

CONFIRMATION REMINDERS

Finishing Touch Classes: Candidates may sign-up for these classes as soon as they know which ones they would like to attend. Certain classes have limited space and fill up quickly. Please check the Parish Website for an updated class schedule to see if there are any classes that may be closed. To sign-up, please e-mail Dawn Pavlini at confirmation@stpatricks-pelham.com

Nuts and Bolts: Candidates are reminded that 10 points are required in this category for each year of the Confirmation program.

Service Hour Opportunities: Candidates are reminded that 5 service hours within the parish are required for each year of Confirmation. Please check the bulletin or the Parish website for updates.

WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY

I hate to mention this word but, as we move toward Winter, I want to remind you that if there is a delayed opening or school cancellation the morning mass is also cancelled. If it is not safe for the school buses then it is not safe for you. Any mass intention will be rescheduled as soon as possible.

LECTORS

On Sunday, January 25th, at 6:30 PM there will be a short but important meeting to review the new procedures with all the Lectors. All Lectors currently on the active and inactive list are asked to attend.

At the same time if anyone is interested in becoming a Lector they are invited to this meeting to start the application process.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

On Sunday, January 25th, at 7:30 PM there will be a short but important meeting to review with all the Eucharistic Ministers the new procedures about ministering at the Altar. All Ministers currently on the active and inactive list are asked to attend.

At the same time if anyone is interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister they are invited to this meeting to start the application process.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If anyone would like to sign up for Altar Flowers for 2009, please contact the rectory office at 635-3525

Readings for the Week of January 27, 2008

Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Next Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

PARISH OFFICE NEW HOURS

St. Patrick Parish New Office Hours will be Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM and Friday from 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

For students of the Saint Patrick School Campus Ministry, the first of February marks the 6th anniversary of the "Souper Bowl of Caring." Campus Ministry members will be bringing their soup pots to Mass on January 31st and February 1st for a special collection that will benefit the St. Patrick Food Pantry. The "Souper Bowl of Caring" is a national youth endeavor whose goal is to eliminate hunger. Saint Patrick students have donated more than \$7,000 over the past five years to our own food pantry. Your help and support are very much appreciated especially during these difficult economic times. Please remember that if everyone gives a little a lot can be achieved.

BROWN BAG SUNDAY

Next Sunday is our Brown Bag Sunday where we ask you to bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Pantry. Your help and support is deeply appreciated.

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL

St. Patrick School is now accepting applications for enrollment for 2009-2010 school year for grades K-8.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jan. 11, 2009	OFFERTORY
Envelopes 194	\$ 2,905
Loose	\$ 443
Sub-Total Offertory	\$ 3,348
Weekly Offertory Goal	\$ 6,400
Parish Deficit (YTD)	\$30,980
Seminarians	\$ 1,315
Tithing	\$ 1,109
Weekly Totals	\$ 746
Total to date	\$ 1,855

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, January 25

Religious Education Classes, 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM
 Religious Education Classes, 10:45 AM to 12:00 Noon

Wednesday, January 28

Bible Study, 9:00 AM, in the meeting room
 Food Pantry, 1:00 PM, in the trailer
 RCIA, 7:00 PM, in the meeting room
 Knights of Columbus Officers, 7:30 PM, in the K of C Hall

Thursday, January 29

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall
 Bible Study, 7:00 PM, in the meeting room

Friday, January 30

Alpha, 6:15 PM, in the K of C Hall



This week the second collection will be for **Religious Education**. We thank you for your continued support. Next week the collection will be for **St. Patrick School**. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.



The Pelham Food Pantry is open on Wednesday from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM. We are in need of **Paper Products**. If you would like to make a donation or donate any items, please call Marietta Potter at 635-2671.

A NOTE FROM FR. PAUL

Dear Friends,

This weekend we celebrate National Catholic Schools Week. At all the masses this weekend students will be speaking about their experience of Catholic Education through St. Patrick School. I invite you to visit St. Patrick School during this week and see the tremendous things that are going on there.

As you may have noticed we are broadcasting the 4:00 PM Mass on Saturdays live on PTV and it will be repeated during the week. I wish to thank Dennis Hogan and the Men's Group, Jeanne Glasheen and Jim Greenwood for their dedicated work bringing this project to completion.

This weekend the readings are not found in the missalettes because we celebrate the Conversion of St. Paul. Since we are in the year of St. Paul the Vatican has given permission for this feast to be celebrated instead of the Ordinary Sunday Mass.

A sincere thank you for all who supported the Seminarian collection last weekend. Right now we have ten candidates in the process of formation and the possibility of another ten students entering formation next year. Your prayers and support is deeply appreciated.

As we know the weather the last few weeks has been very challenging. The snow, ice and poor driving conditions have had an affect on church attendance and our offertory. Hopefully in the near future the weather will improve and our offertory will return to a normal level. It would help if you could make up any envelopes that you missed. Thank you!

Take care

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JANUARY 25, 2009

RCIA Prayer Support Program

The parish is starting its prayer partner program for the RCIA candidates. We ask you to be a visible sign with prayer of the parish's support for our candidates.

As a prayer partner you will be asked to do the following:

- Encourage your candidate by writing messages regularly.
- Show a general interest in your candidate's spiritual growth.

The focus of the program is intended to be supportive in there journey of personal faith formation. This opportunity provides a more personal support of the candidates.

If you believe this is something you would like to do, please contact John or Paulette Jacobs 603-835-3908, email vze3hvdj@verizon.net.

Thank you for your support

The RCIA team

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

St. Patrick's Health Care Ministry wants to welcome anyone interested in the health, wellness, and safety of our parish community. No specific training or credentials or long term commitment are necessary. Life experience is certainly a qualifier. Please call Janice Storch, RN at 898-5117 or e-mail ljstorch@verizon.net.

This weekend the monthly **Blood Pressure Clinic** will be held in the chapel. All are welcome to come and have there Blood Pressure checked.

ST. PATRICK PRAYER LINE

We have an on going Prayer Line. Many of our friends and family are going thru difficulties, loss of loved ones, or personal problems and sickness. Our mission is to pray for them. If you want to pray for others or need prayer, you are welcome to e-mail David Meltzer at meltzerd@aol.com or call Rosemary Dole at 635-2486.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

On **Wednesdays** we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 8:30 AM till Noon. At 11:00 AM we pray the Rosary for all those on our St. Patrick Prayer List & add to our list at this time. At 11:45 AM we pray the Divine Chaplet. Please stop in and say hello.



From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." - Mt 4:17-19

Monday January 26

8:00 AM George & Theresa Muldoon
requested by Mr. & Mrs.
Kenneth Clark

Tuesday January 27

8:00 AM Yvette Groulx requested by Pat
Fitzgerald

Wednesday January 28

8:00 AM Bernard & Thibault Families
requested by Bernadette
8:30 AM – 12:00 Noon Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament

Thursday January 29

8:00 AM Janet Artimovich requested by the
8 o'clockers

Friday January 30

8:00 AM Sophie Nowak requested by Pat
& Sid

Saturday January 31

4:00 PM Carl Sheehan requested by
Armand & Joan Berard

Sunday February 1

8:00 AM Harry Greaves requested by
Gerry & Rosemarie Martin
9:30 AM Marie Jeanne Demers requested
by Ernie & Terry
11:00 AM Intentions for the parishioners



This week the Altar Flowers are in
memory of John Lawlor Jr. by his wife & family