



Saint Patrick Parish

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*Jesus answered and said to her,
"Everyone who drinks this
water will be thirsty again;
but whoever drinks the water I
shall give will never thirst;
the water I shall give will
become in him a spring of water
welling up to eternal life."*

-John 4:13-14



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
Also by appointment

**24 HR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
AND 7 PM PENANCE SERVICE
AS ANNOUNCED**

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 Michael of any parishioners who are seriously ill.

Religious Education (CCD):

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

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SAINT PATRICK, MCEWEN

WHAT ARE THE SCRUTINIES?

These Rites are celebrated to help deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. The Rites of Scrutiny are meant to uncover, and then heal, all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the elects' hearts and to bring out through repentance all that is upright, strong, and good. They will be celebrated on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays in Lent. The readings for these Sundays offer powerful images of surrender, sin, conversion, faith, and healing. In our faith journey with those seeking Baptism, we must stir our souls, as if they were dying campfires, to expose any parts of ourselves that have not been purified by the burning love of the Holy Spirit.

INQUIRY IN THE FAITH

Help bring to the Light those who no longer want to walk in darkness. Invite those who have never been baptized or who have been baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, as well as adult Catholics who have not been confirmed, to the next inquiry session - Wednesday March 22 in the Teen Hall at 7pm. For more information, contact Alyssa Ginter.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE CREED

This Rite entrusts the words of the Creed to those seeking to enter the Catholic Church. Nearly seventeen centuries old, the Creed is recited by the faithful at every Mass, and summarizes what we believe as Catholics. For those coming into the Church this Easter, this Rite symbolizes that the community is passing on and sharing the beliefs of our Catholic faith with them, so that those about to join our Catholic family embrace and treasure these venerable words as we do. Our parish will celebrate this Rite with Jessica Vossler on Wednesday, March 22 at the 6pm Mass.

YOUTH GROUP

We will be meeting next Sunday, March 19th, starting with Vespers in the church at 6:30 pm. 7-12 Grade. We will also be building our display for the upcoming ministry fair.

SAVE THE DATE:

TOTUS TUUS

Diocesan Summer Youth Program
July 9-14, Grades 1 -12
At St. Patrick Church



DIACONATE ORDINATION

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Attend Anthony Stewart's Ordination

September 21st – October 1st, 2017 The Office of Adult Formation will be taking another pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi. This will include the ordination of our seminarian, Anthony Stewart to the diaconate in St. Peter's Basilica. Spots are filling quickly! More details are available at thecatholictraveler.com or contact Joan Watson at joan.watson@dioceseofnashville.com

UPCOMING FEAST DAYS



Monday, March 20 -

The Feast of St. Joseph,
7pm Mass

Saturday, March 25 -

The Feast of the Annunciation of our Lord, 9am Mass, Adoration following until 11:45am Benediction. Join us for Morning Prayer after Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Angelus at Noon.



MINISTRY FAIR MARCH 25TH & 26TH

The PPC will be hosting a Ministry Fair after Masses March 25th & 26th.

Lent is a great time to pray, reflect, & discern how to best use your time, treasure & talents.

St. Patrick's Ministries and Committees will be there to display, share & welcome you to join. Our Parish is blessed to have diverse opportunities to serve and be drawn closer to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

The PPC also welcomes suggestions for new Ministries/Committees/Prayer Study Groups. We are here to help you get started and connect you with others who share your interests.

Please contact Julianna Chaney, Jamie Epley or any PPC member for more information.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

VINCENTIAN MEDITATION

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 Box.



FOOD DRIVE VOLUNTEERS

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is asking for volunteers to help pass out food. Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month we have a perishable food route at St. Patrick's. Please arrive at 12:00 (noon) & join your fellow parishioners to help with this ministry. Next Food Drive: March 28th

FOOD FOR THE MONTH

For the month of March we are asking for food donations of various juices and dried potatoes. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

LENTEN SEASON

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent at 7 PM, Confession following

SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER

Join us for Vespers at 6:30 PM in the church every Sunday during Lent. "Liturgy of the Hours" books are also provided.



PENANCE SERVICE

St. Patrick's, McEwen Mon. April 3rd at 7 PM
Prior to the Penance Service, there will be a Potluck Supper in the Teen Hall beginning at 5:30. Please join and welcome the visiting priests.

EGG HUNT DONATIONS

Donations of candy are needed for an Egg Hunt following Easter Sunday Mass at 9 am. Please bring candy to the church office by Sunday, April 9th so we can start filling the eggs.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please call the office if you would like to purchase Altar flowers for the First Friday Eucharistic Adoration or the upcoming feast days. Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

KNIGHT'S BREAKFAST

Join us for breakfast in the cafeteria after 9 AM Mass next Sunday. The Knights will be serving sausage, eggs & Mrs. Helen's homemade biscuits. Free of charge, donations welcome.

MEATLESS DINNER

The Knights will be hosting a meatless dinner on Friday, March 31 in the Activity Center, from 5:30-7:00 pm. All are invited! This dinner is also free of charge, but donations are welcome. More details to come.



DATE	3/18	3/19	3/25	3/26
LECTOR	Susan Eaton	Maleah Epley	Erin Ginter	Laura Ross
EMoHC	Tom Powers	Mary Chaney	James Ginter	Mary Chaney
	Cathy Abou-Sakher	Vicki James	Wade Garmon	Vick James
		Jennifer Koski		Dan Cesario

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

MARCH 19, 2017: 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." John 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered."

SECOND COLLECTION DATES FOR MARCH

March 19th Society of St. Vincent de Paul
March 26th The Catholic Relief Service
—Rice Bowl return date.

Last Sunday's Collection: \$3,032.25
Needed Each Week: \$3,700.00
For the week : Under Budget (\$667.75)
Year to date: Under Budget (\$ 6,498.07)
Last Sunday's Attendance: 178

PRAYER INTENTIONS

***FOR THE HEALTH & RECOVERY OF PARISH FAMILY:** Lisa Smith, Helen Nichols, Donna Zuercher, Joe Sheehy, Peggy Hooper, W.L. (Moe) Needham, Frances Granis, Christopher Proctor, Nicole Moore, James Citro, Lester Collier, Tatum Wilson, Mary Tarp, Tom Powers, Judy Smith, Jane Sparks, Harley Grebner, Vince Richardson, Dennis Claude, Anthony Holland, George Kindred, Ralph Harbison.

***FOR THOSE IN THE NURSING HOME:** Humphrey's County—T.P. Mathai

***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.

***SEMINARIANS:**
Josh Bertram, Rev. Mr. Joe Fessenden, Anh Tuan Phan, Anthony Stewart.

***FOR ALL OF OUR OTHER PRAYER INTENTIONS:** Peggy Wallace, all who are served by the SVDP Society, Ray Masen, Jason Lagan, Katherine Perigo, Earl Wright, Gregg Spickard, Betsy Hickman, Murphy Copeland, Norma Ross, Irene Tyler, Pauline Powers, Mary Brewer Wills, John Matlock, Austin O'Neil, Mary Garber, Jim Sharp, Leigh Ann Brassfield, Cheryl Brooks, Winston Rafael Plaza, Neldean Tarp, Fambrough, Henrietta Lodner, Virginia & Raymond Zuercher, Frank Farr, Leroy Collier. Stacey Tummins, Susan Hooper, William Johnson, Jean Mallory, Leonard Brewster, David Hardison, Donna Kilburn, Gail Smith, Danny Warden, Justin Walton, Gene Pigg, Garcia Family, Ana Batista, Chuck Williams, Dorsey & Nellie Burch Becky Burdette.

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Weekly Calendar of Events

MARCH SACRISTANS: Robin Collier, Cindy Barnes, Lynn Frost, Jodi Cesario, Judy Claude, Alyssa Ginter

Bulletin announcements must be submitted by Noon on Wednesday to be in the upcoming Sunday publication.

<p>Sunday, March 19: Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42</p>	<p>8:00 am Confession 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass for Charmaine Citro 10:30 am CCD 6:30 pm Vespers Youth Group</p>
<p>Monday, March 20: Feast of St. Joseph 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a</p>	<p>NO AM MASS 7:00 pm Mass for James Citro & Family Spring Break</p>
<p>Tuesday, March 21: Dn 3:25, 34-43 Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 Mt 18:21-35</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Don & Bonnie Canney Spring Break</p>
<p>Wednesday, March 22: Dt 4:1, 5-9 Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Mt 5:17-19</p>	<p>6:00 pm Mass for Ann Rickert & Family 7:00 pm RCIA Spring Break</p>
<p>Thursday, March 23: Jer 7:23-28 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Lk 11:14-23</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Mother Ann Marie Spring Break</p>
<p>Friday, March 24: Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 Mk 12:28-34</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Elizabeth Dibble 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross & Confession Spring Break</p>
<p>Saturday, March 25: The Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38</p>	<p>9:00 am Mass for Lucellelynn Gordon 10-12 Annunciation Devotions (See inside bulletin for schedule) 4:00 pm Confession 4:30 pm Rosary 5:00 pm Mass for Cindy & Anthony Holland Ministry Fair</p>
<p>Sunday, March 26: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41</p>	<p>8:00 am Confession 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass for Tom Needham + K of C Breakfast Ministry Fair 10:30 am CCD</p>