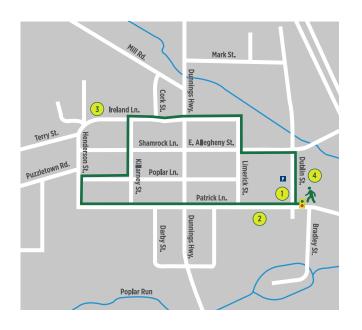
Don Gonsman Memorial Walk Route





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Saint Patrick Catholic Church
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After 200 years, Saint Patrick Catholic Church parish continues to be a vibrant faith community. In 1816, a little stone church was built in Newry and Father Gallitzin dedicated it under the title of Saint Patrick. Father Gallitzin continued his personal care of this mission until 1821. Afterward, Father Gallitzin relinquished the eastern portion of his vast mission, including Newry, to his protégé, the Reverend Thomas Heyden, who worked out of Bedford.

Saint Patrick's Catholic School
Nestled in the heart of Newry Boro

Nestled in the heart of Newry Borough, Saint Patrick's is Blair County's only pre-kindergarten through 8th grade school at one site. Saint Patrick's has been educating students for over 95 years and takes pride in its educational program which includes many distinguished alumni. The two yearly events celebrated by the community, both held by St. Patrick's Parish, are the Lenten fish fries, held in the cafeteria of Saint Patrick's Catholic School, and the summer festival, held near the end of July/early August on the school grounds.

Saint Patrick's New Cemetery

Saint Patrick's New Cemetery located along Ireland Lane includes a notable area Civil War Veteran named J. Levi Roush. Roush received the Civil War Congressional Medal of Honor and served in the Civil War as a Corporal in Company D, 6th Pennsylvania Reserves (35th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry). Roush is buried at this location along with his wife and two sons.

Saint Patrick's Old Cemetery

Old St. Patrick's Cemetery is situated immediately behind St. Patrick's Church, as opposed to the much larger New St. Patrick's Cemetery located across town on Ireland Lane. This was the location for early burial sites dating back to the late 18th century.