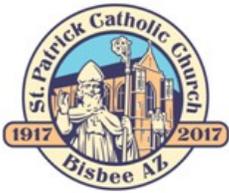


**St. Patrick Parish**

# Fall Festival 2017

**October 6-7-8**



When the parish Fall Festival opens this year on Friday October 6, we'll already be in "full celebration mode" having just completed our Centennial Weekend. We encourage everyone to help plan and support this important annual event as we extend our Centennial Celebration one more week. Festival proceeds are a significant part of the annual parish budget, and help to offset the cost of our annual insurance premium. If you have suggestions, or if you are willing to help in any capacity, please contact one of the committee members listed below.

## Plan your support of the festival — a little bit at a time.....

We all support the festival and the various booths, but it's a little difficult to come up with donations for each booth just before the festival. Consider starting now — it will be much easier on the wallet!

Please buy your raffle tickets if at all possible; if it is not possible, try to sell them to friends or relatives.

Take note of possible ways you can support the Festival as you read through this newsletter. Keep the ideas in mind during the summer as you find items at home or find things on sale at the stores.

It's too early now to leave festival items at the parish hall. If you cannot keep them until time for the festival, contact the booth chairmen or one of the members of the festival committee to have them picked up.

If a cash donation is easiest for you, consider setting aside a few dollars once in a while. Put it in the collection basket. Mark it for the festival, or for a specific booth if you prefer.

Put 'Parish Festival' on your calendar now. Plan to give a few hours to help with one of the booths. Call one of the Festival Committee or the booth chairmen to sign up.

Our festival is a really big deal. Participation by all of us to ensure its success is really important. Please consider how you can do your part.

## MEXICAN FOOD!

If there's one thing our Fall Festival is best known for, it has to be the wonderful Mexican food from the St. Patrick Kitchen. This year will be no exception, with the kitchen under the direction of Carmen Bernal, and a menu that's sure to please.

If you wish to help in any way with the Festival Kitchen, please call Carmen at 234-7770.



## RAFFLE TICKETS



The ever popular money raffle is always part of the Festival. Your tickets are enclosed with this mailing, and we hope you will buy them or sell them to your friends or relatives to help support the festival. Prizes this year are again \$500, \$750, and \$1,000. Your chance of winning one of these cash prizes is certainly much better than your chance of winning one of the lotteries! Your ticket stubs and money may be mailed back to the parish office, dropped in the collection basket at Mass, or turned in at the festival. For additional tickets, please contact the parish office or one of the Festival Committee members. The popular "50/50" raffles will be on-going both days; there will be many chances to win a quick \$50.

## ~~YARD SALE NO~~, but SILENT AUCTION YES

One of the challenges of the Festival set-up each year is working effectively within the confines of our available space. A yard sale area is no longer part of the Festival layout. Our Silent Auction continues to grow and each year we receive many really nice items. However, the space on the stage cannot be made larger, and we ask your help in making our silent auction the best that it can be.

► Please do not bring yard sale items. Sort through your items and bring only those new or gently used items that are suitable for the silent auction.

► We usually cannot accept furniture or very large items. There is not room on the stage to set them up. If you have such an item you wish to donate, please talk to us well ahead of time.

► Start looking for your Silent Auction items now. The last day items will be accepted is Tuesday, October 3. Time is needed for set-up and proper display. No items will be taken after that time. Please do not leave items in the hall during the Centennial weekend.

► For further information, or to request pick-up of your items, please call Cathy Acuna 432-3060 or Barbara Morales 432-5557.

## FESTIVAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

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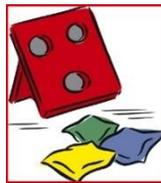
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**CHERRY TREE** The “Cherry Tree” will be back again! Everyone was excited to see the Cherry Tree Booth back last year. Many memories and stories from past Festivals were shared with “old timers” Isidro Chavez and Tom Schelling. Those experiencing the Cherry Tree Booth for the first time were surprised about always winning a prize and said they are really looking forward to playing again at this year’s Festival. Everyone who plays wins something, from a handmade item to a huge stuffed animal and more. Anyone wishing to donate towards prizes can contact Tom and Isidro at 432-2110. Needed are small purchased prize items in sets of 60. Or, if you are a 'crafty' person and willing to make 48 small handmade items, they would be very welcome. Prize items need to be given to Tom & Isidro before the festival so they can plan their prize lists. Contact Tom and Isidro if you want to volunteer some time helping out in the booth at the Festival this year and join in making smiles that the Cherry Tree Booth brings to everyone of all ages.

### KIDS' GAMES

Jennifer Salcido Ratkovich (520-428-2163) will again be organizing the popular kids' games. She will appreciate donations of new and gently used (clean!) stuffed animals and toys that will be used for prizes. A little closer to Festival time, she would also like 2-liter bottles of soda which will be used for prizes.



**LOTTERIA** (Mexican bingo) is popular every year, and will again be available at the Festival. Needed are new or gently used items suitable for children or adult prizes — small toys, knick-knacks, costume jewelry, household items. Alice Phillips will oversee

the Lotteria table. Please call her (520) 366-1922 if you have prize items to donate.

### ADULT SPIRITS COIN TOSS

Wayne Pitzlin and his assistants will be sure that the coin toss is up and running for the adults who enjoy demonstrating their skill pitching quarters. Please give Wayne a call at 432-5949 if you would like to donate any “adult spirits”



How will **YOU** support the festival this year ?

### ARTS & CRAFTS

Linda Marshall (432-5200) and Isabel Torres (432-5782) will once again oversee the selection of Arts & Crafts items at the festival. They are looking for all kinds of handmade items to sell, so this is the time to get those projects going. If you have questions, please give them a call. If you have an item you wish to be raffled, or if your projects are completed, please let them know ahead of time and arrange to deliver your items. It is much more difficult for them if everything is turned in the day before the festival.



### SWEET TOOTH BOOTH

St. Patrick Women's Club will be staffing the popular Sweet Tooth Booth. Marcie Escalante will be organizing the wonderful offerings that annually provide many reasons to smile as festival goers sample the wide assortment of goodies available—empanadas, cookies, brownies, candies...the list doesn't end. Parish bakers should start planning now. If you don't bake but would like to contribute, donations of baking supplies (flour, sugar, eggs, nuts, etc.) are welcome, or cash donations which are used to purchase supplies. Call Marcie Escalante at 234-0416 to make arrangements.

### CAKE BOOTH

What is a festival without a cake booth? The faithful members of our St. Vincent De Paul—Bisbee Conference will again be on hand to be sure that the wheel is turning regularly, with a wonderful cake awaiting the holder of the lucky ticket. Many cakes will be needed for those two days of the festival —plan now to bake at least one or two to help their supply. If you are willing to help, please call Kathy Gammon at 249-8632



### PLANT BOOTH

Our plant booth promises wonderful offerings every year thanks to the green thumb of Wayne Pitzlin. He already has his seedlings started, but their identity shall remain a dark secret until Festival time. You can be sure they'll be wonderful, for yourself or to use as a gift. Plan to pick out at least one, though you might have to work hard to resist getting several.... Share the green!

### BEER BOOTH

In addition to all their effort to set up and financially support the festival, the Knights of Columbus Council # 863 will again have the Beer Booth open. Enjoy beer, wine, or margaritas with your meal or just while you visit with friends.



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