

St. Patrick Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule: See pg. 8 Calendar

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Office Hours:

Closed: Monday – September 4th
for Labor Day

Open: September 5th – September 7th
(Tuesday – Thursday)

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

Office is **closed** every Friday

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday – September 3, 2017

Gospel reading is [Matthew 16:21–27](#)

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."





August 14, 2017

St. Patrick Church
Rev. Eric Filmer
2410 GA Hwy 127
Kathleen, GA 31047-2820

Dear Fr. Eric and the parishioners at St. Patrick Church,

Peace and all good things!

Throughout this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal I was heartened to hear from people throughout the Diocese just how much the theme *Our Return to the Lord* resonated with them personally. While many read the theme and reflected on what they will return to the Lord for all their many blessings, I learned that many took the message as a time to recommit to their faith and return to the Lord's Word. However the theme inspired you, I am delighted that it brought about thoughtful introspection. As we conclude this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, I ask that you remember His blessings and give thanks each and every day for all that He has bestowed upon you and continue to be inspired by His Word.

In my video and letter, I asked everyone to prayerfully consider Psalm 116: "What shall I return to the Lord for all that he has given me?" It gives me great joy to know that you reflected upon this question and even greater joy to commend you all for surpassing your parish's goal. I thank you all for making a gift again this year or maybe even making a gift for the first time. St. Patrick Church is a model of what we can accomplish together in faith, love, and commitment.

Your gift will touch the lives of so many people through programs and services funded by the Bishop's Annual Appeal and I thank you all for your commitment to the Diocese of Savannah.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv.
Bishop of Savannah

cc: Ms. Maureen Coates

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Knights of Columbus / Patriot Day Prayer Service and Dinner



Friday – September 8th – K of C Council #14488 will host a Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m. followed by a sit-down Chicken dinner. Proceeds will go to support our Seminarian.

There is no cost to attend the prayer service! Tickets for sale after Mass. \$10.00 adults and \$5.00 kids.

Special Collection for Victims of Hurricane Harvey at each Mass during the weekend of September 16th/17th.

If you would rather donate **now**, please consider Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA). It is the official domestic relief agency of the Catholic Church.

If you would like to contribute to the recovery efforts and are resident in the US, you may text CCUSADISASTER to 71777 or visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org.

Please Note ... Our Church prayer list and Military prayer list will be updated beginning Labor Day weekend — September 3rd/4th. **All names** will be removed from the lists. If you would like a name added to the Church prayer list or the Military prayer list, please drop a note in the office box or call the church office. Names will remain on our Church prayer list for 30 days. Military names remain for one year.

Our Church Prayer List

Jessica Bischof	Vicky Austin & Frances Story
Fr. John Brown	William Joseph Campbell, IV
Mark Funke	Jim & Eleanor Hamel
Rosalie Joerger	Fr. Patrick Cunningham
Noli Mariano	Larry & Chris Hart and families
Aidan McAtee	Chris & Jackie Lyons
Michael Moniz	Eddie and Carol Mann
Flora Rider	The Martin Family
Aimee Sears	Steve & Alice Miller
Thomas Ward	Annette Patterson
Aidan Wilson	Pamela & Matt Smagner
First Responders	Jeannie Zimmermann

Our Military Prayer List

WO3 Cory Bischof
 A1C Frankie Bulin, Jr.
 Capt. R. Zachary Frisch
 RCT Nicholas Harkins
 1SG Grant Miller
 Joseph “Ronie” Pioquinto
 Capt. Jamie Zimmermann
 Capt. Ronnie Zimmermann

All First Responders
 Unspoken prayer requests
 Our nation

Bulletin Submissions and More...

If you have something to go in the bulletin, please send it to Lyn at: saintpataa@stpatrickga.org, call the office 478- 987-4213, or put a note in the office box by **Monday** at Noon. Please remember all notices, ads, signs, blurbs, etc... must come through the church office for Fr. Eric’s approval.



Mission Statement

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

Special Hosts

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.

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

Amen

Parish Goal for Celebration 2018

As of July 31, 2017 our remaining building loan balance is now less than \$91,00. 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.

**An Account of our Stewardship:
Debt Reduction principal balance as
of July 31, 2017 is: **\$90,979.49!!!****

Building Fund envelopes are available in the Narthex. You may put your Building fund offerings in at **any** Mass.

2017 Bishop’s Annual Appeal

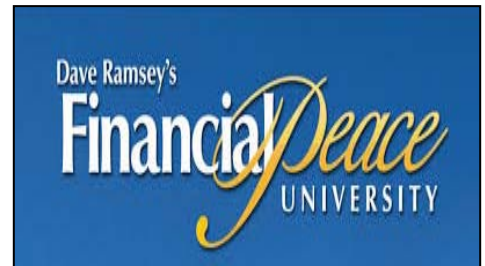
“Our Return to the Lord”

As of August 23rd we have collected:
\$42,827. We’ve exceeded our goal!!!

We are at **105%** of our \$40,821 goal with **25.56%** of our parish families participating.

Please see page 2 of the bulletin for a letter about the BAA from Bishop Hartmayer.

If you want to get control of your personal finances, stop living pay check to pay check, build wealth, and give then Financial Peace University is for you. Dave Ramsey’s class will be held in St. Kevin’s Hall starting Tuesday — September 19th. The class meets **every Tuesday** from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. through November 21st (**except for October 31st**). To register go to: <https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1044361>. If you have questions, please call Bernie Marino 985-807-4862.



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.



Make a Joyful Noise!

Adult Choir practice starts back on Thursday – September 14th at 6:30 p.m. If you sing or play an instrument **join us!**

This is the QR code for ConnectNow Online Giving. Go to: <http://www.stpatrickga.org/> and look on the bottom right hand side of the home page for “Online Donations.”



**Stewardship Verse for September 3, 2017
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?” **Matthew 16:25&26***

Perhaps the key words here are “for my sake.” We are invited by Jesus to do what Jesus himself did, to love God and love our neighbor as we love ourselves, and then to act accordingly. Loving God, neighbor, and self seems to be the way of salvation.

RETROUVAILLE A Lifeline for Married Couples

Is your marriage struggling? Rediscover a loving relationship in your marriage.

Our next Retrouvaille Weekend will be September 15–17, 2017 in Atlanta, GA.

Please call (706) 869-8434 or visit <http://www.helpourmarriage.com>.



A Journey into the Heart & Soul of Ireland 12 Days: October 16 to 27, 2018

Under the Spiritual Direction
of Rev. Eric Filmer

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kathleen, GA
Group Coordinator: Deacon Jim Roberge
Pricing, Color Brochure, and Registration
available after December 27, 2017

VIRTUS REFRESHER

If you completed the VIRTUS training class more than five years ago, take a *Refresher Training Packet* from the CD table in the Narthex. Read the material then sign the “acknowledgment” page (the last page). Drop the signed page ONLY in the office box outside the church office. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

St. Patrick Ministries and Organizations

Adult Choir: Arlene Roberge
478-953-8032 acroberge@cox.net

Altar Guild:
Done by a wonderful little church mouse

Bereavement Coordinator:
Would you like to volunteer?

Celebrate Recovery: 478-731-5203
Rebecca Johansen 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

LifeTEEN:
Veganda Wasserman 478-987-4213
Keri Anderson 478-396-7005

Ladies Auxiliary:
Margaret Molyson
478-929-4318
mmolyson@hotmail.com

Men’s Group:
Bernie Marino
985-807-4862

Music Director:
Arlene Roberge
478-953-8032
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 478-273-7077

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

The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People is a comprehensive set of procedures established by the USCCB in June 2002 for addressing allegations of sexual abuse of minors by Catholic clergy. The Charter also includes guidelines for reconciliation, healing, accountability, and prevention of future acts of abuse.

Visit: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/charter.cfm>.

Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Servers
Saturday 5 p.m. September 2 nd	J. McCabe	M. Milush/B. Sautter J. & D. Venable	B. Milush M. Connelly K. & N. Eckert	J. Niskoch J. Molyson
Sunday 10:30 a.m. September 3 rd	V. Campbell	P. Smagner/L. Cabasares S. Guimond/K. Corsentino M. Papczynski/_____	M. Kane/_____ _____/_____	A. Weimer M. Weimer A. Schroeder
Sunday 5 p.m. September 3 rd	K. Harkins	F. Story/C. Bulin David Sharpe/Don Sharpe *_____* (*standby)	S. Pumel/F. Bulin _____/_____	A. Pumel S. Pumel

Mass Intentions	September 2 nd	Saturday	5 p.m.	† Pops Drescher	by the Drescher family
	September 3 rd	Sunday	10 a.m.	Missa pro Populo	by Fr. Eric Filmer
	September 3 rd	Sunday	5 p.m.	† Henry Sumner (first birthday <u>in</u> <u>heaven</u> August 30 th)	by Kim Guidry (his daughter)
	September 9 th	Saturday	5 p.m.	† Fran Hutnick	by Deacon Ken Hutnick
	September 10 th	Sunday	10 a.m.	Missa pro Populo	by Fr. Eric Filmer
	September 10 th	Sunday	5 p.m.	† Dinh Nguyen	by Van Nguyen

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Saturday 5 p.m. September 9 th	J. Molyson	J. McCabe/M. Molyson J. Lyons/I. Shumway	J. Niskoch B. Joerger J. Dominick	J. Sigmon M. Zimmermann
Sunday 10:30 a.m. September 10 th	L. Gregor	R. Margetson/B. Swain J. Krumwiede/K. Harkins P. Taylor/_____	J. Haimbaugh J. Margetson	A. Weimer M. Weimer A. Schroeder
Sunday 5 p.m. September 10 th	B. Johansen	F. Story/K. Guidry A. Bunkers/_____ *V. Wasserman	S. Pumel J. Breyer	A. Pumel S. Pumel

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 Knights of Columbus table in the Narthex. Please do not leave family heirlooms in the jar. Rosaries will be inspected (then repaired and reused if possible).



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Do you or someone you know want to know more about the Catholic faith? Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Do you have questions about why we do what we do? Come to RCIA on Wednesday nights and let Deacon Jim and Mrs. Arlene fill you in on all the details. The class begins Wed. – September 6th at 6:30 p.m. in the Cry Room.

St. Patrick Family Database

Our family database "ConnectNow" is available online at:

<https://connectnow.parishsoft.com/savannah/>

When the ConnectNow **Welcome** page loads, select either:

NEW USER The first time you go onto this site you must register and create your username/password. Once approved, you will be able to sign in and review your family information and make any needed data changes.

OR

SIGN IN (if you are already a registered user) Please review your family/member information and edit/add any pertinent information. You may also add family and/or individual photos.

Questions? Call Veganda in the church office.

Abuse Hotline Number

To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee call the Abuse Hotline Number 888-357-5330 or The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People 912-201-4073/4.

Catholic Pastoral Center 601 E. Liberty Street Savannah, GA 31401. Toll-free Hotline: (888) 357-5330 Fax: (912) 201-4101

www.diosav.org/chilyouthprotection.

To report abuse locally, contact the Houston County Department of Family and Children Services at: 478-988-7600.

<http://dfcs.dhs.georgia.gov/houston-county-dfcs-office>.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church is available for purchase at St. Patrick. It covers the essential aspects of our Catholic Faith in a "question and answer" format (used previously in the Baltimore Catechism). The book is available for \$5. To purchase a copy see Fr. Eric, Deacon Jim, (or in office) Veganda, or Lyn.

Updates and Information

Please call 478-987-4213 and let the church office know: of any changes in your email, phone, address, or military status, if you have moved or joined another parish, if you are homebound or in a nursing home and would like to receive Holy Communion, if you need to be added to our church prayer list or our military prayer list, or if a parishioner is in the hospital.

St. Patrick Catholic Church Sacramental Policies

Baptism

- * Parents must be registered at St. Patrick and attend Mass for **3 months** before preparation.
- * Parents must attend a Baptism Prep Class (2nd Sunday of each month at 11:45 a.m. - depending on Deacon Jim's schedule.
- * **Call office to register for class!**
- * Godparents are invited to attend.
- * Ensure at least one Godparent is Catholic.
- * Out of town Godparents must provide a letter from their pastor as to their suitability to exercise this office.

Marriage – Couples must:

- * Contact the pastor at least 6 months prior (preferably more) to desired wedding date.
- * Complete FOCCUS inventory
- * Participate in a pre-Cana course or marriage-prep weekend.
- * **NO** wedding date is guaranteed until **ALL** Diocesan and Parish requirements are fulfilled.

First Communion and Confirmation

- * Family must be registered at St. Patrick.
- * Preparation – two years of classes.
- * Children must be at least **7 years old** to receive First Communion **and** at least **13 years old** for Confirmation.

We welcome all visitors to our church. We are glad you are here worshipping with us. If you are attending Mass at St. Patrick Catholic Church on a regular basis, please consider making us your home church. Registration forms are in the Narthex under the office box.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			30	31	1 SEPTEMBER	2
			10 a.m. Daily Mass 5:30 p.m. Children's choir 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. R. E. (K — 5 th) 6:30 p.m. Fr. Eric's Bible Study	10 a.m. Communion Service 7:30 p.m. Cursillo (Library)		4 p.m. Confessions 5 p.m. Mass
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10:30 a.m. Mass 3 p.m. WHIM <u>NO</u> R. E.!!! 5 p.m. Mass <u>NO</u> LifeTeen!!!	NO Daily Mass NO Communion Service <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; color: blue;">Labor Day</div> OFFICE CLOSED	10 a.m. Communion Service 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Financial Peace (SKH)	10 a.m. Communion Service 5:30 p.m. Children's choir 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. R. E. (K — 5 th) <u>NO</u> Fr. Eric Bible Study 6:30 p.m. RCIA (Cry Room)	10 a.m. Communion Service 6 p.m. Mom's group Bible Study (R. E. Office) NO childcare 6 p.m. Social (K of C and Lds. Aux.) 6:30 p.m. Adult choir practice 7 p.m. K of C meeting (SKH) 7 p.m. Lds. Aux. meeting (SKH) 7:30 p.m. Cursillo (Library)	9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Mom's group Bible Study (childcare provided) 6:30 p.m. K of C Patriot Day Prayer Service (no cost to attend Prayer Service) followed by a sit-down chicken Dinner (TC) \$10 Adult and \$5 Kids OFFICE CLOSED	<i>Second Collection for Building Fund Debt</i> 4 p.m. Confessions 5 p.m. Mass
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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