



Saint Patrick Parish

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Irish & More Store

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Prayer Intentions:

Marcella Moran (931) 296-4399

Today's Gospel Reading

John 4: 5-42

*“If you knew the gift of God,
and who it is that is saying to
you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you
would have asked him and he
would have given you living
water.”*

John 4:10



HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am

HOLY DAYS

As Announced

WEEKDAY MASS

8:00 am Monday, Tuesday
6:00 pm Wednesday
8:00 am Thursday, Friday, Saturday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sundays: 8:00-8:45 am Saturdays: 4:00-4:45pm
6:00 pm Penance Service on the First Friday of every month
Also by appointment

9 HOUR ADORATION

First Friday of every month

New to the Parish? Welcome! To register as a parishioner of St. Patrick Church, please contact the Parish Office.

Are you Connected? If you would like to sign up for our phone tree, which offers updates on Mass changes etc., please contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Church law directs that Catholics receive marriage preparation and be married in the Church. Please contact the office at least four months prior to the wedding. Advent and Lent are Penitential Seasons; weddings are discouraged during these seasons.

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism should take place A.S.A.P. following birth. Expectant parents should contact the office for baptismal preparation.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Anyone in danger of death from illness or old age should receive this sacrament. Please inform Father Joe of any parishioners who are seriously ill.

Religious Education Classes (CCD):

Is available for Grades Pre-K - 8. 10:30 am on Sunday during the school year.

www.stpatrickmcewen.org

FAITH FORMATION

A BIBLE STUDY ON MERCY

Pope Francis decreed that this year will be a Year of Mercy. Join fellow parishioners this Lent as we delve into scripture passages reflecting this theme. Meetings will be held on Wednesdays, March 2nd, 9th, & 16th at 7pm in the teen hall. Light refreshments available. Contact Alyssa Ginter with any questions or to register for this program.

YEAR OF MERCY MEN'S RETREAT

All parish men are invited to a **Year of Mercy Men's Retreat** at Bethany Retreat House from March 4th-6th with Father Tony Stevens, a Father of Mercy. The weekend will include talks by Father Tony, daily Mass, an opportunity for confession, adoration, discussions, and more. The weekend begins with dinner at 6:00 on Friday evening and concludes with 10:30 Mass on Sunday morning. The cost is \$150 and includes all meals and a private bedroom. Come and enjoy a grace-filled weekend in a peaceful setting! Contact Sister Mary Grace at St. Patrick's School at 931-582-3493 if you have questions or would like an application form. Applications are due by March 2.

ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

March 25 is usually the feast of the Annunciation of the Lord. Due to the fact the 25th falls on Good Friday this year, the Annunciation of the Lord has been moved to Monday, April 4th

ALTAR SERVERS

Altar server training Saturday, March 5th, from 8-11am. All boys ages 8 and up are invited. For more information contact James Ginter.

SEASON OF LENT

CHECK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FRIDAY HOURS OF: Reconciliation and Stations of the Cross



"All are obliged by church law to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday, from the age of 14 throughout life. All are obliged by church law to fast—limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals in the course of the day—on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday from age 18 through the day after their 59th birthday. All are generally obliged to do penance during the entire season of Lent. This obligation may be discharged by good works, such as voluntary abstinence, prayer, self-denial, almsgiving, and acts of charity." [The Tennessee Register]
A voluntary fast may be set aside on such days as the Solemnity of St. Joseph, and St. Patrick's Day (he is our patron saint), and on Sundays in honor of the Lord's Day. Such practices are not regulated by the Church, but by individual conscience.

CONFIRMATION

Please keep the St. Patrick 2016 Confirmandi in your prayers:

Cassie (Sebastian) Brewster
Adrianna (Therese) Cesario
Jack (Joseph) Chambers
Castillia (Cecilia) Garcia
Ethan (Michael) Hatcher
Alison (Gertrude) Jackson
Chasity (Imelda) Kindred
Jarid (St. Artemius) Krone
Gracie (Joan of Arc) Krone
Alexa (Therese) Lucas
Katie (Elizabeth) McCoy
Shayla (Chiara) McLeod
Saige (Monica) Nichols
Steven (Miguel Pro) Santos
Trevor (Francis) Smith
Drew (Michael) Wills
Joseph (Peter) Wills

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. The collection supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. The funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people. Next week, please give generously to The Catholic Relief Services Collection and **help Jesus in disguise.**

LOOKING AHEAD

PARISH COUNCIL:

Meets Monday, March 7th at 6:30pm in the teen room.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

We will have Mass on Thursday, March 17 at 6:00 pm to celebrate the feast day of our patron saint, St. Patrick. There will be a reception following Mass in the teen hall.

EASTER VIGIL

There will be a reception with fellowship and light fare following the Easter Vigil Mass.

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL

LEGACY CLUB 2016

Honoring the 2016 Irish Cup Recipient, the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia during the 800th year of their order. Since 1938, 61 Sisters have given 234 years of service to the families of St. Patrick's School, and they're still going! Please be a part of thanking the Sisters for their legacy of love! Do you have pictures, favorite stories, or words of gratitude? Please send them to legacy@sps-tn-org or to the school office. We hope you are able to join us as we thank the sisters for their faithful service!

Dinner and awards on March 12, 2016.

Photo from St. Patrick School's Facebook.

The School is asking for donations for auction items. Please call the School Office if you can donate 931-582-3493, or you may drop them off at the school.

THANK YOU!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL VINCENTIAN MEDITATION



Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more importantly to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

In the month of February, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent De Paul was able to assist many families in our parish and community.

The food distribution in March are the 8th and 22nd. Will you be there to help feed the hungry?

DATE	2/27	2/28	3/5	3/6
LECTOR	William Minnis & Mike Pogreba	Laura Ross & Wayne Hooper	Lynn Frost & Susan Eaton	Kathy Brewster & Chasity Kindred
EMOHC	Wade Garmon	Vicki James	Barbara Hooper	Vince Brewster
		Vince Brewster		Vicki James
	Tom Powers	Kathy Brewster	Tom Powers	Mary Chaney

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

FEBRUARY 28, 2016

3RDSUNDAY IN LENT

At St. Patrick's we are called to stewardship as a way of life. We are blessed by our God. We desire to receive God's gifts gratefully, cherish and tend these gifts in a responsible manner, share our gifts in justice and love with others, and finally to return them with increase to the Lord. We encourage each other to use our time, talents and treasure in the manner of a steward. The four pillars of Stewardship are: Prayer, hospitality, formation, and service.

Last Sunday's Collection: \$3,956.00

Needed Each Week: \$3,673.00

For the week: Over Budget \$283.00

Year to date: Under Budget (\$149.56)

Last Weekend's Sunday Attendance: 137

PRAYER INTENTIONS

***FOR THE HEALTH & RECOVERY OF**

PARISH FAMILY: Lisa Smith, Helen Nichols, Donna Zuercher, Joe Sheehy, Peggy Hooper, W.L. (Moe) Needham, Frances Grannis, Christopher Proctor, John Peeler, Nicole Moore, James Citro, Diane Macconi, Patricia Harbison, Zoerita Proctor, Lester Collier, Tatum Wilson, Mary Tarcy, Tom Powers, Darlene Stroba, Judy Smith, Jane Sparks, Harley Grebner, Barbara Hooper, Elvira Kindred, Susan Hooper, Donna Bradley, Vince Richardson, Barbara Copeskey

***FOR THOSE IN THE NURSING HOMES:**

Humphreys County Nursing Home- Joyce Whitaker.

***FOR THOSE ON ACTIVE DUTY IN**

THE MILITARY: Marc White, Buford Rachford, Miguel Martinez, Mitch Lagan, Jim Coleman, Jonathan Bourke, Brandt Strickland, Wiley Barnes, Raymond Schneider, Jesse B. James II, Collin Trout, Austin Hornick.

***SEMINARIANS:**

Rev. Mr. Joe Fessenden, Anh Tuan Phan, Rodolfo Rivera, Anthony Stewart.

***FOR ALL OF OUR OTHER**

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Kelly Lagan Spelman, Peggy Wallace, all who are served by the SVdP Society Ray Maasen, Jason Lagan, Katherine Perigo, Earl Wright, James Matlock, Cash Scholes, Gregg Spickard, Betsy Hickman, Michiko Eberle, Tina Cooley, Murphy Copeland, Eric Warden, Faye Walsh, Norma rene Tyler, Pauline Powers, Nancy Elliott. Robert Brokowsai, Mary Brewer Wills.

MARCH SACRISTAN: Robin Collier, Cindy Barnes, Brittney Bussell, Lynn Frost, Jodi Cesario, Judy Claude, Alyssa Ginter.

Please contact the Church Office if you need a tax statement for 2015.

Calendar of Events

<p><u>Sunday, February 28:</u> Ex 3:1-8A, 13-15 Ps 103:1-2,3-4,6-7,8,11 1Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 Jn: 4:5-42</p>	<p>8:00 am Confession 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass for Lou Citro + 10:30 am CCD</p>
<p><u>Monday, February 29:</u> 2 Kgs 5:1-15AB Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4 Lk 4:24-30</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Mary Sarlay +</p>
<p><u>Tuesday, March 1:</u> Dn 3:25, 34-43 Ps 25:4-5AB, 6 & 7BC,8-9 Mt 18:21-35</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Stacey Smith +</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, March 2:</u> Dt 4:1, 5-9 Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Mt 5:17-19</p>	<p>6:00 pm Mass for Helen Nichols 7:00 pm Year of Mercy Bible Study</p>
<p><u>Thursday, March 3:</u> Jer 7:23-18 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7,8-9 Lk 11:14-23</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Neil Wilson +</p>
<p><u>Friday, March 4:</u> Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6C-8A, 10-11B, 14&17 Mk 12:28-34</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Souls in Purgatory 9 - Hour Adoration Benediction 6:30-6:55 pm Rite of Reconciliation, 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross</p>
<p><u>Saturday, March 5:</u> Hos 6:1-6 Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20—21AB Lk 18:9-14</p>	<p>8 00 am Mass for Special Intention Altar Server training 8-11 4:00 pm Confession 4:30 pm Rosary 5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Nicole Moore</p>
<p><u>Sunday, March 6:</u> Jos 5:9A, 10-12 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-72 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3,11-32</p>	<p>8:00 am Confession 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass for Mariana Zegarra 10:30 am CCD 2:30 Confirmation @ the Cathedral</p>

SUMMIT NASHVILLE NIGHT OF WORSHIP

(March 17, April 21), 7-9 p.m., Catholic Pastoral Center, 2800 McGavock Pike, Nashville. For those who need a little extra Praise and Worship time to nourish their souls, and are seeking a faithful and positive community, we are hoping to help fill that need for you. The night will begin with upbeat music, led by PJ Anderson, continue with a talk by Father John Sims Baker this month, and conclude with a time of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession. This is open to all ages. Childcare will be provided. Info: www.summitmusiccity.com or <https://www.facebook.com/summitmusiccity/>.

