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August 23, 2026

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PARISH SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

Monday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30 am - 8:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

LITURGY:

Weekend Mass: Saturday 4:30 pm and
Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 5:00 pm
Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00 am
Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:30 pm

Holy Days: 8:00 am, 12:05 pm and 5:30 pm

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism: To arrange a baptism and begin the required preparation class, call 480-998-3843 a minimum of three months in advance.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made a minimum of nine months in advance. Call the Parish Office for an appointment.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick or Communion to the Sick: To request either sacrament, call the Parish Office.

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First Down with Fr. Eric



Dear Friends,

Our parish has a strong marriage preparation process. Thanks to Gerry Blakeman's leadership over the many years, this process has supported many couples on their spiritual journey. Gerry has now handed the marriage preparation to new staff member Leo Quinn. Leo will continue the good process we offer as well as develop marriage enrichment outreach and ministry for parishioners. This will be a support and resource for all married couples. Leo will also develop our annulment ministry to offer more guidance, support, and teaching up front so that people can be accompanied during that difficult time.

Our goal is that everyone who calls will be contacted. The first step is to have a welcoming conversation with me, the pastor, to welcome, find out more about the couple, and make sure everything is cleared so there are no last-minute surprises. This really avoids any last-minute problems. For those who are married by the state but not in the Catholic faith, please know there is a process to help couples who want to have their marriage blessed as a sacrament in the faith community. People decide when it is time, and they are met with great joy and guidance from me and now Leo as well. We do receive a good number of requests to have marriages "convalidated" (the fancy legal church term). Questions are answered in the conversation with me for either the newly engaged or those who are already civilly married.

I want to acknowledge the 20+ marriage mentor couples in our parish who freely offer their time to meet with the newly engaged. They have done a tremendous job for the engaged. I am grateful for their willingness to minister to those preparing for marriage. We honor this great sacrament of matrimony.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Eric

READ MORE FROM FR. ERIC
HUDDLE UP - WEEKLY BLOG



Christian Disciples in Mission, Living Beyond Sunday

BY **SUE ORLANDO**, Parish Administrator

Your Story Matters

Sacramental Listening Sessions

As part of Bishop Dolan's seven-year pastoral plan, TILMA, you are invited to participate in a Sacramental Listening Session. Through prayer, conversation, and attentive listening, these gatherings will help the Diocese of Phoenix better understand how the Holy Spirit is moving in the lives of God's people and how our Church can continue to accompany individuals and families with greater compassion and care.

What to Expect

The sessions will focus on the Sacraments of Initiation and Reconciliation: Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, and Reconciliation (Confession).

Each listening session will include:

- An opportunity to hear Bishop John Dolan's vision for the sacraments in the Diocese of Phoenix.
- Prayerful small-group conversations where participants can share their personal experiences and listen respectfully to the experiences of others.
- A dedicated note-taker in each group to ensure that every voice is heard and faithfully shared with the bishop as part of the diocesan discernment process.

These sessions are not debates or town halls. Rather, they are opportunities to pray together, listen deeply, and speak honestly in a spirit of charity, hope, and openness to the Holy Spirit.

Interested in participating?
Use the QR code or visit

dphx.org/tilma/sacrament-listening-sessions/
to register.

BY **ERIC TAMAYO**, Coordinator of Liturgy

St. Monica: A Mother Who Trusted God

The Church teaches, that parents play a special role in the formation of their children's faith. Parents are the first preachers of the Gospel. However as most parents know sharing your faith with family is not always the easiest thing to do. On August 27, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Monica, a woman whose life reminds us of the extraordinary strength of a mother's love and the power of persistent prayer. St. Monica is often remembered as the mother of St. Augustine, but her story is much more than being the mother of a famous saint. She was a woman who endured years of disappointment, heartache, and uncertainty while continuing to place her family in God's hands.

Monica was married to a pagan man who was difficult and at times harsh. She also faced challenges within her own household. Her son Augustine, whom she loved deeply, chose a way of life that caused her great concern. He rejected the Christian faith of his mother and pursued a life centered on his own desires and ambitions. For years, Monica prayed for him, wept over him, and patiently trusted that God was still working in his life. I am sure this is a familiar prayer for many parents and their children. Her prayers were not answered quickly. In fact, there were many moments when Monica could have become discouraged, yet she did not give up. According to St. Augustine, Monica followed him even when he traveled far from home, continuing to pray for his conversion. Eventually, Augustine encountered Christ and was baptized. He would go on to become one of the greatest theologians and saints in the history of the Church.

St. Monica speaks powerfully to parents today. Many mothers and fathers know what it is like to worry about a child, to watch a loved one make painful choices, or to pray for a situation that seems unchanged. Monica reminds us that parenting is not about controlling another person's life, but sharing the compassion and love of God. Sometimes our greatest act of love is to entrust our children to God and continue praying, placing our trust in God especially when we cannot see the outcome. Her life teaches us that God's timing is not always our timing. Monica waited, trusted, and persevered. Her tears became prayers, and her prayers became a witness of faith. On her feast day, we especially remember mothers and fathers who carry burdens for their children and those who have grown distant to God. May St. Monica intercede for parents who are worried, discouraged, or waiting for a loved one to return to God. May she teach us to pray with patience, love without giving up, and trust that God is always at work, even when we cannot yet see the answer.

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When Peter proclaims, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God," Jesus entrusts him with the keys of the kingdom; a share in His own authority and mission. Every steward at St. Patrick is likewise handed a "key," some gift or responsibility meant not to be hoarded but used to build up the Church. **Giving** is one way we exercise that trust, unlocking resources for the parish's mission rather than keeping them for ourselves. **Praying** deepens our own confession of who Christ is, so our service flows from real conviction, not obligation. **Serving** is how we use the keys we've been given: our time, talent, and treasure to open doors for others to encounter Christ. What "key," what gift or role, has God entrusted to you for the building up of this parish and our greater community? How will this year be different with your gift?

Stewardship

To make a one-time or recurring gift, please go to **stpatcc.org/give**.



WHAT TO EXPECT

- A community of moms from all faiths and stages of motherhood.
- Brunch and time to refresh while children are in loving care, select Tuesdays, 9:30 – 11:30 am.
- Opportunities to get to know moms as a whole ministry and in small group communities while we grow together.
- A variety of speakers and topics focus on parenting, faith, motherhood and doing life together.
- Service Projects, Book Club, Play Dates, Prayer, Moms Night Out, Parents and Family Events, and so much more!

Moms

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Moms AT ST. PATRICK

2026-2027 MOM DATES

SEPTEMBER 15	JANUARY 26
SEPTEMBER 29	FEBRUARY 9
OCTOBER 20	FEBRUARY 23
NOVEMBER 3	MARCH 9
NOVEMBER 17	APRIL 6
DECEMBER 1	APRIL 20
JANUARY 12	MAY 11

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*TENTATIVE DATES; SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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THE MUSIC MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

We invite you to join our ministry this fall. We will begin CHRISTMAS Music SOON! We rehearse on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Our rehearsal is a combined one so you can sing for Saturday evening or either Sunday morning Liturgy. Tryouts are not expected, but are available if you want to know which part to sing or play! All are welcome! Call Paul Hillebrand, Director of Music, on his direct line 480-264-4212 with any questions. This could be your big break into ministry!

There will be a *'Come and See'* meeting for new members on Thursday, September 3 .

We have a need for:

- **Synth/Piano players - 5:00 pm Sunday**
- **Guitar - Saturday and Sunday evenings**
- **Bass Guitar - Various**
- **Percussionists - 4:30 pm Saturday**
- **Male Singers All Masses!!**

Singing Angels

— Fall Registration —

Our Children's Choir Ministry, the Singing Angels, (Grades 2-8) will be starting the new season on Monday, Sept. 14. If your child loves to sing, we are ramping up our preparations for the fall semester! Rehearsals are every Monday before Edge and ROCK45 from 5:40 to 6:20 pm. There will be registration forms available in the music area after all Masses. The Singing Angels sing once a month at a weekend Liturgy and also Christmas Eve and the Cookies & Carols Concert. Come join this beautiful ministry Space is limited!



Paul Hillebrand,
Director of Music
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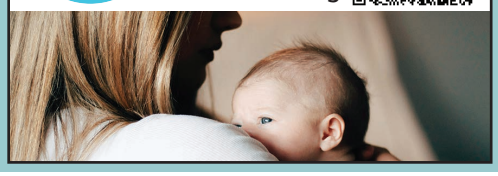
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Do you have an elementary aged child ready to prepare for
First Reconciliation, Confirmation or First Communion?

Parent Orientation

Thursday, Sept. 24, 6:00 pm or Friday, Sept. 25, 10:00 am
Fenlon Hospitality Center

Parent Orientation *is the first step in registering for sacraments. Children do not need to attend the Orientation, but are most welcome to attend, if needed. No need to RSVP.*



2026-27 Sacramental Prep

In order to prepare for the Sacraments of **Reconciliation** (2nd grade and above), **First Communion, and Confirmation** (3rd grade and above), you must:

- Have prepared for and celebrated Baptism (and Reconciliation for Confirmation & First Communion).
- Be participating in formation or enrolled at a Diocesan Catholic School. Formation includes Family Faith Formation OR Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS/Atrium) OR ROCK45 (youth in 4th or 5th grade).
- Have one parent or more attend a Parent Orientation.

Registration for Sacraments follows attendance at a Parent Orientation.

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If you have any questions regarding Elementary Sacrament registration or the program itself, please contact Renée Genetti
rgenetti@stpatcc.org, 480-998-3843 ext. 223



Middle School & High School Sacrament Preparation

PARENT/CHILD ORIENTATION MEETING

SEPTEMBER 27

10:00 am in the Youth Garage

DOES YOUR CHILD WISH TO RECEIVE BAPTISM, RECONCILATION, FIRST COMMUNION, AND/OR CONFIRMATION?



Questions? Contact Jen D'Costa

jdcosta@stpatcc.org

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Women's Fellowship Ministry

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Women's Social Dinner

Wednesday, September 23 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Please join us for a social evening including a delicious catered dinner, wine & refreshments.



Pastor Jackie Parks, founder of South Scottsdale Presbyterian Church will talk briefly about the **Community House**: "a place in Scottsdale belonging to the least, last, lost and left out in our city."

Please consider bringing donations of (new) men and women's underwear.

RSVP at **stpatcc.org/registration/falldinner26**

or scan



Grief Support

A faith-based weekly support group designed to help you rebuild your life after the death of a loved one.

Register at griefshare.org

by selecting one of the workshops at
St. Patrick Catholic Community
Questions: griefsupport@stpatcc.org

Mondays
September 14 - December 7
6:00 - 7:30 pm

House of Mercy
Dorothy Day Room

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Social Justice

SJO Thanks You!

What a successful summer of giving! On behalf of the Social Justice and Outreach (SJO) team, **thank you** for your generosity during our annual Water Drive, Back to School Supply Drive, and the Venezuelan earthquake relief efforts collection.

After an amazing **Water Drive** at the beginning of the summer, we were able to donate money to support our local neighbors in receiving the needed hydration to live healthily and stay cool in extreme heat conditions this summer. We contributed to St. Vincent de Paul's water distribution through their four dining rooms and across the state in addition to the Arizona Faith Network that used our much-appreciated funds to support local, unsheltered neighbors and faith communities across the Phoenix Valley, heat relief centers, and to cooling centers and cooling stations in the area. Lastly, your donations were sent to Catholic Relief Services and the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur to help worldwide communities in creating clean water systems.

As a result of your generous contributions during our annual **Back to School Drive**, students and teachers at St. Matthew Catholic School and the Paradise Valley Unified School District's Roadrunner School received numerous donations that will help make the school year easier and without the worry of having a pencil to do homework or a backpack to return assignments. Dozens of gift cards to Target and Walmart were also collected for Families of the Incarcerated in partnership with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Phoenix.

Lastly, after two powerful earthquakes struck Venezuela on June 24, your generosity and prayers were felt and much appreciated when a second collection was held the weekend of July 18/19 to benefit **Catholic Relief Services** in their work with **Venezuelan earthquake relief** efforts.

Your warm love, thoughtful intentions, and generous giving are making a difference in our local community and in communities afar. **Thank you** for all that you have done to extend your support through prayer, time, talent, and treasure!

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Mass Readings

This Sunday:

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23
Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36
Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Next Sunday:

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9
Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2
Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 24
8:00 am ✞ Theresa Herron

Tuesday, August 25
8:00 am ✞ Patrick Grune
5:30 pm ✞ Carolyn Novak

Wednesday, August 26
8:00 am ✞ Ruth Fredrick

Thursday, August 27
8:00 am ✞ Edward Simmons
5:30 pm ✞ John Robert White

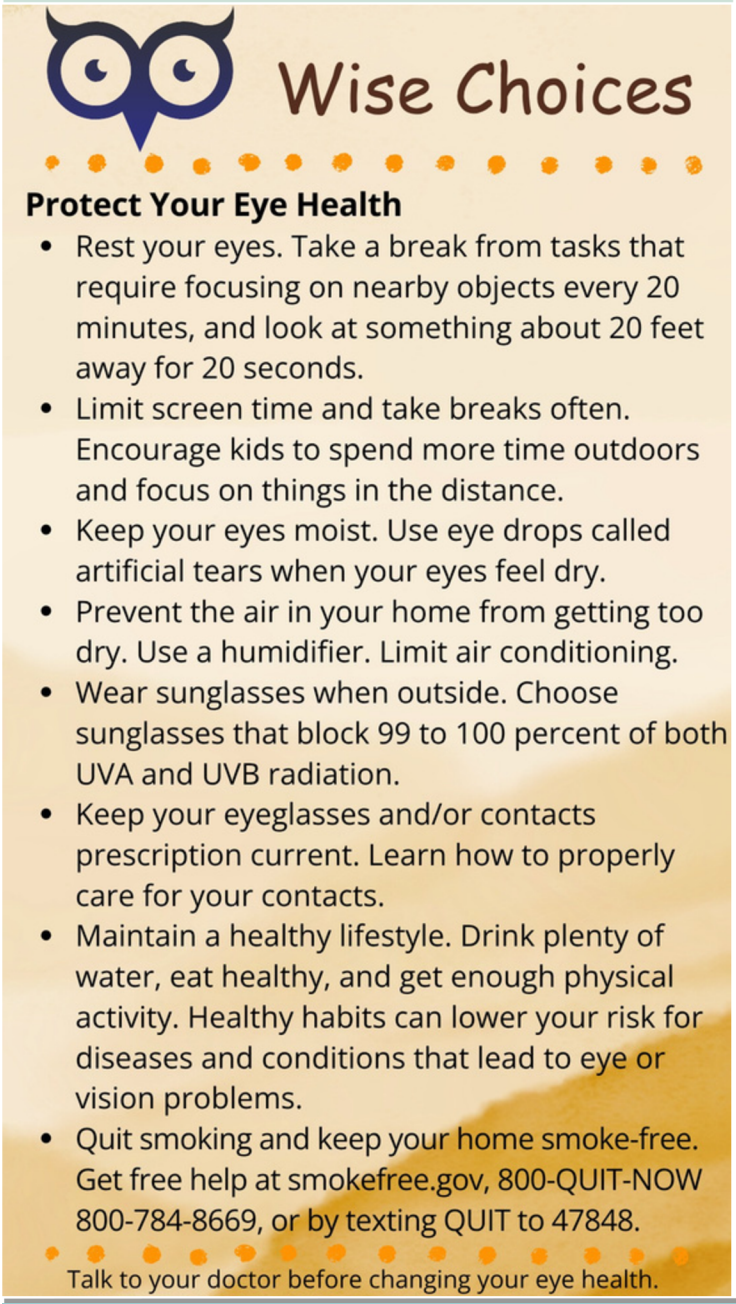
Friday, August 28
8:00 am ✞ Patricia Ann DeBusk

Saturday, August 29
4:30 pm ✞ Maria Guadalupe

Sunday, August 30
8:30 am ✞ Joseph and Joan Mitrick
10:30 am Emily Owen
5:00 pm ✞ Marilyn Agey

If you would like a specific Mass intention offered for someone, living or deceased, please come to the Parish Office to schedule one.

Nurses Corner



CARE and SUPPORT at St. Patrick

Cancer Support This support group is for those dealing with the effects of cancer in their lives and their families' lives. Group meets virtually the first Wednesday of the month, September to May, 7:00 - 8:30 pm. For more information please contact Gloria Yturralde at 602-370-7042.

Divorced/Separated The "Catholic Divorce Survival Guide" is a twelve part program of sharing, comfort, and healing for divorced or separated people. It is a journey of learning, reflection, and prayer. All are welcome. This course is offered in the spring and fall. For more information contact Benny Jetson at 602-920-1671 or Therese Mexas at 480-278-3805.

Family, Personal Support Catholic Charities Counselor available Mondays from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. For an appointment call 602-749-4405. Fees based on sliding scale.

Annulment Support A group of annulment ministers help people navigate the system of annulments in the Phoenix Diocese. For an appointment call 480-264-4319.

Prayer Support A team of men and women in Arizona and beyond are honored to pray for your intentions. All requests are confidential: first names only are encouraged. For prayer requests email to **weprayforyou@stpatcc.org**.

Grief Support Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one GriefShare is a special weekly Monday or Tuesday seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Please call the Parish Office 480-998-3843.

Benefits Assistance Program Assistance with Medicare and other health insurance benefits available for seniors, the disabled and caregivers. For information, please call the Parish Office 480-998-3843.

The Next Chapter A group for men and women further along on their grief journey to address the ongoing needs after the loss of a loved one through spiritual, educational and social activities. Please contact Peg Bohnert at **thenextchapter@stpatcc.org.**

NAMI Family Support Group This group is a free, confidential and safe place, open to family members, partners and friends of individuals living with a mental illness in order to support each other. Group meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 6:00-7:30 pm in the House of Mercy/Pope Francis Room. Questions: **email: info@namivos.org** or **web: namivos.org**

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Sanctuary Care

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Ministers serve once every 4-5 weeks.

We are accepting inquiries for new members of this team.

Please contact:
Eric Tamayo at **etamayo@stpatcc.org**

Community News

Magnificat
A Ministry to Catholic Women

Come and Join Us
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Registration through Eventbrite—search for
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Chapter in Phoenix, Deadline Sept. 9 2026
Mail-in registration's deadline Sept. 5, 2026

Magnificat is a Ministry to Catholic Women (and men) in the Diocese of Phoenix.
Women sharing in testimony of how God has worked in their lives.

Contact information for registration
Esther Ramirez, 623-565-0304, mrs.estherramirez@gmail.com
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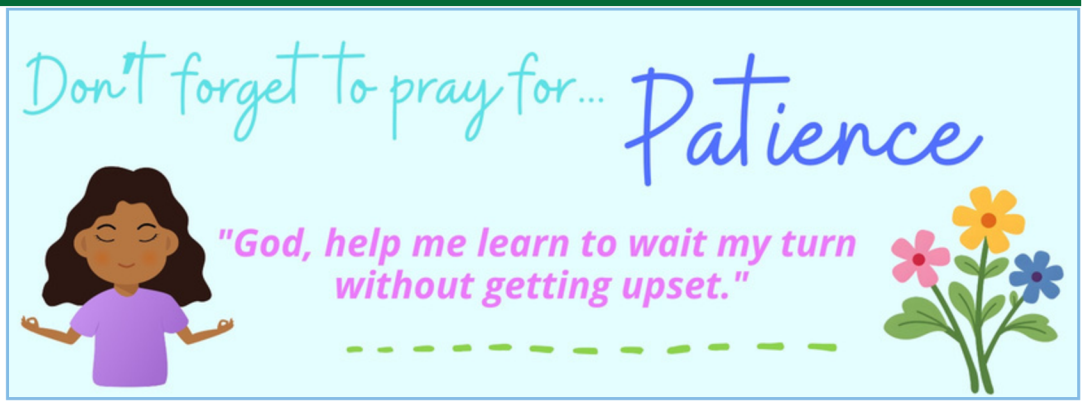
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EDGE

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Registration is OPEN. Don't Miss Out!

Middle schoolers, get ready for the best night of your week! **EDGE** kicks off Monday, Sept. 14, and registration is now LIVE on our website! All 6th – 8th graders are invited to join us every Monday from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Fenlon Hospitality Center for a high-energy mix of games, laughter, faith, and real friendships. Each week is a chance to grow closer to God, discover more about yourself, and connect with an awesome community.

Sign up today and get ready for a year you won't forget!
Please email Jen D'Costa at **jdcosta@stpatcc.org** with any questions.

FREDGE (Fri. night EDGE social) is happening! Come join our Welcome Party on Aug. 28 for pizza and fun in the Youth Garage from 6:30 - 8:00 pm! All middle schoolers are welcome.

LIFE TEEN

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All high school teens are invited to be part of our **Life Teen** youth ministry! We meet Sundays after the 5:00 pm Mass from 6:00 – 8:15 pm in Fenlon Hospitality Center.

Come for faith, fun, food, and friendship as we grow closer to Christ together. Bring a friend — everyone is welcome!

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FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation blends the needs of modern families with the best practices for in-home catechesis. We equip parents as the primary catechists of their children to share our faith using this home study program. With new materials each liturgical season, families will engage in learning and spiritual growth together. Contact: Renee Genetti at **rgenetti@stpatcc.org,** or call 480-998-3843 ext. 223.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is our weekly formation program for children age 4 through 3rd grade, incorporating Montessori principles to help children hear and respond to the loving call of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who has loved them first and calls them by name. Classes meet after school and early evening for an hour and a half, once a week, September through April. Contact: Renee Genetti at **rgenetti@stpatcc.org**, 480-998-3843 ext. 223.

CLOW
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

CLOW is a special time during Mass when children in Pre-K through 4th grade are invited to hear the Word of God in a way they can understand and reflect on. They are encouraged to ask questions and grow in faith through age-appropriate teachings.

Children are blessed and sent forth following the Gloria and return to the congregation during the Offertory. All are welcome—no registration required!

If you're interested in being part of this meaningful ministry, please reach out to Yasmine Rodriguez at **yrodriguez@stpatcc.org**. We'd love to have you join the team!

YOUNG DISCIPLES

Young Disciples (Ages 3–5) is a special program created just for potty-trained preschoolers to experience the joy of the Gospel in a fun and meaningful way! Offered during both the 8:30 and 10:30 am Masses, children begin in the church with their families, are then blessed and sent forth to continue worship, where they remain for the rest of the Mass.

Want to learn more or are you interested in becoming a volunteer minister? Reach out to Yasmine Rodriguez at **yrodriguez@stpatcc.org**.

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