



ST. PATRICK PARISH

January 7, 2024 | The Epiphany of the Lord
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Office Hours: Mon-Fri | 8 AM-4 PM

School

630.338.8100
787 Crane Rd, St. Charles, IL 60175

Preschool & Extended Care

630.338.8200
118 N. 5th St, St. Charles, IL 60174

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630.338.8290
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Mon-Wed | 1 PM-4 PM Thurs | 1 PM-6:30 PM

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Mass Times

Monday - Friday | 7 AM Downtown
8 AM Crane Rd

Thursday | 6 PM Downtown (ESP)

Saturday | 8:30 AM Downtown,
4 PM Crane Rd, 4:30 PM Downtown

Sunday | 7:30 AM Downtown, 8 AM Crane Rd,
9 AM Downtown, 9:30 AM Crane Rd,
10:30 AM Downtown, 11 AM Crane Rd,
5 PM Crane Road
5 PM Downtown (ESP)

Reconciliation Times

Monday, Thursday, Friday | 8:30 AM Crane Rd

Tuesday | 7:30 AM Downtown
6-6:30 PM Crane Rd

Wednesday | 7:30 AM Downtown

Saturday | 9-9:30 AM Downtown
3-3:30 PM Crane Rd

Adoration

Wednesday | 7:30 AM-6:45 AM Downtown

Daily | 12 PM Sunday - 12 PM Saturday in
St. Michael Chapel, St. Pat's Crane Rd

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Epiphany! Christ is born to all the nations, to all people and to all times. The Magi shows the whole world coming to Christ. He has come down to us without losing any of his glory so that we can be raised up to him and share in his divine life.

Recently Pope Francis issued a letter, *Fiducia Supplicans* (On the Declaration of the Pastoral Meaning of Blessings) on how the church, through priest and deacons, can offer blessings. The letter does not authorize the blessing of same sex unions or those in irregular marriages.

It does not overrule Church Teaching and confirms the teaching of the Catholic Church about same-sex relationships and other relationships that do not qualify for the Sacrament of Marriage. Paragraph 4 of the letter deems “inadmissible any rites or prayers that could create confusion between what constitutes marriage, which is the exclusive, stable and invaluable union between a man and a woman naturally open to the generation of children, and what contradicts it. The churches doctrine on this point remains firm.”

The reason for the document is “to help Catholics understand the possibility of blessing people in irregular situations without validating their status or changing the Church’s teaching on marriage so as to call them to holiness and conversion.” I bless people all the time without condoning or even knowing what or why they are asking me to bless. If someone or even a couple came and asked me to bless them in an irregular situation, I would bless them by asking God to bless them in their struggle for chastity and to lead them to open their hearts to his plan for them and to heal what is broken in them. That is what the letter calls for. It does not allow me or any cleric to bless their irregular situation, but rather to call them out of it.

The Church is not going to have blessings for people in relationships or situations that are contrary to the life of grace or living in a state of sin. Always ask us for a blessing and we will be glad to give it. Blessings call down healing, mercy and conversion.

Peace,
Msgr



Do you love Donut Sunday?

Do you love Donut Sunday and want to help out? We are currently looking for a new ministry leader to lead Donut Sunday at St. Pat’s Downtown each month. This roll will need to be filled starting in January. If you’re interested in volunteering, please email Mike Zak at mzak@stpatrickparish.org.



Giving

Includes past two weekends due to early bulletin schedules

4th Sunday of Advent

Dec 23-24 \$65,573

Feast of the Holy Family

Dec 30-31 \$64,454

5 Week Average

Dec 3 - Dec 31 \$66,833

Weekly Goal

through Oct 2024 \$57,500

Christmas 2023 Giving

as of Jan 3, 2024 \$124,074

Thank you for your generosity!!

Community News

Baptisms

Hailey Nicole Corrigan, daughter of Michael and Ashley Corrigan

Alexandra Kay Flannagan, daughter of Bronson and Kathleen Flannagan

Sebastian Livingston Brown, son of Matthew and Heather Brown

Merritt James Richie, daughter of Austin and Erienne Richie

Weddings

Sean & Kara Kozak

Gage & Jessica Teberg

Funerals

No funerals this week

Vocations Crucifix

Each week, two St. Pat's families take a relic of the True Cross into their homes to pray. Email danner46@yahoo.com (DT) or ann_kennedy@ymail.com (CR) to sign up.

CR: The Swiderski Family

DT: Pam Purcell

Parish Stewardship

Stewardship in Action

Thank you for your continued support with our Diocesan Appeal goal of \$274,038. Our DSA ended with \$338,198 for 2022-2023 and this year our goal is go beyond our year end 22-23 DSA number. All paid pledges over are goal amount is redirected to the investment of the Parish and Schools which allows us to continue to grow within our community. Please help us reach beyond our last year DSA number of \$338,198 by committing to a pledge amount and supporting the Parish.

Weekly Intentions

Monday

7 AM † Henry Chomicz NP

8 AM † Andrew Porto DP

Tuesday

7 AM † Andrew Porto AR

8 AM † William Gardaphe NP

Wednesday

7 AM † Virginia & Edward Park NP

8 AM † Tom Sowatzke AR

Thursday

7 AM † Fred & Gert Frackowiak AR

8 AM † Laura & Joseph Lang NP

Friday

7 AM † Vivian Struck AR

8 AM Alyce Poziombka (S.I.) AR

Saturday

8:30 AM † John Jackiewicz NP

4 PM Dennis & Lyda Schmidt (S.I.) NP

4:30 PM For the People of St Patrick AR

Sunday

7:30 AM † Jim Heyob NP

8:00 AM † Chris Kappel AR

9:00 AM † Al Weinberg NP

9:30 AM † Mr. & Mrs. Russell Halstead Sr. AR

10:30 AM † Sean Joseph Kenney Sr. NP

11 AM † Frank & Ann Mack AR

5 PM † Julia Toczec NP

Flame of Faith

CR † Katherine Michalowski

DT Robert and Celeste Giery (S.I.)



Alpha

Try Alpha at St. Pat's

We'd love to have you join us for our Spring Alpha Course. The course will explore life, spirituality, and the Christian faith in a fun and non-judgmental environment. Whether you're just checking it out, new to faith, or want to make some new friends, you are invited. Each night begins with a homemade meal, followed by a video featuring interviews from people around the world, and ends with a group conversation. To register, please visit stpatrickparish.org/alpha.

WHEN: starting Jan 30, 6 PM

WHERE: St. Pat's Crane Rd

Events & Fundraisers

VIP Seniors Luncheon

Invite a friend and join us for food that will warm both your stomach and soul. This month's VIP Seniors Luncheon will include chicken spaghetti casserole, turkey tetrazzini, scalloped potatoes, ham, and more. To join in on the fun, please RSVP to Mike at mzak@stpatrickparish.org. We hope to see you there!

WHEN: Jan 8, 12-2 PM

WHERE: St. Pat's Crane Rd, Dempsey Hall



Mental Health Rosary

Join us in praying the Rosary for those facing mental health challenges and for those who love them. Brought to you by St. Pat's Mental Health Ministry and the Marian Prayer Group.

WHEN: Jan 9, 7:15 PM

WHERE: St. Pat's Downtown

Mental Health 101 Talk

Come learn how the Catholic Church supports our mental health and wellbeing by turning our lives towards God, mind, body, and soul. Join us after 4:30 PM Mass for a presentation on common mental health issues, typical treatments and therapies, how we can support these individuals, and learn about the importance of self-care. Register at stpatrickparish.org/MH101.

WHEN: Jan 20, 2024, after 4:30 PM Mass

WHERE: St. Pat's Downtown, Fr. Carse Center



Walking with Purpose

Walking With Purpose strives to bring women closer to our Lord through Scripture. Our growing community would love for you to join us this fall for our next study, Living in the Father's Love. Whether you are new to Bible study or have attended many, you are welcome. To register, please email wwp.stpats@gmail.com.

WHEN: starting Jan 17, 9:30-11 AM

WHERE: St. Pat's Crane Rd



NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Revival

Eucharistic Revival Formation Course

Through this 7-week formation course, you will be able to connect with other parishioners as you listen to brilliant voices in Catholicism and immerse yourself in the beauty of the faith. Register at stpatrickparish.org/revival.

WHEN: starting Jan 11, 2024, 6-8:30 PM

WHERE: St. Pat's Crane Rd, Dempsey Hall

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE 28TH ANNUAL

EMERALD EVENING

Vintage Glam

FEBRUARY

FRIDAY

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AT 6PM

2024

ROYAL FOX COUNTRY CLUB
4405 ROYAL AND ANCIENT DR.
ST. CHARLES, IL 60174

~ FORMAL ATTIRE ~

Join us

Tickets are \$130 and include drinks, appetizers, and entertainment. Cocktail or Black Tie Optional attire.



Unbound Conference

As children of a loving God, we were created to live in relationship with Him. Sin broke this relationship and opens the door for fear, anxiety, and shame to enter our lives.

The Good News is that Jesus brought salvation by dying for our sins and setting us free from this bondage. But even after accepting this gift of salvation, we don't always fully experience this freedom that the Lord has called us to.

Unbound helps us respond to the good news of the gospel and apply truth to our lives using Five Keys: Repentance and Faith, Forgiveness, Renunciation, Authority, and The Father's Blessing. To join us this spring as we dive into these beautiful truths, keep an eye out for registration at stpatrickparish.org/unbound.

WHEN: Mar 2, 2024

WHERE: St. Pat's Crane Rd

A graphic for the Unbound Conference. The background is a dark, starry space with a bright orange and red nebula. The word "UNBOUND" is written in large, bold, white capital letters. Below it, a white key icon is centered, with a horizontal line passing through it. Underneath the key, the words "HEART OF THE FATHER" are written in smaller, white capital letters.

UNBOUND
HEART OF THE FATHER

Events & Fundraisers

Ladies Auxiliary Bunco Night

Join Ladies Auxiliary for a fun night to benefit our many charities! This night will include lots of Bunco, snacks and appetizers, raffle baskets and door prizes. Wine will be available for purchase. Bring a friend! We hope to see you there!

WHEN: Jan 26, 6 PM

WHERE: St. Pat's Crane Rd, Dempsey Hall



Men's Bible Study

God raised up prophets in ancient Israel to teach the people the laws of God and how to live them, call the people to repentance when necessary, and bear witness of Jesus Christ. This winter, St. Patrick Men's Bible Study will begin a ten-week Bible study on Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by group discussion and fellowship. Register at stpatrickparish.org/SPMBS.

WHEN: beginning Jan 18, 2024, 7 PM

WHERE: St. Pat's Crane Rd

Grief Support Dinner

Get out of the house and shake off those winter doldrums! Join us for cocktails, fellowship and a delicious dinner catered by Chef Mary Gorski. To register, please contact Karen Yerly at yerly12@yahoo.com or 630.390.9267.

WHEN: Feb 8, 6:00 PM

WHERE: St. Pat's Crane Rd, Dempsey Hall



Youth Ministry Semester Kickoffs

Youth Ministry will be back up and running for our Spring semester, and we hope to see all of our middle and high schoolers! We can't wait to see you again in 2024 for more fun and community-building. We will be talking about parables from the Bible, so come check it out!

HIGH SCHOOL: Sunday, January 14th at 6pm

MIDDLE SCHOOL: Wednesday, January 17th at 6:30pm

Resources

New here?

We are so excited that you want to join our parish! Finding a welcoming, vibrant, and faithful community is a step toward your best future. We can't wait to get to know you.

You're home here.

You're welcome here.

You belong here.

Learn more at stpatrickparish.org/welcome.

Need Prayer?

Our Prayer Circle accepts intentions and offers them up in prayer. Add your intention by visiting stpatrickparish.org/prayer or email laurakennedy@sbcglobal.net.

Homebound Ministry

Unable to attend Mass, but would like to receive the Lord? Our Sick & Homebound Ministry may be able to help you. Contact the Office at 630.338.8000 or email Deacon Jim Mellin at jmellin@stpatrickparish.org for details.

Corbella Clinic Women's Healthcare

Hope, support, & resources for unexpected pregnancies. Call 847.697.0200 or text 224.268.5848. Or text HOME to 741741.

Project Rachel

Support to begin post-abortion healing. Call 815.387.3379 or visit hopeafterabortion.org.

Catholic Charities

630.820.3220

St. Vincent de Paul

SVDP serves those in need. For assistance, please call 630.338.8270.

Alcoholics Anonymous

630.377.6610

Baptisms

Baptism is the sacrament of new life. We become a child of God through this sacrament and enter into God's family, the Church. Visit stpatrickparish.org/baptism

Weddings

We love marriage and want to support healthy families to be the bedrock of our community. If you're engaged, we invite you to visit stpatrickparish.org/marriage to help you prepare for a wedding at St. Pat's.

Funerals

Losing a loved one is challenging. We are here to help and walk with you in such times.

Visit stpatrickparish.org/funerals for information and assistance.

Adoration

Would you consider spending an hour with Jesus? Visit adorationpro.org/patrickcharles to sign up.

988 Crisis Lifeline

Free & confidential emotional support for people in crisis or emotional distress 24/7. Call or text 988 or visit 988lifeline.org/chat for an online chat.

National Alliance on Mental Illness

NAMI supports, educations, & advocates for individuals & families affected by mental illness. Call 847.410.9719 for the Kane County North Chapter or visit namikcn.org.

Tri City Family Services

Mental health services for clients of all ages and income levels. Call 630.232.1070.

Suicide Prevention Services Batavia

630.482.9696