



SPCC Happenings



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CITY HONORS ED ARCINIEGA—St. Patrick parishioner Ed Arciniega was honored at the city’s annual Christmas tree lighting in downtown Fallon on Fri., Dec. 6. Before a large crowd attending the event, Mayor Ken Tedford briefly outlined Ed’s many contributions to the community before presenting him with a plaque and giving him the “go ahead” to light the enormous tree. Pictured above, standing proudly from left to right with Ed are his son Charlie, his wife Norine, and his daughters Julie Richards and Yvonne Sutherland. Congratulations, Ed, on an honor well deserved!

Catholic Extension Approves Grant Request—Match Required

Catholic Extension has approved the grant application of St. Patrick Church in the amount of \$75,000 in matching funds.

Jane Moon, Build Out Project Facilitator, who wrote and submitted the grant request through the Diocese Of Reno on behalf of the parish, received notice two weeks ago of the Catholic Extension’s approval.

“We hope to raise the \$75,000 match by Easter (April 20, 2014) because, if we do, we will get another \$75,000 (from Catholic Extension), which will move us closer to our goal of raising the total of \$1.5 million needed for the full construction of the new parish hall,” Jane said. “Actually,” she added, “we are praying we can collect more than the required \$75,000 match.”

Prior to the Catholic Extension’s recent approval, close to \$1 million had already been raised through parishioner pledges/payments, donations from parish organizations, etc. since the St. Patrick Church capital campaign began in Dec. of 2012.

Fundraising to match the \$75,000 grant will be launched at the annual parish Christmas party to be held on Sun., Dec. 22, at the Fallon Convention Center. For example, new pledge forms will be available at that time for distribution to interested individuals.

“We’re very excited about this grant,” Jane commented. “It is a wonderful thing and a nice surprise.”

Currently, members of the parish council and others are selling \$5 raffle tickets for prizes to be awarded at the Dec. 22 Christmas party. (See page 2 for a list of the items to be raffled.) Tickets can be purchased at the event. If all are sold, they will add another \$15,000 to the church’s building fund.

Established as a papal society more than 100 years ago, Catholic Extension has strengthened and supported the Catholic Church in the United States. Its funding areas include infrastructure such as church building projects. For more information on the Catholic Extension, go online to its web site at www.catholicextension.org.

To learn more about the St. Patrick Church Build Out Committee and its fundraising projects, contact Build Out Facilitator Jane Moon, 423-6983.



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YOUTH CHRISTMAS MINISTRY —On Sun., Dec. 15 at the Old Walmart building, more than 20 members of St. Patrick Church's youth group, under the direction of Amy McElvain and Laurel Jackson, assembled non-perishable food items—donated by parishioners during the past month—into bundles to be distributed to 70 families in need of this assistance. Many thanks ♥ to our young people and to those who provided the non-perishables! *Photo: Rudy McElvain*

December 2013 Schedule



Dec. 21-22—Sat. Mass 5 pm, Sun. Masses 8 am & 11 am



Dec. 22—Sun.—Annual Parish Christmas Party—5 pm—Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon



Dec. 23—Mon.—Simbang Gabi Mass—7 pm—St. Therese Church of the Little Flower, 875 E. Plumb, Reno



Dec. 24—Tues.—Christmas Eve—Parish office closed

Dec. 24—Tues.—Children's Mass 5 pm & Mass for all 8 pm (serves as midnight Mass)



Dec. 25—Wed.—Christmas Day—Parish office closed

Dec. 25—Wed.—English Mass 11 am & Spanish Mass 1 pm



Dec. 31—Tues.—New Year's Eve—Parish office closed



Jan. 1—Wed.—New Year's Day—Masses 10 am & 6 pm—Holy Day of Obligation

Dec. 22 Raffle Items

The items to be raffled at the annual parish Christmas party on Dec. 22 at the Fallon Convention Center are:

First prize: Samsung 55 in. Smart TV 1080

Second prize: Pavilion 15-b119WM Sleek Book Laptop

Third prize: iPad WiFi 16GB

Fourth, fifth and sixth prizes: \$100.00 each

Raffle tickets priced at \$5 each may be purchased in the Rose Room after the Dec. 21 & 22 Masses and will also be available at the Dec. 22 Christmas party that starts at 5 p.m. The raffle drawing will take place later that evening.

2013 Parish Christmas Party Last One At FCC

As usual, the Fallon Convention Center is the site of this year's annual St. Patrick Christmas party Sun., Dec. 22, beginning at 5 p.m. It will be a nostalgic event since it may be the last one held at the facility with construction of the new parish hall expected to be completed by spring of 2014.

No cost tickets have been distributed to determine the number of people who will attend. Plans are being made to accommodate about 400 parishioners and guests.

Many hands are needed to We are especially grateful to

- ♥ Parish council for providing meat
- ♥ Ladies Guild for providing desserts
- ♥ Knights of Columbus for providing beverages

♥ Gary and Dani Laca for ordering the meat and cutting it up for the buffet table

♥ Judy Northrup, Maria Tejada and Mahal Moon for decorating

♥ Amy McElvain and the youth ministry for helping in various ways—setup, decorations, clean up, take down, etc.

♥ Mary Thomas and the children's chorus for performing

♥ Santa Claus for stopping to visit with the children

♥ Matt Louie for assistance with dishes

♥ Jane Moon for coordinating all

Attending parishioners are asked to bring a hearty side dish to accompany the turkey that will be served.