

S T P A T R I C K ' S P A R I S H

In Focus



The following children are currently preparing for their First Holy Communion on April 10:

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| Holly Apperson | Jessica Lundeen |
| Mary Artz | Christopher McDonald |
| Ticiana Batista | Sarah Mytty |
| Michele Bellaver | Harry Northern |
| Kathryn Boland | Anya Pavia |
| James Bryant | Melissa Pierson |
| Kate Bullard | Giana Prazak |
| Michael Campo | Tal Prendergast |
| Daniel Coes | Troy Schiff |
| Andre Coes | Michael Shannon |
| Nicole Connolly | David Simon |
| Megan Cousert | Elizabeth Srodulski |
| Justin Dial | Patrick Strong |
| Luke Dorsey | Clare Tierney |
| Jacob Douglas | Tais Vasconcellos |
| Anthonyus Dwiarto | Tiago Vasconcellos |
| Hayley Ellis | Nathaniel Wauthier |
| Zachary Fischer | Ezekiel Webber |
| Devon Gravely | George Weisiger |
| Amanda Hartke | Michael Wolken |
| Bob Kacich | April Yasunaga |
| Jacob Kelly | Addrienne Yasunaga |
| Daniel Kingery | Amanda Yeazel |
| Jonah Lawhead | Ryan Yeazel |
| David Lewing | |



To Comfort All Who Mourn

Members of St. Patrick's are called to a ministry that assures that no member of our community grieves alone, without the love, the practical skills, the resurrection faith we hold. You are invited to form a ministry team in the service of the bereaved. Training, direction, and support will be provided. This ministry may encompass working with the grieving through a support group, one-on-one to be present, listen and guide, and planning a quarterly memorial service. Those feeling called to this ministry please contact the parish office, 367-2665 or Mary Luckey Lydon, 352-1549.



We share the joy of our Catechumens at Easter. The following catechumens are preparing for entrance into the Church:

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| Warren Lukewire | Susan Hillier |
| Bruce Haenny | Terri Clennon |
| Martha Hutchins | Amy Jones |
| Susan Follman | Kelly Raup |



We regret any inaccuracies that creep into the information presented in the *In Focus*. Our top priority is to inform, not create confusion.

Last month's issue contained an announcement about the scheduling of a Seder meal during Holy Week, which as it turns out, will not be held. There were also a number of mistakes elsewhere in the issue. In the case of the Seder meal, we were simply reporting information given to us, while the rest of the mistakes were a combination of poor communication and haste.

We have not waived in our commitment to accuracy, but we are still learning what is required to publish a monthly newsletter. We apologize for any inconvenience or embarrassment we may have caused to parishioners or staff and hope to do better in the future.

-- The Communications Committee



St. Patrick's *In Focus* is published on the last weekend of each month. News items and information may be submitted for the next issue by the 15th day of the month. Please leave your information in the Communications committee's mailbox at the parish center, or call a committee member: Jay Hoeflinger, 384-8947; Bette Murrell, 344-6692; Mary Lou Menches, 344-1125; or Mary Lydon, 352-1549. Written material should include names and phone numbers for verification.

Parish Council News



At the Parish Council meeting on March 17, members attended to matters ranging from an Easter egg hunt and a pot luck to church roof repair and the search for means to foster continued spiritual renewal and growth in our parish.

The Social Committee announced plans for an Easter egg hunt on Holy Saturday afternoon for youngsters in two age groups, 1-3 and 4-8. Weather permitting, the egg hunt will take place on parish grounds, from 2:00 to 3:30pm. (See the weekly bulletin for details.)

Snow in the attic? Yes, lots of it, reported the Building and Grounds Committee. High winds recently tore shingles off the church roof and drove snow through the gaps created. Fortunately, no damage to the church interior or furnishings resulted. Bids are being sought for immediate repairs.

Memorial envelopes may soon be available at local funeral homes, according to the Revenue Committee, in response to requests from parishioners desiring to make donations to the church in memory of departed relatives and friends. The committee is also working on plans for a parish seminar on wills and bequests; the seminar will draw on the expertise of an investment counselor and a lawyer.



May 1 has been declared Appreciation Day for Sr. Rosemarie Tomljanovich, pastoral associate at St. Patrick's for six years. Sister Rosemarie has announced plans to leave our parish at the end of May. The Appreciation Day will include a parish pot luck -- be sure to watch the weekly bulletin for more information.

The election committee announced the names of nine candidates for the Parish Council election, to be held on April 16-17. Parishioners will be asked to elect four of the following to fill vacancies on the Council: Marie (Nicky) Davis, George Fahey, Ann Pejes, Bob Haessly, Arden Howey, Pat Justice, Julie Peak, John Balston, and Barb Wysocki.



Fr. George Nenn reported that the open parish meeting on the proposal to establish a Marian shrine and a baptistry in our church was attended by 25-30 parishioners. They expressed concern about expense and the hope that changes would be in keeping with the present structure and design of the church. The proposal has drawn a mostly positive response from parishioners, both those who attended the open meeting and those who submitted comments in writing.

Father suggested the next step: seeking permission from the diocese to consult with experts in church architecture, to ask for some conceptualizations of the shrine and the baptistry and estimated costs of carrying them out. The Parish Council agreed, and voted funds for consultation fees.



An ad hoc committee was formed to investigate programs designed to foster parish renewal and spiritual growth. Parish Council, staff, and the Education and Worship and Prayer committees are represented on the committee.

George Fahey and Shirley Splittstoesser will co-chair St. Patrick's campaign for the diocesan Annual Stewardship Appeal. The diocese has set our parish goal at \$36,000., plus a small amount to support Catholic Social Service at the local level.

Of the \$59,000. that parishioners pledged last year, about \$51,000. has been paid so far and everything over \$36,000. is being returned to St. Patrick's. As stipulated last spring, all money refunded to the parish will be used to reduce our parish debt for the parish center addition.

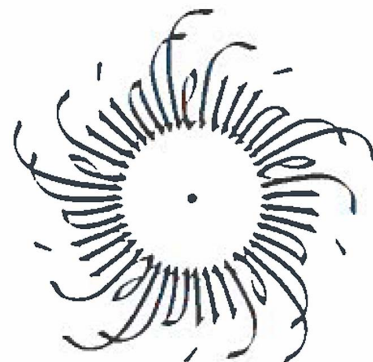


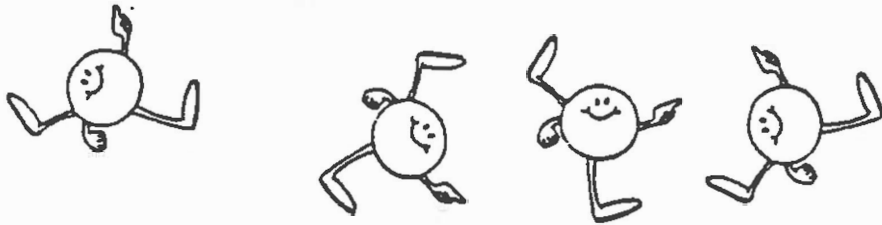
In discussing the budget for FY 1988-89, the Council voted to increase the projection of income from weekly collections by \$10,000. This increase was agreed to with the stipulation that it be supported by a special drive designed to raise and sustain the level of giving through weekly collections. Members acknowledged the need for additional funds to support the Parochial School Fund and the position of pastoral associate.



At their next meeting, members will be reviewing and voting on the parish calendar. All parish groups and organizations using, or planning to use, parish facilities are asked to make their needs known by calling the parish secretary (367-2665) before April 8.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on April 21. Council meetings are open to all parishioners.





Dear Unattached Person,

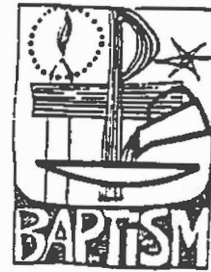
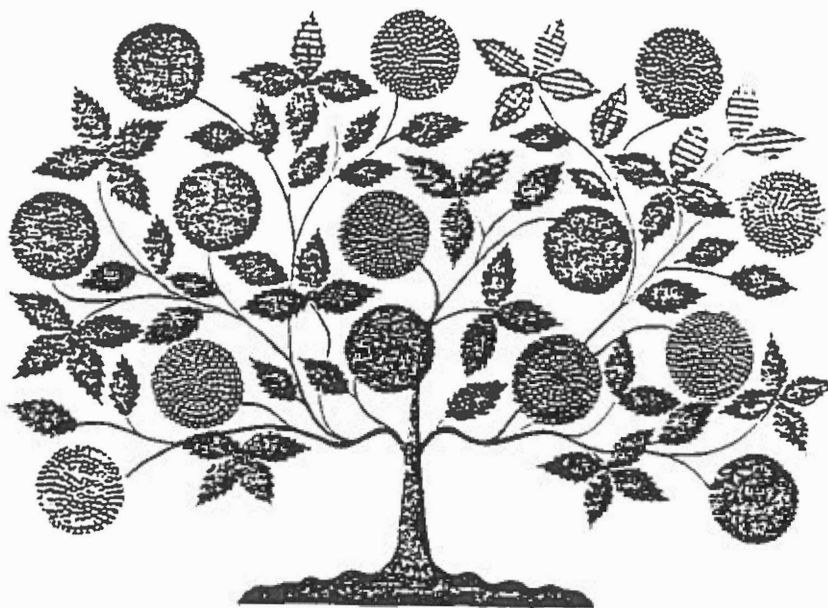
During the snowy days of January, ideas for calling together the widowed of the Champaign-Urbana parishes were collected, planted, and nurtured. The first bloom appeared on February 14 in the hearty form of a Valentine's potluck attended by members of St. Patrick's, Holy Cross, and St. Mary's parishes. From this sharing and subsequent brainstormings blossomed FUN, "for the unattached".

FUN invites the unattached for whatever reason to the St. Patrick's lounge for games, sharing, and dessert on April 17 at 2pm. Events for May and June will be planned.

A very special thank you to all whose creative energy and time planted and nurtured FUN.

For more information, you may contact Helen Godfrey 367-2796, Alice Cochrane 356-2159, Pauline Bassett 356-4966, Florence Chevalier 367-2796, Mary Luckey Lydon 352-1549, or the parish office 367-2665.

Sincerely,
The Steering Committee



We welcome the newly-baptised into the Christian community:

Sara Jordan Pritschet
Ryan Lane Brown
Elizabeth Anne Stierman
John Joseph Veillette
Whitney Nicole Clagg
Alyssa Kay Durant
Julie Margaret Green
Lauren Klizabeth Harriett

In Memoriam

Our condolences to the family and friends of the following deceased: Odelia Cecelia Wilkins (grandmother of Faith Hauersperger) and Kenneth R. Finical.



Farewell to the following parishioners who recently moved from C-U: Rob & Rebecca Glover, Michael & Virginia Benebry, Mark & Roseanne Hepworth, and Terri Bruno.



Welcome to new parishioners: Klara Lueschen, Dennis & Carole Sauro.



Let us celebrate with Terri Bruno and Billy Alan Larkins, married at St. Patrick's during March.

April 1988

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Good Friday 1	Holy Saturday 2
					7:30p Solemn Liturgy	8:00a Morn Prayer 8:30p-3:30p Easter Egg Hunt 7:30p Easter Vigil
Easter 3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	10:15a Scripture Study	Ladies' Bus Trip: Factory Outlet Mall 1:30p CCNR Rosary 7:00p 1st Comm. Prep 7:00p C.A.S.A.	7:00p Choir 7:00p St Vincent DePaul 7:30p DeHello Video		10:45a CCNR Mass	
10 Adult Bible Fel 9 & 11 Child's E 10:15a Child's Lit 1st Communion Lit Eve. Adult Ed.	11 10:15a Scripture Study	12 1:30p CCNR Rosary 7:00p C.A.S.A.	13 7:00p Choir 7:00p St Vincent DePaul 7:30p DeHello Video	14 7:00p Baptism Prep	15 10:45a CCNR Mass 7:00p Rosemary Ruether at St. Pat's	16 Parish Council Elections
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24 Annual Steward. Appeal	25 10:15a Scripture Study	26 1:30p CCNR Rosary 7:00p C.A.S.A.	27 7:00p Choir 7:00p St Vincent DePaul 7:30p DeHello Video	28	29 10:45a CCNR Mass	30