



# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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## *Fifth Sunday of Easter*



### **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

**Sisth Sunday of Easter**

**FIRST READING:** (Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17) 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (1 Peter 3:15-18) Gospel (John 14:15-21)

**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.

**MASS SUSPENSION UPDATE:** Mass suspension is now extended without a target date for re-opening. The Diocese will, at the proper time, release Diocesan guidelines for the return to public celebrations of the Mass. For updates, please visit [www.bhmdiocese.org](http://www.bhmdiocese.org).

**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, use your banks Bill Pay program or donated via the Website.

**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.**

**DRIVE IN MASS 10:00 am SUNDAY May 10** at St. Patrick! Please park every other parking space and stay in your vehicle in order to comply with social distancing rules. Tune to 100.7.

**A Mother's Day Prayer for You**

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you  
To thank the Lord above  
For blessing me with a lifetime  
Of your tenderhearted love.  
I thanked God for the caring  
You've shown me through the years,  
For the closeness we've enjoyed  
In time of laughter and of tears.  
And so, I thank you from the heart  
For all you've done for me  
And I bless the Lord for giving me  
The best mother there could be!

**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.

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter:** “How can we know the way?” Jesus shows us the way. Believe and he will do great works in you. (John 14:1-12). Let us pray for those who minister with the poor, that they may be blessed with love and compassion (**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 resumes.



**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

**Fifth Sunday of Easter** In the Gospel today, Jesus says “...whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father. **Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. The coins placed in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box bring Christ love and compassion to the poor.**

Everything I Needed

Author Unknown

I asked for strength and  
God gave me difficulties to make me strong.

I asked for wisdom and  
God gave me problems to solve.

I asked for prosperity and  
God gave me brawn and brains to work.

I asked for courage and  
God gave me dangers to overcome.

I asked for patience and  
God placed me in situations where I was forced to wait.

I asked for love and  
God gave me troubled people to help.

I asked for favors and  
God gave me opportunities.

I received nothing I wanted  
I received everything I needed.

My prayers have all been answered.

As we go through these days of staying at home. I find myself going through my clutter of things to keep and discard. I am finding many things I like to keep and share. The following is a letter I picked up in a bulletin at OLS while hearing confessions. I thought it was good food for thought. Enjoy! Father Vernon

December 8, 2003

Dear Monsignor Muller,

I know you do not like to be called Monsignor, but I'm doing it anyway and I'm not a bit worried. I've know you long enough to know you won't excommunicate anyone the week before tithing Sunday.

Last week I got two pieces of out of the ordinary mail. One was to inform me that I was receiving a small sum of money that was totally unexpected. Don't worry, it was legal, so don't drop this note and start to pray for me just yet. The second was a note from you telling of your little building project and its need for funds. Surely a coincidence, no way you could have known of the first bit of good news. Then again, you always have a smile and that makes me think you know something about me that I don't. My wife has that same smile, but hers makes me sweat.

At any rate, I set out to decide what I was going to do with my new found good luck. I don't smoke, do drugs, and my wife would kill me if I chased women, so I really didn't have any immediate need for the money. That decided, I set out to invest it.

It didn't take me long to realize that bank interest rates are lower than a bridegroom who learns his mother-in-law is going to move in with them. Stocks always do badly when I buy a share. I still feel bad about putting Penn Central, Enron and Health South in a bind from becoming a stockholder. This wasn't going to be easy.

Then I happened to see your letter peeking from under the stack of bills on my desk and I began to think. If you invest in God, you are paid off in blessings. Even though they try, The IRS hasn't found a way to tax blessings yet. Believe me, that is a good thing. Unlike c.d.'s, if you need to withdraw a blessing early, there is no pre-payment penalty. Another good thing to consider! You never have to show identification to cash in a blessing. You don't have to be photographed, fingerprinted, or give a skin graft to call one in. God doesn't make you remember a twenty digit pin number, and you will never get a recording when you need to ask a question about your account. You always get to speak to Him in person. Toll Free! You've told me countless times He works on our behalf 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and I've yet to hear of another CEO that does that. And on a bad day, God can beat the 2% the other guys give, and he compounds interest not quarterly, but eternally.

After getting out my calculator and going over figures, I have come to the conclusion that taking my little unexpected windfall and investing in God just makes good financial sense. And I didn't even have to get an MBA to figure it out. So, old friend. Enclosed is a check for the money I want you and God to invest for me in your building project. I'm sure we will all be richer for it in the end

Name Withheld

**CAMP ST. BERNARD**

At this time, we have not cancelled summer camp for 2020, but will announce our decision around the first of May. While I remain hopeful, I do not foresee camp happening this year. At this point, I do not recommend signing up for camp, but will be waiting until our announcement to begin processing any cancellations and refunds. Go to <https://www.campstbernard.com/> for updates. As always, feel free to email me if you have any questions. John Arndt Camp Director

**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 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.)

**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](http://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

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

**Weekly Mass Schedule**

St. John Vianney	↩	Saturday	05/09	No Mass
Home for Priests		Sunday	05/10	10:00 am Drive In
		Monday	05/11	No Mass
		Tuesday	05/12	No Mass
		Wednesday	05/13	No Mass
		Thursday	05/14	No Mass
School Subsidy		Friday	05/15	No Mass
	↩	Saturday	05/16	No Mass
		Sunday	05/17	10:00 am Drive – In Mass Tune to 100.7 from the parking lot.

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 Monday and Thursday 8:00 am Noon. Please call if you have any questions or concerns.

Please go to [bhmdiocese.org](http://bhmdiocese.org) to read the full decree by Bishop Baker on the suspension of Mass and activities in the Diocese.

**MASS SUSPENSION UPDATE:** Mass is now suspended without a target date to reopen.

**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 office hours.

**Temporary office hours are Monday 8:00 am – Noon and Thursday 8:00 am - Noon**

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