



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, 12:00 Noon and 6:30 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

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



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March 19, 2020
Feast of Saint Joseph

Dear Parish Family:

I know by now you have seen and heard that Bishop Baker has suspended Mass and any other religious or church activities until April 4 (Bishop will evaluate the social situation during that time and determine if we can go ahead with Mass.) Bishop has done this in order to be in compliance with the CDC and the State in order to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus.

I will offer a private Mass for your intentions and for an end to this virus. The office will be open each day during regular business hours in case you want to come by and make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament and/or spend time in private prayer. Please do not use this time for what ever you want to do, but make an effort to spend quiet, quality time in prayer. You are encouraged to watch the Mass on EWTN, Daily Mass with Bishop Baron, Word on Fire or you can check some the websites of the larger parishes who may be live streaming their Masses. You can pray your Rosary, meditate on the Stations or any other devotions or private prayers that can help you during this time.

If you watch the Masses you can pray the following prayer for Spiritual Communion:

Act of Spiritual Communion: My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. (*This prayer can be prayed at any time!*)

If you need to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation or be Anointed please call me at the office or leave a message. If anyone should die during this time it is recommended that a graveside service be held with a maximum of 25 people. Since there will not be Mass for the next two weekends please send in your tithes so that we do not fall behind.

So let us flood heaven with our prayers to bring about an end to this virus and that all are healed, protected and kept safe. May God's Peace and Blessing be with you!

Fifth Sunday of Lent

FIRST READING: (Ezekiel 37:12-14) 2nd Reading (Romans 8:8-11) Gospel (John 11:1-45)

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.

WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT

Please continue to send your tithes to the church during this time that public Mass has been suspended. The financial needs of the church are the same. You can mail them in or you may also ask your bank about sending us a check from your account.

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.

OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of Gaeton Conte. May God grant him eternal rest.

THANK YOU: To all of my Church family, thank you for all of the expressions of care and concern at this difficult time. Thank you for the prayers, phone calls, kind thoughts and offers to assist. They are appreciated and my brother would be thankful as well.
Joseph Conte

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

4th Sunday of Lent: The Lord looks into the heart. What does He see? We are given the gift of sight and insight. Look into the heart with love. (1 Samuel 16:6-13 & John 9:1-49). Let us pray for the gift of new sight to see the presence of God in our midst. (**Vocation View is sponsored by Serra Club**)

Growing in Faith

FAITH FORMATION: No Classes until further notice.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD No classes until further notice.

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. **NOTE:** No classes until further notice.



SHAWL MINISTRY: The Prayer Shawl Ministry will not meet this Monday. 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. **NOTE: No meetings until further notice.**



MUSIC MATTERS: Choir rehearsals will be suspended until the time that public Mass is resumes.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 10567 is now accepting applications for the annual Louis N. Muro Memorial Scholarship. Applicants must meet the following criteria: (1) Must be a high school senior with a minimum 2.5 GPA; (2) Must be an active member of St. Patrick or St. Stanislaus; (3) Must provide proof of completion of at least 25 service hours performed during junior and senior high school years; (4) Must have plans to attend a four-year college or junior college after graduation from high school; and (5) Must be willing to attend an interview session with designated members of Knights of Columbus Council 10567. To get an application, go to www.saintpatrickcc.com/knightsscholarship or send an email request to knights@saintpatrickcc.com. Completed applications can be given to any Knight of Columbus, turned in to the church office, or sent to the previous email address. Deadline for applications to be considered is April 15.



SVDP MEETING: While we will still be ministering to those in need we will not have a formal meeting until we are given the all clear by the Bishop.

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
Flour
Jellies
Mayo
Corn Meal



See Brown Bag for a list of additional items needed

Third Sunday of Lent: In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work." **Through your almsgiving you are doing the will of the Father and finishing the work of Jesus. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor.**

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 or visit online at 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 14th. For more information go 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.)



ST MARK LENTEN RETREAT APRIL 4 CANCELLED Due to an abundance of caution during this time of coronavirus pandemic, the Lenten Day of Reflection sponsored by the Women of St Mark on April 4th has been cancelled. If you registered, you will receive an email regarding reimbursement. We hope to reschedule for Lent 2021. Praying for God’s blessings of protection for you and your families.

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.iahsbham.com for scholarship guidelines.

Understanding the Mass Next ?: The Introductory Rites continued. This section will be suspended until the Mass suspension has been lifted

2nd Collection

Weekly Mass Schedule

Catholic Relief		Saturday	03/21	No Mass
		Sunday	03/22	No Mass
		Monday	03/23	No Mass
		Tuesday	03/24	No Mass
		Wednesday	03/25	No Mass
		Thursday	03/26	No Mass
		Friday	03/27	No Mass
St. Vincent de Paul		Saturday	03/28	No Mass
		Sunday	03/29	No Mass

Father Vernon will say Private Mass during this time for the intention of the Parishioners and for some of the Mass intentions previously requested.

The Church office will remain open. Please call if you have any questions or concerns.

Please go to bhmdiocese.org to read the full decree by Bishop Baker on the suspension of Mass and activities in the Diocese.

Weekly Events and Meetings

No activities are scheduled at the church until the public Mass suspension has been lifted. The church will be open for private visits by the faithful during regular office hours.

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH THOSE YOU KNOW WHO DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPUTER.