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# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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## *Fourth 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, 6:30 pm

### **The Sacrament of Reconciliation**

One hour before each Mass until Fifteen minutes before Mass or by appointment

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

(Saturday) **FIRST READING:** (Jeremiah 31:31-34) 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (Hebrews 5:7-9) Gospel (John 12:20-33)

(Sunday) **FIRST READING:** (Ezekiel 37:12-14) 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (Romans 8:8-11) Gospel (John 11:1-45)

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE HOSPITAL OR ON HOSPICE:** Lee Rogers. 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: Brett King (South Korea) Delia King (Stateside), Jason King (Stateside) Please keep all of our brave men and women in your prayers. **Please call the office to add to or remove names from this list.**

**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.

**Fourth Sunday of Lent:** God loves the world so much and blesses us with the gift of his son, Jesus. How do you receive and share the gift of love? (**John 3:14-21**) Let us pray for all the candidates and catechumens, that they may be supported in faith by this community (**Vocation View is sponsored by Serra Club**)

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES** Mickey Davidson, and Linda Karch. 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.

#### WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT

<u>Account</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Diff.</u>
Operations	11,268.00	7,171.54	4,096.46
Capital Imp.	2,802.00	344.62	2,457.38

**DONUTS AND DOCTRINE** will meet Wednesday at 6:30 pm, COVID guidelines will be followed.

**FAITH FORMATION** at home this week. - Due to Spring break, Holy week and Easter week, students will not return until April 14.

**RCIA** will meet Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

**FELLOWSHIP AFTER MASS** - Volunteers are still needed to provide snacks after weekend Masses for Fellowship. Please let the office know if you are willing to help with this ministry.

**FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS** - Knights of Columbus Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> : Spirit Youth Sunday, March 28th

**FISH FRY PRESALE:** After Stations of the Cross on March 26, come to the St. Joseph Hall for your Fish dinner. A ten dollar plate will include fish, fries, hushpuppies, coleslaw, and a drink. There will be both carry out and a limited number of eat-in seats available. Please prepay by purchasing tickets on any Sunday between now and March 26. Jeff Blanchard will be in the St. Joseph Hall on those Sundays to take orders.

**LENTEN DAY OF SERVICE 2021** will be held on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Larry Cannon is in charge of planning the specifics. Lunch will be provided. Sign-up sheets are in the St. Joseph Hall.

**OUR PATRONAL FEAST DAY IS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>** While a Pot Luck dinner is not feasible at this time due to Covid 19 restrictions, we will celebrate with a Parish Mass at 6:30 pm. (There will not be a morning Mass.)

**TO OUR PARISH FAMILY** Carrie and I would like to thank everyone for the many prayers said on our behalf while we fought Covid 19. Your prayers, kind thoughts, and compassion were definitely what sustained us and helped grant the miracle we received. May God bless each one of you, *Vita Collins & Carrie O'Dell.*

**OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES** to the family and friends of Karl Wise. May God grant him eternal rest.



**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS:** If you (or someone you know!) are a practicing Catholic who has made your first Communion, but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, Cathedral Parishioner and Theologian, Colin Donovan, will be giving a two-part class to prepare you to be confirmed. Those completing this short course will be confirmed by Bishop Raica on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 5 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Paul. This Mass will be the Vigil for the Solemnity of Pentecost, a very fitting time to be confirmed! You must complete **both Lesson 1 and Lesson 2**. They are offered at the Cathedral of St. Paul Life Center at 9:45am. The dates are: April 11 – Lesson 1; April 18 – Lesson 2; April 25 – Lesson 1; May 2 – Lesson 2. Please call Barbara Doran or email her at [dre@stpaulsbhm.org](mailto:dre@stpaulsbhm.org) to register or with any questions.

**HOUSEKEEPING:** If you are the last to leave the building, before you set the alarm, it is your responsibility to check all restrooms for running water in sinks and toilets. Ensure that all lights inside the building are off. Close the hall doors between the church and office, close the St. Joseph Hall doors. Make sure the refrigerator and freezers are properly closed and that all water and gas is turned off in the kitchen. This will help lower utility costs. Thank you!

**BINGO DATE** has been set. April 24 after Saturday night Mass. We will start bingo between 5:45. - 6:00pm. Hope to see all there !!!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection**

**Weekly Mass Schedule**

Catholic Relief Services		Saturday	03/13	4:00 pm	Frances Sicola DeMarco - †
		Sunday	03/14	10:00 am	For the People
		Monday	03/15	No Mass	
		Tuesday	03/16	9:00 am @ St. Stanislaus	
		Wednesday	03/17	6:30 pm	For the People
School Subsidy		Thursday	03/18	9:00 am	Frank Alfano - †
		Friday	03/19	9:00 am @ St. Stanislaus	
		Saturday	03/20	4:00 pm	Kevin Whitaker - H
		Sunday	03/21	10:00 am	For the People

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – FRIDAY THE 19TH AT 6:30 PM

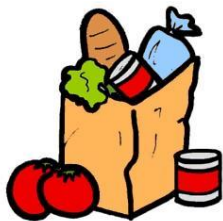


**SVdP MEETING:** The next meeting will be held Sunday, March 21st after Mass.

**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**

- Flour
- Cooking Oil
- Crackers
- Sugar
- Grits
- Oatmeal
- Dry Beans
- Soup



**Fourth Sunday of Lent:** In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity. **Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime, quarter or dollar is multiplied by coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.**

**DECREE  
EXTENDING THE DISPENSATION  
DUE TO COVID-19**

In accordance with canons 87 § 1 and 90 of the Code of Canon Law, I make the following provision, recognizing that infection rates for COVID-19, though recently on a downward trend, remain generally high in the territory of the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama and that the dispensation I previously extended on January 5, 2021 shall soon expire, on March 14, 2021:

**I hereby extend the dispensation from the obligation to assist at Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation through Sunday, May 23, 2021 (inclusive) – the Solemnity of Pentecost – for all the Roman Catholic faithful who reside or are visiting and present in the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama.**

We have made great progress and it seems we are finally glimpsing a light at the end of the COVID-19 pandemic tunnel. Many people are now receiving vaccines; many others have also become ill with the virus and recovered. We continue to pray for those who have died or who are otherwise suffering lasting, deleterious effects from the virus. As we look forward to the time when the dispensation will be lifted, we must not let down our guard. We must continue to observe the precautions and best practices advised by the various authorities, including handwashing and sanitization, the use of facemasks, and social distancing.

That said, I continue to encourage all to evaluate the risks and, for those who have been staying away from church still, to seek a way to return to corporate worship in a parish even before the dispensation is lifted. Many have taken comparable risks in other areas of life, such as by returning to work and/or having their children attend in-person school; eating out in restaurants; doing non-essential shopping; taking vacations; visiting others or having visitors in one's own home; etc. The increasing availability of vaccines also affords us greater security going forward. We are in a Year of the Parish and the Eucharist as a diocese; the Lord of the Eucharist invites us all to rediscover his Real Presence in our midst in our parishes, among our brothers and sisters. 2 Given at the Diocesan Chancery in Birmingham on the 8th of March, the Commemoration of Saint John of God, in the Year of the Lord 2021.

Most Reverend Steven J. Raica  
Bishop of Birmingham in Alabama

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**ST. PATRICK**

**HOLY THURSDAY: Mass at 7:00 pm**  
**ADORATION: following Mass until 10:00 pm**  
**GOOD FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross 3:00 pm**  
**The Passion 7:00 pm**  
**HOLY SATURDAY: The Great Easter Vigil: 7:30pm**  
**EASTER SUNDAY:**  
**Mass of the Resurrection 10:00am**

**ST. STANISLAUS**

**HOLY THURSDAY: Mass at 5:00 pm**  
**GOOD FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross 4:00 pm**  
**The Passion 5:00 pm**  
**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**Mass of the Resurrection 8:00pm**

**SWIECONKA** (sh-vee-en-soon-kah) is one of the most enduring and beloved Polish traditions. Baskets containing a sampling of Easter foods are brought to church to be blessed on Holy Saturday. The basket is traditionally lined with a white linen or lace napkin and decorated with sprigs of boxwood (*bukszpan*), the typical Easter evergreen. This food is shared on Easter morning in a ritual breaking of the fast. Observing the beautiful foods and creations of other parishioners is one of the special joys of the event. Bishop Steven Raica will bless Easter Baskets at 9:00 am Holy Saturday at the Cathedral of St. Paul. All are welcome.