline.org)</u> Note: To access your existing VIRTUS account: <u>www.virtusonline.org</u>, enter you user id and password. If your account is suspended contact your primary location where you volunteer or are employed. Your primary location contact information is found under your Contact Tab.

Pastoral Services

Ministry for Separated or Divorced

New Beginnings is an 8-week program that provides the opportunity to heal and move forward despite a complicated situation. Led by facilitators who have been through their own personal losses, this program invites participants to move toward their own new beginnings. To register for Next session, call (859) 392-1592.

Marriage Encounter: Visit the Worldwide Marriage Encounter website for upcoming weekends. Register online at https://wwme.org/ or call (513) 251-1940.

Retrouvaille: For couples in troubled marriages, Retrouvaille is a program of healing and renewal consisting of one weekend and six follow-up sessions over the course of three months. Contact information: www.cincyretrouvaille.org or (513) 456-5413. **Our next weekend will be January 5, 6, and 7, 2024.**

Catholic Charities

Never. Lose. Hope. Do you have family or a friend in jail or prison? Are you looking for a safe, welcoming community where you will be accepted without judgement? Join us the 3rd Tuesday of every month from 6:30-7:30pm for a free support group. All are Welcome! Come to Catholic Charities, 3629 Church Street, Covington, KY 41015. For more information contact Dave Capella at dcapella@covingtoncharities.org or 581-8974 ext 117.

Foreclosure/Delinquency Housing Counseling: There are many options to homeowners. Become informed. Groups and individual sessions available. For more information call Catholic Charities at 859 -581-8974.

Parish Kitchen- Pickett's Corner will repair and distribute bicycles to those in need in the area. Bicycles will help folks get to their jobs. Volunteers are needed at Parish Kitchen during lunchtime (11:30am-1:30pm) to repair bikes. Volunteers are also needed to collect and repair bikes at their home for the Parish Kitchen. Please respond to pickettscorner23@gmail.com

Honoring All Who Served - The community is invited to Northern Kentucky's observance of Veterans Day to honor all veterans, active-duty personnel, reservists, and military families, at 2 p.m., Sunday, November 12, 2023, Highland Cemetery, 2167 Dixie Hwy., Fort Mitchell, KY 41017 (rain or shine). Guest speaker is Joe Montgomery, Founder, Patriots Landing. Program is sponsored by Highland Cemetery and the Behringer-Crawford Museum. For information, please call Kathleen Romero at 859-331-2499.

St. Vincent de Paul's 16th Annual Turkeyfoot Trot

5k Run/Walk will be held at Thomas More University on Sat. November 18th at 9:00 am. Pre-registration by 11/17/23 at www.svdpnky.org .\$25 for adults & \$20 for children 14 years or younger. T-shirts sold separately for \$17 while supply last. Day of race registration is at 7:30 a.m. \$30 for adults & \$25 for children 14years or younger. There will be a free kids' fun run, lots of door prizes, & food donated by local restaurants at the after-party! SPONSORSHIP OP-PORTUNITIES ARE STILL AVAILABLE. To sponsor, donate, or for more information, go to www.svdpnky.org or contact Lou Settle at 859-446-7727 or lou.settle@svdpnky.org.

31st Annual Eighth Grade Pro-Life Essay Contest -

The Diocesan Pro-Life Office and the Department of Catholic Schools are pleased to sponsor the 8th Grade Pro-Life Essay Contest. The essay contest is open to <u>all</u> 8th graders in the Diocese of Covington. This is a great opportunity to nurture our students on their belief in the Church's teaching on the sanctity of all human life, as well as inspire them to live out their faith. We hope you will encourage all your students to participate in this important phase of their Catholic education. For more information on the essay contest, please contact the Pro-Life Office or visit our website www.covdio.org/pro-life

Qualified Catholic candidates are invited to apply for a full time Curia staff opportunity. We seek a creative individual who excels at communicating compelling content to diverse audiences in a variety of formats. The Digital Content and Multi-Media Specialist will provide dynamic content for all diocesan media channels, digital, print, and otherwise. This individual will constantly develop, create, pursue, and acquire interesting and engaging content in support of diocesan mission priorities, for distribution via multiple communication formats, including, but not limited to, diocesan social media, email, video and audio, and the weekly print newspaper, the Messenger. We prefer at least a (non-specific) undergraduate degree, and previous successful work experience in communications. Strong writing skills are a must.. Interested candidates can submit a comprehensive resume, along with compensation history and references including contact email addresses, to Stephen Koplyay, SPHR by email or by fax: skoplyay@covdio.org or (859) 392-1589.

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Matthew 23:1-12 • 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

