

SAINT
PATRICK
CHURCH
MOMENCE

FALL

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 9TH
4:00 MASS
5:00 COOKOUT
FENDER BENDERS
OLD TIME ROCK
ALL PROCEEDS
BENEFIT
SCHOOL GYM

FESTIVAL

DEAR ST. PATRICK ALUMNI:

Unfortunately this year, situations beyond our control caused us to *cancel* the St. Patrick's Golf Outing for 2021. The purpose of this Golf Outing was to help renovate the Gymnasium at St. Patrick's Academy, which is in desperate need of upgrades. In speaking to former mayor of Momence (Mick Porter), he highlighted the need for parking space around the gymnasium. Bathroom facilities in the gym are poor, at best - one needs to climb a set of stairs to use locker room bathrooms, which are difficult to use for those with physical impairments. There are no kitchen facilities in the gymnasium. The floor of the gymnasium needs to be addressed, as well as heating and (Lord knows if we ever were able to do it) air conditioning needs for the parish and community.

Just as importantly, we came to realize some time ago that this building serves as the *only* Community Center for the city of Momence, outside of the facilities at our local schools. Some time back, a nineteen year old resident of Momence died of a tragic auto accident. The family was not Catholic; the family was grieving. No other building in the city could accommodate the number of city residents were mourned the loss of their loved one. Thanks to the combined efforts of the St. Patrick faithful, we opened the doors to the Academy Gymnasium to this family and community as a symbol of hospitality that the Church is supposed to provide for those in need (see Matthew 25).

With this in mind, we would like to hold a type of **FALL FESTIVAL AT ST. PATRICK'S ON OCTOBER 9, 2021**. Weather permitting, we will celebrate a 4:00 p.m. outdoor Mass at the parish in the Parish Grotto. We had not used the grotto for quite a long time prior to my arrival at the parish; because of parishioner requests and COVID restrictions, we seem to be using the grotto on a weekly basis at the parish! Following the Mass, the parish's Knights of Columbus will offer a cookout for the community. Greg's Fender Benders will provide old time rock music as entertainment at 7:00 p.m. In my last association with the Fender Benders, Greg Buccarelli made me don an Elvis wig and sing 50s tunes, eventually passing the wig to collect funds for the last gymnasium under my care that needed renovation.

If you can help us spread the word and invite or alumni to join us at their "home" (*your* "home"), please invite both them and yourselves to this Fall Event at the parish. Thanks, as always for your support of the parish!

Fm. Peth





IT'S ALL ABOUT OUR FUTURE

AT ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH!

For over 100 years, the faithful of St. Patrick's Church have dedicated themselves to serving the folks of our community in God's name. We ask you to consider the ways listed below that can help our parish. If you would like to discuss how **ESTATE PLANNING** can be used to make a gift to the parish, please contact us at ☎ (815) 472-2864.

- ♣ **BEQUESTS** - Through your will you can bequeath to St. Patrick's a fixed amount, a percentage of your estate or the remainder after other choices have been made. Example language might be: "To St. Patrick's Church of Mokence, I leave the sum of \$XXX to be used at the discretion of the recipient." Any bequest to St. Patrick's you make will reduce the size of your estate and could reduce the estate taxes that may be due.
- ♣ **LIFE INSURANCE** - By naming St. Patrick's as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy your premiums may be tax deductible and it will help ensure the future of St. Patrick's Church.
- ♣ **TAX DEFERRED SAVINGS PLAN** - Money in an IRA or other similar plan is subject to income tax when withdrawn. If left in your estate, they may be subject to estate taxes. If you make St. Patrick's the remainder beneficiary, neither of those taxes may be paid.
- ♣ A variety of **CHARITABLE TRUSTS & ANNUITIES** - There are a variety of giving options that can provide you or future generations' income, rights to property or assets with tax savings and generous support to St. Patrick's.



ST. PATRICK'S PEW & CHURCH DEDICATION PROGRAM

The concept for our dedication program is simple - we are offering the opportunity to remember a loved one in a memorial dedicated for one of our church or chapel pews (\$2,500).

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WISHES TO NAME ONE OF OUR FOUR BUILDINGS ON THE PROPERTY (\$1 MILLION EACH), ST. PATRICK'S RIDES HERSELF OF HER DEBT AND PAVES THE WAY TO SERVE THE KANKAKEE BORDERTOWN CITIES FOR GENERATIONS TO COME!!!

If you are interested in learning more about the dedication program, contact the parish office at phone ☎ (815) 472-2864 or email us at the address pjankowski@yahoo.com.

PEWS CURRENTLY HAVE BEEN DEDICATED TO THE FOLLOWING

Anne & John Andruch Sr.
Roland & Eileen
Blanchette
Edwin & Darlene Bull
Earl & Edna Clark
Antonio & Adrienne
Gallinaro

Christopher Green
Kathryn Green
Don, Maria & Zaira
Jankowski
Zaira Jankowski
Eldon & Lorraine Marcotte
Jack & Peggy Noonan

Check out the NEW St. Patrick's Website!

We now have a three parish website at www.stpatrickmokence.org (which also serves St. Anne's Church) find out what is happening at the parish, read Fr. Pete's homilies and much more! Fr. Pete's educational materials (from his television show to classroom lessons) are also accessible from the parish website.