



ST. MARY'S & ST. PATRICK'S
NEWSLETTER
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A Word (or Two) From Fr. Joe

Dear Parish Family, both near and far away,

Thank you to everyone connected with the St. Patrick's Basket Raffle To very dedicated folks, who over the last few weeks, generously donated raffle baskets, folks who prepared baked goods and worked in the kitchen, folks who sold tickets and chances and worked in the prize rooms, and folks who set up and cleaned up. Thank you very much! And to the over 200 people from the parishes and the community who came out! Many, many thanks!

Please listen next weekend for news about a special raffle sponsored by St. Mary's You'll want to know about this special event.

Celebrating Sacraments Young people in our parishes will be celebrating Confirmation (May 4th at St. Patrick's) and First Eucharist (May 19th at both St. Mary's and St. Patrick's). Please pray for our candidates, their parents and families, and for our catechists!

The Bible: God's Plan for Salvation Deacon Mike McDonald will be host a bible study beginning on Wednesday, May 1st and continuing Wednesdays during the summer. This will be offered at our Network Center (St. Patrick's, 66 William St., Catskill) Wednesdays from 6:30-8 pm, and will center on the first five books of the Old Testament and the tv series, The Chosen.

Feeding the Hungry St. Mary's and St. Patrick's are joining with other local Christian churches in May to provide for the hungry. St. Mary's will participate in the local Crop Walk (on Sunday, May 5th) and St. Patrick's will be part of the Feed Ur Neighbor Walk (on Sunday, May 19th).

Would you like to remember your Mother at Mass on Mother's Day? Please take a yellow sheet available at Mission Central (St. Mary's) or by the entrance (St. Patrick's) and list the names of your Mother, Grandmothers, Godmothers and Aunts. The sheets with all these names will be placed in a basket by the altar on Mother's Day weekend. Please bring your sheet back next weekend and place it in the collection.

The Diocesan Appeal is progressing. St. Mary's has received gifts and pledges totaling \$23,437.78 (57% of goal) and St. Patrick's has received gifts and pledges of \$24,949 (61% of goal). Thank you again for your generous stewardship! If you haven't made a gift or pledge, please consider how, working together, we can express love for our neighbor!

Blessings, Fr. Joe

Schedule

SUNDAY 4-28	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel)
MONDAY 4-29	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
TUESDAY 4-30	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's, Rosary following Mass 11:30 St. Patrick's Women's Bible Study 6:00 Rosary at St. Mary's
WEDNESDAY 5-1	8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:30 Choir Rehearsal at St. Patrick's
THURSDAY 5-2	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 6:30 Choir Rehearsal at St. Mary's
FRIDAY 5-3	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
SATURDAY 5-4	11:00 Confirmation at St. Patrick's 4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 5-5	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's
MONDAY 5-6	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
TUESDAY 5-7	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's, Rosary following Mass 11:30 St. Patrick's Women's Bible Study 5:30 Reconciliation at St. Patrick's 6:00 Rosary at St. Mary's
WEDNESDAY 5-8	8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:30 Choir Rehearsal at St. Patrick's
THURSDAY 5-9	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 6:30 Choir Rehearsal at St. Mary's
FRIDAY 5-10	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
SATURDAY 5-11	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 5-12	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) Hospitality following Mass sponsored by Knights of Columbus 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's

A BIG THANK YOU !!!!

To all who attended the Annual Festival of Baskets, and to those of you that made the baskets to make this all possible.

Hats off to the Knights of Columbus/Columbiettes "GRILL TEAM" for preparing lunch.

Kudos to Marianne McCool for organizing the BAKE SALE, Joan Thompson for helping and to those who baked.

Many thanks to those who sold tickets: DJ Borger, Eileen Vosburgh, Gina McGrath, Sue Ritty, Jeanne Biernacki, Mary Ann Dennis, Kathy Rice, Rick Touchette, Carol Mason, Sean & Penny Gager, and Michelle Hagen.

Huge thanks to Gabe Borger for all his help on Friday and Sunday, and to Bella Darlington for helping out on Sunday.

Lots of thanks to those who carried the Baskets from the rooms to the Parish Center, to Sean Gager & Jeanne Biernacki for keeping the numbers with the corresponding bag, to Christa Desrosiers for calling the numbers and to the "runners" getting them to them to the winner.

Lots and Lots of thanks to the Committee: Fr. Joe, Diane Hoffman, Penny Gager, DJ Borger, Gabe Borger and Barbara Tanner, could not have done it without all of you.

*Donna Hagen
Chairperson*

As of press time the event has raised \$ 12,248.75 toward the funding of repairs to the Parish Center.

Thrift Shop at St. Patrick's

Mary Ann McCool | 518-756-9184

Come visit Thursdays from 1:00 – 3:00 pm or Saturday mornings from 9:00 – Noon.
Could you volunteer on Saturdays from 9:00 – Noon? We need your help.

Food Pantry, Coxsackie

Lorraine Camurati | 917-572-3300

Just a reminder of the first Sunday of the month collection for the Coxsackie Food Pantry. There are baskets in the back of the church for your donations. Coxsackie's Food Pantry hours: Tuesday 1-2 pm, Thursday 7-8 pm, & Saturday 10-11 am. Monetary donations are always welcome as your gift has much more buying power at the regional food bank. The pantry is especially in need of canned tuna fish and coffee.

Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Ravena

Diane Hoffman | 518-330-6789

The Pantry needs: bathroom tissue, paper towels, peas, corn, baked beans, kidney beans, cookies, snack crackers, saltines and graham crackers. *Please make sure all donations are not outdated items. We will have to throw all outdated items out.* Thank you to all that support the Food Pantry with your food and monetary donations!

Pantry hours: Tuesdays & Fridays 10–11 am & Wednesdays 6–7 pm.

The Bible: God's Plan For Salvation Have you ever read the whole Bible? Which one (there are many)? Which translation (there are even more)? Which Theological point of view (there are so much more)? Did you know that one approach to discovering the Bible is to examine it as being God's plan for humanity's salvation? Well, beginning May 1, 2024, Deacon Mike will be leading a Bible Study course on this very topic. The focus will be on the first five books of the Old Testament (aka, the Torah or Pentateuch in the Hebrew Scriptures) and the TV series; The Chosen. If you would like to join him, we will be meeting every Wednesday evening during this summer (May 1 through to September 4) at the HVVW Network Office (St. Patrick's Church, 66 William St., Catskill, 12414) from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. This will be open to everyone (ages 18 and over), including summer visitors. You will need to bring your own bible and a notebook. Please let us know if you will be attending by calling the Network Office at (518) 943-3150 so that we know how many chairs to set up.

Recitation of the Holy Rosary at Immaculate Conception, Haines Falls starting on Friday, May 3rd at noon. Every Friday in May we will be gathering at Immaculate Conception Church to pray the Holy Rosary. Please come and join us to honor Our Blessed Mother. All are welcome.

Ecumenical CROP Walk: Coxsackie-Athens Ecumenical Clergy Group is sponsoring the Annual CROP Walk on Sunday May 5th with registration at 1:30 pm with the walk beginning at 2 pm from the Gospel Community Church, 121 Mansion Street. The walk is about 4 miles. The walk's purpose is to raise awareness of world poverty. Money raised goes to Church World Service who sends funds to places who need it most (25% goes to our own Food Pantry). There is information and walker packets in the St. Mary's Church vestibule.

FUN (Feed Ur Neighbor) Walk To Fight Hunger Sunday, May 19th, 1:00 pm Mosher Park. All donations will stay local. *For Information call: (518) 441-5239.* Sponsored by the RCS Association of Churches.



Charismatic Renewal invites you to join us for:

PENTECOST Celebration
Sunday, May 19th, 2024

Rev. Martin Fisher
Presider

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
125 Eagle St, Albany

4:30– Prayer and Praise
(Music by "Joyful Heart")

5:00pm– Mass
(Healing Prayer to follow)





Diocesan Appeal 2023-2024 Campaign It is by serving you, our family of faith, that our parishes have hope and light for the future. Ministry is the most significant role of your parish, but necessity dictates administrative responsibilities as well and that is where the parish leans on the Diocese via 30 specialty departments with 57 full-time and 23 part-time staff (www.rcda.org/offices). Your gift to the Diocesan Appeal underwrites the cost of these shared parish services relieving that expense from the parish!

Your gift also funds seminarian education, administrative support of our 19 Diocesan Catholic schools, and the programs of Catholic Charities that support those who face food insecurity & hunger

ST. PATRICK'S

66 gifts so far
Goal \$ 41,029
Total donations to date = \$24,949
60.81% of goal
Average Gift \$378.02
Still to be raised = \$ 16,080

ST. MARY'S

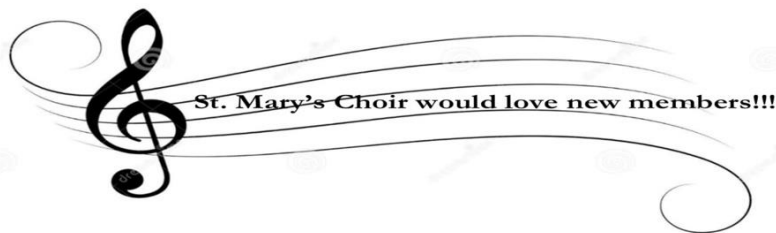
82 gifts so far
Goal \$ 41,015
Total donations to date = \$23,427.78
57.14 % of goal
Average Gift \$285.83
Still to be raised = \$ 17,577.22

Appeal envelopes are available near the church entrances. You can also make your donation online by typing <https://thediocesanappeal.org/donate/> in your browser.

Please be generous in supporting this campaign. If the Parish does not meet our goal the shortfall will need to be made up with parish funds. The campaign ends June 30, 2024.

Blessing of Tools & Cemetery Visitation at St. Joseph's Chapel Ashland
Wednesday, May 01, 2024 6:00 pm. Once again, we will observe the Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker with a blessing of tools followed by a visitation of the historical cemetery that surrounds the chapel. Please bring a tool that is a symbol of how you earn your living to be blessed!
Directions to St. Joseph Chapel: Heading west on NY-23, pass through the Village of Ashland, but do not exit the town of Ashland. The chapel sits on a steep hill 50 feet off of the west-bound lane of NY-23. Just past the chapel, on the opposite side of the road, there is a pull off area with a sign that says, *St. Joseph Chapel, Oldest Church in the Catskills*. Parking is in the pull off area, west-bound side of NY-23

Middle School/High School Breakaway Retreat: Registration is open for Camp Breakaway, June 29-July 3 at Pyramid Life Center. This camp led by youth ministers from the diocese, includes small group sharing, hiking, boating, prayer experiences, ropes course, archery, Mass, Reconciliation, and more. Camp costs \$430. Don't let cost deter you from participating. Scholarships are available. Please contact Christa Desrosiers at derobccr@gmail.com or Bob Desrosiers at stmaryffo@aol.com. *The link for registration is: [Camp Breakaway | Pyramid Life Center](#)*



Mass Intentions

Week of April 27, 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 27	4:30	Ravena	Nicholas Morrow by Mary Ann Filkins Jan Mormile by Rose Anatriello
April 28	7:30	Coxsackie	Peter Hynes by his wife Alfred Daoust by his family
	9:30	Ravena	Logan Penzebene by Mom and Dad
	11:30	Coxsackie	Rose Wood by Michelle Welch Robert Kowalik by Joe Schmidt Anthony Gatt by Karen Lewis

Week of May 4, 5, 2024

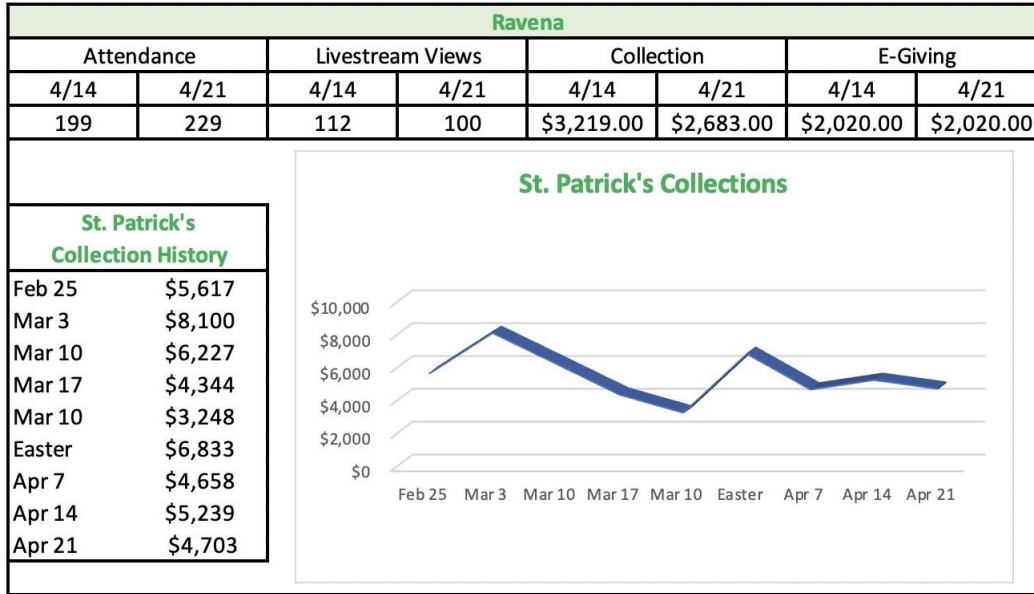
Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 4	4:30	Ravena	Jeanne Frezetta by Mary Jane Persico
May 5	7:30	Coxsackie	Memorial Society Rhett Tyler by Robert Baker Kelly Elizabeth by Linda Eignor
	9:30	Ravena	None at this time
	11:30	Coxsackie	Anthony Gatt by Rose Veeder and family Mark Lewis by Tammy Hathaway Doris Horn by Tammy Hathaway
May 8	7:30	Coxsackie	Anthony Gatt by Carmel

Week of May 11, 12, 2024

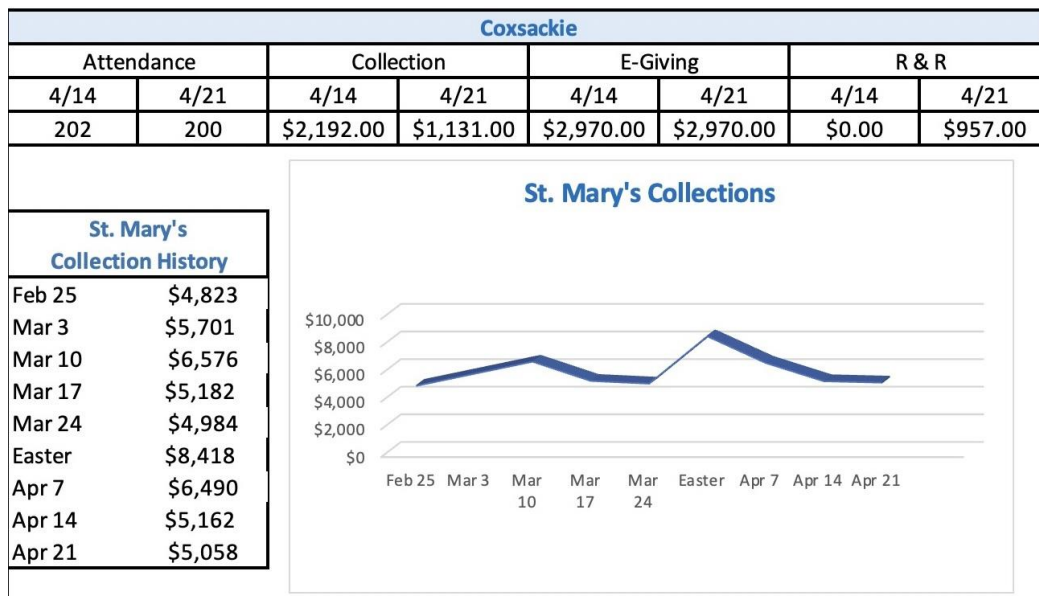
Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 11	4:30	Ravena	Nicholas Morrow by Kim McCall and Keith Bernard
May 12	7:30	Coxsackie	All Mothers
	9:30	Ravena	All Mothers
	11:30	Coxsackie	All Mothers
May 15	8:00	Coxsackie	Mary Ellen McDermott by her family



ENVELOPES ARE GREAT, BUT E-GIVING HELPS YOUR PARISH MAKE BETTER FINANCIAL DECISIONS

*The Church is just like your family when it comes to managing our finances. We need to know what our income will be in order to budget and plan for on-going operational needs and building maintenance projects. E-giving provides a steady stream of income that we know we can depend on week after week. Many things can throw us off track in maintaining our commitment to weekly giving. Weather, illness, delays in envelope delivery and vacations to name a few. Plus, with the increased use of debit/credit cards, many of us don't carry cash. **You can cover both your regular weekly giving and any special collections with just one deduction.** Sign up once and leave the rest to us. The deduction will occur at the interval you choose from the bank account you provide. Enrollment forms are in the back of the church along with descriptions of the second and special collection. Please do not hesitate to call the office with any questions. **Try it risk free and change your mind at any time:** [Click Here](#)*



Connecting with the Parishes

Online | Phone | E-Mail

WEEKEND MASSES (ALL ARE WELCOME):

4:30 pm Saturday Mass at St. Patrick's

7:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Mary's

9:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's

9:30 am on **St. Patrick's YouTube** channel (also on-demand)

[Click here](#) and then please subscribe and on **Mid-Hudson Cable Channel 901** (live at 9:30 only)

11:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Mary's

11:30 am on **St. Mary's YouTube** channel [Click here](#) and then please subscribe

WEEKDAY MASS (Except for Holy Days & days of funeral at a parish): St. Patrick's Tuesday 8:30 am

St. Mary's Wednesday 8 am

HUDSON VALLEY VICARIATE WEST FAITH FORMATION Online hvwwff.org

FR. JAY'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES: [Click here](#) and then please **SUBSCRIBE**

FR. JOE'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES: [Click here](#) and then please **SUBSCRIBE**

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Parish Facebook Pages (updated daily)

CONTACT US BY PHONE: St. Patrick's Office: 518-756 -3145 St. Mary's Office: 518-731-8800

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INSTAGRAM (Two Parishes, One Instagram): [stmary's.stpatrick's](https://www.instagram.com/stmary's.stpatrick's)



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT First Sunday of the month 6:30-7:30 pm at St. Patrick's

MORNING PRAYER (Following the Liturgy of the Hours format) Friday mornings at 8:00 at St. Mary's

WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY 11 am - 12 pm on Tuesdays St. Patrick's School – Classroom 5

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING 1 – 2 pm on Thursdays St. Patrick's School – Classroom 5

VILLAGE WIDE YARD SALE DAY AT ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Come visit your friends and neighbors selling their treasures on the grounds of St. Patrick's Church during the annual Village Wide Yard Sale day!

Food for sale too!

*proceeds to benefit the Events/Parish Life Committee in hosting future events

Breakfast: Coffee, Donuts, Muffins

Lunch: Hot Dogs, Pulled Pork, Chips, Bottled Water

Date

June 1, 2024

8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Location

The Plaza and Courtyard
of St. Patrick's Church
21 Main Street
Ravena, NY 12143



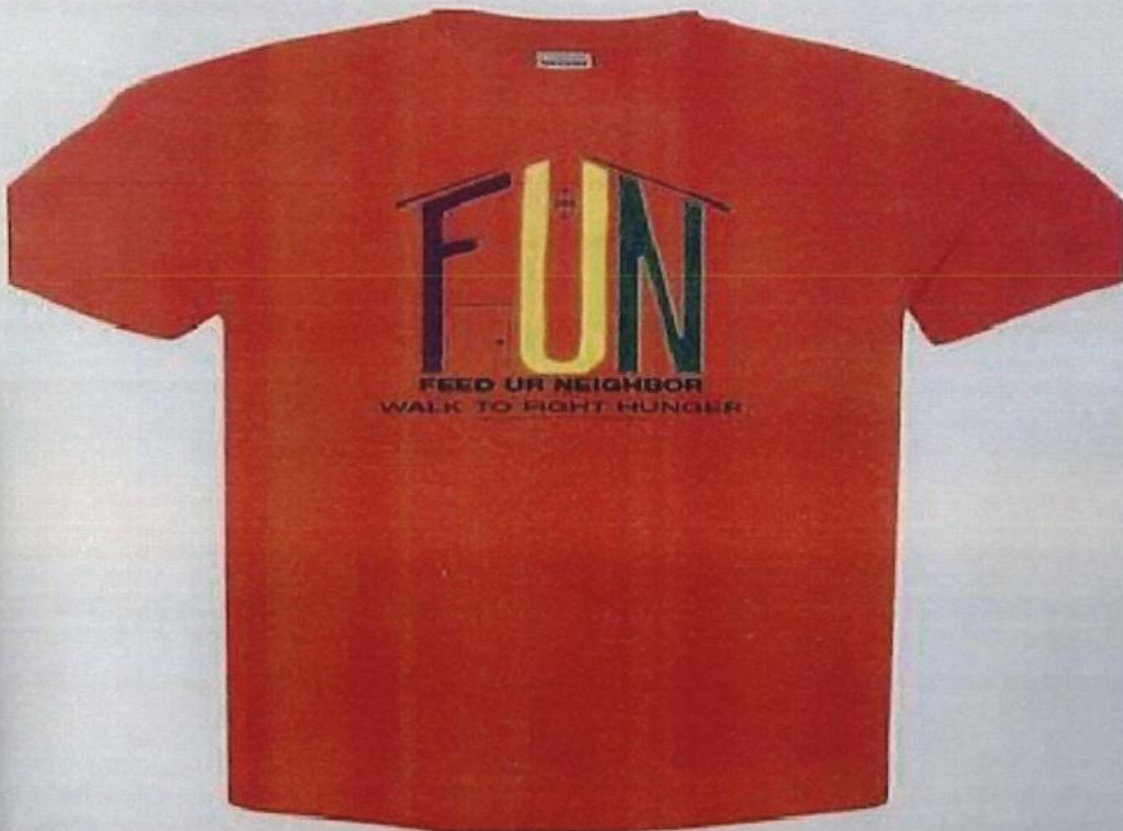
Save the date:

June 22nd and 23rd - St. Patrick's Strawberry
Shortcake Social

**FUN (FEED UR NEIGHBOR)
WALK TO FIGHT HUNGER (Sunday, May 19th @ 1:00 PM)
T-SHIRT DESIGN AND PRICING**

All T-Shirt Orders And Money Are Due To Sue Williams No Later Than Wednesday, May 1st.

SIZE ADULT, YOUTH & TODDLER	PRICE EACH INCLUDING SHIPPING
Adult: Up To Size XL	\$9.75
Adult 2XL	\$11.50
Adult 3XL, 4XL, 5XL	\$13.75
Youth: S, M, L, XL	\$10.25
Toddler: 2T, 3T, 4T	\$10.25



See Eileen Vosburgh, the Representative for St. Patrick's Parish, for any questions.