

St. Patrick's Community News

WEEK OF AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 5, 2026

St. Pat's Annual Ministry Fair - *TODAY!*

Join us in Smith Parish Hall, **this morning after both services**, as we showcase all our ministry and small group offerings at St. Patrick's! Plan to stay after the 9:30AM Service for Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and all the fixins! Try your brain at trivia and maybe even win a prize! Come and learn more about St. Patrick's!

Banner Blessing this Sunday

The Ordinary Time quilted Sanctuary banners will be blessed during worship. Many thanks for the donated fabric and willing hands that made these banners possible. Over thirty parishioners participated in this cooperative project that will beautify our sanctuary for years to come. This project was part of the renewal of the 25th Anniversary of the St. Patrick's sanctuary. Please join us in celebration and thanksgiving.

Men of St. Patrick's! Please join us for **breakfast this Tuesday, September 1st at 7 am at First Watch** on Perimeter/Avery Roads. We gather in friendship and have a great meal. For those of you who are working, we are out of the restaurant no later than 8 am. If you questions, please call Ed Yuhas at 636-346-8150.

Way of Love Dinners

We're back! Starting **Wednesday, September 2nd**, we will meet in Smith Parish Hall on the first Wednesday of each month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Our theme this year is "The Prophetic Imagination: Hearing God's Voice Then and Now." All are invited to join us for dinner, a short presentation, and great table conversation about the prophets! In September, we will begin with the question, "Why do we need prophets?" If you would like to bring a side dish or a dessert, it is always welcome. Registration is not necessary. Please contact Rev. Stefi or Kim Nelson for more information. We look forward to seeing you there!

Women's Retreat | September 3-5 | Procter Conference Center

What if the grass really is holy ground? Come away for a weekend of rest, renewal, laughter, and deeper connection at Touch Grass, Holy Ground: Connecting to Spirit, Community, Nature & Self. Together, we'll step away from the busy, breathe deeply, reconnect with God and creation, and rediscover the sacred in ourselves and one another. Come as you are. Leave refreshed, grounded, and renewed.

Scan the QR code for more information or contact Deby McGinnis with questions.



Ringling & Singing: We got a head start!

The official St. Patrick's Program Year begins September 13, but the handbells and choir will already have begun their "New Years" by then. 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. **Starting this week (9/2), the Handbell Choir meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. **The Adult Choir meets Thursdays at 7:30** in the basement choir room.

Spiritual Direction

Looking for a small group? Spiritual Direction meets via zoom. We will resume **meeting every Wednesday starting September 2 at 10:15 a.m.** with a summer catch-up discussion. We start our next book on Sept. 9th, Theo of Golden by Allen Levi. Contact Tawnya Lewis or the church office to receive the zoom link.

Kairos Cookies

Dick Gehman is serving on a Kairos Team at North Central Correctional Center from Sep 17-20. As usual we will provide home baked Cookies to all residents to show that those inside are not forgotten. We prefer chocolate chip but all cookies are welcome. Please put 2 dozen in 1 gallon ziplock bags and bring them to the church anytime **before Tuesday morning Sep 8**. If you are able to be part of a prayer vigil during the retreat, e-mail Dick at rwgehman@gmail.com or text him 614-971-6108, and let him know the day/time you will pray.

Children's Chapel is back as Godly Play on September 13! 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.



Youth Group Kickoff Cookout

September 13th 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 Ms. Tawnya.

Youth Group September Schedule: Sept 13th - Kickoff

Sept 20th - Formation (Confirmation and MS)

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

Sacred Circle 1 meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the St. Pat's library. Our first gathering of the year will be on **September 8**. We will be discussing where we find God in the book Theo of Golden. Please join us even if you haven't read the book. Discussions will start with the book, but lead to where we find God in our lives. If you have any questions, please contact Val Pittsenbarger or Julie Righter.

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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

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.

Parish Office Volunteer Opportunity

To learn more, contact Lucas in the Parish Office at 614-766-2664 or administrator@pats-dublin.org.

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.

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This Week at St. Patrick's

Sunday, August 30th

- 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 AM Ministry Fair (Smith Parish Hall)
- 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Online)
- 10:45 AM Ministry Fair (Smith Parish Hall)

Monday, August 31st

- 6:00 PM AA Meeting (Smith Parish Hall)

Tuesday, September 1st

- 7:00 AM Men's Group (First Watch on Perimeter)
- 1:00 PM Newcomers Team (Library)
- 5:00 PM Yoga (Smith Parish Hall)
- 7:00 PM Scouts (Smith Parish Hall)

Wednesday, September 2nd

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Parish Office)
- 10:00 AM St. Arbut's (Starbuck's - Giant Eagle Perimeter)
- 10:00 AM Men's Group (Starbuck's - Giant Eagle Perimeter)
- 12:00 PM Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
- 12:30 PM Chicken Salad for the Soul (Smith Parish Hall)
- 6:30 PM Way of Love: A Dinner Series (Smith Parish Hall)

Thursday, September 3rd

- 10:00 AM Later in the Day Saints (via Zoom)
- 10:00 AM Purls of Wisdom (Library)
- 6:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room in the Basement)

Saturday, September 5th

- Itty/Garmen Wedding (Sanctuary)

Birthdays this Week

- Rita Bowers
- Jim Bratton
- Amani Carew
- Laurah Carlson
- Leif Carlson
- Matt Lewis
- Blair McGinnis
- Marc Smith
- Mark Usselman
- Helena von Sadowszky

Anniversaries this Week

- Bob & Glenna Butler
- David & Elisha Cofer
- Kim & Nick Machesky
- Jan & Tim Redman

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