



# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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## *Second Sunday of Lent*



### **Celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass**

*Saturday, 4:00 pm ❖ Sunday, 10:00 am*

Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 am

First Friday, 10:00am

Holy Days of Obligation, 12:00 Noon and 6:30 pm

### **The Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday, 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm or by appointment

**Third Sunday of Lent**

**FIRST READING:** (Exodus 17:3-7) 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8) Gospel (John 4:5-42)

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE HOSPITAL OR ON HOSPICE:** Please keep all the sick and their caregivers in your prayers.

**OUT OF RESPECT** for the privacy of our parishioners, names of those who are in the hospital are not listed in the bulletin without prior approval by the individual or an immediate family member if the individual is unable to speak for themselves.



**PRAYER BOOK:** The prayer book in the narthex is available for all prayer requests. Please pray daily for these requests.

**PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS:** Especially our families, friends and loved ones who are currently in active military service: Carlos Aguirre (Stateside) Darren Armentrout (Stateside), Darryl Balcom (Stateside), Jeremy Barton (Stateside), Joseph Byrd (Stateside), Matthew Cavender (Stateside), Melissa Dooley (England) Andy Easter (Afghanistan) Jaren Garton (Deployed) Brian Gibson (Iraq), Heath Gober (Iraq), Michael Anthony Grinston (Stateside), Andrew Hays (At Sea) Samantha Higgins (Stateside), Scott Jones (Stateside), Daniel Jordan (Stateside), Brett King (Stateside), Jenny Malone (Stateside), David Miller (Stateside), Richard Parvin (Qatar), Joey Serio (Iraq), Ben Perry (Qatar), and John Toombs (Afghanistan) . Please keep all of our brave men and women in your prayers. **If you know of any parishioner who should be added to or removed from this list, please contact the office.**

**PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH!** We would love to have you as a registered member of St. Patrick. If you would like to join our parish, please pick up a Census Card in the narthex, fill it out and put it in the collection basket.

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES** Mickey Davidson. Please keep these, all the homebound, and their caregivers in your prayers. If you know of any parishioner who should be added to or removed from this list, please contact the office.

**KATERI CIRCLE** meeting Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup> from Noon – 2:00 pm in the St. Joseph Hall.

**WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT**

<i>Account</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expense</i>	<i>Diff.</i>
<i>Operations</i>	6,873.00	2,901.23	3,971.77
<i>Capital Imp.</i>	700.00	0.00	700.00
<i>Approved BF</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00

**COLD AND FLU SEASON IS HERE!** Please remember that it is not a sin to miss Mass when you are sick. It is also not a sin to miss Mass if you need to stay home with a sick child. Even if it is “just a cold” In fact it is more in keeping with Jesus’s commandment to love, for you to protect others from getting the flu or a cold. Remember an illness that is “just a cold” to you, could be detrimental to the health of someone else. Especially the very young, the elderly, and those with compromised respiratory or immune systems. Please stay at home when you are ill and keep your children at home when they are ill.

**THIS IS A CHURCH** but it is also a public building. ALL Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult on the Church premises. This includes bathroom visits and outdoor fun! Please help us keep our children safe at all times.

**LITURGY SCHEDULES:** It is time to fill the 109 Minister positions for Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday. Please let Janet Rubino or the church office know of your availability no later than March 15th.

**SPRING FOR A SHAMROCK FUND RAISER** Our Annual Fund Raiser Kick Off will be held on Saturday & Sunday, March 14 & 15. You are invited to stay after Mass on this weekend to listen to and participate in our Spring for a Shamrock Fundraiser. You will have the opportunity to choose a shamrock and pay for the amount on it at the time. Cash Prizes and other detailed information will be presented at that time. Refreshments will be served after the 4:00 pm Mass and you can sign up to bring a dish for our Saint Patrick Potluck to be held on Sunday March 15 after the 10:00 am Mass. Sign up sheets will be in the narthex.

**DAY OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS:** Bishop Baker has designated Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> as a “Day of Prayer for Priest” Please pray for all priests serving in the Diocese of Birmingham.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent:** This Lent Jesus invites us to go up on a mountain, to spend extra time in prayer. Don't be afraid of what you might experience. Trust that God is leading you to greater understanding. (Matthew 17:1-9). Let us pray for those who are preparing for baptism at Easter. (**Vocation View is sponsored by Serra Club**)

## *Growing in Faith*

**FAITH FORMATION:** Spring Break is March 23-27. No FF on Wednesday, March 25th.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** Sunday's during the 10:00 am Mass unless otherwise noted. This is for children ages 3 through 2nd grade. No registration is necessary for CL attendance.

**RCIA:** Considering joining the Catholic Church? Catholic but never confirmed? Need to make your First Communion? Want to be baptized? Let us help you! Check out our RCIA classes for adults considering joining the Catholic Church. Come and Learn. For more information, please call the church office. Classes are Tuesdays, at 6:00 pm. unless otherwise noted.



**SHAWL MINISTRY:** The Prayer Shawl Ministry will not meet this Monday. Please join us on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. If you know of someone who is sick or in the hospital in need of comfort and prayers please let us know. Interested in joining? Call Mary Evans.

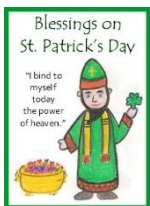


**MUSIC MATTERS:** Next Choir is March 22 at 8:30 am Rehearsal with Mass at 10:00 am.

## *Youth Scoops*

**SPIRIT YOUTH** will present a live portrayal of the Stations of the Cross on March 13th at 7pm. The youth work hard and do a wonderful and moving presentation of Jesus' walk to Calvary. Please come and support our youth and bring a friend!!

## **MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup> PATRONAL FEAST DAY OF OUR PARISH**



**Saint Patrick Day Feast Mass** Since we will be celebrating our Saint Patrick Day Pot luck on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, we will have Mass in the chapel at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, to celebrate our Patronal Feast Day. Make plans to attend now.

## **Bishop Baker's Catholic Schools' Emergency Fund Collections** **Weekend of March 7-8, 2020 in All Parishes**

With the dire situation most of our Catholic Schools are facing due to the reductions of Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGOs) in the State of Alabama we are asking all in our Catholic community to come forward to help our schools with your generosity and prayers the weekend of March 7-8. There is a shortfall from those funding organizations of over \$3,000,000.00 this year, grant money that was relied upon for our needy students. We also ask that in this year's tax cycle everyone specify a tax allotment to one of the SGOs available, especially the ones which have helped us in the past. Please give a donation for this critical cause to "The Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama," and note that the gift is for "Bishop Baker's Catholic Schools Emergency Fund." Please place in the parish weekend collection, or send to Bishop Robert J. Baker, Catholic Schools Emergency Fund. P. O. Box 12047, Birmingham, Alabama 35202.



**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** The next weekend is scheduled in Cullman, March 27-29, at St. Bernard. Information online at [www.ALFL-wwme.org](http://www.ALFL-wwme.org)

**CAMP ST. BERNARD** offers overnight and day camps for children ages 6-14 on the campus of St. Bernard Abbey. Campers participate in summer camp activities, enjoy nature, and even meet some monks. Registration is now. Contact John Arndt at [campstbernard@gmail.com](mailto:campstbernard@gmail.com) or visit online at [campstbernard.com](http://campstbernard.com)

**IAHS RAFFLE:** The society is sponsoring a trip for 2 to Rome, Florence, Bologna and Venice! Trip includes air fare, hotels, transportation-train tickets/cabs to and from airport, breakfasts and fees to all historic landmarks. Museum tours included will be to the Vatican Museum in Rome and the Accademia Gallery in Florence which houses the Statue of David. A gondola ride in Venice will be included. Chances are \$50 and has a value close to \$8000. Drawing held June 14<sup>th</sup>. For more information go [IAHSBHAM.com](http://IAHSBHAM.com) or contact Leon Chiarella. All board members and many of the society have tickets available to purchase. (Raffle tickets were printed compliments of Brooklere Pharmacy.)

**OPEN YOUR HEART AND HOME** to a Catholic exchange student from Spain or Germany for the coming 2020-2021 school year. Volunteer host families (with or without children) and single parents are needed to provide food, bed, and a loving home for the coming school year starting in late August. EMF students have medical insurance, spending money for their personal expenses and expect to share their host family's daily life including household responsibilities. They speak English, are well-screened and eager to experience life in America. Their stay here is sponsored by Educational Merit Foundation, a non-profit, educational exchange organization. For more information call Marie-Claude Dijoud or visit [www.emfusa.org](http://www.emfusa.org)

**ST. JOHN VIANNEY VOCATIONS SOCIETY** meets **March 10, 2020** The Lay Apostolate Society (SJVVS), meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Chancery Office across from the Cathedral of St. Paul on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of 10 months during the year, from 10:00 am to 11:45 am. The Society fosters and affirms Catholic vocations to the ministerial priesthood and vowed religious life. All Catholics are invited to attend, hear our activities we discuss, and become a Prayer Warrior for more priests. Please consider attending a meeting. Do you know a young man who could be interested in the Priesthood? Call The Vocations Office.

**LENTEN RETREAT** Join the Women of St. Mark for "Making Room for God in the Busyness" with guest Becky Eldredge, author of Busy Lives and Restless Souls in the Parish Center, 7340 Cahaba Valley Road, Birmingham, AL 35242 (off Highway 119) on April 4 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. \$25 Fee includes lunch. Register by mail to Women of St Mark Retreat, Attn: Rae Ellyn Sarver, 4105 Kinross Circle, Birmingham, AL 35242. Deadline to register; March 30, 2020, no registration at the door. For information, visit the website at <https://stmarkrc.org>, (Women of St Mark events), or contact Sr. Madeline.

**SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT** The IAHS is again announcing the opportunity for a \$1000 Scholarship based on the winning essay, "What My Italian Heritage Means to Me." To be eligible to participate, the applicant must have a relative who is a society member in good standing. Also, the person submitting the essay must be currently enrolled at the college level or a high school senior who has been accepted at a college. The \$1000 award will be paid directly to the college. The deadline for submitting the essay is Friday, May 31st, 2020. Go to our website [www.iahshbam.com](http://www.iahshbam.com) for scholarship guidelines.

**"CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS"** Moms, do you need a spiritual boost every now and then? If so, then join us at Our Lady of Sorrows on Monday, March 16, for Adoration and Confession from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, followed by Mass. Adoration and Mass will be in the church. We will then gather at the Family Life Center in the Youth room on the 3rd floor for an opportunity to listen to Michele DiPiazza give a talk on St. Joseph. It is a great opportunity to pray, go to Confession, receive the Eucharist, make new friends or renew old friendships. If you have any questions please contact [christianmothersbhm@gmail.com](mailto:christianmothersbhm@gmail.com) Janel Martignoni. All are welcome! [Sponsored by the Confraternity of Christian Mothers.]

**Understanding the Mass**  
**Part 3 in a series**  
**I'm in the pew; now what?**

Now that we have arrived and are seated, what next? If possible, we kneel, but if we physically can't then we sit quietly with our hands resting in our laps. These are called *postures of prayer*. These five to ten minutes before the Mass begins should be devoted to prayer and reflection. It is good to open with a few memorized prayers. You may have your favorites but you can't go wrong with the Our Father and a Hail Mary! Pray them slowly and thoughtfully, thinking about what each phrase means.

After your prayers, take the time to have a conversation with God. Tell him what's on your mind, what's troubling you, what's made you happy the past week. Have a real conversation with God. Sometimes I think we just try too hard. We don't have to use flowery prose or \$50 words! Just take this time to open yourself up to Jesus, becoming aware of His presence in the Eucharist. Ask Jesus to help you get the most out of the Mass you are about to participate in.

Here is an example of how to ask Jesus to help you prepare for the Mass. Don't feel you have to recite this word for word. Put it in your own words if you wish. Maybe even cut this out and bring it with you as a guide. The point is, just have your own conversation casually with Christ asking for calm and attentiveness, for spiritual growth, for a response of faith.

“Jesus, thank you for calling me to this celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Calm down my mind so that I may be attentive to the words, actions, symbols, and signs of this act of worship. Surround my heart with your peace so that it may long for you alone. Help me listen with faith to God's message in the readings. May I have an open heart to the homily. Motivate me to carry the effects of the Mass into my daily life and to be a missionary of your Good News.”

**Next week – “The Mass begins! Participation, not observation!”**



**SVDP MEETING:** meeting will be held  
on Thursday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m.

**SHOP AT AMAZONSMILE:** Amazon will donate a portion of any online purchase to SVdP. Simply click the icon on the SVdP page on St. Patrick website to place your order. Donations will be computed by AMAZON and automatically transferred to our account.

**PLEASE HELP THE SVdP PANTRY**

Cooking Oil  
Corn meal  
Flour  
Jellies  
Mayo



See Brown Bag for a list of additional items needed

**Second Sunday of Lent:** In the Gospel Jesus is transfigured and a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased: Listen to him.” **Do we listen to Jesus when he asks us to take care of our brothers and sisters who are suffering? Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection

## Weekly Mass Schedule

Capitals	↩	Saturday	03/07	4:00 pm	Louis J. Stano, Sr. -†
Improvement	↩	Sunday	03/08	10:00 am	Mass for the People
		Monday	03/09	No Mass	
		Tuesday	03/10	9:00 am @St. Stanislaus	
		Wednesday	03/11	9:00 am	Msgr. Eugene O'Connor -†
		Thursday	03/12	9:00 am	Chester Henson -†
		Friday	03/13	9:00 am @St. Stanislaus	
School	↩	Saturday	03/14	4:00 pm	Peter & Maria Majerik. -†
Subsidy	↩	Sunday	03/15	10:00 am	Mass for the People

## Weekly Events and Meetings

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mar. 08</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Mass – Second Sunday of Lent</b>
		11:15 am	Children's Liturgy
		11:15 am	St. Vincent de Paul meeting - SJH
			Farewell Committee meeting - Conference Room
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Mar. 09</b>		<b>No Prayer Shawl Ministry</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Mar. 10</b>	6:00 pm	RCIA
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Mar. 11</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Mass</b>
		6:30 pm	Faith Formation
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Mar. 12</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Mar. 13</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>SPIRIT Presents Stations of the Cross</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Mar. 14</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Vigil Mass – Third Sunday of Lent</b>
		<b>5:15 pm</b>	<b>Annual Fund Raiser Kick-off</b>
		Noon	Kateri Circle meeting in the St. Joseph Hall until 2:00 pm
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mar. 15</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Mass –Third Sunday of Lent</b>
		<b>11:15 am</b>	<b>St. Patrick Parish Pot Luck and Fundraiser Kick-off</b>
			Children's Liturgy

**DAILY MASS MINISTRY:** Volunteers are needed to be Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers during Daily Mass. If you would like to serve please check in at the office 15 minutes before Mass begins.

**LOST AND FOUND:** There are several articles in lost and found. Please call the Church Office for assistance.

**NEW CENSUS CARD PLEASE:** If any of your information has changed, please take the time to fill out a new census card completely. Not sure? Fill one out anyway and don't forget to mark your choices on the privacy line. That is, let us know if we may share your address and phone information with your fellow parishioners. This line is located on the Family Information portion under City / State / Zip

**VISITS TO THE SICK** If you are ill and in need of the Sacraments and would like a visit from Fr. Vernon, he has asked that you (or an immediate family member if you are too ill) contact him through the church office. The surest way of getting the message to Father is by speaking to him personally during office hours or calling the church office and leaving a message either on the answering machine or with a member of the office staff.

**THE IMPORTANCE OF CANS!** Thank you for your contribution of aluminum cans to benefit our youth programs at the church. Please remember to rinse your cans after use and do not crush them in any way so that they will fit into our can crusher properly. Finally, please deposit cans in the receptacle in the corner of the upper parking lot ensuring that they are placed in bags that are tied so that the cans do not fall out when retrieved by our volunteers. We appreciate everyone's cooperation and continue to **SAVE THOSE CANS!**