

# St. Patrick Parish

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**September 10, 2017**

## *23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**School of Religion**  
415-924-0600 x15

### **TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH**

You are welcome to  
visit us at the  
Parish Office  
or phone  
415-924-0600

### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Julia Ritter  
(Chairperson)  
Jennifer Ryan  
Steven Gallagher  
Mark Scaffidi  
Michael Weir

### **St. Patrick's Thrift Shop**

457 Magnolia Avenue, Larkspur  
CA 94939  
Phone: 415-924-5393

#### **Hours:**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday:  
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Saturday: Noon - 4:00 p.m.



**St. Patrick School**  
415-924-0501

Take a Tour!  
September 13, 20

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday  
4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
or another time  
by appointment.

### **Parish Finance Committee**

Mauna Arnzen  
(Chairperson)  
Richard Baumsteiger  
Giulio Boeri  
Patrick Loftus-  
Sweetland  
James Lynch

### **Mass Schedule**

Weekday Mass: 8:00 a.m., Tuesday through Friday  
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.  
Last Sunday of the Month: 10:00 a.m. Family Mass

Monsignor Michael Padazinski  
Pastor

Parish Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
(Monday—Friday)

### **Our Holy Father's Monthly Intention**

That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be  
places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

### **Parish Staff**

Linda Kinkade  
School Principal  
Judy Kostelni  
Director of Religious Education  
Cathy Plocki  
Liturgical Coordinator  
Terry Rosser & Phyllis Rybensky,  
Helping Hands Coordinators  
Barbara Cavalier  
Hospitality Coordinator  
Deborah Benedict  
Adult Choir Director  
Andrew Dixon  
Pianist/Organist

## Year One

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week marks my first anniversary as your pastor and what an exciting year it has been! I have so enjoyed coming to know many of you and I look forward to meeting many more of you as we continue our journey to the Lord.

New assignments are always challenging. We are creatures of habit, and change does not come easily for most. However, I am truly grateful to God for entrusting me with such a wonderful, faith-filled community that is open to growing in faith and holiness.

We as a parish have much to be proud of. We have an incredible Catholic school with a stellar faculty and staff, a super religious education program, an RCIA process that is second to none, an adult choir which adds so much to our weekly worship, lectors, eucharistic ministers, altar servers, and the list goes on and on! I am (and feel) truly blessed to be a part of such an incredible family of faith.

I have observed much this past year and I have tried to listen and learn from many of you who have been a part of this community much longer than I. During this time, I have noticed a myriad of good, and I am confident that this year will only add to the incredible spirit-filled happenings at Saint Patrick's. To that end, I ask you to stay tuned for some wonderful and exciting new programs which we hope to offer in the very near future. Some examples of things to come: a new women's group will be forming to discuss various books and topics of interest; a morning men's group to meet early one weekday morning to discuss the readings for the upcoming Sunday; and SAinTS (Students Active in Thoughtful Service) – a roundtable of grades 9-12 confirmed teens and their friends who discuss service to the community and beyond.

You will also begin to see some repair work around the parish plant. As you will recall, the Church sustained water damage from the winter storms of early 2017. The bell tower is leaking badly and we need to replace the membrane in the cupola. While we have the scaffolding erected around the tower, we will remove and replace the age old speakers with more efficient and better sounding equipment. This will be more effective in summoning people to worship! In addition, we will be changing the lighting in the bell tower to more cost efficient bulbs which will also provide for a more effective illumination of our beautiful bell tower at night.

I am told that the exterior of our Church has not been painted in 25 years and it is beginning to show signs of wear. Personnel from our real estate office at the Archdiocese along with several contractors surveyed the Church and offered bids to repaint the Church exterior. While the scaffolding is erected, it seemed prudent to maximize its use and paint the Church now rather than wait another year or two at which time we would have to bear the expense of again erecting scaffolding. It is also my hope to paint the interior of our Church next year with any excess funds we can raise with next year's AAA appeal.

As I mentioned last Sunday at the Masses, our parish has been blessed with beautiful facilities, buildings, and grounds. We have a responsibility to maintain this patrimony which will help Saint Patrick's faith community continue to be that living sign of faith and hope in Christ Jesus for decades to come.

Once again, I am so very grateful for all your support and encouragement over the past year. I count on your continued support and encouragement as we continue to build the city of God, making disciples here in our beautiful community of Larkspur and beyond.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Michael Padazinski  
Pastor

**Mass Intentions  
September 9—September 19**

Saturday September 9	5:00 pm	Doris Onetto†
Sunday September 10	8:00 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	Living and Deceased Members of the ICF People of the Parish Father John K. Ring†
Monday September 11		<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday September 12	8:00 am	Gerardo Monge†
Wednesday September 13	8:00 am	Mary Lou Kroeger†
Thursday September 14	8:00 am	Charlie Abela†
Friday September 15	8:00 am	George Pasha†
Saturday September 16	5:00 pm	Alan Forrester†
Sunday September 17	8:00 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	People of the Parish Marie Lombardi† Seymour Feldman†

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday:	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	The Most Holy Name of Mary
Wednesday:	St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday:	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Friday:	Our Lady of Sorrows
Saturday:	St. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held on the First Fridays of the month from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Adoration will conclude with Benediction at 3:00

**Hurricane Harvey Relief**

This weekend our second collection will be for the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA as they provide pastoral and rebuilding support to the millions of people suffering from the impact of Hurricane Harvey.



**Loving with Purpose: Morning Women's Group**

Come explore how to be more present to those you love, by becoming more grounded in the ancient and modern prayers of the church. Treat yourself with a time to be still. Expand your heart, mind, and soul with the women of St. Patrick's community as we discuss, pray, and learn how to become more "fully alive" as a daughters, wives, mothers, sisters, and or friends. We plan to begin mid-October. Any thoughts or questions please call or text Colleen France 415-846-7463.

**Retreat Opportunities**

**The Jesuit Retreat Center  
300 Manresa Way, Los Altos, [jrclosaltos.org/retreats](http://jrclosaltos.org/retreats)**

The Response of Love and Faith 9/15-17  
Workshop: Encountering God in Prayer 9/29-10/1  
Rediscovering the Parables of Jesus 9/29-10/1

**Mercy Center  
2300 Adeline Dr., Burlingame 650-340-7474  
[mc@mercywmw.org](mailto:mc@mercywmw.org) [mercy-center.org](http://mercy-center.org)**

Sacred Journey 2017-2018 Begins: A Foundational Year in Contemplative Christian Spirituality 9/7 first meeting  
Centering Prayer Introductory Series 9/24  
Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius 9/29  
Guided Autobiography Retreat: Listen to Your Life 9/29-10/1

**"Women of the Bible" Retreat**

Friday, September 15 (6:00 – 9:00 p.m.)  
and Saturday, September 16 (9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)  
St. Paul of the Shipwreck Church  
1122 Jamestown Ave., San Francisco

Join theological ethicist Toinette M. Eugene, Ph.D., for a retreat for all on "Women of the Bible": Sarai, Hagar, Deborah, Jael, Ruth, Naomi, and Hannah. Cost is \$30 per person and includes Friday refreshments, lunch on Saturday, and course materials. Deadline for pre-registration and payment is September 11. For information and registration, visit the website, or contact Loretta Chatmon, 415-468-3434 [stpauloftheshipwreck.org](http://stpauloftheshipwreck.org)



**St. Patrick's K-12 Faith Formation**

Registration is Open!

Please go to [www.stpatricksparish.com](http://www.stpatricksparish.com)  
Click the "Faith Formation Tab"  
Click "K-12 Faith Formation"

Click the "Registration" link under the appropriate program listed.  
For additional information, please contact Judy Kostelni, Director of Religious Education at: [faithformation@stpatricksmarin](mailto:faithformation@stpatricksmarin) or 415-924-0600 x15



We welcome Livia Sue Shirley, daughter of Siofra and Mark Shirley, who was baptized at St. Patrick's last weekend.

**St. Patrick's Thrift Shop**

We are happy to accept your donations at the Thrift Shop  
Wednesdays, 10:00 to 3:00  
and Saturdays, Noon to 3:00 .



We are especially happy to accept fine and costume jewelry, and we would also love your broken jewelry which we will turn into stunning new creations!

**A Giant Thank You!**

You were wonderfully generous for the last two weekends as you supported the St. Vincent DePaul drawing. Your wonderful donations help our St. Patrick's SVeP Conference to respond to a greatly increased volume of requests for help. Thank you very much.



### ***PRAYER LIST***

If you would like any names to be included on our prayer list you may call the Parish Office or email parish@stpatricksmarin.org. Please indicate whether it is a prayer for healing, employment, discernment, or any other needs. The prayer list is updated weekly.

#### **Would You Like to Help?**

Over the last few months, requests for SVdeP help have greatly increased. We are most grateful that St. Patrick Parish has been very generous with the funding making that help possible. However, we also have a serious need for more volunteers to call on our clients.

We never go alone on calls. Newer volunteers are always paired with those having more experience. Our monthly meetings also increase our understanding of how the process works. We plan to institute occasional evening meetings for those whose work keeps them from the Friday morning meetings.

It is a wonderful experience to meet with very impressive people dealing with very difficult challenges. If you can join us, you would find the work very satisfying. Please contact the rectory or cplocki@gmail.com

#### **Singers Invited**

The St. Patrick Choir welcomes new members. If you are interested in joining us, please call Deborah Benedict at 415-924-0704. All voices are needed, and those wishing to join will be asked to audition briefly, mainly checking for voice blending.

#### **Mass in Memory of Children**

Saturday, September 16, 11:00 a.m.

The Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery

1500 Mission Boulevard, Colma

Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone will celebrate the biennial Memorial Mass and Healing Liturgy, sponsored by the archdiocesan Respect Life Program's Project Rachel and Holy Cross Cemetery. The liturgy is in remembrance of babies and young children who have died, before, during, or shortly after birth. This loss may have been recent or many years ago. The event is for parents who have lost and mourn children, and for their family and friends. All who attend are invited to a reception and light lunch near the Mausoleum adjoining the Rachel Knoll following Mass.

For further information, contact the Respect Life Program, 415-614-5570 parralasc@sfarch.org

#### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)**

Anyone who has questions about God, Jesus, the Church, the Catholic faith, or his or her divine purpose in life is welcome to join RCIA. Call the rectory at 924-0600 for information.

#### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Those wishing to have their child baptized at St. Patrick Church must be members of the parish. Please call the rectory for more information.

#### **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Couples are required to make arrangements with the Parish six months prior to the desired date of marriage and to attend a Marriage Preparation Program.

#### **COMMUNION AND CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

Helping Hands provides limited assistance to parishioners in need, prepares monthly socials, and assigns Eucharistic Ministers to bring Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

#### **SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

This Sacrament is for those who are elderly, seriously ill, or scheduled for major surgery. For those who are homebound, please contact the Parish Office for this Sacrament. Please inform us if family members are hospitalized.

### Mass Requests

Offering a Mass for a dearly departed one or for a special intention for a friend or family member is a wonderful gift.

Masses can bring comfort for those physically or emotionally ill and in need of healing and prayers. Masses are also a thoughtful gift to celebrate a birthday or special milestone.

You are welcome to stop by the rectory office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and we will be most happy to assist you with your request.

### Priests' Retirement Fund

After decades of faithful service, many retired priests continue to serve where they are needed, while others require assisted living, or nursing home care. Since priests are paid a very modest wage, their Social Security is inadequate for their support. No longer able to rely upon parishes for basic living needs, senior priests depend on this challenged fund.

Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of many who have served faithfully for many years in ministry - some of whom continue to serve well after their 'retirement.' The collection is also our way of saying "thank you" for that service.

At Masses on September 16 and 17, our parish will join others throughout the Archdiocese in a special second collection in support of our retired priests. Thank you for your support of this worthy endeavor.

### Donating to St. Patrick Church Online

The church relies on an increase in contributions to support special programs and basic operating expenses. Please be as generous as you can. For your convenience, we offer online giving through the church website. It's easy to donate! Simply go to our website, [www.stpatricklarkspur.org](http://www.stpatricklarkspur.org). On the homepage click on 'Donate,' and you will be directed to VANCO.

Please call the parish office with any questions.

*Your donations to St. Patrick Parish  
are always most appreciated!*

### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**

**St. Patrick's is continuing the Box Tops fundraiser  
and we could use your help!**



After you purchase your favorite participating products, cut out the small box top, put it into a sealed bag, and drop it in the containers located in the Church vestibule. Each box top earns cash which we will use for numerous programs for our school children.

### St. Vincent de Paul Society Vehicle Program



St. Vincent de Paul of Marin has launched a new vehicle donation program in collaboration with SVPD National's vehicle vendor, CARS. If you have a car that you would like to donate for a tax deduction, you can call 800-322-8284 or go online and fill out the donation form at <http://vinnies.careasy.org/HOME.html>. Your gift supports the SVPD Free Dining Room in San Rafael which serves over 500 meals

### A Miracle Needed!

A mother of many children is greatly in need of a van in good working condition. If you have one to donate, you will be given a tax deduction from St. Vincent DePaul. Please contact [cplocki@gmail.com](mailto:cplocki@gmail.com) if you can help.