

# St. Patrick in the City

**Founded 1794**

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## **Sunday Masses**

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 P.M.

Sunday: 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M. and 12 noon

## **Daily Mass**

Monday–Saturday: 12:10 P.M.

## **Confessions**

Saturday: 4:30–5:15 P.M.

Monday–Saturday: 11:30 A.M. to  
12 noon and by appointment

## **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

First Friday after the 12:10 P.M. Mass

## **Novenas**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday after 12:10 P.M. Mass

Holy Name of Jesus

Thursday after 12:10 P.M. Mass

## **Rosary**

Following 12:10 P.M. Mass Monday–Friday

## **Baptism**

Sundays by appointment.

## **Matrimony**

Registered parishioners preparing for matrimony must contact the rectory at least six months before a proposed wedding date. Please do not set a marriage date before you consult a priest.

## **New Parishioners**

We welcome new parishioners. A registration form is available from the ushers or the rectory.

**Complimentary valet parking** is available in the parking garage adjacent to the church on 10<sup>th</sup> Street for those people attending the Saturday Vigil or Sunday Masses. Your ticket must be validated in the sacristy. The hours of operation are as follows: On Saturday the garage closes at 7:00 p.m. and on Sunday the garage closes at 1:30 p.m.

# Thanksgiving



*Give Thanks To The Lord Who Is Good...  
Whose Love Endures Forever!*

Psalm 107:1

## **Pastor and**

## **Chaplain, D.C. First Responders**

Rev. Msgr. Salvatore A. Criscuolo

## **Residents**

Rev. Frederick H. McIntyre

Rev. Roderick McKee

## **Director of Music & Organist**

Mr. Ronald Stolk

## **RCIA Director**

Mr. Robert Quinlan

## **Sacristan & Facilities Coordinator**

Mr. Warren Sturdivant

## **Sacristan**

Mr. Peter Ceesay

## **Office Manager**

Mrs. Marie Y. Valcourt

**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

**“Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, who has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father, to him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen...Jesus answered ‘my kingdom does not belong to this world.’”**

We bring the church’s year of grace to a close, as we proclaim who Jesus is for us all. Celebrating this great feast, may we pause for a moment and ask, ‘How often do I pray the words of Jesus, ‘Thy kingdom come?’ What do they mean to me?

How often I have listened to the parables which begin with the words ‘The kingdom of heaven is like’ or ‘The kingdom of God is like’. Jesus is speaking of our church, the place where grace flows, blessings pour out and Jesus is at the center. Our celebration today allows us to refocus and make sure that He is what we proclaim in reality, that He is the one from whom we receive the love and freedom of which Revelation speaks. As we direct our attention on Him, we repeat the words of praise above, and express gratitude for the kingdom, the church, to which we belong, live, move and have our being.

**Celebrants for**

**Saturday, November 28 & Sunday, November 29**

- 5:30 p.m. Vigil : Msgr. Criscuolo
- 8:00 a.m. : Msgr. Criscuolo
- 10:00 a.m. : Father McKee
- Noon : Father MacIntyre

**On Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26,** there will be one Mass at 10:00 a.m. On Friday, *November 27,* there will be one Mass at 12:10 p.m. The rectory will be closed both days. ***The clergy of St. Patrick Church wish you, your family and friends a blessed Thanksgiving.***

With the busy times of Thanksgiving and the Season of Advent right around the corner, enrolling in ***Faith Direct*** today is a great way to ensure your gifts of treasure to St. Patrick in the City are received even if you may be out of town. Please pick up an enrollment form from the parish office today or enroll online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) - our Church Code is DC90. Already using *Faith Direct*? Don't forget to add your Christmas or End-of-Year contributions to your account this fall.

Thank you in advance for your support and for using *Faith Direct*!

*God Bless, Msgr. Sal*

**CARDINAL’S APPEAL 2015**

St. Patrick received the following Cardinal’s Appeal Progress Report for the 2015 campaign:

- St. Patrick’s Appeal goal: \$167,568.00**
- Total Amount Pledged: \$ 88,556.00**
- Total Amount Received: \$ 73,242.11**

Thank you very much for your generosity in this important fundraiser to help the less fortunate in our archdiocese. As you can see, we are still far from reaching our goal both in pledges and amount received. We encourage all of our parishioners to give to this appeal. No amount is too small. Thank you and God bless,

*Msgr. Sal*

**November Poor box: St. Ann’s Infant and Maternity Home:** For over 150 years, St. Ann’s Center for Children, Youth and Families has been committed to serving the needs of our community’s most vulnerable young women and children. Thank you for your donations.



**Christmas Toy Drive**

Our 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Drive for needy children in the Washington metropolitan area is underway. We are requesting parishioners and visitors to please bring an unwrapped toy or gift for a girl or boy (ages from infant to 18 years old) and place it in the toy box in the vestibule of the church **until Tuesday, December 8.** Or if you wish to contribute by cash or check, give your donation to a priest or usher. We will purchase toys with the funds received. Last year we provided over 3,000 gifts to children and we expect to have an equally successful year. Please help make Christmas brighter for children in need by sharing your blessings.

**Pope Francis’ Prayer Intentions for November**  
*General Intention:* That we may be open to personal encounter and dialogue with all, even those whose convictions differ from our own. That pastors of the Church, with profound love for their flocks, may accompany them and enliven their hope.

**Tuesday, December 8, 2015**

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

*A holy day of obligation*

Masses at 7:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. followed by

**Advent Music** at 6:15 p.m.

St. Patrick's Choir sings music for the season.

Freewill donations to benefit  
the Christmas Toy Drive



**Winter Coat Drive: Clean out your**

**closet!** New and gently used coats are being collected at archdiocesan elementary schools – check with your local school for more information. Coats

in large sizes (ie XXL and bigger) are particularly needed! If you are able to help, **please bring your coat to St. Patrick Church during the week or on weekends.**

**"Witness to Life" Event**

*Give us the grace – When the sacredness of life before birth is attacked, to stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life.* ~Pope St. John Paul II. December marks the 5-year anniversary of the arrival of late-term abortionist LeRoy Carhart to Germantown, MD. You are invited to a Mass and a candlelight procession **on Sunday, December 6** at Mother Seton Church in Germantown, MD (19951 Father Hurley Blvd.) to pray for an end to abortion, for the healing of those affected by an abortion decision, and for the conversion of Carhart and his staff. Mass, celebrated by Bishop Mario Dorsonville, will begin at 5pm and will be followed by a prayerful candlelight procession to Germantown Reproductive Services and back. Please call 301-853-4555 or email [yaot@adw.org](mailto:yaot@adw.org) with any questions.

**Walking with Mary to Open the Year of Mercy**

All are invited to join the opening celebration of the Year of Mercy **on Saturday, December 12**, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered from 1-2pm. The bilingual Mass will begin at 2:30pm, and Bishop Mario E. Dorsonville will be the principal celebrant and homilist. The processions carrying the images of the Virgin of Guadalupe will begin at 12noon from Shrine of the Sacred Heart and Holy Name Church (3211 Pine St., NW). For more information, please visit [www.adw.org/guadalupe](http://www.adw.org/guadalupe).

**Mass Intentions & Readings**

**November 21– November 28, 2015**

**Saturday Vigil, November 21**

5:30 p.m.

Huyen Nguyen

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

Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8 / Jn 18:33b-37

8 a.m. Parishioners and Benefactors

10 a.m. ALL SOULS

12 p.m. Evette Boykin †

**Monday**

*Saint Clement I and Saint Columban*

*Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro*

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20 / Lk 21:1-4

12:10 p.m. ALL SOULS

**Tuesday**

*Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions*

Dn 2:31-45 / Lk 21:5-11

12:10 p.m. ALL SOULS

**Wednesday**

*Saint Catherine of Alexandria*

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 / Lk 21:12-19

12:10 p.m. ALL SOULS

**Thursday**

Dn 6:12-28 / Lk 21:20-28

10:00 a.m. ALL SOULS

**Friday**

Dn 7:2-14 / Lk 21:29-33

12:10 p.m. ALL SOULS

**Saturday**

Dn 7:15-27 / Lk 21:34-36

12:10 p.m. ALL SOULS



St. Patrick will be having the penance service, **"Come Home for Christmas,"** on **Wednesday, December 16.** By handing out flyers at a nearby metro stop, you can help Jesus proclaim the Kingdom of God. If the day

brings back one person to the Church, it is a gift from you to God. You can volunteer by signing up on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church, or contact the rectory at 202-347-2713 or [office@saintpatrickdc.org](mailto:office@saintpatrickdc.org). Please consider helping out because we do need more volunteers this year. Thank you.