

# St. Patrick Parish

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October 8, 2017

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH

Come visit us  
at the Parish Office  
or phone  
415-924-0600

## 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.

## Mass Schedule

Weekdays: 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

## Parish Staff

Monsignor Michael Padazinski,  
Pastor

Cathy Plocki,  
Liturgical Coordinator

Barbara Cavalier,  
Hospitality Coordinator

Judy Kostelni,  
Director of Religious Education

Terry Rosser & Phyllis Rybensky,  
Helping Hands Coordinators

Andrew Dixon,  
Pianist/Organist

Deborah Benedict,  
Adult Choir Director

Linda Kinkade,  
School Principal

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

St. Patrick  
K-8 School

415-924-0501

St. Patrick  
School of Religion

415-924-0600 x15

SACRAMENT OF  
RECONCILIATION

Saturday

4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

or another time

by appointment.

# October Respect Life Month

## HOW TO BUILD A CULTURE OF LIFE

To understand more fully how to defend and protect human life, we must first consider who we are, at the deepest level. God creates us in his image and likeness, which means we are made to be in loving relationship with him. The essence of our identity and worth, the source of our dignity, is that we are loved by God: *“We are not the sum of our weaknesses and failures; we are the sum of the Father’s love for us and our real capacity to become the image of his Son.”* (John Paul II, Homily, 17th World Youth Day, Downsview Park, Toronto, July 28, 2002)

We are called to divine intimacy, true communion with God, and we can grow in this closeness with him through daily prayer, reading the Scriptures, and frequent participation in the sacraments, especially Confession and the Eucharist.

The first step towards living this life is allowing Jesus to meet and transform us daily. If we respond to his grace, our lives will show we have something beyond what the world offers: we follow a person whose love changes our lives, so we want others to also experience his transforming love.

As a society and as individuals, we often measure ourselves by false standards: by what and how much we do, our successes or failures, how others treat us, the degree of our pleasure or independence, etc. And when these changeable substitutes prove to be insufficient, or when we are faced with challenges and suffering, we may feel helpless, alone, or abandoned; we may be tempted to feel as though our lives have decreased value or worth.

But God’s love—individual, real, unchanging—is the true source of our worth, identity, and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather *whose* we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives.

When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others’ lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them.

Let us go, therefore, and not be afraid. God is always with us.

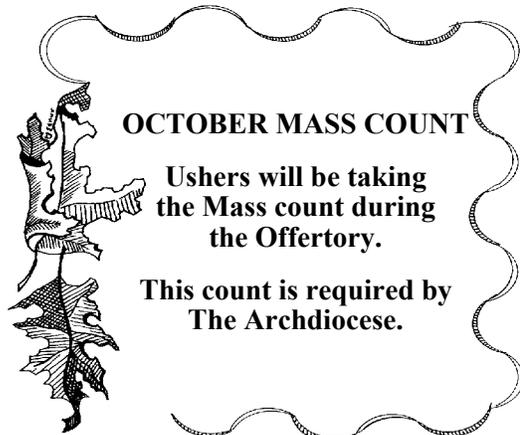
— [Usccb.org](http://Usccb.org), Respect Life Program

### Mass Intentions October 7 — 15

Saturday October 7	5:00 pm	Bob Rybensky †
Sunday October 8	8:00 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	People of the Parish Margaret Gallagher Richard Sweeny †
Monday October 9		<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday October 10	8:00 am	John Otero †
Wednesday October 11	8:00 am	Carl Thoelecke †
Thursday October 12	8:00 am	Pat Ansel †
Friday October 13	8:00 am	Terrence Glass
Saturday October 14	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday October 15	8:00 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	Members of the ICF, living & † Grace Keilman † Francesca Alessandra di Grazia †

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

40 Days for Life consists of 40 days of prayer, fasting, community outreach and peaceful vigil outside locations where abortions are performed. This year's Marin County 40 Days for Life began on September 27 at Planned Parenthood, 4th & H Streets, San Rafael, and runs through November 5. For information contact Ruth Ann Cawley at [racawl@aol.com](mailto:racawl@aol.com) or visit [40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/san-rafael](http://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/san-rafael).



## **World Mission Sunday — October 22, 2017**

This weekend, we welcome Fr. Tulley, OFM who will be speaking about missions in anticipation to World Mission Sunday on October 22.

... “The Church’s mission impels us to undertake a constant pilgrimage across the various deserts of life, through the different experience of hunger and thirst for truth and justice. The Church’s mission inspires a sense of constant exile, to make us aware, in our thirst for the infinite, that we are exiles journeying towards our final home, poised between the ‘already’ and ‘not yet’ of the Kingdom of Heaven.”

— Pope Francis’ Message for World Mission Sunday 2017

### **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.

### **“Share the Journey” Launch and an October Week of Prayer and Action**

Pope Francis and bishops around the world are beginning a global campaign to support immigrants and refugees. September 27 was the official launch in Rome by Pope Francis of the two-year campaign, called “Share the Journey.” Participants include Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Charities USA, Caritas Internationalis, and Migration and Refugees Services—USCCB. Following the launch, the USCCB is calling for a Week of Prayer and Action from October 7 through October 14. An online toolkit has been created to help promote the program across each diocese, parish, and school: [sharejourney.org](http://sharejourney.org).

### **The Pope Asks Young People to Take a Survey**

The Pope is requesting your feedback. A survey for young people 16 to 29 years old is online on a special website: <https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718>. The Synod of Bishops that will meet in October 2018 has this for its theme: “Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment.” Young people from around the world are urged to help the Church prepare for the Synod by taking this survey. Pope Francis says, “The Church also wishes to listen to your voice, your sensitivities and your faith; even your doubts and your criticism... Make your voice heard.” The survey can be taken in English, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, or German. Surveys should be completed by November 30.



### ***Take a School Tour***

2017-2018

Our next school tour is scheduled for October 11 at 8:45 am.

**For more information about Kindergarten  
Kindergarten Info Night:**

**Thursday, November 16th 6:30 p.m.**

**Kindergarten Info Morning:**

**Thursday, Jan. 18th 9:00 a.m.**

To schedule a tour,  
please call 924-0501, ext.11  
or Email: [l\\_kinkade@stpatricksmarin.org](mailto:l_kinkade@stpatricksmarin.org)

### **A Special Request and an Opportunity**

The Finance Committee of the St. Vincent dePaul District Council has a couple of openings for people who have experience with property management or financial investment. This is very satisfying work and greatly needed at a time when more properties are being purchased to permanently house homeless people and to hire case managers to help them on this great change in their lives.

If you would like to learn more or to volunteer your services, please contact Mike Pautler, SVdeP Council Treasurer, at [2mikepautler@gmail.com](mailto:2mikepautler@gmail.com).

### **Spiritual Care Visitor Volunteers Needed**

The Office of the Chaplain at Kaiser Hospital in San Rafael seeks Spiritual Care Volunteers to provide basic emotional support and spiritual companionship to patients and their families while they are in the hospital. Days and times are flexible. Those wishing to be part of this very supportive service will be trained at a clinical and pastoral level. Please contact Chaplain Rick Majewski at [Richard.w.majewski@kp.org](mailto:Richard.w.majewski@kp.org) or 415-444-4930.

### **CATHOLIC ADULT SINGLES ASSOCIATION OF MARIN COUNTY**

The Catholic Adult Singles Association of Marin is a group of 50+ single or single again Catholics who are interested in making new friends, taking part in social activities, sharing opportunities for spiritual growth and becoming involved in volunteer projects that will benefit our parishes, our community, and one another. We welcome those who are interested. For Membership & Event information, please call Bob at 415 897-0639.

### **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.

### **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](mailto:cplocki@gmail.com)



### **DONATION FREEZE**

**We ask that you  
PLEASE HOLD YOUR DONATIONS  
from Sunday, October 1st  
thru Tuesday, October 17th.**

We will be happy to again accept donations on Wednesdays and Saturdays beginning Wednesday, October 18th.

*Thank you for your consideration!*

### **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.

**Thank you for your participation!**

## *First Holy Communion & First Reconciliation*

Preparation to receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion & First Reconciliation begins in **1st grade!**

If your child is in 1st grade this school year, please register your child at:  
[www.stpatricksparish.com](http://www.stpatricksparish.com)  
Click the "Faith Formation Tab"  
Click "K-12 Faith Formation"  
and click the K-5 registration link.



## *The Sacrament of Confirmation*

Preparation for St. Patrick's Confirmation program begins in **6th grade!**

Please click "The Young Apostles 6-8th grade" registration link when visiting the "Faith Formation Tab" at [www.stpatricksparish.com](http://www.stpatricksparish.com).



## **SOLES 4 SOULS**

**Shoe drive to change the world one pair at a time.** Help us make a difference! Your extra pair, could be their first! SHOES in ANY condition are needed: athletic shoes, dress shoes, cleats, flip flops, boots, etc.

Our Goal this year is 3000+ shoes...please drop off your shoes in the blue Soles4Souls box located in Healy Hall and the vestibule.

Any questions, please contact 8th grade Young Apostles - **Briana & Dante Salvetti at [office@littlemovementsdaycare.com](mailto:office@littlemovementsdaycare.com)**

## **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!*

## **MEN'S MONDAY NIGHT HOOPS**

**Parish Gym**

**8:00-10:00pm**

**For men over 18 years.**

***Please drop in for an hour or so of friendly basketball.***

