



ST. PATRICK PARISH

Sunday, July 19, 2026

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE WHOLE BATCH WAS **LEAVENED.**

— MATTHEW 13:33 —



New Here? Welcome

We are so glad you are considering making
St. Pat's your parish home.

At St. Pat's, we strive to love God, to love
one another, and to make Jesus first in all
we do.

**You're home here.
You're welcome here.
You belong here.**

To register as a new parishioner, email
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Locations & Hours

Parish Office | 630.338.8000

6N487 Crane Road, St. Charles, IL 60175
M-F | 8 AM-12 PM, 12:30 PM-4 PM

St. Pat's Crane Rd

6N491 Crane Road, St. Charles, IL 60175

St. Pat's Downtown

400 Cedar Street, St. Charles, IL 60174

Hispanic Ministry Office | 630.338.8290

Our Catholic School | 630.338.8100

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Weekly Email



Old Bulletins



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From the Pastor:

MSGR. DEUTSCH

"Every person, even in weakness, illness, or the final days of life, possesses an inviolable dignity because he or she is made in the image and likeness of God."



Dear Parishioners,

Over the past several weeks, many of you have probably heard about the debate surrounding physician-assisted suicide here in Illinois. One story that particularly caught my attention was the decision of several Catholic hospitals to refuse participation in assisted suicide, even under increasing legal and cultural pressure. Their decision deserves our gratitude and our prayers because it reflects a fundamental truth of our Catholic faith: every human life is sacred from conception until natural death. The Church's teaching is actually very simple.

Our lives are not our own. They are gifts from God. We did not create ourselves, and we are not the ultimate masters of our lives. God alone is the Author of life, and He alone determines the moment of our birth and the moment of our death.

For that reason, the Church cannot support assisted suicide or euthanasia. While we always seek to relieve pain and suffering through excellent medical care, hospice, palliative care, and the loving presence of family, we may never intentionally cause or assist in causing the death of an innocent person. Compassion means walking with those who suffer, not ending their lives.

Pope Leo recently spoke beautifully about this after Illinois approved physician-assisted suicide. He reminded us of "the necessity to respect the sacredness of life from the very beginning to the very end" and invited everyone to reflect on "the goodness of human life."

Sometimes people ask, "Isn't this about compassion?" It certainly is. But true compassion means "to suffer with." It means sitting beside a hospital bed, holding a loved one's hand, praying with them, managing their pain, and assuring them that they are never a burden. Every person, even in weakness, illness, or the final days of life, possesses an inviolable dignity because he or she is made in the image and likeness of God.

This is why we should be grateful for Catholic hospitals and health care workers who courageously uphold these principles. They remind our society that medicine exists to heal, to comfort, and to accompany, not to intentionally end life. Their witness is a profound act of faith and charity.

As Catholics, we believe that even suffering, united with Christ, can become a source of grace and hope. The Cross teaches us that God never abandons us in our darkest moments. Instead, He draws near to us, giving us strength, peace, and the promise of eternal life.

From the Pastor:

MSGR. DEUTSCH | CONTINUED

Please join me in praying for all who are seriously ill, for their families and caregivers, for our physicians and nurses, and especially for our Catholic hospitals, that they may continue to be faithful witnesses to the Gospel of Life.



May we always be a people who cherish every human life, accompany those who suffer with love, and entrust ourselves confidently to the mercy of God from the first moment of life until our final breath.

Peace,
Msgr.

A Note from Fr. Mike Wojnarowski

To All the St. Pat's Parishioners,

I wanted to give a quick note of gratitude for everything the weekend of June 7 for my Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Pat's. The turnout for the 5 PM Mass blew me away! The food was top notch, some of the best fried chicken I've had! Just the reception to see all of the people who have been touched by my time here at St. Pat's and to see all the people who have touched and shaped me throughout this time was the perfect capstone to my time here. Thank you so much to Donna and all the volunteers who helped make the reception happen and thank you to all who gave a gift. Thank you to Msgr. Deutsch, Fr. Arnold, Fr. Grant, Fr. Ian, all the deacons, and staff of St. Pat's who helped make St. Pat's home for the last 2 years. I'll be working on personal 'thank yous' over the next few weeks, but just in case I miss anyone, or if I didn't have an address, know that I am thankful for your gift and thankful for your friendship and hospitality over this time. Please know of my continued prayers for all of you at St. Pat's, and being just down Randall Road, I'm sure I'll be seeing you again soon!

God bless,
Fr. Mike Wojnarowski
St. Thomas the Apostle
Crystal Lake, IL
Diocese of Rockford

CALLED BY NAME

SUMMER EVENING SERIES

WHEN: THURSDAY, JULY 30TH
WHERE: HOLY CROSS, BATAVIA
WHO: MEN DISCERNING
AND ALL FAITHFUL

7:00 PM
HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS
FEAT. TALK BY FR. THOMAS DOYLE

8:00 PM
HANG OUT WITH SEMINARIANS



OFFICE OF
VOCATIONS

Celebrate 175 years at

Tacos & Bingo Night



ST. PAT'S CRANE RD,
DEMPSEY HALL

AUGUST 1, 2026
AFTER THE 4 PM MASS



Grab your family, invite a friend, and join us
for tacos, bingo, and a night to remember!

ADMISSION

Family: \$25

Senior: \$12

Single: \$15

BINGO CARDS

1 for \$5

4 for \$15

PAYMENT

GiveCentral or
cash or check at
the Parish Office

stpatrickparish.org/events/celebrate-175-tacos-bingo-night

Mass Times & Intentions

Visit stpatrickparish.org/prayer to schedule a Mass Intention or Flame of Faith.

Monday, July 20

7 AM DT † Matt Bales DD
8 AM CR Special Intention for Mathew & family AR

Tuesday, July 21

7 AM DT † Tom Swaine GC
8 AM CR † The Koscak Family IO

Wednesday, July 22

7 AM DT † Anne Elaine Masino AR
8 AM CR † Fred & Rue Nicklaus DD

Thursday, July 23

7 AM DT † Fermina García GC
8 AM CR Special Intention for Sarah & Lee Swanson IO
6 PM DT Spanish Mass

Friday, July 24

7 AM DT † Keith Parker GC
8 AM CR Special Intention for Joshua & family DD

Saturday, July 25

8:30 AM DT † James Louis Simon IO
4 PM CR † Michael Lester AR
4:30 PM DT † Nellie DeZutel GC

Sunday, July 26

7:30 AM DT Special Intention for Heather Kreczmer DD
8 AM CR † Frank Iusco IO
9 AM DT † Justin Pearlman DD
9:30 AM CR † Elvira Dumlao AR
10:30 AM DT † David Dowat IO
11 AM CR † Arlyn Carrara AR
5 PM CR For the People of St Patrick IO
5 PM DT Spanish Mass

Flame of Faith

CR † John and Pat Kozik
Adoration † Joshua Moore

Confession & Adoration

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

Confession Times:

Monday, Thursday, Friday | 8:30 AM @ CR
Tuesday | 7:30 AM @ DT, 6-6:30 PM @ CR
Wednesday | 7:30 AM @ DT
Saturday | 9-9:30 AM @ DT, 3-3:30 PM @ CR

Adoration Schedule:

Crane Rd | 12 PM Sunday – 12 PM Saturday
Downtown | 7:30 AM Wed – 6:45 AM Thursday

As a Parish, We Pray

To add or extend a name please call the Parish Office.

For the Recently Deceased

Rita Radloff | Lucila Ramirez | Herbert Pasteur |
Judith Sester | Yin Wah Cho | Richard Lechleider |
Suzanne Rieth | Guy Willenbacher | Janet Bernice
Pawl | Liam Leon | Rhanda Kranz | Gaetana Johnson |
Colleen Messacar

For the Sick of Our Community

Lorenzo Amodeo | Cindy | Frank | Dr. Lynn
Fesenmyer | Victoria Vitraelli | Charles Vokral |
Robert Fontaine | Gary Bens | Dominic | John Smith |
Loops Taylor | Dolores Herrmann | Sandra Sjoquist |
John Corcoran

Community News

Recent Baptisms

Hank Lappin, son of Thomas & Alexis Lappin
Walt Lappin, son of Thomas & Alexis Lappin
Madison McFarlane, daughter of Michael & Staci
McFarlane
Lena Miko, daughter of Bryan Miko & Alayna Dufour
McKenna Murphy, daughter of Reilly & Mary Murphy
Kelley Thoreson, son of Patrick & Samantha
Thoreson

Recent Weddings

Mr. and Mrs. Justin & Hannah Yost
Mr. and Mrs. John & Colleen Sypien, Jr.

Upcoming Funerals

July 28 – Richard Lechleider
August 8 – Suzanne Rieth

K of C Raffle Winners

July 18 Winner – #078

Giving

Recent Giving

July 12 \$56,809

4 Week Average

June 21 – July 12 \$57,366

Weekly Goal

through October 2026 \$57,500

From the Desk of:

SAM SANTAY | COORDINATOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY



Dear Parish Family,

This past weekend, we took 38 students to the Steubenville Mid-America conference with 4,000 other high school students from across the country in Springfield Missouri. It was an incredible weekend filled with inspirational talks, opportunities for Mass and Adoration, small groups, confession, food trucks, dance parties, and lots of fun on our nine hour bus ride!

The theme for this year's conference was 'Worthy'. Throughout the weekend we learned that our worth doesn't come from what other people think about us, or how many likes we get on social media, but from our identity as beloved children of God. It was amazing to see the openness of our students to go all in during times of praise and worship, conversations in small groups, and receptivity to what the Lord is doing in their lives. It's a gift to offer this experience to our students as they take a step out of their everyday lives to encounter the Lord in a deep and personal way.

We are so grateful to be a part of a parish community that is so committed to supporting the faith development of our young people and we cannot wait to see what the Lord has in store for our upcoming year of ministry!

If you know a middle or high school student that would be interested in checking out our program, they're welcome to join us for our weekly summer events! You can find more information about that on our parish website at stpatrikparish.org.

Peace and blessings,
Sam



Events & Ministries

Discipleship Pathway

FIND YOUR PLACE AT ST. PAT'S

1

BELONG

Our Belonging ministries focus on connecting you with other people at the Parish. Regardless of past experiences or current questions, everyone who enters our church can find a place to belong.

EXAMPLES:

Alpha
Parish Small Groups
Youth + Young Adult Ministries
Bereavement Ministry
Mental Health Ministry
Divorce Ministry
VIP Seniors

2

BELIEVE

St. Pat's has a variety of programs to help you grow in knowledge of our faith. Whether you're looking for deeper biblical studies or catechetical lectures we have various opportunities to help you broaden your understanding of Catholicism.

EXAMPLES:

Formation Courses
Book Studies
Bible Studies
Lecture Series & Talks
RCIA
Religious Education

3

BUILD

As you grow and are blessed through the Parish, we hope that you will seek to pass these blessings along to others. You can do this through volunteering, helping run a ministry, or through spreading the faith through evangelization.

EXAMPLES:

Volunteering/Service
Liturgical Ministries
Evangelization
Prayer Ministries

Youth Ministry Middle School Bonfire Night



Explore all of our Youth Ministry summer opportunities and find one that's right for your teen at stpatrikparish.org/ministries/youth-ministry#information.

JOIN US: July 21, 6:30-8 PM, St. Pat's Crane Rd

Embrace Parenthood Hangout

Bring your family and join the fun. Stay after Mass to build connections and community.

JOIN US: August 2, 10:30 AM, St. Pat's Crane Rd, School Playground

Anchored in Love: A Riverboat Date Night



Enjoy a potluck evening with other couples as we strengthen marriages anchored in Christ. Register by August 20 at stpatrikparish.org/events/anchored-in-love-a-riverboat-date-night.

JOIN US: August 23, 5-7:30 PM, St. Charles Riverboat at Pottawatomie Park



Join us to connect with other people at the Parish. Everyone who enters our church can find a place to belong. For more events, please visit our website.

Events & Ministries

Believe

Summer Speaking Series, Night Three

Come be part of the conversation surrounding Pope Leo's new encyclical, Magnifica Humanitas. No registration necessary.

JOIN US: July 27, 6-8 PM, The Arcada

Religious Education Blessing of the Backpacks Mass

Pray for our students and bless their backpacks for the school year ahead.

JOIN US: August 9, 11 AM, St. Pat's Crane Rd

St. Michael's Lent



Join Catholic men worldwide for St. Michael's Lent, a 40-day journey of prayer, sacrifice, fraternity, and spiritual growth.

JOIN US: Saturdays, August 15-September 26, 9-10 AM, St. Pat's Downtown, Fr. Carse Center

Matthew: The King and His Kingdom, a Women's Bible Study



Explore Matthew's Gospel and discover how Christ invites us into His Kingdom. Register today and grow deeper in faith.

JOIN US: Tuesdays, beginning September 8, 9:30 AM-12 PM, St. Pat's Crane Rd, St. Peter Room or Thursdays, beginning September 10, 6:30-9 PM, St. Pat's Crane Rd, St. Joseph Room

Passionate Discipleship, a Women's Bible Study

Explore 2 Timothy and discover how to know Jesus more deeply and share Him confidently in today's world. Register by emailing wwp.stpats@gmail.com.

JOIN US: Wednesdays, beginning September 16, 9-10:30 AM, St. Pat's Crane Rd, St. Peter Room

First Samuel: Establishing the Throne of David, a Men's Bible Study

Discover timeless lessons from First Samuel to apply to our everyday life. Register today by emailing frankpositano@comcast.net.

JOIN US: Thursdays, beginning September 17, 6:30-8:30 PM, St. Pat's Crane Rd, St. Francis Room

Join us to grow in knowledge of our faith and broaden your understanding of Catholicism. For more events, please visit our website.

Events & Ministries

Loaves & Fishes Community Dinner



Share Christ's love through service and fellowship at Loaves & Fishes. Sign up today to volunteer or donate.

JOIN US: July 20, 5-7 PM, St. Pat's Downtown, Fr. Carse Center

The Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet

All are welcome to join the Sanctuary Ministry for an evening of prayer. Whatever is on your heart, bring it before the Lord.

JOIN US: July 21, 7:15-8:30 PM, St. Pat's Downtown Church

Altar Server Formation Days

Current altar servers are invited to touch up and practice how to altar serve for Mass, Weddings, and Funerals. Please contact Fr. Ian with any questions at iordonez@stpatrickparish.org.

JOIN US: July 26, August 2, or August 9, 1-4 PM, St. Pat's Crane Rd, St. Francis Room

St. Vincent de Paul Pick Up

Support our neighbors in need by donating non-perishable food items to St. Vincent de Paul each month.

JOIN US: First Sunday of the Month, after all Masses, St. Pat's Crane Rd and St. Pat's Downtown

Kids Lead the Rosary

Help your children grow in faith through the Rosary, family prayer, and community. All families are welcome.

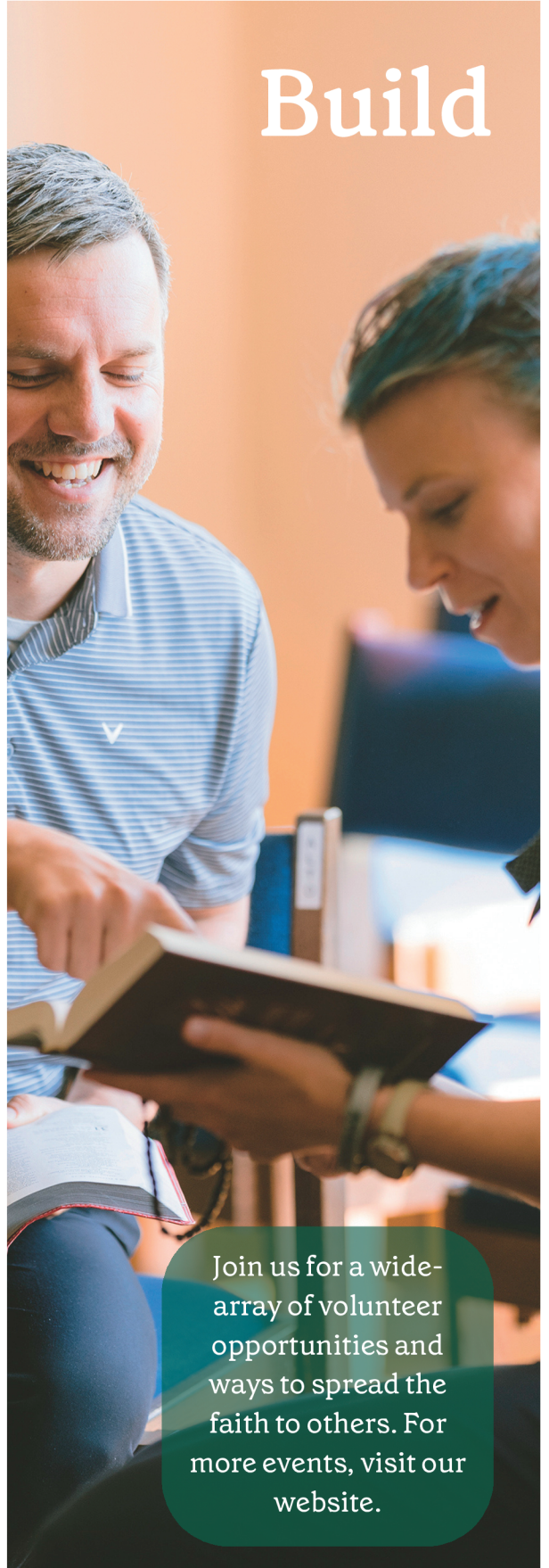
JOIN US: August 9, 9:30 AM, St. Pat's Crane Rd, School In-ground Rosary

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Create handmade shawls, offer prayers, and bring comfort to others through this ministry of care.

JOIN US: August 12, 7 PM, St. Pat's Downtown, Rempe Room 106

Build



Join us for a wide-array of volunteer opportunities and ways to spread the faith to others. For more events, visit our website.

St. Patrick Catholic School



FROM THE PRINCIPAL We're Hiring!

St. Patrick Catholic School is seeking a dedicated and dependable individual to lead our After-School Extended Day program. The ideal candidate will supervise students during post-school hours, ensuring a seamless transition from the classroom to afternoon care. Please reach out to Principal Rocky May at 630.338.8101 for more information.

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Blessing of the Backpacks Mass

All St. Patrick Catholic School students and their families are invited to join us on August 16 for the 11 AM Mass at our Crane Road campus for a special Backpack Blessing. After Mass, continue the celebration with lunch in Dempsey Hall from 12-1 PM with Principal Rocky May. Bring your backpack, receive a blessing for the year ahead, and begin the school year rooted in faith. We can't wait to welcome you back! Please RSVP using the QR code.

JOIN US: August 16, 11 AM Mass, 12-1 PM Lunch,
St. Pat's Crane Rd





Summer **SPEAKING SERIES**

This summer, the whole family is invited to join us as we discuss, Magnifica Humanitas, Pope Leo's new encyclical on artificial intelligence and the God-given magnificence of the human person.

WHERE:
THE ARCADA

WHEN:
**6-8PM
JUL 27, AUG 10**

WHAT:
**THE FIRST DRINK FREE
DINNER DISCOUNTS
FELLOWSHIP
GUEST SPEAKERS**

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In the Community



Central Kane County TRIAD Senior Party

Celebrate the season with a tropical twist! Join us for our Christmas in July Senior Party on Friday, July 24, from 1–3 PM at the Geneva Park District, Stephen Persinger Recreation Center, 3507 Kaneville Rd. Wear your favorite tropical or holiday attire and enjoy games, prizes, snacks, and plenty of festive fun with friends. RSVP by July 17 to Dena Fischer at 630.881.1583 or dena@prestorealestate.com.



Job Opportunity: Pro-Life Nurse Manager

Corbella Clinic in South Elgin is seeking a faith-filled Nurse Manager (Director of Patient Services). Corbella's mission is to uphold the dignity of every human life by providing life-affirming care and support for mothers. Competitive benefits offered. Learn more and apply at MissionariesofLife.org/job-opportunities or visit CorbellaClinic.org.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Reignite Your Marriage! Grow closer to each other and God on the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, Sept 18–20 at Geneva Comfort Inn. Early registration is encouraged! For information or to register, call Tim & Doris Trout at 630.482.2572, email Tim.doris.trout@wwme.org, or visit wwme.org. Additional weekends: Oct. 9–11, and Dec. 4–6.



Discover Cursillo

Cursillo invites men and women to deepen their relationship with Christ and live their faith more fully. Upcoming weekends: Men's Nov. 5–8; Women's Nov. 12–15. Contact Mark Powell, 630.329.6444, mark.powell6444@gmail.com, or Lori Powell, 630.234.6929, lorihp1997@proton.me, to learn more or to register.

Resources

Need Prayer?

Our Prayer Circle accepts intentions and offers them up in prayer. Add your intention by emailing laurakennedy@sbcglobal.net.

OCIA

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church or receiving sacraments you may have missed? Start the process by calling our Parish Office at 630.338.8000.

Homebound Ministry

Our Sick & Homebound Ministry is here to help you. Contact the Parish Office at 630.338.8000 or email Deacon Jim Mellin at jmellin@stppatrickparish.org for details.

Baptisms

Baptism is the sacrament of new life, where we become a child of God and enter into God's family, the Church. Visit stppatrickparish.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 stppatrickparish.org/marriage.

Funerals

Losing a loved one is challenging. We are here to help and walk with you in such times. Visit stppatrickparish.org/funerals for information and assistance.

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

988 Crisis Lifeline

Free 24/7 support for people in crisis or emotional distress. 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 or visit namikcn.org.

Retrouvaille Marriage Support

A lifeline for Catholic married couples. For support, visit helpourmarriage.org.

Encourage International

A Roman Catholic apostolate for those who experience same-sex attractions and those who love them. Visit couragec.org.

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