

Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time February 23, 2025

As Simon said the other Sunday on the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus: "Now you can dismiss me oh God". This is my last reflection as the "priest in charge at St. Cronan". This Sunday Johnny Zokovitch will become our first Community Life Coordinator (CLC). Johnny will be the spiritual animator of our community and also the Facilities Manager. He recently was the National Director of Pax Christi, a huge Catholic peace organization. Prior to that he was on the International Board for Pax Christi. In his earlier years Johnny was in the Catholic Worker Movement and he was Campus Minister at two different Universities. He has given presentations on justice at national gatherings and he has created and presided over numerous paraliturgical services. Johnny is very knowledgeable when it comes to peace and justice issues. He is very adept at synthesizing and reflecting on important issues. I have known Johnny and his wife Heather since they joined the St. Cronan. He is a prayerful, humble servant of Christ. He will have my complete support. Please welcome Johnny as our new CLC.

I am very grateful that the Archbishop is supporting me in continuing to serve here at St. Cronan as the "Sacramental Minister" (Masses, weddings, funerals, confes-

sions, baptisms etc. I will do or not do whatever Johnny wants. Johnny will be reporting to the Church Council. I will have no formal administrative position. Johnny and I will be in close contact especially as he transitions.

I also thank the Finance Committee and the Church Council for allowing me to continue serving here and to continue living in the Rectory. The Archdiocese will be taking care of all of my benefits and a retirement salary. I look forward to the next page in my service as a priest. I will be praying with you and for you. Thanks for sharing some of the most joy-filled years of my priestly ministry. Thanks for challenging me, encouraging me. praying with me and supporting me these last seven years.

—Fr. Jack (he/him)

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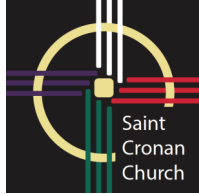
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Sunday Sexton: Open Position



St. Cronan Catholic Church

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Mass Information

SUNDAY – 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

SATURDAY VIGIL – 5:00 pm.

Wednesdays – 8:00 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment.

Bulletin Deadline: Noon Tuesday

St. Cronan Community Life Coordinator

On behalf of the St. Cronan Community Life Coordinator Search Committee, I am privileged to share that our community member Johnny Zokovich has accepted the offer to serve as St. Cronan Church's first Community Life Coordinator and lay pastoral leader. Johnny will formally join the St. Cronan Church staff on February 23, 2025. Johnny's background is grounded in pastoral ministry, community organizing, communications, and nonprofit leadership. Johnny served as the Executive Director of Pax Christi USA and joins the St. Cronan leadership team from Assisi House, from which he will be transitioning over several weeks.

Fr. Jack, Diane, and Mary will be working closely with Johnny on his transition into the role and getting him connected to our diversity of ministries and committees. In addition, we are planning a 2025 Church Assembly to give Johnny the opportunity to further introduce himself and gather input on the community's priorities and desired accountabilities for the role. More to come on exact details!

Thank you to Sr. Lynne Schmidt, Barry Buchek, and Margaret Govero who generously volunteered their time as members of the Search Committee. Thank you also to the full St. Cronan assembly for your grace and trust throughout this process. I am happy to answer any questions and provide additional information about the steps the Search Committee took and the intention behind each, while respecting the privacy of the candidates - most of whom came forward from within our community.

With hope for the future of our community in this Jubilee year,

Mariah Byrne Sullivan
Community Life Coordinator Search Committee

Please watch the bulletin and Monday notes info on an upcoming church assembly.



Prayers Please: Fr. Jack ; Nick and Shirley Ambrose and Family; Elisabeth Byrne’s mom, Denise Siebold; Mary Truetken; Joe Connolly; Yvonne Hart’s daughter, Cathy Hebert; Nancy Buck’s Daughter, Jeanne Oberle; Trish Curtis’ siblings, Skip, Teree, and Ray; Warren Wimmer.

Caroline Leibman, Spiritual Enrichment through Movement: Caroline offers instruction in Spiritual Movement on Tuesday afternoons, Feb. 11th and 25th and then March 11th and 25th at 12pm, 1pm, 2pm and 3pm. To register for a session, please use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904084BAFAF23A0F49-52556820-spiritual> Instructions to sign up: Click “sign up” at the bottom of the list of slots, click “save and continue” (this might be under the “cookies” notice. You will need to close that to see it). On “Sign me up” page, enter your name and email if it is not displayed. Click “sign up now.” Click “back to sign up – your name should appear in your selected slot. Questions? Contact Caroline at carolineleiberman@gmail.com or Diane at diane@stcronan.org

Jubilee Year of Hope: As we begin the new year, let us open our doors to the hope of a better future. Let us resolve to work collectively to welcome our migrant neighbors and LBGTQIA+ siblings. In the vestibule, you will notice the door marked with the Papal Seal, the Holy Family as migrants and refugees, and the “Welcome All” logo. Let us face 2025 with a firm commitment to follow Pope Francis’ declaration.



Black Lives Matter Vigil, takes place the third Friday of the Month at the corner of Manchester and Kingshighway, 4:30-5:30 p.m. The next vigil will take place on Friday, March 21. Please join us!



Turtles: The Turtles is a Women’s Book Club that has been meeting for almost 25 years. We meet the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Yvonne DeHart. We love to have more women join us, especially when we start a new book. Our next book will be “Small Great Things” by Jodi Picoult. We will meet on February 17. We will discuss the book up to where anyone finished reading. We usually only read a part of a book at a time, but with a novel, we are more flexible. Also, there will be wine and snacks! For information or questions, email Diane at diane@stcronan.org



The St. Cronan Social Justice Book Club meets on the second Sunday of each month in the Parish Center library on the 1st floor after the 10AM mass from 11:30AM-12:30PM (hybrid meeting for those who are unable to join in person). We will discuss On Tyranny by Timothy Snyder at our next meeting on Sunday, March 9, 2025. You are encouraged to read Stamped from the Beginning by Ibram X. Kendi for our meeting on Sunday, April 13, 2025. We invite you to join us or to simply read our monthly book choice. Our book choice for May will be How We Learned to be Brave by Bishop Budde. Please contact Charlene Connolly, Chair at 314-308-0056 for more information.

Administrator's Wish List: The 2025 Wish List is as follows:

Diaper Changing Station for Men's Restroom: \$200

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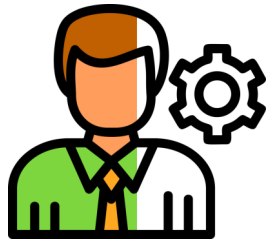
Shelving Unit for Church Closet: \$150

Painting the vacant Church Office: \$1250 **PLEGGED!!!!!!**

Oscillating Heater to prevent frozen pipes: \$100

Please see the full list on the table in back of church...handy envelopes are available for your donations. Please feel free to reach out with any questions to Mary: mary@stcronan.org or (314) 289-938

If you wish to make a donation toward any item on the wish list, please notate "Wish List" on the memo line of your check. If you would like the money to go to a specific item, please notate that as well. Thank you in advance for your wonderful generosity!



St. Cronan Catholic Church Land Acknowledgement.

We respectfully acknowledge that St. Cronan Church stands on the ancestral lands of Native American and Indigenous peoples. We honor their enduring presence and acknowledge the historical and ongoing impacts of colonization. We are committed to learning, dialogue, and fostering reconciliation with Native American and Indigenous communities.

For the full land acknowledgment, visit stcronan.org.