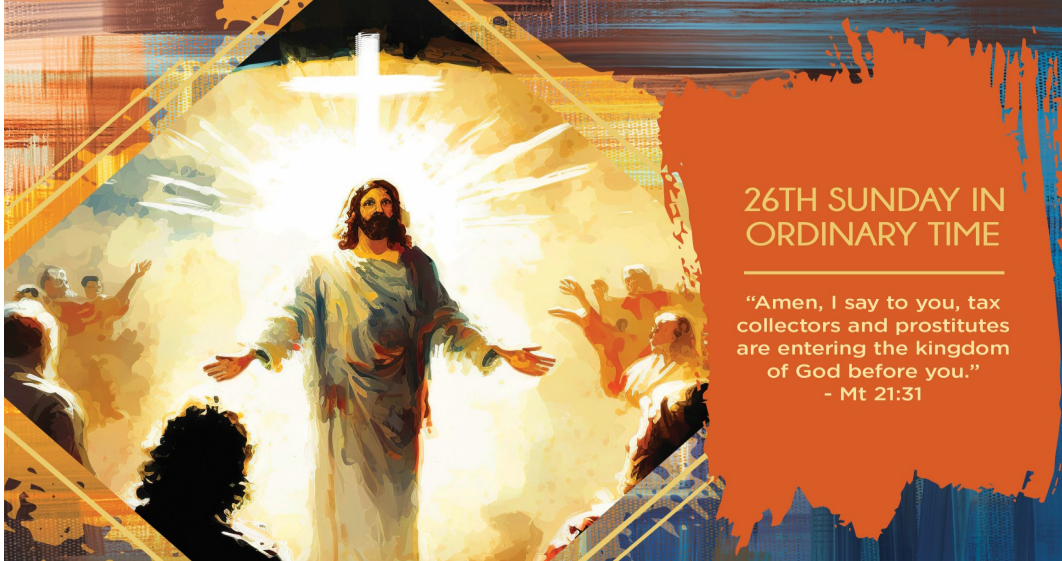


# Saint Patrick Roman Catholic Church

949 Liberty Street, Franklin, PA 16323  
Mailing Address: 952 Buffalo Street, Franklin, PA 16323



## 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, I say to you, tax  
collectors and prostitutes  
are entering the kingdom  
of God before you."  
- Mt 21:31

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 9:00 a.m.  
Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday, 9:00 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. Vigil  
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

### PARISH STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. James C. Campbell  
**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Richard O'Polka  
**Secretary:** Mrs. Michelle Stiglitz  
**Finance Secretary:** Mrs. Diana Boal  
**Liturgical Music:** Mrs. Chrystal Shelvey  
**Liturgical Music Associate:** Mrs. Pamela Kahle  
**Cemetery:** Mr. Ernest Axton

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
9:00 a.m. to Noon (closed on Fridays)  
**Address:** 952 Buffalo Street, Franklin, PA 16323  
**Telephone:** 814-437-5763  
**Email:** church@stpatrikfranklin.org

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 4:00 p.m.,  
Saturday after 9:00 a.m. Mass,  
Saturday 3:30 p.m., or by appointment

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** - This sacrament is administered to the aged, the sick, and the dying. Please contact the parish priest when a loved one is in need of this sacrament of healing. **Please notify the Parish Office if you or a member of your immediate family is hospitalized or confined to home.**

**Sacrament of Holy Matrimony** - Must notify the pastor six months in advance to begin marriage preparation and Pre-Cana.

**Sacrament of Baptism** - Appointments can be made to have children baptized on Sundays either during or after the celebration of Holy Mass.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** - Students and adults who are prepared through religious education or R.C.I.A. are eligible for Confirmation.

**Requirements for Baptism & Confirmation Sponsors** - **For Baptism:** Both sponsors MUST be baptized, only one sponsor needs to be a practicing catholic; There is a reasonable hope that the child will be raised in the PRACTICE of the faith, by either the parents example, or by someone else bringing the children to the sacraments regularly. **For Confirmation:** The sponsor must be baptized and confirmed; The sponsor must be a registered parishioner and attend mass regularly; If you have taken up residency elsewhere for six months or more, you must apply at a church there. This does not apply to college students.

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Saturday, September 26

- 8:00 a.m. **Holy Hour**  
9:00 a.m. **Bill Seigworth** (Deb Seigworth)  
3:30 p.m. **Confession**  
4:00 p.m. **Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet**  
4:30 p.m. **All Parishioners St. Patrick Parish**

### Sunday, September 27

- 7:00 a.m. **Holy Hour**  
8:00 a.m. **Sarah Gerwick** (Loving Family)  
10:30 a.m. **James Urda** (Helen Urda)

### Monday, September 28

- 8:00 a.m. **Holy Hour**  
9:00 a.m. **Fred Weaver** (Anonymous)

### Tuesday, September 29-Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

- 8:00 a.m. **Holy Hour**  
9:00 a.m. **Sister Felice** (Anonymous)

### Wednesday, September 30-Saint Jerome

- 4:00 p.m. **Holy Hour**  
5:00 p.m. **Steven Craig Fox** (Family)

### Thursday, October 1-Saint Therese of the Child Jesus

- 8:00 a.m. **Holy Hour**  
9:00 a.m. **In Honor of Deacon Richard O'Polka and Family** (Anonymous)

### Friday, October 2-Holy Guardian Angels

- 8:00 a.m. **Holy Hour**  
9:00 a.m. **Tim Haslett** (Angela Haslett)

### Saturday, October 3

- 8:00 a.m. **Holy Hour**  
9:00 a.m. **Joseph & Cecelia Maslak** (Family)  
3:30 p.m. **Confession**  
4:00 p.m. **Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet**  
4:30 p.m. **Teresa Curcio** (Dan & Maria Fiscus)

### Sunday, October 4

- 7:00 a.m. **Holy Hour**  
8:00 a.m. **All Parishioners St. Patrick Parish**  
10:30 a.m. **Don Kleck** (Theresa Nestor)

**Please keep in your prayers those from our parish family who will celebrate a birthday the week of: Sept. 27-Oct. 4**

- 9/27 Jack Blackhurst, Kaitlyn Justice, Ethan Nightingale  
9/28 No Birthdays to Celebrate  
9/29 Nancy Smith, Jim Yount, Ethan Ward  
9/30 Phyllis Umstead, Joyce Gramley, Rebecca Barnes  
Daniel Kleck  
10/1 Dan Drayer, Candace Schwabenbauer  
10/2 Michael Drewnowski, David McCandless,  
Andy Findlan, Hazel Moore  
10/3 Sharon Sumosky, Brian Crawford  
10/4 Candace Miller, Carrie Simons, Lenado Fleming,  
Joshua Melendez

### SCRIPTURE READINGS - Sunday, October 4th.

Isaiah 5: 1-7  
Philippians 4: 6-9      Matthew 21: 33-43

**Confession Times:** Fr. Campbell is available at 4:00 p.m. on **Wednesdays, Saturdays after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, and at 3:30 p.m.,** or call the parish office to schedule a time.

### Calendar of Events: September

- 26 Spaghetti Dinner, Following 4:30 p.m. Mass, Dion  
27 Faith Formation Classes, K-5, 9:00-10:15 a.m.  
27 Faith Formation Classes, Grades 6-9, noon—2:00 p.m.  
30 Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m., Cenedella

### October

- 1 Library Open, 10:00 a.m. to noon  
1 O.C.I.A. Class, 6:00 p.m., Library  
2 First Friday, 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration Begins  
2 Applefest Pancake Breakfast, 7:00-10:00 a.m., Dion  
4 Donut Sunday, following both morning Masses, Dion  
5 Caring Place Mass, 1:30 p.m.  
6 Lego Club, 6:00 p.m., Dion  
7 Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 p.m., Cenedella Hall

**Spaghetti Saturdays** will begin on Saturday, **September 26th!** Join us for dinner in Dion Auditorium following our 4:30 p.m. Mass. This meal will include spaghetti with meat or marinara sauce, bread and salad. Dessert tickets will be sold separately. All donations for the meal will benefit the Youth Group Pilgrimage to Italy. Our next "Spaghetti Saturday" will be held on October 24th.

**Faith Formation Classes 2026-2027:** Faith Formation classes for children in grades K-5 and Grades 6-9 will be held on Sunday, **September 27th.** with K-5 meeting from 9:00 to 10:15 a.m., and grades 6-9 from noon to 2:00 p.m.

**Choir Rehearsal** will be held on Wednesday, September 30th. and **October 7th.** at 6:30 p.m. in Cenedella Hall.

**Library Open:** Our library will be open on Thursday, **October 1st.,** from 10:00-noon. Come and sign out a few books to curl up with! The selection is truly amazing!

**O.C.I.A. Class** is scheduled for Thursday, **October 1st.** at 6:00 p.m. Class will be held in the library.

**First Friday 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration** will take place this Friday, **October 2nd.** after 9 a.m. Mass, until Benediction before 9:00 a.m. mass on Saturday, October 3rd. Adorers are to use the door that leads to the stairwell of the library. The doors will remain open until early evening. Once the doors are secured, adorers will need to ring a doorbell (it's actually a soft chime) to gain entry. An adoror already in Adoration will open the door for the next hour of adorers. Any necessary changes will be made for November Adoration. Thank you to all committed adorers!

**Applefest Pancake Breakfast** will be held in Dion Auditorium on Friday, **October 2nd.** Breakfast will be available from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m.

**Donut Sunday** will be held in Dion on Sunday, **October 4th.** following both morning Masses.

**Caring Place Mass** will be celebrated on Monday, **October 5th.** at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is always welcome!

**Lego Club** will meet on Tuesday, **October 6th.** from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Dion. Lego Club is for children ages 4+. We supply the Legos, bible stories and pizza/snacks!

Gift to St. Patrick Church Extraordinary Repairs by  
Gary & Karen Lynde

**St. Patrick Food Pantry News...**

Our next food distribution will be Saturday,  
**October 10th. from 8:45 a.m.—10:30 a.m.**

Team leaders will be  
Sue Keelan and Cindy Collins

St. Patrick Church is no longer able to distribute  
boxes to Seniors.

Seniors wishing to receive boxes must contact **Second Harvest** by calling Cindy Plymer @ 814-459-3663, Ext. 127.

Our Food Pantry is located at:  
The Knight's of Columbus Hall, 1436 Liberty St., Franklin  
**Thank you for your support of this important ministry!**

**Area Social Services**

**ABC Life Center** 814-432-2229  
323 13th. Street, Franklin, PA 16323  
**Community Services of Venango County** 814-432-5749  
39 Parker Ave., Franklin, PA 16323  
**Good Shephard Shoppe** 814-437-1580  
619 13th. Street, Franklin, PA 16323 (Thrift Shop)  
**Mustard Seed Mission** Referral by Venango County  
Human Services  
**St. Elizabeth Center** (Catholic Charities) 814-677-0203

**Prayer Network:** If you have a prayer request, please  
contact Diane Boal at 814-437-6107.

**Cemetery Notes from Mr. Axton:** Please note that the  
water has been turned off due to a leak and it will remain off  
for the season. Beginning October 1st., annuals and potted  
plants will be removed. Please weed whack if needed.  
Thank you!

**Thanks to Timothy E. Hartle Funeral Home** for supporting  
our parish by sponsoring an add in our bulletin! You may  
contact them at 814-437-9800.

**Bulletin Announcements:** Information may be emailed to  
the office: mstiglitz@stpatrickfranklin.org. *deadline dates are:*

- ♦ September 28th. for the October 4th. bulletin
- ♦ October 5th. for the October 11th. bulletin

**OUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING GIFT BOX**

**October 20th.**

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Adult Offering</b>     | <b>\$4,489.00</b> |
| <b>Candles</b>            | <b>\$ 47.00</b>   |
| <b>Building Fund</b>      | <b>\$ 415.00</b>  |
| <b>Extra Repairs</b>      | <b>\$1,790.00</b> |
| <b>C. S. A.</b>           | <b>\$ 305.00</b>  |
| <b>Catholic Education</b> | <b>\$ 675.00</b>  |
| <b>Disciples</b>          | <b>\$ 25.00</b>   |
| <b>Assumption</b>         | <b>\$ 25.00</b>   |

**Your generosity is a blessing!**  
***Thank you for using your envelopes or***

**Induction into the Confraternity of Christian Mothers**  
will take place on **October 28th.** at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. (A  
brief meeting will be held prior to Mass in Dion.) The  
Confraternity is open to any Catholic woman in good  
standing, whether married or unmarried, with or without  
children. The mission is to support the Christian formation  
of children through the influence of faithful women, while  
also providing members with spiritual, emotional, and  
practical support. If you are interested in joining, please  
contact the parish office.

**Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will conclude their  
annual **Mum Sale** this weekend. Vouchers may be  
purchased for \$10.00, and mums may be picked up at the  
Wyattville Country Gardens. Thank you for your support of  
Christian Mothers!

**St. Patrick Youth Group 2026-2027:** Remember to mark  
your calendars for our Youth Group outings: October 18,  
Nov. 1, Dec. 20, Jan. 31, Feb. 28, March 14, April 25 and  
June 13th. Outings will occur on Sunday afternoons.  
Details will be coming soon for our October activity!

**New Altar Servers are Needed:** We are looking for  
students interested in Altar Serving! If you are a Faith  
Formation, Homeschool or St. Stephen student who has  
made your First Communion and attend Mass regularly, we  
would be so pleased to train you! Please contact either the  
parish office or Heidi Lucia at: heidir.lucia@gmail.com.

**World Rosary Day** will occur on Wednesday, **October 7th.**  
The Rosarians of St. Joseph Parish will be reciting the  
Rosary that evening, at 6:00 p.m. in Oil City's Towne  
Square. St. Patrick and St. Titus parish's are asked to join  
them for a beautiful evening of Praying the Rosary! For  
those who wish to participate in-doors, the Rosary will also  
be recited at 237 Elm. Street. Come and Pray the Rosary!

|                                                | Reader      | Cantor     | Server                       | Usher                                                    | Notes                                                                   |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Saturday, 4:30 p.m.</b><br><b>October 3</b> | P. Fryman   | K. Pemrick | None                         | D. Fiscus, K Rogers,<br>R. & C. Supak                    | <b>Altar Servers<br/>are Needed!</b><br>Please<br>consider<br>joining!! |
| <b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b><br><b>October 4</b>   | M. Stahlman | P. Dolecki | E. & X. Wigfield             | B. & M. Hager,<br>D. & M. McGee                          |                                                                         |
| <b>Sunday, 10:30 a.m.</b><br><b>October 4</b>  | M. Shrout   | S. Hilton  | J. Knight,<br>A. & H. Merkel | K. Berlin, G. McGuinness,<br>C. Schwabenbauer, B. Villar |                                                                         |

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