The Roman Catholic Parishes of St. Ann, Lenox, MA and St. Patrick, West Stockbridge, MA



7th Sunday

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." - Lk 6:36



Saturday	Feb.	23	4:00 p.m.	Don Bilyeu, req. by his family
Sunday	Feb.	24	9:45 a.m.	Mary Jane Pignatelli, req. by Nora O'Brien and family
			11:15 a.m.	Peggy Mahoney, req. by Sue Kennedy
Monday	Feb.	25	7:00 a.m.	The People of St. Ann, St. Patrick & St. Vincent de Paul parishes
Tuesday	Feb.	26	7:00 a.m.	Chuck and Lou Omelenchuck. req. by the parish of St. Ann
Wednesday	Feb.	27	7:00 a.m.	Helen and George Champoux, req. by the parish of St. Ann
Thursday	Feb.	28	7:00 a.m.	Shirley and Bill Vincelette, req. by the parish of St. Ann
Friday	Mar.	1	7:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday	Mar.	2	4:00 p.m.	Mike Fitzherbert, req. by Leo & Pam Scarsi
			5:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Church — Jack & Alice Stringer
Sunday	Mar.	3	8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Church — Maria Angelini
			9:45 a.m.	Charles J. Driscoll, req. by Nora O'Brien
			11:15 a.m.	Margaret Mahoney, req. by Gary & Mary Shipp

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE "Month of May Collection" Summary

AS OF JANUARY 2019

"LAST MONTH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:" \$ 16,225

JANUARY WESHARE: \$ 7,237

JAN. TOTALS: WEEKLY COLLECTIONS: \$ 23,462

AMOUNT NEEDED FOR MONTH OF JAN. \$ 21,667

TOTAL OVER BUDGET \$ 1,795

AMOUNT NEEDED JULY-JAN. \$ 151,667

AMOUNT RECEIVED: \$ 169,642

Pease consider using WeShare for your contributions https://stannlenox.churchgiving.com

Weekly Envelopes:

This Weekend: Regular Weekly
Next Weekend: Regular Weekly/Grounds

OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE
BURNS FOR
GEORGE HAMILTON

Sexual Abuse Hotline 1-800-842-9055

Please pray for the sick.

Religious Education Corner

Grades K-4: Classes is held during the 9:45 am Mass on Sundays. **Next class will be Sun. March 3rd.**

Grades 5-8: Religious Education Classes for grades 5-8 are held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Family Center. Next class will be the first Sunday in Lent, March 10, 2019.

Grades 9 & 10: Confirmation Group: 6-7:30 p.m. Next class will be the first Sunday in Lent, March 10, 2019.

The Spaghetti Supper Concert"

Join us on Friday, March 1st, at St. Ann's Church for a *Spaghetti Supper Concert* to benefit their Music Department and raise funds needed to purchase authentic Handbells for the choir.

The evening will begin at 6 p.m., with a concert in the church presented by the St Ann Youth Ensemble, to include popular Italian songs, Standards, Inspirational and Sacred songs. Following at 7 p.m., there will be a Spaghetti & Meatball Supper in the Parish Center. Tickets to the dinner will be sold on a limited bases.

Ticket prices are \$10 for the concert only or \$15 for the concert and supper. Additional donations are welcome to defray the cost of the dinner and Handbells. Tickets will be sold at weekend Masses and during the week at the rectory office. Get yours early!

		LECTORS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
WEEKENI	OF FEBRUARY	23 & 24		
Saturday	4 p.m.	N. Roche	M. Moran, P. Scarsi	Volunteer Needed
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	B. Corby	P. Archey, N. Armstrong	E. Saupé
	11:15 a.m.	J. Coxon	L. Loring, D. Zola	Volunteer needed
WEEKENI	OF MARCH 2	& 3		
Saturday	4 p.m.	L. Decorie	M. Tremblay, B. Bilyeu	M. & T. Leger
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	J. Hopper	J. Lane, K. MacKenzie	I. & J. Cooney
	11:15 a.m.	J. Healy	A. & M. Antil	Volunteer needed

COFFEE HOUR TEAMS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Mar. 3 Team #1 Captain: Carol Kirby & Millie Kirby Bakers: Tracy Reis, Sarah Williams, & Gina Kirchner.

Mar. 10 Team #2 Captain: Francine Shelhamer & Jeffrey Kane.

Bakers: Vicky May, Anne Sarkis, Michelle Colvin & Christine Manarchik

PARENTS—WE NEED YOUR HELP — If you have a child that is in grade three or higher, we are looking for new altar servers to serve at any of the three Masses.

If your child has ever thought they'd like to help Msgr. John on the Altar every once in a while, please speak to him before or after Mass, or call the church office, 637-0157. We are down to only 6 servers and as they get older and go off to college, we soon will have no more Altar Servers to replace them. This is a very serious problem in our parish.

The Berkshire County Irish American Organization Presents: Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration

On Saturday, Mar. 16, join us at the Elks Club on Union St., Pittsfield, for a corned beef dinner and live entertainment to celebration St. Patrick Day. Doors will open at 5:30. Cost is \$25 per person for a complete Corned Beef dinner with Hors D'oeuvres. The entertainment will include The Breffny Irish Dancers At Terpsichore and feature Cam Collins and Melissa Brinton, Irish Ballads and Folk Music. And Mary Brinton on bagpipes.

The 2019 Berkshire County Irish American of the Year, Robert Tucker, will be honored.

<u>Contact Kevin Cahill</u> for more information or reservations: 413.770.7512. The Berkshire County Irish American Organization is celebrating their 58th year.

HELP WANTED - BOOKKEEPER

St. Ann's would like to find a parishioner volunteer to help with bookkeeping in the Church office approximately 1 day per week. Some accounting or bookkeeping experience desired. Flexible schedule. If interested, please contact Sean Wilson at 413-232-7903.

A Pilgrimage to Greece, Patmos, Ephesus Oct. 11-21, 2019

Join us on a spiritual journey to many towns of the New Testament where St. Paul first spread the Good News. Also visit Patmos where St. John wrote Revelations and Mary's House in Ephesus. Included is a three-day cruise to the Greek Isles. Fr. Timothy Campoli of Blessed Sacrament Church and Msgr. Ronald Yargeau are our Spiritual Directors. Daily Mass will take place. The cost is \$4,199.

A bus to Logan will be arranged if there is interest. For a flyer and more information, please contact Helen S h e a Murphy at 413-824-8733 or helensheamurphy@verizon.net. View the website at www.pilgrimages.com/helensheamurphy.

Easter this year is April 21st. We are looking for a family or group of families to organize an Easter Egg Hunt for that morning, following the 9:45 a.m. Mass. If you can help, please call the Rectory at 637-0157 and Deb Kuni will fill you in.

St. Ann's is collecting used eyeglasses to donate to the **Lions Club**. There is a container in the church so that if you have eye glasses that you don't use any longer, and would like to, you may bring them to church and donate them to this wonderful cause. We will make sure to get them to the Lions Club. Thank you!

Saint Patrick Church

West Stockbridge, MA

Mass Intention for Feb. 24, 2019 John J. Aldrich

LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER
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WEEKEND OF FEB. 24

8:30 a.m.

J. Biggs

B. Biggs, V. D'Aniello

L. O'Gara

WEEKEND OF MAR. 3

8:30 a.m.

K. Davis

L. Fields, V. D'Aniello

L. O'Gara

ST. PATRICK STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Collection on Feb. 17, 2019

Weekly \$ 846.44 **Total** \$ 846.00

Thank you for your continued support!

WEEKLY ENVELOPES:

THIS WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Bldg

Maintenance

NEXT WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Fuel/

Cemetery

OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS FOR

VICTOR A. D'ANIELLO

St. Patrick's email:

stpatricksws@verizon.net

UPCOMING EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CENTER

SUN. FEB. 24: Coffee Hour following Mass

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Coffee Hour- Please join us today in the parish center after the 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning Mass, for a variety of light breakfast snacks as well as coffee, tea, etc. All are welcome!

Flu Season— With flu season here, we thought it timely to remind you that when you are sick with a cold or the flu, it is perfectly acceptable to skip Mass until you are feeling better. You may also refrain from offering the sign of peace to your pew neighbors, offering a friendly smile, nod or wave instead.

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FEBRUARY MEETINGS & EVENTS

(All events held in St. Ann's Family Center unless otherwise noted)

- **BIBLE STUDY—THE GOSPEL OF JOHN:** Thu., Feb. 28th, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- **GAME DAY:** Wed., Feb. 27th, 1 p.m.
- SHAWL MINISTRY: Thu., March 7th, 1:30 p.m. United Methodist Church
- St. Ann's Walking Group: Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m.
- **ROSARY:** Tuesdays at 1 p.m.
- EXERCISE CLASS: Fridays from 9 to 10 a.m. (except the first Friday of the month)
- **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS:** 1st Sunday of the month between the 9:45 & 11:15 Masses.

Short Excerpts

Taken from Pope Francis Speaks to Families Words of Joy and Life

Rules for the Journey: "Thank You"

Thank you. "It seems so easy to say these words, but we know that it is not. But it is important! We teach it to children, but then we ourselves forget it! Gratitude is an important sentiment! . . . An old woman once said to me in Buenos Aires, "Gratitude is a flower that grows on a noble ground." Nobility of soul is necessary so that this flower might grow.

Do you remember the Gospel of Luke? Jesus heals ten lepers and then only one returns to say thank you to Jesus. The Lord says "And the other nine, where are they?" (cf. Luke 17:11-19). This also holds true for us: do we know how to give thanks? In your relationship, and tomorrow in married life, it is important to keep alive the awareness that the other person is a gift from God - and for the gifts of God we say thank you, we must always give thanks for them. And in this interior attitude one says "thank you" to the other for everything. It is not a kind word to use with strangers, to show you are polite. You need to know how to say thank you in order to go forward in a good way together in married life.

This excerpt was taken from the book, "Pope Francis Speaks to Families Words of Joy and Life" by the Word Among Us.

Gluten Free hosts are available to those who cannot receive hosts with gluten. Please take communion in the line with Msgr. John and tell him you need the gluten-free host as you approach him for communion.

A Note From The Pastor . . .

It is said that experience is the best teacher. Thank you for your kindness and understanding—and suggestions-when my back went out a month or so ago. It was a new experience for me. So, may I in return give you a little advice? If your knees or back are bothering you, please know that you are not obligated to kneel or stand for those parts of the Mass that we usually stand or kneel for. Even if sitting is painful, bring a cushion or even feel free to stand up and move around. Please listen to your body. I now know firsthand! It is hard to pray when your body is hurting.

While I am on the subject of prayer: It is a great joy to have small children and infants with us at Mass. Nothing says new life better than a child! If yours becomes fussy, please feel free to let them roam around you. And if you get them settled, you shouldn't feel obligated to disturb them by standing or kneeling every time. We are all family in Christ and we can take care of each other.

St. Peter Women's Guild, Great Barrington, is sponsoring a 3-day trip to Lancaster, PA., April 2-4, 2019. This once-in-a-lifetime trip with a performance of Jesus, at the Sight and Sound Theatre, is included, along with Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre. Also, included is a dinner in an Amish Home, a visit to Kitchen Kettle Village, guided tour of Amish Farmlands, Chalk Talk with Artist Elva Hurst and much more.

The cost is \$440 p/p, double occupancy. For more information or for a registration form, please call Fr. William P. Murphy at 413-274-3443.

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. St. Ann's, Lenox

Saturday 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul, Lenox Dale

Sunday 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick's, West Stockbridge

Sunday 9:45 a.m. St. Ann's, Lenox

Sunday 11:15 a.m. St. Ann's, Lenox

Holy Day:

Holy Day: Vigil, 5:30 p.m. St. Patrick's

Holy Day, 7 a.m. St Ann's, 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul

Sacrament of Reconciliation: every Saturday 3 to 3:30

p.m. at St. Ann Church

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the rectory of your choice to

register.

Sacrament of Marriage: We welcome the opportunity to

prepare and celebrate with couples the Sacrament of

Marriage. Please call either rectory office at least 8 months

before the wedding date. Web site: stannlenox.org

E-mail: stannlenox@verizon.net

E-mail: stpatricksws@verizon.net

E-mail: stvincentlenoxdale@gmail.com

Pastoral Directory

Msgr. John J. Bonzagni, Pastor

Deacon Dan Romanello

Deacon John Zick

Mrs. Deborah Kuni, Administrative Assistant (St. Ann)

Mrs. Margot Towl, Administrative Assistant (St. Patrick)

Mr. Ron Ramsay, Director of Music Programs (St. Ann)

Mr. Art DeVylder, Director of Music (St. Patrick)

Deacon John Zick - DRE (St Patrick) (413) 232-0137

Mrs. Joan Hymanson - DRE (St. Ann) (413) 637-4027

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Daily Mass: Monday - Friday 7 a.m. in St. Ann Family

Center

KID'S CORNER

ON THE ROAD TO EASTER WORD SEARCH



Ach Wednesday Sacrifice

Almsgiving

Prayer

Fasting

Lent

Holy Week

Palm Branch

Holy Thursday Forty Days Good Friday Jesus

Holy Saturday Passover

Easter Palm Sunday

Foot Washing Resurrection

Purple

LOVA

