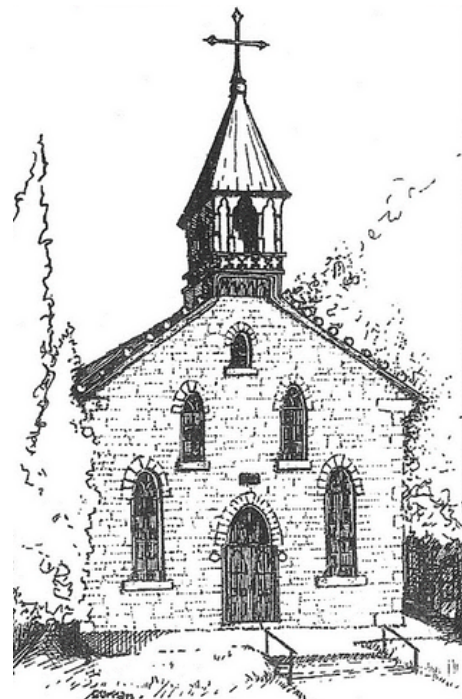


ST. PATRICK PARISH, FALLOWFIELD



We are a vibrant and engaged faith community committed to building up one another in Christ. We are nourished by the sacraments, and our shared service to one another and the wider community.



FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17: 5-8

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20

GOSPEL

Luke 6: 17, 20-26

Psalms 1

**BLESSED THE ONE
WHO TRUSTS IN THE
LORD.**

Notice: Parish Vote on Sacred Art

See the announcements inside this issue for details on how to cast your vote, and why.

Project 2033 Update

Thank You for Your Participation!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended the Project 2033 presentation last weekend. Your presence, thoughtful insights, and ideas are invaluable as we look ahead to the future of our parish. We have carefully recorded all of your feedback and are reviewing it closely. Every idea shared will be taken into consideration as we discern the next steps for this important initiative.

For those who were unable to attend, you will still have the opportunity to view the presentation and share your thoughts. We want to hear from you! More details will be shared soon.

Thank you for being part of this conversation as we work together to build a strong and vibrant parish for generations to come.

Gospel Reflection

In Luke 6, Jesus turns worldly values upside down, declaring the poor, hungry, and persecuted as blessed while warning those who are rich, satisfied, and praised. His words challenge our understanding of success and happiness. True blessing does not come from wealth, comfort, or social approval but from belonging to God's kingdom

Jesus assures those who suffer for righteousness that their reward in heaven is great. When we experience hardship for our faith—whether rejection, loss, or ridicule—Jesus calls us to rejoice, knowing we are

following in the footsteps of the prophets. Conversely, His warnings remind us that relying on worldly comforts can blind us to our spiritual need.

This passage invites us to examine where we seek fulfillment. Do we find security in material wealth, or do we trust in God's provision? Are we afraid of rejection, or do we stand boldly in faith? Jesus calls us to live with eternity in mind, choosing the joy of His kingdom over temporary comforts. In Him, even suffering becomes a path to lasting joy.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> † Jean Trudeau by Rick and Marie Temelini † Deceased members of the Spooner and Kingston families by Diane Neshcow
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> † Michelle O'Connor Hume by Leo O'Connor † Renato Mangacat by the Falve family † Maria Dinh Thi Dieu by Lan LaTorre
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People of the Parish
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> † All Souls Intention
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> McLaughlin family by Cindy and Paul Noah
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> † Ray Switzer by John & Eileen Monaghan
Friday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> † All Souls Intention

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4-4:45 p.m. in the sacristy or by appointment



Endure with faith, and
God will exalt you!

February 17

Memorial of the Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Marian, Contemplative, Servant-hearted

The Servite Order, or the Order of the Servants of Mary, was founded in 1233 by seven wealthy Florentine men who left their lives of commerce to dedicate themselves to prayer, penance, and service to the Blessed Virgin Mary. They withdrew to Monte Senario, where they lived in solitude and contemplation, later forming a religious community devoted to spreading Marian devotion and serving the poor. The order grew rapidly, emphasizing compassion, simplicity, and devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows. The Seven Holy Founders were canonized together in 1888. Today, the Servites continue their mission worldwide through education, pastoral care, and outreach. Their feast reminds us of the power of surrendering worldly attachments to serve God and others.

Featured Events

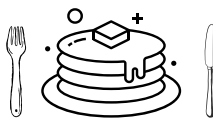
Shrove Tuesday: Pancake Dinner

Tuesday, Mar. 4th, 5 p.m.



Join us for a delicious Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner and an evening of fellowship with your parish community! Enjoy a warm and hearty meal, including fluffy pancakes, savory sausages, crispy homefries, fresh salad, and hot beverages. To help us plan, please RSVP online by filling out the form on our website.

We look forward to celebrating with you!



Bereavement Support Tuesday, Mar. 4th, 7 p.m.



The Bereavement Ministry was established in 2018 to meet the growing needs of those who have lost a loved one and who are in need of grief support. This Ministry offers a welcoming space that enables people to share their grief story in a safe and confidential manner while providing the tools and resources necessary to successfully manage grief. If you wish to journey with us, our next Bereavement support group will commence at Holy Redeemer Parish on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 @ 7 pm. Registration is required as space is limited. For further information please contact us by email at: hrbereavement@gmail.com.

Announcements

Sacred Art Project for Beautification of our Church

This summer, St. Patrick Parish, Fallowfield, will undertake a much-needed and significant restoration of our church interior. During this time, the church will be closed while the pews are repaired and refinished, the carpet and tile replaced, and the plaster damage to the walls, ceiling, and ornamental components restored. The entire church will also be repainted—a realization made possible through the generosity of our parishioners and their contributions to the restoration fund.

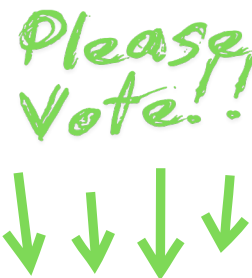
With the church fully emptied and scaffolded for this work, we have a

unique and likely one-time opportunity to enhance our space with sacred art on the ceiling. This addition would not be funded through the restoration fund but would require separate fundraising efforts. At an estimated cost of \$150,000, this project would beautify our church in time for its 160th anniversary and serve as a step forward in Project 2033, preparing our parish for the future. We are pleased to share that over 20% of the total has already been pledged, even before formal fundraising has begun.

Parish Vote on Sacred Art for the Church Ceiling

Fr. Paul has received both positive and negative feedback on this proposal and has asked that parishioners indicate their support through a simple online vote. Voting is open until Wednesday, February 19 on the parish website.

If you are unable to vote online, you may call the parish office during working hours to submit your vote. The results will be shared next weekend. Thank you for your participation.



Vote until Wednesday,
February 19, 2025

February 21

Memorial of St. Peter Damian

Reformist, Scholarly, Devout

St. Peter Damian (1007–1072) was a Benedictine monk, bishop, and Doctor of the Church known for his efforts to reform the clergy and monastic life. A brilliant scholar and theologian, he wrote extensively on Church discipline, promoting holiness and moral integrity among priests and religious. Despite his love for solitude, he was called to serve as a papal advisor, working tirelessly to combat corruption and restore spiritual fervor. His deep devotion to Christ and the Church shaped his writings and reforms, many of which influenced later Church teachings. Honored as a Doctor of the Church, St. Peter Damian reminds us of the need for both prayer and action in defending truth and fostering holiness.

Upcoming Events



Coffee Sunday
Sunday, February 23



Reconciliation Retreat
Saturday, March 1



CWL St. Patrick Day Tea
Wednesday, March 16



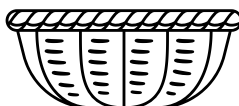
Lentin Retreat
Saturday, March 20



Downeast Ceilidh
Saturday, March 22

Collection Totals for January

Thank you for your
generosity!



Offerings	\$23,209.49
Restoration	\$7,027.00
Maintenance	\$1,474.50
Other	\$13,591.10

Join our team

Lent Is Approaching – A Season of Renewal

Lent is less than a month away, offering us a sacred time to renew our hearts and draw closer to Christ. As we prepare for this season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, mark your calendars for these important dates:



Ash Wednesday Mass
Wed., March 5, at 7 p.m.



Penitential Service
Tue., March 12, at 7 p.m.

More details on Lenten events will be announced soon. Let us begin preparing our hearts for this journey of faith.

New Donation Envelopes Available

2025 envelopes are ready for pick-up in the church foyer, arranged alphabetically in the bookcase to your left as you enter. Please **DO NOT USE** 2024 envelopes, as your number may have changed. If you cannot pick them up, contact the parish office to confirm your 2025 number.

2024 Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for 2024 donations will be available at the end of February. Further updates will be provided to keep you informed. Thank you for your generosity!

Help our Parish Grow

Leave us a Review!

Do you share our passion for this parish? When people seek to join a parish, they often begin their search on Google. By enhancing our parish's Google rating, you can play a pivotal role in drawing in new parishioners. Join us in spreading the love for our community!



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Parish Life

- The Choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the church.
- The Legion of Mary meets Wednesday mornings in the McGivney Lounge (after the 9:00 a.m. Mass).
- The Catholic Women's League meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Monsignor Baxter Hall.
- The Knights of Columbus meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month in the Monsignor Baxter Parish Hall.
- Children's Liturgy, for ages 4 through 9, is offered during the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.



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