

# St. Patrick Catholic Church

**Fr. Eric Filmer, Pastor**

Deacon James Roberge / Deacon Emeritus Ralph McAtee

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

July 9, 2017

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## **MASS TIMES**

Saturday 5 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

## **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday 4 p.m.

## **DAILY MASS**

See calendar  
on page 8

## **G O S P E L R E A D I N G** **M A T T H E W 1 1 : 2 5 - 3 0**

At that time Jesus exclaimed:

"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of  
heaven and earth,

for although you have  
hidden these things  
from the wise and the  
learned

you have revealed  
them to little ones.

Yes, Father, such has  
been your gracious will.

All things have been  
handed over to me by  
my Father.

No one knows the Son  
except the Father,  
and no one knows the

Father except the Son

and anyone to whom the Son wishes to  
reveal him."



"Come to me, all you  
who labor and are  
burdened,  
and I will give you rest.  
Take my yoke upon  
you and learn from me,  
for I am meek and  
humble of heart;  
and you will find rest for  
yourselves.

For my yoke is easy,  
and my burden light."

## **C H U R C H O F F I C E**

### **Hours Open:**

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

(Monday - Thursday)

Office is closed every Friday.

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Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Servers
Saturday 5 p.m.	Mike Stanley	Kathy Drescher / Joe McCabe Bill Sautter / Mary Fischer	John Niskoch / Jim Drescher Amy & Steven Baughman	Mike Zimmermann Garrett Fischer
Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Cheryl Punch	Stephanie Guimond / Beau Swain Jane Krumwiede / Rose Margetson Kathleen Corsentino / _____	Steven Pumel / John Margetson _____/_____	Stevie Pumel Sam Guimond Annemarie Pumel

<b>Mass Intentions</b>	Saturday 5 p.m. – July 8 <sup>th</sup>	Dinh Nguyen	by Van Nguyen & family
	Sunday 10:30 a.m. – July 9 <sup>th</sup>	Missa pro Populo	by Fr. Eric Filmer
	Saturday 5 p.m. – July 15 <sup>th</sup>	Pops Drescher	Rosie & Bernie Joerger
	Sunday 10:30 a.m. – July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Missa pro Populo	by Fr. Eric Filmer

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Saturday 5 p.m.	Joe McCabe	Kathy Drescher / Rose Margetson Mike & Lyn Gavel	Bernie Joeger / John Margetson Bill Sautter / Roberto Francisco	Jim Drescher John Niskoch
Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Pamela Smagner	Phyllis Taylor / Cheryl Punch Karen Phillips / Lorna Cabasares Veganda Wasserman / _____	John Haimbaugh / _____ _____/_____	Austin Schroeder Aidan Weimer _____

We have special hosts, approved by the Vatican, with a very low wheat gluten content.

Please call the church office and let us know if you need this type of host.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American to be recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon. Her mother was an Algonquin, who was captured by the Mohawks and who took a Mohawk chief for her husband.

She contracted smallpox as a four-year-old child which scarred her skin. The scars were a source of humiliation in her youth. She was commonly seen wearing a blanket to hide her face. Worse, her entire family died during the outbreak. Kateri Tekakwitha was subsequently raised by her uncle, who was the chief of a Mohawk clan.

Kateri was known as a skilled worker, who was diligent and patient. However, she refused to marry. When her adoptive parents proposed a suitor to her, she refused to entertain the proposal. They punished her by giving her more work to do, but she did not give in. Instead, she remained quiet and diligent. Eventually they were forced to relent and accept that she had no interest in marriage.

**ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA**

FEASTDAY: JULY 14  
PATRON OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND ECOLOGY

At age 19, Kateri Tekakwitha converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. Her decision was very unpopular with her adoptive parents and their neighbors. Some of her neighbors started rumors of sorcery. To avoid persecution, she traveled to a Christian native community south of Montreal. According to legend, Kateri was very devout and would put thorns on her sleeping mat. She often prayed for the conversion of her fellow Mohawks.



According to the Jesuit missionaries that served the community where Kateri lived, she often fasted and when she would eat, she would taint her food to diminish its flavor. On at least one occasion, she

burned herself. Such self-mortification was common among the Mohawk. Kateri was very devout and was known for her steadfast devotion. She was also very sickly. Her practices of self-mortification and denial may not have helped her health. Sadly, just five years after her conversion to Catholicism, she became ill and passed away at age 24, on April 17, 1680.

Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine, which she took from St. Catherine of Siena.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on Oct. 21, 2012. She is the patroness of ecology and the environment, people in exile and Native Americans.

## Family Promise of Houston County

This month Family Promise needs:  
***gift cards for gas and for food.***

When you donate gift cards,  
please put them in the Office Box  
(outside the church office door).

Thank you very much!!!

### Club 247

At the end of the school year, the Board of  
Education identified 364 homeless kids in Hou-  
ston County. This includes **10 Kids**  
**Living In Cars** (3 families).

We are a Community  
of Word and Sacrament,  
Called by CHRIST to grow in  
Faith, Hope, and Love;  
Foster Community;



### Parish Goal for Saint Patrick Celebration 2018

As of April 30, 2017 our remaining building loan balance is now less than \$119,000. There is a terrific opportunity to accelerate the rate to pay off the remaining debt by Saint Patrick's Day 2018. If every family contributes just \$10 a week (or \$40 a month), we can meet our goal for Saint Patrick Celebration 2018.

We'll also mark this notable occasion with a mortgage burning ceremony. Please prayerfully consider what is fiscally responsible and appropriate for your family's budget.

In Christ,

Bernie Marino & Dick Morris  
Celebration 2018 Co-chairs.

## NEW PRINCIPAL APPOINTED AT ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL, MACON, GA



Mr. Alex Porto has been named principal at St. Joseph Catholic School in Macon. Mr. Porto has worked in Catholic schools for 25 years in the Archdioceses of Miami and Atlanta. His most recent leadership position was serving as principal of St. John Neumann Regional Catholic School in Lilburn. Having worked in Catholic schools his entire professional career, Alex is skilled to lead St. Joseph's Catholic School into the next phase of excellence for which Catholic schools are regarded.

Alex is truly a life-long learner. He attended Catholic schools from kindergarten to graduation. He earned his Bachelor of Business Administration in Computer Information Systems from the University of Miami and his Master of Science in Computer Education and certification in Educational Leadership from Barry University in Miami. The St. Joseph Catholic community will greatly benefit from his many gifts and talents. Raised by Cuban immigrant parents, Alex is bilingual in English and Spanish.

In his spare time, Alex enjoys fishing, hunting and playing guitar. He currently plays solo/duo acoustic shows, and plays in a band based out of Lawrenceville, GA.

Alex recently stated that he believes that "Catholic education is a vehicle through which a child can experience God at such a fundamental level that (s)he is truly formed to become God's people. We are called educate the whole child. Through Catholic education I can help children become the people God has called them to be."

St. Joseph Catholic School is a PreK – grade 6 Catholic elementary school in Macon. It serves more than 250 children in the community.

Revised 6/29/17

July 9, 2017 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened,  
and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28*

*In some passages, Jesus asks us to take up our crosses and follow him. Here, he tells us to seek rest and refreshment. The call to discipleship, to stewardship, is complex, demanding many different responses. We need to be alert to today's call.*

The Stewardship System | <http://stewardshipsystem.org>

## Please pray for our military men and women:

WO2 Cory Bischof  
 A1C Frankie Bulin, Jr.  
 Jonathan Buzhardt  
 SN Trevor J Chastain  
 Frank Eighmey  
 Capt. R. Zachary Frisch  
 AWR2 Adam Fusinato  
 Major Chris Hoffman  
 RCT Nicholas Harkins

Capt. Maura Hughes Hoffman  
 LTJG Brendan Hughes  
 Legion Jester  
 Sgt. Philip Johnson  
 1Lt. Jason Lesak  
 SPC Christopher A. Mattusch  
 PO3 Vanessa Perniciaro  
 Garret Purnell  
 Joseph "Ronie" Pioquinto

SP5 Brian M. Saul  
 PFC Douglas A. Slee  
 Major William Sautter  
 PO1 Ben Steele  
 Jennifer Swinyard  
 Sgt. Dylan J. Willette  
 Capt. Jamie Zimmermann  
 Capt. Ronnie Zimmermann  
 AWW3 Kristopher Zelenak

### Bulletin Submissions

Please if you have something to go in the bulletin, send it to:

[saintpataa@stpatrickga.org](mailto:saintpataa@stpatrickga.org), call the church office at 478-987-4213, or put a note in the office box by Monday at Noon.

~ Thank you in advance for your help



### 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal *"Our Return to the Lord"*

As of June 6<sup>th</sup> we have collected **\$35,703**. We are at **87%** of the \$40,821 goal with **24.63%** of our parish families participating.

## Estate and Personal Planning

Workbooks are available in the Church office for (Catholic) Estate and Personal planning. Although it may be difficult to confront our own mortality, we can make it easier for our survivors if we by plan ahead. During office hours, please come by and pick up a copy. Reminder this does not take the place of a will. It's a guide to help you make final plans.

### The Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the imprisoned
- Bury the dead

### The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Admonish the sinner
- Instruct the ignorant
- Counsel the doubtful
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Forgive all injuries
- Pray for the living and the dead

## Saint Patrick Catholic Church

### Parish Council Elections

The parish council is a consultative and representative body of the faithful whose focus is on the whole community.

### Our Parish Needs You



### Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace Class

Starting September 12th

Every Tuesday from 6:30 - 8 p.m. (Done November 14<sup>th</sup>)

Presented by Bernie Marino

Taking a local class with others is the best way to share ideas, get inspired, and stay encouraged!

Video:

[https://  
www.daveramsey.com/  
fpu/?snid=classes.fpu-b](https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/?snid=classes.fpu-b)



### Please Prayerful Consideration

Have you ever considered how you could best serve God and our parish community? Perhaps a position on the Parish Council is for you!

Our Parish Council has two vacant positions which will be filled by a church-wide election. Newly elected Council members will serve a three year term beginning September 1, 2017. Parish Council members attend ten Council meetings per year.

#### The purpose of the Parish Council is to:

- provide a means for uniting the parish community
- assisting the parish community in discerning the present and future parish direction, plans, and activities (as well as calling forth those gifted to serve in that capacity).

#### We also assist the pastor in his leadership role of:

- planning, organizing, initiating, promoting, coordinating, and reviewing the evangelization, stewardship, religious education and formation, and service activities within the parish community through good counsel and active consultation.
- We engage in open and free dialogue on all matters pertaining the life of the parish, and seek consensus of thought and action in the strategic decision making process.

#### The function of the Parish Council is to:

- provide frequent, regular conversations among the servants (priests and deacons) and representatives of the parish community
- to discern, study, and set working priorities and recommendations for action in the parish
- promote programs and activities recommended by the bishop, diocesan commissions and agencies, deanery and pastoral councils, as well as the parish council itself
- to support and coordinate the activities of standing organizations, ad hoc committees (a committee formed to deal issues) and ministries of the parish as a whole.

If you have a heart to serve God and your church community, please prayerfully consider a position on the Parish Council.

#### Nominations will be accepted through Friday – July 15th .

For nominations, please submit your name, contact information (phone number and email), and a short bio to the Parish Office, or drop it in the office box.

#### If you have any questions about the Parish Council, please ask one of our current council members:

Ann Kane, Greg Purnell, Kathleen Corsentino, Kathy Drescher, or Jane Krumwiede.

Sincerely,

Ann Kane

President – Parish Council

## OUR PRAYER LIST

Julie Ana  
 Marlene Bensley  
 Jessica Bischof  
 John Bishop  
 Fr. John Brown  
 David Crowe  
 Lisa Danforth  
 Susan Davenport  
 Dean Dow  
 Patricia Edwards  
 Irma Fitzgibbon  
 Linda Frisch  
 Dorothy Gorman  
 Jim & Eleanor Hamel  
 Martha Hartwell  
 Deacon Ken Hutnick  
 Rosalie Joerger  
 Cynthia Keck  
 Dorothy Kelly  
 Deanna Kercheval  
 Roland Lallier  
 Noli Mariano  
 The Martin Family  
 Aidan McAtee  
 Alice Miller  
 Annette Patterson  
 Richard Rosebrock  
 Jean Sanborn

Bill Sautter  
 Melinda Schroeder  
 Aimee Sears  
 Noriko Selle  
 Fr. Mike Smith  
 Leo Spielman  
 Mary Ann Steele  
 Aidan Wilson  
 Alfonsina Yates  
 Lydia Zammit  
 Jeannie Zimmermann  
 Millie & Larry Baker  
 Fr. Patrick Cunningham  
 Kari Ann Hanks-Byrd  
 Larry & Chris Hart families  
 Chris & Jackie Lyons  
 Eddie and Carol Mann  
 Mel & Faye Pereski  
 Ricky & Rosemary Potenziani  
 Cathy & Michael Purnell  
 Bob & Kathi Seeger  
 Pamela & Matt Smagner  
 Vicky Austin & Frances Story  
 The Williamson family

This is the **NEW** QR code for ConnectNow Online Giving.

Go to: <http://www.stpatrickga.org/> and look on the bottom right side of the home page for "Online Donations."



### Prayer for Vocations

O God, hear our prayer and let our cry come unto You. Bless our Diocese of Savannah with many vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. Give the men and women You call the light to understand Your gift, and the love to follow always in the footsteps of Your priestly Son. Amen

### TEXT Your Donation

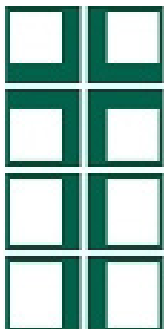
**Text Giving:** Text your donation dollar amount to number 478-217-7615. \*Messaging rates may apply\* The first time you text you will be prompted for a one-time registration which will allow you to choose a bank account or credit card where your donations are withdrawn from.

All subsequent donations will simply involve texting the amount to the parish number above. You will receive a text confirmation your donation was successful. \*Note all donors who text donations and donate online (or through the mobile web interface) will have all of their history tied to their account.\*

### Proper Disposal of Sacramental Items

The Knights of Columbus will collect your worn out or broken sacramental items and dispose of them in a reverent manner, according to church teachings. Collection jar is on the K of C table in the Narthex. Please do not leave family heirlooms in the jar. Rosaries will be inspected (then repaired and reused if possible).





## VIRTUS REFRESHER

If you completed the VIRTUS training class more than five years ago, please take a *Refresher Training Packet* from the Narthex (on the CD table).

Read the material, sign the acknowledgment page (the last page) and drop the signed page ONLY into the office box outside the church office.



**The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People** was established by the USCCB in June 2002.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/charter.cfm>

**An Account of our Stewardship:**  
**Debt Reduction principal balance as of**  
**May 31, 2017 is: \$109,598.91!!!**

## St. Patrick Ministries and Organizations

**Adult Choir:** Arlene Roberge  
 478-953-8032 [jdroberge@cox.net](mailto:jdroberge@cox.net)

**Altar Guild:**  
 Done by a wonderful little church mouse

**Bereavement Coordinator:**

**Celebrate Recovery:** 478-731-5203  
 Rebecca Johansen [brjacjoh@yahoo.com](mailto:brjacjoh@yahoo.com)

**Children's Choir:**  
 Carol Strandburg

**Cub Scouts:**  
 Chris Delcourt 603-502-2310

**Family Promise:**  
 Rebecca Johansen 478-218-5885

**Finance Committee:**  
 Pat Filholm 478-397-3178

**Knights of Columbus:**  
 Grand Knight Mike O'Brien  
 Fr. Michael A. Burke Council #14488  
[mobrien110@cox.net](mailto:mobrien110@cox.net)

**Ladies Auxiliary:**  
 Margaret Molyson 478-929-4318  
[mmolyson@hotmail.com](mailto:mmolyson@hotmail.com)

**Men's Group:**  
 Bernie Marino 985-807-4862

**Music Director:**  
 Arlene Roberge 478-953-8032  
[jdroberge@cox.net](mailto:jdroberge@cox.net)

**Parish Council:**  
 Ann Kane 478-396-2987

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):**  
 Deacon Jim & Arlene Roberge  
 478-953-8032

**Visitation:** (St. Patrick Church)  
 Bill Johansen 478-218-5885

**Wedding Coordinator:**  
 Cheryl Punch

**WHIM (With Him in Music):**  
 Mark Funke 660-553-8444

# JULY 2017

Relying on God has to begin all over again every day as if nothing had yet been done.

— C.S. Lewis

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>3</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass Thomas the Apostle (Feast)	<b>4</b> - OFFICE CLOSED 10 a.m. Mass <b>Fortnight for Freedom</b> 6:30 p.m. Mass	<b>5</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>6</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>7</b> - OFFICE CLOSED <b>Blood Drive St Kevin's Hall 2 - 7 p.m.</b>	<b>8</b> Confessions 4 p.m. Mass 5 p.m.	<b>9</b> Mass 10:30 a.m.
<b>10</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>11</b> NO Mass	<b>12</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>13</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>14</b> - OFFICE CLOSED	<b>15</b> Confessions 4 p.m. Rosary 4:45 p.m. Mass 5 p.m.	<b>16</b> Mass 10:30 a.m.
<b>17</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>18</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>19</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>20</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass <b>Youth Leaders Macon Deanry Meeting 5:30 - 8 p.m.</b>	<b>21</b> - OFFICE CLOSED	<b>22</b> Confessions 4 p.m. Mass 5 p.m.	<b>23</b> Mass 10:30 a.m.
<b>24</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass <b>Cursillo Ultra St Kevin's Hall 6 - 9p.m.</b>	<b>25</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass James (Feast) <b>Finance Council Double Classroom</b>	<b>26</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>27</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>28</b> - OFFICE CLOSED	<b>29</b> Confirmation Retreat 9 a.m. - 7:45 p.m. Confessions 4 p.m. Mass 5 p.m.	<b>30</b> Mass 10:30 a.m. With Coffee & Donuts Fellowship
<b>31</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>1 - AUGUST</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>2</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>3</b> 10 a.m. Daily Mass	<b>4</b> - OFFICE CLOSED <b>Confirmation</b>	<b>5</b> Confessions 4 p.m. Mass 5 p.m.	<b>6</b> Mass 10:30 a.m.

**August - Wednesday Religious Education**  
(Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade) 6:30 - 7:45pm

2<sup>nd</sup> - All RE Teachers planning meeting  
(6 - 7:30pm-Dinner provided)

9<sup>th</sup> - Mandatory Parent's Meeting  
parent & student class time (meet & greet)

16<sup>th</sup> - Class – **Children's Choir Begins at 5:30pm**

**August - Sunday Religious Education**

(Pre-Confirmation, Confirmation year 1 & 2) 3 - 4:45 p.m.

4<sup>th</sup> - Confirmation

13<sup>th</sup> - Mandatory Parent's Meeting (parent & student class time) -  
WHIM Practice Begins

20<sup>th</sup> Class - 5pm Mass Starts Back – LifeTeen Directly Following  
Mass