



SPCC Happenings



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Bishop Calvo Leads Prayers, Offers Blessing At Groundbreaking To Launch Parish Hall Construction



The morning was blessed with perfect weather—sunny and a brilliant blue Nevada sky, not a whisper of wind, and a comfortable temperature—which guaranteed the assembly of a large number of parishioners at the 10:30 a.m. groundbreaking ceremony and blessing on Oct. 20 to mark the beginning of construction of St. Patrick Church’s new parish hall.

The Most Reverend Randolph R. Calvo, Bishop of the Diocese of Reno, assisted by Father Antonio Quijano, pastor of St. Patrick’s, and the church deacons, led the nearly 100 people who attended in prayer and a blessing for the

successful completion of the project.

Shovels were then distributed, and, although the earth did not give way easily, it was eventually moved in ceremonial style.

As we prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday we wish to thank everyone who helped to organize the event and handled every detail to make the occasion a memorable one. We are especially grateful to Bishop Calvo for taking time out of his busy schedule to honor us with his presence and participation.

The outline of the new structure has already been marked with stakes and boards in the field north of the church.

Raffle Tickets Available

Raffle tickets at \$5 each are now available after all the Sat. and Sun. Masses as well as from parish council members and at the parish office. Proceeds will benefit the building fund.

Prizes are a **Samsung 55 in. Smart TV 1080** for 1st, a **Pavilion 15-b119WM Sleek Book Laptop** for 2nd, an **iPad WiFi 16GB** for 3rd, and **five consolation prizes of \$100 each**. The drawing will take place at the parish Christmas party on Sun., Dec. 22, at the Fallon Convention Center. Ticket holders need not be present to win.

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL**Phil Sabatino—President****Pete Larson—Vice President****Julie Richards—Secretary****Marvin Landaverde
Danette Laca
Marty Maffi
Dennis Mills****YOUR PARISH PASTOR****Father Tony Quijano****YOUR PARISH DEACONS****Kurt Carlson, M.D.
Ron Cherry
Wayne Crooks****YOUR PARISH STAFF****JoAnn Luiz—Office Manager****Jeannette Hale—Office Secretary
Colleen Sabatino—Office Staff****MaryAnn Gomes
Volunteer Office Assistant****Judy Carlson
Volunteer General Assistant****Casey Carlson—Custodian****Ginny Dugan—Newsletter Editor
duganmv@cccmm.net****Office Staff Serve God, Parish, and Parishioners**

The ladies who form the core of the St. Patrick Church office staff are dedicated in their service to the Lord, their pastor and parish, and the parishioners.

“It’s an honor to work for the parish,” said JoAnn Luiz, a member of St. Patrick Church for over 20 years and its office manager for the last three years.

Secretary Jeannette Hale is a relative newcomer to Fallon, coming from Kingston near Austin in 2010. Hired only a few months ago to fill a vacancy, she admitted she is “still learning” her responsibilities and says she enjoys meeting the parishioners.

Working one day per week “doing whatever needs to be done,” Colleen Sabatino likes to help people and describes the St. Patrick family “so great” and “very generous in giving of its time, talent and tithing.”

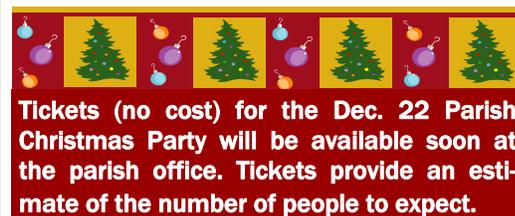
Mary Ann Gomes is invaluable in the daily assistance she provides the parish office staff. “I’ve been a volunteer forever,” she said and recalled doing tasks such as running the mimeograph machine to print church bulletins when St. Pat’s was located at the corner of E. Richards and S. East Park streets.

In addition to being actively involved in



From left to right: Volunteer Mary Ann Gomes, Office Manager JoAnn Luiz, Colleen Sabatino who works on Wed., and Office Secretary Jeannette Hale.

a parish activities, Joann, Jeannette and Colleen are Eucharistic ministers.



Tickets (no cost) for the Dec. 22 Parish Christmas Party will be available soon at the parish office. Tickets provide an estimate of the number of people to expect.



From left to right: Rosary Society members Ben Leynes, Beth Anderson, Dan Mayne, Dave Shell, Lolly Leynes, Pina Manahan, and Monica Brown.

Rosary Society: Their Gifts Of Love

In the early evening on the first Monday of every month a small group of St. Patrick Church parishioners gather together in the Rose Room for a few hours to skillfully create rosaries for First Communion recipients, Confirmation students, RCIA elect, Knights of Columbus welcome packets, and other purposes. Rosaries are also assembled at home.

Rosaries have been made and sent to inmates at the Lovelock prison at the request of a priest from the area and also to the Philippines. Former St. Patrick Church pastors (Father Ariel Arias and Father Oliver Curran) have taken the rosaries with them when they traveled to their countries of origin (Columbia and Ireland).

Using materials they individually purchase from their own funds, the 14 members of the Rosary Society do not sell their handiwork but offer them as gifts to those who request them. It is their ministry. Before they are distributed rosaries are blessed by Father Tony, St. Patrick Church pastor.

Several Rosary Society members lead the praying of the rosary before Mass on Sat. at 5 p.m., Sun. at 8 a.m., and now also Sun. at 11 a.m.

LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP IN THE WEEKS AHEAD...

- Nov. 16-17—Sat.-Sun.—Special collection at all Masses for assistance to victims of Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines
- Nov. 21-24—Thurs.-Sun.—Jesus King of All Nations Devotion—5 p.m. Thurs., 6 p.m. Fri. & Sat., 12 noon Sun.
- Nov. 26—Tues.—6 p.m.—Parish Council Meeting—Rose Room
- Nov. 28—Fri.—10 a.m.—Thanksgiving Mass
- Nov. 28-29—Thurs.-Fri.—Office closed for Thanksgiving holiday
- Dec. 22—Sun.—5 p.m.—Christmas Party—Fallon Convention Center—Potluck: bring a hearty side dish—Meat, beverages, dessert provided