



Advent is a time of
Hopeful longing, Joyful expectation,
Prayerful penance and Spiritual
Preparation.

St. Patrick

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**REQUESTS
FOR
PRAYER**

Prayer Requests Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Diaconate Class 11, Reese Baird, Nancy Brown-Smith, Vida Freidlein, Mary Humer, Paula Ingram, Patty Kirby, Miss Barbara Kleiss, Frank Norton, Cathryn Pfeffer, Zoey Smith, Jay Warfel, Jeff Holt, Nancy Henry, Helen Birtcher, Katelyn Humer, Theresa O'Brien, Tammy Mayer, Ina Eckstein, Jo Church, Becky Benson, Freida Woodcock, Gerald Fiscus, Everett Krueger, Bryse Vanderwood, Joseph William Baird, John Henry Baird and requested prayer intentions.

Due to the early deadline for this bulletin, the Financial Corner will return in the December 5th bulletin. Thank you for your understanding.

**Mass
Schedule****Saturday, November 28th**

4:00pm/Frances McMahon

Wednesday, December 2nd

8:00 am/Barbara Glaser

Friday, December 4th

8:00am/Richard Lykins

Saturday, December 5th

4:00pm/Frances McMahon

Lord, rend the heavens and come down. Come and save us from our sins. Let us turn again to you and so be found blameless when you return in glory.



FIRST SUNDAY OF *Advent*

Confession Schedule

Saturdays 3:15-3:45 pm at Tolono

Wednesdays 7:15-7:45 am at Tolono

Fridays 7:15-7:45 am at Tolono

Any other time by appointment

**Father Fredi Office Hours**

Wednesdays 9:00 am to 10:00am

Fridays 9:00 am to 10:00 am Or by Appointment

*Please take note: Father Fredi's schedule changes frequently. If you have something of importance to discuss with him, it is best to make an appointment. You may contact him at gomezstor@yahoo.com.

**LITURGICAL
MINISTRIES****Saturday, November 28th at 4:00pm**

Lector: Jon Baker

Saturday, December 5th at 4:00pm

Lector: Brian Barnes



MASS INSIDE CHURCH

Mask are required upon entering the building and may only be removed when taking Communion. Social distancing will be required at all times. The COVID19 Team will be the only ushers and they will make sure social distance is followed. The team will be seating you in the pews. Families of the same household do not need to social distance. Entrance is ONLY on the East side non-handicapped door. If you are disabled and need to use the ramp to enter the Church, this will be permitted. Once you enter your pew, you may not exit during the Mass. Bathrooms will not be available. There will be no sign of peace. No collection will be taken during Mass. You may drop your envelopes/contributions in the basket on your way out. There will not be a Procession of the Gifts. Choir is not permitted at this time. There will be no Missals or songbooks in the pews. You may bring those with you as long as you take everything when you leave. If you prefer to sit in your vehicle to hear the Mass, please park on the North side of the building so your radio can pick up the transmission.

Communion will be as follows: Communion will not be taken during Mass. Communion will be offered once the Mass is over. Communion will only be offered in the hand. Please take all your belongings with you before exiting your pew. You will proceed to the front for Communion, then exit directly out the handicap accessible door that is on the East side of the Church near the Chapel. You must exit immediately. Visiting after the Mass is over inside the church is not permitted at this time. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Father Fredi or one of the Trustees. Please do not contact the Office Staff concerning COVID -19 matters. Thank you!

Holy Sacrament in Exposition

Father Fredi has set up the Tabernacle, with Mary and Mary's Candle on the West Side (Rectory Side) of the church in the Vestibule. Please feel free to stop and pray anytime. Please remember the social distancing rules if others are present. May God's blessings be upon you always.

Food Pantry Open

St. Patrick Food Pantry is still open on Mondays from 5-6:30pm and Fridays from 9-10:30 am.

Reminder

Please remember that the Blood of Christ will not be offered until further notice. Also, the Body of Christ will only be allowed to be placed in the hand. Thank you!



Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Eve Mass at St. Patrick is at 4:00 pm. Father, the Trustees, the COVID Team, and the Media Team are working together to determine what is best for Christmas Eve Mass. The parishioners who have faithfully attended Saturday evening Mass since we reopened will have first choice in attending Christmas Eve Mass over anyone else. We are still working out the details of what Christmas Eve Mass will look like for St. Patrick. Until then, if you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to Father or the Trustees. Thank you!

COVID Reminder

Please remember if you have come into direct contact with someone who has COVID, you may not attend Mass until the 14 day quarantine period has expired. We must all work together to keep each other healthy. Keep praying and God Bless!



St. Thomas More News

Employment Opportunities

The High School of St. Thomas More is seeking applicants for an Academic Success (Special Education) Teacher. Applications are being accepted for a Biology Teacher for the 2021-2022 academic school year. If interested email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org

App

Don't forget the High School of St. Thomas More's has an app for your smartphone! Download the app today.

Christmas Concert 2020!

Our STM Christmas Choir will be presenting Christmas songs on Friday, December 4th at 7:00 pm on STM Facebook and YouTube. You can watch us for free! We are ready to celebrate Christ's coming with our songs!



2020/2021 School Tuition Assessment

The following is what St. Patrick in Tolono owes for tuition for the 2020/2021 school year.

St. Thomas More High School: \$10,471.20

St. Thomas in Philo: \$4,500.00

Total School Tuition Owed: \$14,971.20

The tuition was discounted 10% for the 2020/2021 school year due to COVID. We will be paying weekly for both schools until the balance is gone. If you wish to donate to the Education Fund, you may use the envelope designated for this. If you do not have envelopes and would still like to donate, you may mark an envelope "Tuition Assistance" and drop it in the collection basket. Please ask Father or one of the Trustees if you have any questions about this matter.



Reminder

Please remember the Diocese of Peoria determines whether or not our Parish stays open during this time. Father and the Trustees must do as the Diocese states. The office staff has nothing to do with these decisions. If you have questions or concerns about anything please take them to Father and the Trustees.



Pro Life Activities

There are several different Pro-Life activities in our area. Please go to our website for more information www.stpatricktolono.com



St. Patrick Angel Tree

St. Patrick's Church has been approached by Unit 7 to assist in helping local families with the holidays. Do to the pandemic, there are more families in Unit 7 in need more than ever. St. Patrick will be doing an Angel Tree to help fulfill these needs. If you would like to help out a local family, please take a card from the tree and fulfill the items listed. Then return the card with the items to St. Patrick by December 12th. They will be delivered to the families on December 18th just in time for Christmas. If there are two cards attached, please take both cards. These are kids from the same family. Please remember if you fill the need to do more for one child in the family to do the same for the other. In this way, we ensure that each child of the same family is treated equally. St. Patrick's Angel Tree has different kids & families on it then the Hero Tree that the fire department does. We have worked with Unit 7 Administrators to make certain all families in Unit 7 needs are met. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

