

# 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 at 11:00 a.m.

## **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.



## **Pastor and**

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

Rev. Msgr. Salvatore A. Criscuolo

## **Residents**

Rev. Frederick H. MacIntyre

Rev. Roderick McKee

Rev. John McNerney

## **Director of Music & Organist**

Mr. Ronald Stolk

## **RCIA Director**

Mr. Robert Quinlan

## **Sacristan & Facilities Coordinator**

Mr. Donald Holloman

## **Sacristan**

Mr. Peter Ceesay

## **Office Manager**

Mrs. Marie Y. Valcourt

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

“Jesus said to His disciples: ‘Be constantly on watch, stay awake. You do not know when the appointed time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge each with his own task, and he orders the man at the gate to watch with a sharp eye. Look around you.’”

We begin a new season of grace, the wonderful time of preparing the way of the Lord, recalling His coming in history, His abiding presence among us now, and looking to discover the way He enters our lives. This year we have four full weeks to live advent.

Like the person in Mark’s gospel, the Lord has entrusted each of us with distinct, yet important tasks. My work is different from others, and if I fail to do it, it will remain undone. How am I going to begin this time of prayer?

I can make a resolution not to get caught up only with the material things in our consumer oriented society. My prayer with my family, my reflection on the scriptures, will certainly point me in the right direction. As I consider what I am going to do, I want to include others, the elderly, the sick and the poor, those alone or lonely, to make their lives better. They are part of God’s gift for me to take care of.

May the closing words of the Bible become my mantra each day, simply repeating three words prayerfully ‘Come Lord Jesus.’



**St. Patrick welcomes you to this morning’s Children’s Mass at 10:00.**

**“For through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus”.**

Galatians 3:26

In this season of Advent, we are continuously preparing ourselves for the celebration of Christ’s birth. Why not help our own parish prepare for the coming New Year by signing up with *Faith Direct*? By supporting St. Patrick in the City through *Faith Direct*, both you and our parish can more easily project your future contributions. You can sign up online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: **DC90**, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the parish office.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!  
*God Bless, Msgr. Sal*

**This Weekend’s Second Collection** will be to support the upkeep and maintenance of our historic church. Thank you for your support.

**This weekend we have the Rite of Welcoming for the members of RCIA who are joining the church at Easter. Let us welcome and keep them in our prayers during this Advent season as they continue this journey.**

**Pope Francis’ Prayer Intentions for December**  
That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

**December Poor Box**  
**St. Patrick’s Toy Drive**

**Celebrants for**  
**Saturday, December 9 & Sunday, December 10**

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

**Next Weekend** the Archdiocese of Washington will take up the **Annual Second Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious**. This parish-based appeal, coordinated by the National Religious Retirement Office (NRRO), benefits nearly 33,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests whose communities lack retirement savings. Our participation in this collection gives us an opportunity to be a witness of Our Lord’s love and mercy for the men and women religious who have contributed so much to Catholic faith formation in the U.S.A. Please give generously as you are able.

**Friday, December 8, 2017**  
**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

*A holy day of obligation*

**Thursday, December 7, 2017**

(Vigil) 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**

**Friday, December 8, 2017**

Masses at 7:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,

12:10 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.



**Wednesday, December 13**  
**Come Home for Christmas**

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Penance Service with individual confessions

12:10 p.m.

Confessions will also be heard

7:30 - 8:30 a.m., 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.,

and 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, December 24**

**Christmas Vigil**

8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. and 12 noon

**Christmas Vigil**

4:45 p.m. Prelude

5:30 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass

(choir and instruments)

**Monday, December 25**

**Christmas Day**

10:00 a.m. (Choir) and 12 noon

**Mass Intentions & Readings**  
**December 2 – December 10, 2017**



**Saturday Vigil, December 2**

5:30 p.m. Rolando Sinoc †

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Is 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7/1 Cor1:3-9 / Mk 13:33-37

8 am. Parishioners and Benefactors

10 a.m. Christa McDaniel

12 noon Dorothy and William Downes †

**Monday**

*Saint John Damascene*

Is 2:1-5 / Mt 8:5-11

12:10 p.m. Jerome E Miller †

**Tuesday**

Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24

12:10 p.m. Thelma Babb †

**Wednesday**

*Saint Nicholas*

Is 25:6-10a / Mt 15:29-37

12:10 p.m. Rose Lucille Pulvirenti †

**Thursday**

*Saint Ambrose*

Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27

12:10 p.m. Elizabeth Jones Halpin †

5:30 p.m. Mary Butler Stone †

**Friday, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF  
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Gn 3:9-15, 20 / Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 / Lk 1:26-38

7:30 a.m. Emma Bodycomb †

11:00 a.m. Angela Morgan †

12:10 p.m. Purificacion Du Francisco †

5:30 p.m. Jackie Gregory †

**Saturday**

*Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin*

Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

12:10 p.m. Purificacion De Larosa Clemente †



**Donations for Flowers  
for Christmas**

Please help beautify our church as we prepare for the Birth of Christ. The envelope for Christmas Flowers has been sent to you and I ask that you please

consider giving this year so we can continue to make our historic Church beautiful for each of us and for the many visitors who come here. Thank you.

**On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 8, 9, and 10,** St. Patrick will be collecting non-perishable food items for people in need. If you would like to donate food, please leave your donations at the Blessed Mother's altar. Thank you.

Please join **St. Patrick's Fellowship Group every Wednesday at 7:00pm** for an hour of prayer and Bible Study! We review the previous Sunday's Mass readings, listen to Bishop Barron's homily and discuss how to apply God's Word into our daily lives. On the last Wednesday of each month, the Fellowship Group will hold a group Evening Prayer Hour in place of the usual Bible Study from 7-8pm in the church.