

THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK BAY RIDGE, BROOKLYN

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Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Saturday 2:00 PM Saturday 12:30 PM

WEDDINGS: Contact a priest 9 months in advance

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday—Friday 8:15 AM and 12 NOON

Saturday 12 NOON Federal Holidays: 12 Noon only

HOLY DAY MASSES

4:00 PM Vigil

8:15 AM, 12 NOON and 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays, following the 12:30 PM Mass followed by Benediction at $4:30~\mathrm{pm}$

ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed in Church

Monday thru Saturday following the 8:15 and 12 Noon Masses

The Rosary in Spanish—Msgr. Parks Center

Fridays: 7:00 PM

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

1st Wednesday of the month at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM

LEGION OF MARY

Each Friday at 10:15 AM in the Rectory Meeting Room

DIVINE MERCY CENACLES (Msgr. Parks Center)

2nd and 4th Thursday at 1:00 PM (September to June)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Msgr. Parks Center) 1st Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM



BROOKLYN • NEW YORK

March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent Everyday Stewardship Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments Awake, O Sleeper!

This morning came a little earlier than I would have liked — Daylight Savings Time always does. Sometimes that morning sunlight seems more intrusive than illuminating. You're still half-lost in sleep, and that sun is demanding of you a lot more than you're ready to give.

I've said it, and I'm sure you've said it, too. "Just five more minutes." You hit the "snooze" button on your iPhone once (maybe twice? Show of hands?) and turn away from the window.

So many kings of the Old Testament were steadfast in their sleepy ways, rejecting the light their God tried to share with them. Likewise, John tells us that, though Light — Christ — was sent into the world, the world preferred darkness.

Sometimes it seems, when reading through Scripture, that all throughout salvation history, God has been trying to pull back the curtains, to rouse us from our defiant slumber. And we resist Him. Time and time again, we resist Him.

Light brings a certain responsibility with it. It seems to compel productivity. Furthermore, there's no hiding in the light. Any photographer worth his salt knows how to manipulate it, highlighting the good and casting some merciful shade on the

As we enter into the fourth week of Lent, we're getting so close to the main event. Can we handle the light that will come on Easter morning, bursting into the tomb as the stone is rolled away? Can we keep ourselves from hitting the "snooze" button on our souls, and sit up to face the dawn of a new day?



If you have arranged to have a Sunday Mass offered and would like to bring the gifts up at the Offertory, please inform the ushers on your arrival so they know where you are seated and they will not pick someone else.

March 9th, Saturday, Vigil, Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:30 pm James J. Mullen (Birthday Memorial)

Gena Graff Lauren LoPresti

John J. Calleja (8th Anniversary)

Salvatore LoBuglio Robert Grabowski Esther Santana Ernesto Fedukovitch

Joseph Lam Jennifer Galloway Anthony Nunziata

For the intentions of....
The People of the Parish
Providencia Castro Gilbride
Maryann Guzman and Family

March 10th, Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am Fay Tizio (Birthday Memorial)

9:30 am Lauren Lo Presti

11:00 am Deceased members of the Piazza Families

12:30 pm James Bennett

5:00 pm Patrick Morgan (Birthday Memorial)

March 11th, Monday, Lenten Weekday

8:15 am Gena Graff

12 Noon Ronald J. Potter, M.M.

March 12th, Tuesday, Lenten Weekday

8:15 am Jerome Kniejski 12 Noon Susan Guerra

March 13th, Wednesday, Lenten Weekday

8:15 am Ana Maria Cotto 12 Noon Julie Martin

March 14th, Thursday, Lenten Weekday

8:15 am Elizabeth Marulli (Birthday Memorial) 12 Noon Brenda Mereu (Birthday Memorial)

March 15th, Friday, Lenten Weekday

8:15 am The Ward Family

12 Noon Deceased members of the Proscia and

Policastro Families

March 16th, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

12 Noon For the intentions of Virginia Lauriello

Sacred Silence

Observing silence in the body of the church before Mass allows all in attendance to dispose themselves to carry out the sacred action in a devout and fitting manner. **Maintaining silence** within the body of the church after Mass allows an atmosphere of prayer that is conducive and appropriate to private prayer after Mass.



St. Patrick's Memorial Funds

Memorial gifts may be made in honor/ memory or thanksgiving of your loved one.

- Gifts of Bread & Wine: \$25.00
- Altar candles \$25.00
- Sanctuary Candle \$25.00
- Altar Flowers \$50.00

Arrangements can be made through the Rectory.



The Sanctuary Lamp

This week the candle in the Sanctuary Lamp is donated in loving memory of . . .

Donald O'Connor

Gift of: His daughter, Joan Meinet



JEM IN POCK

The Altar Candles

This week the Altar Candles are donated in loving memory of . . .

Isabelle Tayar

Gift of: Veronica Tizio

We pray for those who are sick, especially. . .

WEEK ONE: Caroline Beisswanger, Margaret Buckley, Louise Cartwright, Rafael Vallejo, Cathy Ryan, Jim McCormack, Lois Murray, James Gorayeb, Helen Gorayeb, Matthew James, Felipo Sarubbi, Roger Santos, Joyce Saraceni

WEEK TWO: Baby Savannah, Baby Charlotte, Patrick Anthony Smyth, Anthony C. Strano Ted Mootos, Elizabeth Fifield, Doris Freyland, Viola-Cleo Bradshaw, Alan Bruce Bradshaw, Jane Metzger, Kathy Tyoka, John Eulenid, Cordelia Vogel, Linda Gassoso, Janice Friedman, Arthur Samuel, Veronica Diaz

WEEK THREE: Agnes Elaine Grosso, Gary Checkalski, Jeffrey Corrado, Mitchell Kuddar, Gregory Corrado, Karen Windram, Erin Waring, James R. Mauro, Joseph Perri, Annie Olsen, Jean Mitchell, Louise Arias



We pray for those who have recently died . . .

Frances Jordan, John Hickman, Jim Vaccario

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Confirmation Retreat 2024









St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church Confirmation

The following Confirmation students of our Academy & PSR made their Confirmation on Saturday, March 9th, 2024.

Samantha Amato
Zachery Andrechik
James Brady
Antonio Caggiano
Valentina Carnevali
Ethan Carrique
Jake Carrizo
Matthew Castro
Ryan Colgan
Pietro Cucuzza
Maria D'Acierno

Hugh Fina Ryan Heslin Peter Ilardi Stella Intervallo Matthew Keenan Matthew Losquadro Isabella Lubrano Colin Lucey Emmet Lynch Zoey Maiorana Max Mattock

Jessie Navarro Cassidy Piazza Tristan Rivera Sean Rueter Maeve Ryan Tiernan Sinisi Lyla Tarasco Juliana Trani Ronan Traynor Kevin Young



We pray during this Season of Lent that our teens will be protected, supported, and strengthened by God's grace. St Patrick, Pray for us!

The Holy Oils

By: Kristopher W. Seaman

Many of us well know the story of the Lord's calling and anointing David as king. Having been told that one of Jesse's sons was to be the king, Samuel went to Bethlehem. When the eighth of Jesse's sons was presented to Samuel, the Lord said, "Rise and anoint him." In the Old Testament, those whom God called to be kings, priests, and prophets were anointed with an oil that was to be regarded as "holy to the Lord" (Exodus 30:37).

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For Christians, anointing is significant because it is closely tied to who Christ is. Christos is the Greek word for the Hebrew messiah. Both words mean "anointed one." Jesus as the Christ is anointed by God, that is, he is the perfect embodiment of God's purpose and mission. He is the perfect Priest, Prophet, and King. In Baptism, Christians share in Christ's perfect identity as God's Son.



We hear in the Rite of Baptism for Children, "He now anoints you with the chrism of salvation, so that, united with His people, you may remain for ever a member of Christ who is Priest, Prophet, and King."

During Holy Week or shortly before, the bishop of a diocese gathers with his priests and some of the laity to bless the oils for the sick and catechumens and to consecrate the chrism. This is indeed a rich liturgy.

The first oil to be blessed is the oil for the sick. The prayer of blessing recalls Christ's ministry of healing the sick. The Holy Spirit is invoked upon the oil so that all those anointed will be healed in body, mind, and soul. The oil is principally used for the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Next, the oil for catechumens is blessed. Catechumens are those who are preparing to become Christians. This oil will be used, then, for catechumens as they journey toward Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. It is also used in the Baptism of infants. The prayer asks that those who are anointed will be strengthened in faith, grow in their understanding of the Gospel, and live more fully Christian discipleship.

The final oil, chrism, is a mixture of olive oil and balsam, a fragrance from the Holy Land. Chrism receives its name from Christ, as do we who are Christians, because we have been anointed with this oil. The prayer is quite rich as it recalls the song of David and the anointing of Aaron as priest; creation that brought forth the olive tree; and the dove that returned to Noah with an olive branch. Next, the prayer asks the Father to bless the oil so that those who are anointed with it might bear the image of Christ, be freed from sin, and share in eternal life. This oil is used for Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders, the sacraments that are not repeated. The oils are all used for the spiritual health of disciples so that as Christians journey deeper into faith, they might be healed from sin and live within and according to the loving, healing, and prophetic presence of Christ, whose name we bear and with whom we were anointed.

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St. Patrick's

is one of the designated station parishes of the

2024 Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage



Our date is Wednesday, March 13th.

8:15 am Mass 9:00 am Rosary

10:00 am Stations of the Cross

12 Noon Mass

12:30 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

5:00 pm Benediction

ALMSGIVING



The St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Lenten Food Drive. Each week during Lent the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry will be asking you to bring a can or package of food to Mass on Sunday. They will

be asking for different items each week.

Week 5 - March 17th - Canned Stew



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sundays during Lent

following the 12:30 pm Mass concluding with Benediction at 4:30 pm



Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent

12:30 pm (following Noon Mass) 7:00 pm (English) 7:30 pm (Spanish) Good Friday, March 29th 7:00 pm



PENANCE

Every Saturday at 12:30 pm we are given the opportunity to receive reconciliation for our sins.

On **Reconciliation Monday, March 25th** the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at all churches of the Diocese and Archdiocese.



TODAY IS HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Hot beverages, Irish Soda Bread, Donuts!

Join us after the 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am and sample some of the Best Irish Soda Bread in Bay Ridge!

Then cast your vote for...

ST. PATRICK'S BEST IRISH SODA BREAD!

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus, Christopher Council 4257 for sponsoring this month's Hospitality Sunday and providing the prizes for the Irish Soda Bread Bake-Off!



SPRING INTO SUMMER 50/50 RAFFLE

One Lucky Winner will take home 50% of all monies collected!

IT COULD BE YOU!

Flyers of tickets are available at all entrances to the Church, in the rectory office and on our parish website: www.stpatrickbayridge.org

YOU CAN'T WIN IT IF YOU'RE NOT IN IT!

Tickets: \$5 ea/3 for \$10/5 for \$15/\$25 full page

Drawing: Sunday, June 16, 2024



Double your chances of winning!! 2 for 1 Sale

In honor of our Patron, Saint **Patrick**

MARCH (only) TICKET PRICES! 2 FOR \$5/6 for \$10/10 for \$15/and \$25 will buy you two full pages-

Go n-eirí an t-ádh leat 'That luck may rise with you! '



175th Anniversary Year **Feast Day Mass**

Please join us for Mass celebrating our patron, **Saint Patrick**

Sunday, March 17th 12:30 pm Main Celebrant: Bishop Sanchez

Following the Mass ALL are invited to the Archway Room for coffee, tea and **Homemade Irish Bread!**

St. Egeria the Pilgrim **Introductory Rites**

The congregations among which we gather for Mass are diverse in age, sex, ethnicity, cultures, and outlooks. The Introductory Rites, both literally and figuratively, put everyone on the same page.

The Mass begins with singing the entrance chant/song. During the hymn or chant, the celebrant and other ministers process, genuflect before the Blessed Sacrament if it is reserved, and then reverence the altar with a kiss. The celebrant and the people make the Sign of the Cross together, and the celebrant greets the faithful, perhaps noting some theme of the Mass.

Then the Penitential Act, reminds all of us of our need for God's mercy. Through the Kyrie Eleison (Greek for "Lord, have mercy"), we make together our common petition. (During the season of Easter, the Rite of Blessing and Sprinkling of Water may replace the Penitential Act.) On Sundays outside the penitential seasons of Advent and Lent, the *Gloria* follows, echoing the angels' Christmas song and articulating the joy of praising the Triune God.

The Introductory Rites culminate in the Collect, where the celebrant voices the prayer proper for that day, uniting all those gathered and preparing us to hear the Sacred Scriptures proclaimed in the Liturgy of the Word that follows.

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Father Charles and Laurie Mangano a brother & sister Present a

Night of Recollection

An evening of song, inspiration and refection



Friday, April 5th 7:30 PM **Topic: God's Mercy**

Sooner would heaven and earth change into nothingness than would My Mercy not embrace a trusting soul.

diary of St. Faustina

Are you longing to be set free, to be assured of the Lord's Infinite Love and Mercy for you...no matter how far you have strayed? **Then this night is** for YOU!



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Youth Prayer & Praise Service with Benediction

Thursday, March 14th 7:00 to 8:00 pm St. Ephrem Church

(2024 Diocesan Pilgrimage designated Parish)

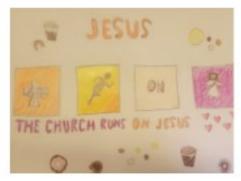
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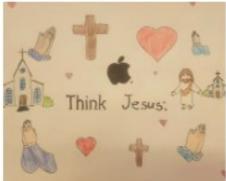


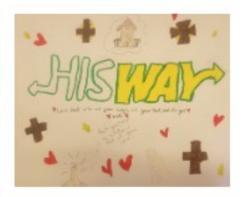
St. Patrick Catholic Academy

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Our Fifth Graders created religious slogans, based on slogans of popular brands, that would encourage others to think of God during Lent.















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