“Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.”

Lk 14:27
Mass Schedule

Monday, September 9, 2019
No Mass

Tuesday, September 10, 2019
6:00 PM | Bernadine Witgen

Wednesday, September 11, 2019
9:30 AM | † Jerry Scheurer and deceased members of the family

Thursday, September 12, 2019
9:30 AM | † Jack Zimmerman

Friday, September 13, 2019
8:00 AM | † Jacki Simon and deceased members of the family

Saturday, September 14, 2019
4:30 PM | † Kathleen Gross

Sunday, September 15, 2019
7:30 AM | For the People of St. Patrick Parish
9:30 AM | † Marvin Schafer and deceased children
11:30 AM | † Dick Schrauben

Scripture Readings

Sunday  Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17; Phmn 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Monday  Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest
Col 1:24—2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday  Weekday
Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6, 10-11; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday  Weekday
Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday  The Most Holy Name of Mary
Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 6:27-38

Friday  Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday  Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Sunday  Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32

Calendar correction
There will be no Masses September 24, 25, 26, 2019.

Save the Date!
St Patrick will be hosting a Flu Shot Clinic on October 6, 2019. Details will follow closer to the date of the event.

Bulletin deadlines
Bulletin deadline for Sunday bulletins are Monday’s at 10:00 AM.
Family Perspective  
By Bud Ozar

Today’s gospel is clear: commitment to another involves sacrifice. Before we accept a commitment such as marriage or parenting, we must plan carefully like the king in today’s gospel. These are serious commitments which demand complete self-giving and are not for the faint hearted or selfish.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is a wonderful gift we have, now with increased access in our Adoration chapel across Church St. Adoration hours are:

- Monday’s, noon to 7:00 PM.
- Wednesday’s, noon to 11:00 PM.
- Thursday’s, 9:00 AM to noon.
- First Friday’s of the Month, 10:00 AM to midnight.

When the tabernacle is open we are required to have at least two people present with Jesus. We also need a couple more parishioners willing to sub for regular adorers, when they occasionally have schedule conflicts.

If you would like more information; call or text Mike Cook at 517-242-1352. If you haven’t experienced spending some quiet time in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, stop in and be blessed.

Prayers of the Faithful

That we may come to recognize that everything we have is a gift from God and we are called to generously share all of our gifts.

Stewardship Reflection

“Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.”

(Luke 14:33)

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

Congratulation

Mr. and Mrs. Sam & Amelia Hodge
on Your Wedding Day
August 31, 2019

“They are no longer two but one flesh. What God has joined together, let no man separate.”

Matthew 19:6
Baptisms

Congratulations to the following
who was baptized August 31, 2019 at St. Patrick Church by Rev. Michael J. Alber

Kennedy Roselyn Schmitt
Daughter of Casey & Julia Schmitt

Children's Faith Formation

Registration Begins:

A registration form was sent to all returning families. The registration form is on the Children's Faith Formation web page and in the back of the Church for new families. Contact Lori Thelen at lorithelen@portlandstpats.org or 517-647-6505 x 419 with any questions.

Save The Dates

Tuesday, September 10, 2019: Faith Formation Open House. Plan on attending Mass at 6:00 PM with Open House to follow.

Monday, September 16, 2019: First night of classes at 6:30 PM-8:00 PM in the school classrooms. The class calendar is on the Faith Formation website and in the back of Church.

Summer Challenges:

These will be rewarded at the Open House on Tuesday, September 10th. Thank you to all students who participated. YOU ROCK!

First Communion Banners:

There are still a number of banners in the back of Church. Please be sure to pick yours up.

Prayer Shawl & Widower/Widow

For those interested there is a gathering of Widow’s/Widowers/ and those suffering a lost that meet the second Tuesday’s of the month at the Wagon Wheel at 11:00 AM. Also the Prayer Shawl group meets the second Tuesday’s of the month at Mary Rutherford’s -116 Blossom Dr at 1:00 PM.

Thank You!

"It is with sincere gratitude that I would like to thank the people who cared for me when I fell at church before the mission, last week. My husband, children, and a woman who bandaged my arm were so kind and attentive to my ailments. St. Patrick Parishioners never fail to rise to an occasion when people are in need, and my fall was no exception. Growing older never gets easier but knowing there is a support system surrounding my family and me, is a powerful and joyful thought. I appreciate your prayers and well wishes during my healing, I hope to return to mass soon!"

With Love, Shirley Lawless
Women deserve support and care, not abortion. At any time, each of us can support women in difficult or unexpected pregnancies by donating to our local pregnancy center or learning about foster care and adoption. You can also sign on the petition at the entrances of the church to ban the dismemberment abortion procedure, also known as Dilation and Evacuation. The procedure—which dismembers a living child in the womb—does nothing to help Michigan women.

This petition will be available to sign in church September 8. You must be 18 years of age and a registered voter to sign.

The language on the Petition reads: An initiative petition to amend section 90h of the Michigan Penal Code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.90h, to define “dismemberment abortion;” to prohibit a person from performing a dismemberment abortion unless necessary to save a pregnant woman whose life is endangered by a physical disorder, illness or injury; to authorize the legislature to intervene in a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of this proposal; to allow the spouse of a woman or parent of a minor who obtained a dismemberment abortion to sue for damages; and to prescribe criminal penalties for an individual who knowingly performs an abortion in violation of the proposed initiated law. For more information, go to www.micatholic.org/MichiganValuesLife

The Bell Choir will begin practicing for the Christmas season the first week of October. They will play music at masses on December 29th, January 5th, and January 11th.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Bell Choir should call Karen Stevens at 517-627-7699. No musical ability is needed. Just a desire to praise God through music.
Fall Fest- Oct. 13

Activities include:

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Dinner (11:00 AM - 2:00PM)
http://www.portlandstpats.com Featuring slow-roasted roast beef, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, vegetable, salad, bread and dessert. Held in the school cafeteria.

Arts & Crafts Show (9:00 AM-3:00 PM)
In the gym, classrooms and hallways. Contact Darlene Miller (517-526-0765) for more information.

Cookie Booth in the office hallway. Fill a box with homemade cookies for a low, low price!

Half Marathon & 5K Races. (Registration begins at 6:30 a.m.) Races start at PHS at 8:00 am and 8:20 am respectively. Contact Dawn Fedewa (517-231-0442) for more information.

Kidfest (10:00 AM-2:00 PM) On the second floor of the school. Games and activities for children. Contact Michele Pelc (517-980-2460) for more information.

Euchre Tournament (12:30 PM) Will be held in the Parish Hall. Advance registration isn’t necessary. You don’t have to bring a partner. See Johnny Vallier for more information!

Raffle (3:00 PM) In the Parish Hall with over $2500 in cash prizes. Remember, every pack of tickets that is sold makes a difference! Please pick up yours and sell them!

SPECIAL DOOR PRIZES: More than 25 door prizes will be awarded to guests who attend the dinner! Every guest will draw a ticket from the Pot O’ Gold to see if they will be a lucky winner! No additional charge for this special giveaway!

Go to portlandstpats.com and click on Fall Festival for complete information about this event.
Online Giving

St. Patrick Church is trying to keep up as technology continues to change. We offer an online giving process that we hope will streamline the contribution process and develop a habit of giving regularly as outlined in the Faithful Giving Program. One way of giving is through your traditional envelope giving, another is through scheduling a donation through Connect Now Giving. The link can be found on the St. Patrick Church website. Another way is through text messaging: From a cell phone, text a donation to 1-517-641-2226. You will answer a few questions and then your donation will be processed. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the parish office.
Join us for our Friday night golf special. $30 includes two 9-hole rounds with cart and beverage specials.

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