



# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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## *Third 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

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

**FIRST READING:** (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7,10-13a) 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (Ephesians 5:8-14) Gospel (John 1-41)

**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**

<i>Account</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expense</i>	<i>Diff.</i>
Operations	6,382.00	8,560.71	(2,178.71)
Capital Imp.	2,617.00	466.21	2,150.79
Approved BF	400.00	671.92	(271.92)

**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.



**SUNSHINE CLUB** will meet this Wednesday, March 18, 2020 for our St. Joseph Luncheon. We will begin with the Celebration of the Mass at 10:00 am in the Chapel. Bingo will begin after Mass followed by lunch. A donation of at least \$5.00 is asked per person and all money will be given to Fr. Vernon to use for those in need. **Please RSVP** to Sharon Slovensky or the church office.

**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.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent:** A surprise encounter can turn our lives around. God offers us living water. Come and drink. (John 4:5-42). Let us pray that we as a Christian community may reach out to the homeless and the marginalized. (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 meet this 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 and 29 at 8:30 am Rehearsal with Mass at 10:00 am.



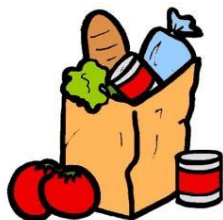
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** Council 10567 is now accepting applications for the annual Louis N. Muro Memorial Scholarship. Applicants must meet the following criteria: (1) Must be a high school senior with a minimum 2.5 GPA; (2) Must be an active member of St. Patrick or St. Stanislaus; (3) Must provide 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](http://www.saintpatrickcc.com/knightsscholarship) or send an email request to [knights@saintpatrickcc.com](mailto: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:** meeting will be held on Thursday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m.

### **PLEASE HELP THE SVdP PANTRY**

Cooking Oil  
Corn meal  
Flour  
Jellies  
Mayo



See Brown Bag for a list of additional items needed

**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.

**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](mailto:campstbernard@gmail.com) or visit online at [campstbernard.com](http://campstbernard.com)

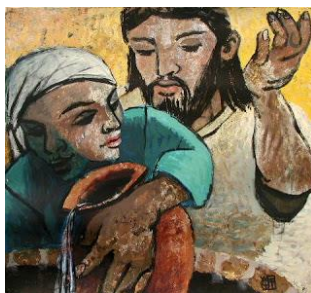
**IAHS RAFFLE:** The society is sponsoring a trip for 2 to Rome, Florence, Bologna and Venice! Trip includes air fare, hotels, transportation-train tickets/cabs to and from airport, breakfasts and fees to all historic landmarks. Museum tours included will be to the Vatican Museum in Rome and the Accademia 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 or visit [www.emfusa.org](http://www.emfusa.org)

**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.iahsbham.com](http://www.iahsbham.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 4 in a series**  
**The Mass begins! Participation, not observation!"**

We have said our prayers and meditated on them and are now ready for the Mass to begin. For most of us the Mass starts when we hear the bells ring indicating we should stand for the opening hymn. However, I would like to take you back just a little and let you know how the Priest, Deacon, Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors prepare for their participation in the Mass.

Prior to the start of the Mass, the Priest and Deacon will go to the Sacristy to put on their liturgical attire, called *Vestments*. This process is called *Vesting*. As each garment is put on, the priest and deacon say a specific prayer. For example, when the white Alb is put on they pray, "*Purify me Lord, and cleanse my heart so that, washed in the Blood of the Lamb, I may enjoy eternal bliss.*" Similar prayers are said as each vestment is applied. After the Altar Servers have vested with their Albs, they pray the Our Father. Next, the Priest, Deacon, Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors gather in the Narthex as the priest opens with a prayer asking for God's blessing for his servants.

**The Mass begins.**

The Mass is divided into two major parts: The *Liturgy of the Word* and the *Liturgy of the Eucharist*. Prior to these parts we have the *Introductory Rites*. The Introductory Rites are the formal start of the Mass and it begins with the ringing of the bells, the start of the opening hymn and the procession of the ministers. Up to this point we have been praying individually and everything has been between God and ourselves. Now, however, it is time to join with our community and worship our God together. We do this by actively singing the opening hymn! Now, you may say, "I don't sing because I couldn't carry a tune in a hand-basket!" Wrong! Sing anyway! With the opening hymn we are showing our love for God. We don't all have extreme musical talent but we can all certainly join our voices as a community to praise our God. So remember, participate! Don't just observe; sing!

**Next week: The Introductory Rites continued.**

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**WOMAN AT THE WELL**

I am the woman He met at the well,  
My life was in shambles, I was living in hell,  
He asked for a drink and I filled a cup,  
He talked and I listened as He tilted it up.

He told of my life and what it had been,  
He knew all about my living in sin,  
He spoke so gently, my heart almost burst,  
"Drink of my water and you'll never more thirst."

He said His Father on heaven's throne above,  
Looked down on this world with a heart full of love,  
No price was too great, no life was too small,  
So in loving kindness, God was giving His all.

"You've heard of Messiah, well I am the One,  
I am called Jesus, God's only Son,  
It's to people like you my Father sent me,  
Drink from My cup, I'll set you free."

I rushed from the well and ran into town,  
I called for the people to gather around,  
"There's a man at the well who says Messiah has come,  
He told me my life, everything I had done."



I went to the well a woman in sin,  
When I left that well I had Jesus within,  
The curse on my lips had been changed into praise,  
I'll never more thirst the rest of my days.

That Man at the well, His praises I'll sing,  
I drank of the water, new life it did bring,  
My life which was empty is now full and free,  
Because of that water God's Son gave to me.

by Edward Potts

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

## Weekly Mass Schedule

School		Saturday	03/14	4:00 pm	Peter & Maria Majerik. . -†
Subsidy		Sunday	03/15	10:00 am	Mass for the People
		Monday	03/16	No Mass	
		Tuesday	03/17	9:00 am @St. Stanislaus	
		Wednesday	03/18	10:00 am	Herschel O’Nan family -† & SI
		Thursday	03/19	9:00 am	Josephine Ippolita -†
		Friday	03/20	9:00 am @St. Stanislaus	
Catholic		Saturday	03/21	4:00 pm	Bob Johnson -†
Relief		Sunday	03/22	10:00 am	Mass for the People

## Weekly Events and Meetings

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mar. 15</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Mass – Third Sunday of Lent</b>
			Children’s Liturgy
		11:15 am	Parish Pot Luck and Fundraiser Kickoff
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Mar. 16</b>	6:30 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Mar. 17</b>	6:00 pm	RCIA
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Mar. 18</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Mass</b>
		<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Sunshine Club after Mass</b>
		6:30 pm	Faith Formation
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Mar. 19</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Mar. 20</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Mar. 21</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Vigil Mass – Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mar. 22</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Mass –Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>
			Children’s Liturgy
		8:30 am	Choir
			Day of Prayer for Priests

**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!**