



RCIA elect Ashley Cole (left) and her sponsor Beth Cole (right)

RCIA Elect Look To Easter Vigil

RCIA elect **Ashley Cole** and **Frank Combs** anticipate with great joy their entrance into the Catholic faith as they receive the sacraments of Baptism, the Eucharist, and Confirmation at this year's Easter Vigil service on Holy Sat., March 30, at St. Patrick Church.

Sponsored by Beth Cole, her sister-in-law, Ashley moved to Fallon from Washington State in Jan. 2012 to be near her brother and his family. Beth invited her to attend Mass with her at St. Patrick's and encouraged her, if she was interested in learning more about the Catholic church, to participate in the RCIA program. Ashley is currently a full-time student at Western Nevada College and also works for the MWR (Morale, Welfare and Recreation) Dept. at Naval Air Station Fallon.

A native of Ohio, Frank came to Nevada 14 years ago from Florida when he was transferred by the U.S. Coast Guard to the Loran Station. Retired from the military in 2001, he now is employed with Northrop Grumman on the bombing range. Interested in the Catholic faith for several years before being able to enroll in RCIA, Frank finds strength in the church's history, structure and principles (such as social justice). His sponsor is Pat Laca.

Both Ashley and Frank have been attending RCIA since late Aug. of 2012. In charge of the program for past four years is Vernon Funsch.

Diocese Authorizes \$500,000 Loan

A letter from the Most Reverent Randolph Calvo, Bishop of the Diocese of Reno, and dated March 8, 2013, provided authorization for a \$500,000 loan toward the construction of a new parish hall at St. Patrick Church.

With over \$441,000 in cash and more than \$860,000 in pledges as of

March 5, 2013, Bishop Calvo congratulated pastor Father Tony Quijano and the parish for their hard work and fruitful results.

"I ask that you convey my gratitude to all the faithful parishioners who have participated in this worthy effort," wrote Bishop Calvo.

Because the parish is still slightly under the Diocesan threshold for the loan, Bishop Calvo advised the parish and its parishioners to "continue in your fundraising efforts" and "focus your energy to raise any necessary capital to pay off this loan in a timely manner."

Ed Louie of Louie's Home Center has pledged \$50,000 in construction supplies for the Build-Out Project, and Steven Moon has donated \$20,000 in professional/civil engineering services throughout construction once underway. A date has yet to be determined. A huge thank you ♥ to Bishop Calvo, Ed and Steven!

Capital Campaign Updated Numbers

As of March 12, 2013, the numbers for St. Patrick's Capital Campaign are as follows:

Total cash & pledges: \$889,155
Total Cash: \$441,760

A total of 95 registered families have made pledges. Those making individual contributions to the Build-Fund number 80.



CCD instructor Julie Lynch leads her class of young students in a conversation about thankfulness. With class size varying from week to week, the tiny classroom is sometimes filled to capacity with little room for coats and other personal belongings, instructional materials, student projects, etc. CCD classes are held in every available space at Maiola Hall and the parish office (the old rectory).

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Check It Out: St. Patrick's Church Is Now On The Internet!

To access St. Patrick's online go to www.stpatricksparish.org. Brenda Boone, whom the parish council asked to help create the church's web site, welcomes parishioner feedback on the design/content at boonebrenda87@gmail.com. Submissions subject to approval of parish office.



DONATION: Father Tony Quijano, pastor of St. Patrick's, and members of St. Patrick Youth Group presented a check in the amount of \$655.95 to Fallon Daily Bread Coordinators Barbara and Ron Evans. (Kathy Fraker is also a coordinator.) The donation is the result of the group's Souper Bowl project to raise funds to help feed the hungry within the community. Funds from the project were also donated to Joanie's Pantry at the church. The youth, as well as a number of St. Patrick's adult parishioners, participate on the 4th Mon. of every month at Fallon Daily Bread, held at the Epworth United Methodist Church, helping to prepare food, wrap silverware, set tables, serve meals, and provide desserts for 125-150 people. Youth pictured are (standing) Kimberly Ibarra, Maricela Montez, and Cesar Robles and (kneeling) Benedicto Villagrana. Also pictured is Margo Banse, head cook for St. Pat's monthly event. A total of 11 members of St. Patrick's Youth Group came to assist on this day (Feb. 25). Thanks ♥ to all!

Thank You Letter To St. Patrick Catholic Church

To St. Patrick Catholic Church:

As the head cook at Fallon Daily Bread on the 4th Mon. of each month, I would like to thank the young people of St. Patrick Catholic Church who give their help. A big thank you to Bernadette and Paul Nelson who make the arrangements for the youth and adults in your congregation to unconditionally volunteer their time to be part of the team. This St. Patrick's team and Fallon Daily bread have been a part of my life for six years. I depend upon the team to set up, serve and clean, and we have not encountered any problems. The young people learn work ethics and proper hygiene around food. In addition, they have made and furnished desserts to be served at Fallon Daily Bread on the evenings they have worked. Their time and efforts are greatly appreciated by our church (the Epworth United Methodist Church at which Fallon Daily Bread is conducted), myself, and our dinner guests.

Holy Week, Easter Services

- ◆ Holy Thursday—March 28—7 p.m. Mass
- ◆ Good Friday—March 29—Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m. & 6 p.m.—Liturgy and Communion follow 6 p.m. Stations
- ◆ Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - March 30—8 p.m. Mass
- ◆ Easter Sunday—March 31- 8 a.m. & 11 a.m. Masses (English) & 12:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish)



Margaret (Margo) Banse



M. Godfrey, B. Murray at Fallon Daily Bread