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**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

He said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." - Lk 23:42-43

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St Patrick's Cemeteries

Our parish has two active cemeteries Calvary Cemetery in Collinsville and St Patrick's in Burlington. Call the Office for more details.

Handicapped Access

Please enter through the rear entrance of the Church

Allergies

Parishioners suffering from gluten should speak to the Pastor about their needs. We have low gluten options available.

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
10:00am - 4:00pm

Closed Friday

Ordinary Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am
Mon, Tues, Wed 8:00am

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Please see bulletin for times.

Holy Hour & Adoration

Typically, the last Wednesday of every
Month from 7:00 - 8:00 pm
(Please check the bulletin for any schedule
changes.)

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm

Ministry to the Homebound

If you wish to receive communion,
please call the Rectory.

Baptism

Please call the Rectory

Marriage

Please make arrangements at least six
months in advance.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, November 22

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick

Sunday, November 23

8:00 am Frank Lauretti as requested by Christine and Richard Masotti

10:00 am Joan First

Monday, November 24

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

Tuesday, November 25

8:00 am Daniel Haynes as requested by The Haynes Family

Wednesday, November 26

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

Thursday, November 27

8:00 am No Mass

Friday, November 28

8:00 am No Mass

Saturday, November 29



5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick

Sunday, November 30

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

10:00 am Laurie Lynn Rudzinski as requested by Ron & Toni Theriault

Faith Formation

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Nov 23	4 PM	Family Mass & Fellowship
Nov 30	NO CLASSES	
Dec 7	9-10 AM	Class Group A BRIDGE TEAM MEETING 
	11:15-12:30 PM	Confirmation Year 1
	12:45-2:00 PM	Confirmation Year 2
	6-7 PM	First Holy Communion
	6-7:30 PM	Class Group B
Dec 14	9-10 AM	Class Group A
	6-7:20 PM	First Holy Communion

Bringing Up the Gifts on the weekend of Nov. 29/30:

5:00 Mass -First Communion Candidates Brandon Casano, Jonathon Casano, Yvette Comer, & Peter Slavin

8:00 Mass -First Communion Candidates Kaylee Belmonte, Mary Hollenbeck, Ophelia Jamison, & James Marich

10:00 Mass -First Communion Candidates Mina LeBlanc-Nair, Jacob Manion, Daniel Violante, & Michael Violante

Parish Support

Week of 11/13/25 to 11/17/25

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 3,509.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,171.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 4,680.00

Facilities \$ 45.00

Monthly -N/A

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ **0.00**

Grand Total: \$ **4,725.00**

Thank you for your generous and continued support of our St Patrick's family!



BREAKFAST -WITH- SANTA

SATURDAY DECEMBER 6
8:00AM - 11:00AM
ST. PATRICK CHURCH COLLINSVILLE

JOIN SANTA, MRS. CLAUS, AND THE ELVES FOR A HOT BREAKFAST, CRAFTS, AND HOLIDAY CHEER! A SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$5 PER PERSON WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR. NO NEED TO RSVP!
FOR QUESTIONS & MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE EMAIL: STPATSANTA@GMAIL.COM



Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration

Our Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration will be held on the last Wednesday of the month except for the months of November & December.

Schedule of Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration for 2025-2026

*December 17,	7:00 PM	April 29,	7:00 PM
January 28,	7:00 PM	May 27,	7:00 PM
February 25,	7:00 PM	June 24	7:00 PM
March 23,	7:00 PM		



Happy Thanksgiving

SAVE THE DATE!

Christmas CONCERT

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Celebrate the beauty of Christmas through music!
Enjoy live performances featuring the KC Sisters & other prominent area musicians.

Friday, December 19th
7 o'clock

Saint Patrick Church

Word of Life † November 23

“Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary”

A Gratitude Examen

Gratitude is one of the greatest spiritual practices. It opens our minds, calms our hearts, and rids bitterness of its power. The “examen” is a spiritual practice to reflect on how we have responded to God’s work in our lives. This Thanksgiving, consider your own reasons for thankfulness!

- What **G**ifts have You given me?
- How have I **R**eceived love from others?
- How is grace at work in **A**spects of my life story?
- Do I **T**rust You to continue to bless me?
- Where have I missed Your movements?
- Have I used my **T**alents at the service of other?
- Do I see a purpose for my life **U**nderway?
- How can I have the **D**iscipline to thank You daily?
- Help me give **E**verything back to You!

St. Patrick's Annual Christmas Pageant

CALLING ALL CHILDREN!

The annual St. Patrick Christmas Pageant will take place at the beginning of the 4:00 Christmas Eve Mass & we need participants like you to make it happen. If you are interested in participating, we would love to have you!

There are many different opportunities for children of all ages, reading abilities, & comfort levels.

Rehearsal dates will be at St. Patrick's from 6:00-7:00 (upstairs) on the following 4 Mondays: Dec. 1, Dec. 8, Dec. 15, & Dec. 22.

Attending at least 3 rehearsals is required for most parts.

Please have a parent scan the QR code below to get started.

Questions? Please contact Sarah Hollenbeck at shollenbeck923@gmail.com or through FlockNote.

All children (ages 3 and up) are welcome!

Please sign up no later than Friday, Nov. 28.

2025 ANNUAL PASTOR'S APPEAL

Goal: \$30000

100%
90%
80%
70%
60%
50%
40%
30%
20%
10%

\$859

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By now many of you have received a letter in the mail from Fr. Collins.

If you did not receive a letter, please take a copy from the Information Center in the vestibule of the church.

The goal for this year's appeal is **\$30,000** One major project we hope to fund is replacing some of the worn-out exterior wood walls of the rectory, which require urgent attention.

We hope you will prayerfully consider participating in this Appeal.

Thank You!

COME TO PRAY The church is opened from 8:00 am—4:00pm, Monday through Wednesday for anyone who wishes to come & pray. Please use the side door near the water fountain.

Readings for the week of November 23, 2025

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Luke 23:35-43

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me most wasn't her suffering — it was the atmosphere in the room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all.

I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying men beside him sees through the suffering and says, **"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42).** That word — *remember* — literally means to make someone a member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of his Body. And Jesus says, **"Today you will be with me in paradise."**

He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, **"You will be with me."**

That's the strange power of Christ the King. He doesn't rule by avoiding suffering. He reigns by entering into it, and transforming it with love.

What are you suffering right now in your life? Likely you want it to stop. But if we are willing to suffer with him — paradise begins even today.

— *Father John Muir*

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YOUTH CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Rehearsal for the Youth Christmas Choir will be on Sunday, November 30, December 14, December 21 immediately following the 10:00 mass. Anyone interested in joining the Choir please just show up. Rehearsals will end at 12:00 noon. The Choir will sing for the Christmas Pageant mass at 4:00 pm on December 24th.

For more information, please **contact Chris Casey at 860-904-8138** or email him at **keyscasey@aol.com**.

Saint of the week -St Catherine of Alexandria



St. Catherine of Alexandria, was a young martyr of the faith at the age of 18 years old. She lived in Alexandria in Egypt and was part of a noble family. During this time, the Emperor Maximian would persecute people for being Christian. St. Catherine approached Maximian to denounce his awful actions. When she did this, instead of killing her -- as the Emperor did to the many other Christians for rebelling against his actions -- he gathered 50 pagan philosophers and he set a debate with her. During this debate, St. Catherine defended the faith and converted many of these philosophers to Christianity. This caused Maximian to become angry with St. Catherine, so he sent her to be imprisoned. He subjected her to numerous methods of torture, but she was cared for by angels and protected by Jesus. The Emperor decided if he couldn't sway her by torture he would convince her by marriage, so he came and proposed to St. Catherine. However, she refused to accept this proposal because she wanted to be consecrated to Jesus. This was a great offence, and so Maximian sent her to be executed on a breaking wheel. As soon as she touched the wheel, it shattered. The emperor, enraged beyond control, then had her beheaded and angels carried her body to Mount Sinai where later a church and monastery were built in her honor. St. Catherine of Alexandria is the patron of students, lawyers, librarians, and teachers,

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS - Is Christ King in Our Hearts?

When you think of a king, who is the first person to pops into your head? It may depend on how much history you know, or which historical period intrigues you the most. As Americans, the first person we might think of is King George III, whose reign has become synonymous in our national lore with the concept of tyranny.

We don't have much familiarity with kingship in modern American society. Kings tend to make us uneasy. Presidents, on the other hand — we can handle those, because we know we are a president's boss. No matter how much power he has, we are the electorate. We are the source of that power. We're comfortable with this arrangement.

But with kings it is profoundly different. Traditionally, the king derives his power from God. His rule bridges humanity with the divine.

We should reflect carefully on whether or not we have made Jesus Christ king in our hearts, or whether we regard him as a president. The difference isn't just one of titles, it's one of roles. Subjects do not demand anything of a king. They beseech. They entreat. They submit, and they accept.

Do we demand of Christ, or do we beseech? Do we tolerate God's edicts with grumbling, or do we embrace His word as the means of our reconciliation with Him?

The "good thief" treated Christ as a king. His counterpart treated him as a president. And it's worth remembering that Jesus Christ is not the President of the Universe.

— *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* - @LPi



November 28	Parish Office is closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
December 1	Pageant Rehearsal 6:00 pm
December 1	Human Needs Committee meeting Parish Hall 7:00 pm

Saint Patrick Parish

We Want Your Questions!

Have comments or suggestions?
Yes, we take those too!

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New Member Registration /Change of Registration

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