

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

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Masses:

Saturday: 5 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM & 10 AM

Wed, Thurs, & Fri: 8 AM

Tues: 7 PM (6 PM Dec-Feb)

Reconciliation: Sat 3:30-4:30 PM

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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

Sunday, September 20

7:30am Parishioners of St. Patrick
10:00am Phyllis Doyle

Monday, September 21

NO MASS

Tuesday, September 22

7:00pm Special intention for Ellie

Wednesday, September 23

8:00am Ed Morken

Thursday, September 24

8:00am Pat McClure

Friday, September 25

8:00am Healing for Kurt Germann

Saturday, September 26

5:00pm Richard and Sharon Fenker

Sunday, September 27

7:30am For living & deceased parishioners
10:00am Ed Morken

Liturgical Ministries

September 26 & 27

Lectors

5:00pm Dan Palmer
7:30am Keith Lipke
10:00am Doug Ford

Eucharistic Ministries

5:00pm P. Bottone, S. Fawbush, N. Schortgen, S. Swangin
7:30am M. Butts, R. Davis, B. Harber, A. Lushis
10:00am T. Frazier, S. Harber, K. Miller, S. Miller

Gifts

5:00pm Volunteers
7:30am Nathaniel Strack family
10:00am Therese Joy Burkett & Maria Jones

Ushers

5:00pm C. Keefer, E. Keefer, B. Lane, T. Lane
7:30am A. Hinen, P. Hinen, Z. Hinen, Volunteer
10:00am C. Brown, D. Frazier, H. Frazier, K. Kammer

Servers

5:00pm Volunteers
7:30am Lincon S, Peter S, Andrew S, Matthew U
10:00am Micah H, Everett T, Xavier T, Levi T

Church Cleaning

September 27 Michelle Fenker, Roberta Davis

PARISH WEBSITE: www.stpatrickarcola.org

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Fr. Bobby's email: frbobby.stpatarcola@gmail.com



Fr. Bobby's Column

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our annual Bishop's Appeal has started up again, as was mentioned last weekend. While we may not like this extra thing that the diocese tacks onto our work here at St. Patrick, this is an important program for our diocese, and for the Church as a whole. As members of the Catholic Church, we are part of something bigger than ourselves, which extends even beyond our parish here in Arcola. We are a part of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend under the guidance of Bishop Rhoades, a successor to the apostles. And then the diocese is part of the larger Catholic Church, under the guidance of Pope Leo XIV, the successor to St. Peter. This is also why we pray for Leo our pope and Kevin our bishop at every Mass in the Eucharistic Prayer. Through our connection to Bishop and then to Rome, we can be assured of being firmly rooted in the Church that Jesus Christ Himself established.

All of this to say that we are not an island here – we are members of a larger whole. We might not be as big as some of the other parishes in our diocese, but we still have a role to play in supporting the programs of the diocese. The Appeal helps to support many good things in our diocese, including support for poorer parishes, Catholic education, and priestly formation. A full breakdown can be found on the diocesan website (diocesefwsb.org/aba).

Please prayerfully consider what you can contribute this year. And remember that everything raised above our goal (\$38,440) comes back to our parish! I don't have any projects in mind at this time, but several people have pointed out that the walls are peeling and could do with some help. Thank you to all those who have already given and thank you in advance to those who will give soon! May God bless our parish and our diocese!

September 20, 2026

Pledge Sunday!

United in Mission! The Annual Bishop's Appeal invites each of us to participate in the life and mission of the Church across our diocese. This weekend is Pledge Sunday, to make a gift, donate online at diocesefwsb.org/aba or by returning the pledge card included in this year's mailing. All funds received over our goal will be returned to our parish!

Young Adult Bible Study (18–35-year-olds) will meet **on Monday, September 21 from 6-8 pm** in the conference room.

Life Teen – Leading Teens Closer to Christ (6-12th grades) on **Saturday, September 26 from 3-5 pm** in the old school hall.

Religious Education Classes meet **Sunday mornings from 8:30am – 9:45am for Pre K – High School**. If you have not signed up your child yet, please contact Nancy Beyhan at ccdstpatsarcola@gmail.com.

Adult Education Classes will meet on **Sunday mornings** during Religious Education classes from **8:30-9:45am** in the Adult Ed classroom across from the kitchen in the parish hall. All are welcome to join as we continue our faith journey.

Women's Welcome Retreat - Come to the next women's welcome retreat weekend on **September 26 & 27 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church!** Do you sense that something's missing in your life? Do you feel that if you weren't so busy you would be happier, healthier, more effective, more fulfilled, and maybe even a better person? Come to the Women's retreat weekend. It's an incredible experience that will help you discover what's missing in your life and what to do about it. To register, go to <https://seasfw.org/welcome> or call 260.432.0268.

Catholic Church Pickleball Challenge on **November 14 at 1pm** – \$100 Registration Fee per team. Prize money donated to church ministry of choice! Two Divisions Beginner or Intermediate, 20% to 1st place, 10% to 2nd place. Flyers with details and QR code for registration at the church entrances. Location of event is 5310 Merchandise Drive, FW.

OCIA Classes will meet on **Tuesday evenings** after 7:00 pm Mass. If you are interested in exploring the Catholic faith contact the church office at stpataarcola@earthlink.net, or 260.625.4151 or Raylene Rospond at rmrospond@gmail.com.

Thank you to St. Patrick's parishioners for all your donations for the St. Teresa Do Small Things Together Donation Drive! Your generosity and thoughtfulness are such a blessing to our community!

Fall Choir Practice will be held in the choir loft on **Sunday, September 20 at 2:30 pm**. Newcomers and regular musicians are welcome!

Beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen on **September 24th**! As we prepare our hearts for this joyful day, let us continue to pray that the example of Archbishop Fulton Sheen will strengthen our own witness to the Gospel and renew our desire to bring Christ to the World.

Catechetical Sunday "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...to bring good news to the poor." Remember that Jesus' mission to bring hope, healing, and freedom, especially to the poor, brokenhearted, and forgotten, and serves as a model for the Church to continue Christ's work by sharing the Gospel and caring for those in need. May the Lord bless our catechists who teach and share our faith with our students.

40 Days for Life Fall Campaign (September 23- November 1) 40-day campaign to end abortion locally through prayer & fasting, community outreach, and peaceful all-day vigil in front of Planned Parenthood (2930 Lake Ave). Watch the bulletin for St. Patrick Arcola prayer date!

Sidewalk Advocacy Training on **Thursday, September 24 from 12pm to 3pm** (3106 Lake Ave) Learn how to peacefully, prayerfully, and lovingly approach people outside our local abortion referral facility and redirect them to life-affirming alternatives in our community.

Ladies! Kingdom Builders will meet on **Thursday, September 24 from 7-8:30 pm** at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. All women are welcome!

Welcome New Parishioner – Welcome Frank Zirille to St. Patrick Arcola. We are so glad that you have joined our parish family.

Annual Holy Mass & Breakfast is on Saturday, October 3 at the Cathedral with Confession at 7:30 am, First Saturday Devotions & Holy Rosary at 8am, Mass at 9am, Marian Procession after Mass followed by breakfast at the Grand Wayne Center. Purchase breakfast tickets online at www.fatimafwsb.org. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

Celebrating Your Wedding Anniversary! Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th wedding anniversary are invited to join Bishop Kevin Rhoades for a special Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, September 27 at 11:30 am** at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Anniversary couples will receive a commemorative certificate and two complimentary tickets to a reception following Mass. Register at diocesefwsb.org/anniversary-masses.

Pilgrimages to France: May 18-26, 2027, with Fr. Daniel Koehl (register at stcharlespilgrimages.com/ward-koehl) and **November 5-16, 2027**, with Msgr. Michael Heintz. (info@myfaithjourneys.com) More information located on the flyers at the church entrances.

Weekly Offertory Collection September 7-13

Regular Collection - \$3,148

Online Collection - \$2,456

TOTAL Giving - \$5,604

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