

St. Patrick's Community News

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13-19, 2026

TODAY! Children's Chapel is back as Godly Play: Come Wonder, Grow, and Serve

Children's Formation returns! We are excited to welcome our school-aged Kindergarten to 5th Grade children back to Godly Play **during the 9:30 AM service**. Through storytelling, reflection, and wonder, children will explore scripture, worship, and their faith in a joyful and meaningful way. Use the QR to register your children for Godly Play! Do you have a heart for children and a desire to help them grow in faith? We invite you to join our Godly Play ministry as a teacher or volunteer! Contact Jessica Randolph or Rev. Stefi with questions.



TODAY! Youth Group Kickoff Cookout

5:00 - 7:00 pm on the patio and in the 'backyard'. All Youth 6th - 12th grades are welcome and encouraged to attend. We will reconnect after summer activities and see what is in store this year. Food, Fun and Fellowship! Questions, contact Rev. Stefi or Tawnya Lewis.

Youth Group September Schedule: Sept 13th - Kickoff

Sept 20th - Formation (Confirmation and MS)

Sept 27th - Service: Garage Sale Prep and Bake Sale Baking

No Noon Eucharist this Wednesday, September 16th

Father Jason and Reverend Stefi will gather with Bishop White, and the clergy of our diocese, for a day of conversation, prayer, and retreat together as a community at Procter Center. Please be in prayer for them.

This Thursday: Friends of the Homeless

The FoH Team will be preparing, delivering, and serving a hot meal to the men at the Friends of the Homeless facility on E. Main Street this Thursday, Sept. 17th. **If you would like to donate soft fruit for the meal, please drop it off in the church kitchen no later than 4:00 pm on Thursday.** Your help is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or would like to help in the preparation, please see Rick Sicker.

THIS FRIDAY! LGBTQIA+ Welcome & Belonging Dinner, September 18 at 6:00 PM

All are warmly welcome to join us for an evening of food, fellowship, conversation, and belonging as we celebrate and strengthen our LGBTQIA+ community at St. Pat's. We'll begin with dinner, so please bring a side dish to share if you are able. Come as you are, bring a friend, and help us create a community where everyone knows they are welcomed, valued, and loved! Please RSVP at associate@pats-dublin.org. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Stefi Baiju or Kelly Lehman.

Season of Creation: Adult Forum - begins next Sunday!

Join us for a three-week **Season of Creation** series **Sundays, September 20, 27 and October 4 at 11:00 a.m.** in the **EfM Room**. Based on *Earthbound: God at the Intersection of Climate and Justice* by Grace Ji-Sun Kim, we will explore how our faith calls us to care for creation and pursue climate justice.

- Sept. 20: Interconnectedness with Creation
- Sept. 27: Climate Justice: When Creation Suffers, Humanity Suffers
- Oct. 4: A Dynamic God, Faithful Action, and Living with Hope

Facilitators: Fr. Jason, Rev. Stefi, the Rev. Dr. Baiju Markose, Randy Edwards, and Kim Nelson. We encourage you to attend all three sessions as we learn, reflect, and grow together. To register, use the QR code. For more information contact Kim Nelson or Rev. Stefi.



Grief Share

Come experience this time of love, support and understanding with those who are also journeying the way of grief. Join us in person or via zoom, **Monday, September 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library**. If you wish to join us via zoom, please contact the Parish Office for the link. Grief Share leaders: Becky Stains and Angel Cinco

New to St. Pat's? You're Invited!

If you are new to St. Pat's and would like to learn more about our church and the Episcopal tradition, we would love to welcome you. **Join us for our Newcomer Session on Sunday, September 27**, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. Come with your questions, meet others, and discover more about our community and faith. We look forward to getting to know you and welcoming you to St. Pat's!

Bake Sale goods needed!

We are looking for donations of baked goods to sell during the garage sale again this fall. Please plan to drop off donated items at the office conference table **by Noon on Thursday, October 1st**. We will package items for sale that afternoon. Best sellers from last sale: sweet scones, cookies, brownies, and muffins. If you have any questions, please reach out to Amy O'Neill or John Mascazine (info in Realm).

Spiritual Direction

Looking for a small group? Spiritual Direction meets **via zoom every Wednesday at 10:15 a.m.** We have started our new book: *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi. You are welcome to join at any time. Contact Tawnya Lewis or the church office to receive the zoom link.

Ringling & Singing at St. Patrick's!

The handbells and choir have resumed weekly rehearsals. Would you like to join us and get a jump on what's happening with music at St. Patrick's? No special training is required, just a desire to work together to learn and share special music, of all kinds, composed especially for worship. The **Handbell Choir meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. The **Adult Choir meets Thursdays at 7:30** in the Sanctuary.

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Women of St. Patrick's

On **Saturday, October 24**, women of St. Patrick's are invited to step out of the noise of daily life and into a day of quiet, community, and prayer. "Listening for God: A Women's Retreat in the Spirit of St. Benedict" led by the Rev. Cameron O'Riley will be held in **Smith Parish Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**, and every woman in our parish — and beyond — is welcome, whatever her season of life. Drawing on the wisdom of St. Benedict and the book *The Little Monk and the Significance of Silence* (no prior reading required), the day will include teaching, small-group discussion, guided silence, and lunch. Cost is \$15 or pay what you can — no one will be turned away for lack of funds. See Deby McGinnis with questions. Registration via Realm.

US Flag Retirement

Scout Troop 299 will be retiring US flags at their regular Tuesday meeting on September 22nd. If you have an older United States Flag and would like for the boys to retire it properly, please put it in the collection bin near the Troop 299 table in **Smith Parish Hall before September 22nd**.

Retreat in Daily Life: The 19th Annotation of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola Applications are open for the **September 2026-May 2027**. For over four hundred and fifty years the Spiritual Exercises have served as a model for spiritual growth, moving people towards a deeper relationship with Jesus. It is intended to open the retreatant to the lively and life-giving experience of God's tremendous love. The Retreat in Daily Life will have weekly individual spiritual direction sessions for about thirty-two weeks, and daily prayers, readings, and journaling practices. Please contact Kim Nelson through Realm or after services if you are interested. Kim is a certified spiritual director and holds an MA in Christian Spirituality through Creighton University, with specific training and experience in giving the Exercises.

Analog Conversion Services

Parishioner Peter O'Neill has offered to convert your VHS tapes and picture slides to digital copies you can download and easily share. Peter is suggesting a \$20 donation to the Fall Garage sale for each tape and/or batch of 100 slides. Either work with Peter directly or bring your tapes and slides to the church office in a clearly labeled bag or box and Lucas will get them to Peter.

If you have a brief, parish-related announcement for inclusion in the Community News, please send it via email to Lucas Weiss (administrator@pats-dublin.org) by **end of day Monday**. All announcements are subject to editing for content and length.

This Week at St. Patrick's

Sunday, September 13th

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
9:30 AM Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
Godly Play (Godly Play Room & Smith Parish Hall)
10:45 AM Coffee Hour (Smith Parish Hall)
Kona Ice Truck (Parking Lot)
4:00 PM Connections Worship (Smith Parish Hall)
5:00 PM Youth Group Cook-Out (Patio/Backyard)

Monday, September 14th

6:00 PM AA (Smith Parish Hall)

Tuesday, September 15th

7:00 AM Men's Group (Conference Room)
1:00 PM Sacred Circle 3 (Library)
5:00 PM Yoga (Smith Parish Hall)
7:00 PM Scouts (Smith Parish Hall)

Wednesday, September 16th

NO NOON EUCHARIST

10:00 AM St. Arbuck's (Starbuck's - Giant Eagle)
10:00 AM Men's Group (Starbuck's - Giant Eagle)
10:15 AM Spiritual Direction (via Zoom)
6:30 PM Social Justice Team (Conference Room)

Thursday, September 17th

10:00 AM Later in the Day Saints (via Zoom)
10:00 AM Purls of Wisdom (Library)
3:30 PM Friends of the Homeless Prep. (Kitchen)
6:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Friday, September 18th

6:30 PM LGBTQIA+ Welcome & Belonging Dinner
(Smith Parish Hall)

Birthdays this Week

13 Ross Righter
15 Michelle Pittsenbarger
16 Jackie Jordan
16 Ellie Randolph
18 Chad Dunham
19 Becci Shields

Anniversary this Week

13 Amy & Peter O'Neill

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