



# Saint Patrick Parish

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April 2, 2017 • Fifth Sunday Of Lent

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*He cried out in a loud voice,  
"Lazarus, come out!"  
The dead man came out,  
tied hand and foot with burial  
bands, and his face was  
wrapped in a cloth.  
So Jesus said to them,  
"Untie him and let him go."  
-John 11:43-44*



**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  
FRIDAY, APRIL 7**

**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.

[www.stpatrickmcewen.org](http://www.stpatrickmcewen.org)

## 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 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### WHAT IS THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD'S PRAYER FOR THOSE IN THE RCIA PROCESS, AND WHEN DOES IT OCCUR?

The Rite, which will take place during 6pm Mass on Wednesday, April 5, entrusts to those seeking to enter the Catholic Church the precious words of our Lord on prayer. This prayer of hope is to Catholics a summary of the entire Christian life, and a model of that relationship of trust that we are invited to enter as children of our Heavenly Father. For those coming into the Church this Easter, this Rite symbolizes the passing down of our heritage of prayer, learned at the feet of the Savior, and nurtured in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit that is the Church.

### 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, April 5 in the Teen Hall at 7pm. For more information, contact Alyssa Ginter.

### DIACONATE ORDINATION

### PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

#### Attend Anthony Stewart's Ordination

September 21<sup>st</sup> – October 1<sup>st</sup>, 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](http://thecatholictraveler.com) or contact Joan Watson at [joan.watson@dioceseofnashville.com](mailto:joan.watson@dioceseofnashville.com)

### CEMETERY CLEAN UP

The Cemetery Committee and the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be cleaning, clearing, and straightening the St. Patrick Cemetery on Wednesday, April 5, starting at 9 AM. We are asking our neighbors to assist in this undertaking. Be sure to bring your gloves and a rake. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Many hands make light work! We do all things in Christ with faith, hope and love.

### YOUTH GROUP

We will be meeting this Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, starting with Vespers in the church at 6:30 pm. 7-12 Grade. Join us to fill Easter eggs on Monday, April 10, at 6:30 pm in the Teen Hall.

### SAVE THE DATE:

### TOTUS TUUS

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



#### **A Testimony for Totus Tuus by St. Patrick Parishioner & Seminarian, Anthony Stewart**

*Totus Tuus is perhaps the best Catholic summer program there is for youth. The program exposes to young people the joy that is found in our Catholic Faith. I emphasize 'joy' because the program allows the youth of our parish to see other young people living out their lives in a joyful way. It is infectious! The program is lead by four young vibrant college age students, and they teach the Truths of our faith in a convincing way because they themselves are living it. I myself, after having been a participant and a missionary, continue to reap the fruits of the program. I would strongly encourage any young people in our parish to take part in the program this summer. You will surely be enriched, and find that the Catholic faith is the passage to a life of joy.*

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The PPC says Thank You to all the Ministries/ Committees for a successful and fun Ministry Fair. So many choices for your time, talents, & treasures! The displays were great and sparked interest in all who came to the fair. Remember, all groups welcome new members at anytime.

#### **Parish Council Meeting, Tuesday, April 4:**

All members of the Parish are encouraged and welcome to come observe our meetings. 6:30 PM



# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR A. #945

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

### VINCENTIAN MEDITATION

The Gospel today challenges us to see and believe the signs of grace in our lives: joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness.



**Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor.**

### FOOD DRIVE VOLUNTEERS

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is asking for volunteers to help pass out food. Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 Drives: April 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>

### FOOD FOR THE MONTH

For the month of April we are asking for food donations of meat based canned foods (stew meat, spaghetti sauce) and Jelly. 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 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM  
Prior to the Penance Service, there will be a Potluck Supper in the Teen Hall beginning at 5:30. Please bring something to share and 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 9<sup>th</sup> so we can start filling the eggs.



### CRS RICE BOWL

Thank you for returning your rice bowls!  
You may continue to do so if you haven't already.

## 24 HR ADORATION

### FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will follow 8 am Mass on Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> and will close with Benediction on Saturday at 7:45 am. There will be Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM on Friday. Please contact Jamie Epley if you are interested in spending an hour with our Lord or if you are unable to keep your hour this month. All are welcome to visit our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament during this time!



### ALTAR FLOWERS

Please call the church office if you would like to purchase Altar flowers for the upcoming First Friday Eucharistic Adoration.

DATE	4/01	4/02	4/08	4/09
LECTOR	Lou Lomber	Terry Coleman		
EMoHC	Tom Powers	Kathy Brewster		
	Cathy Abou-Sakher	Vince Brewster		
		Dan Cesario		

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### APRIL 2, 2017: 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

*"Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?'" JOHN 11:40*

Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard, the pressure is on, things aren't going our way, do we really believe, do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need.

Last Sunday's Collection: \$3,280.00  
 Needed Each Week: \$3,700.00  
 For the week : Under Budget (\$420.00)  
 Year to date: Under Budget (\$ 7,872.82)  
 Last Sunday's Attendance: 199

## 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, Weston Wilson

**\*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, Dr. Louis Anderson.

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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# Weekly Calendar of Events

**APRIL SACRISTANS:** Carolyn Hooper, Angel Cross, Rita Miano, Jennifer Richardson, Janice Polly.

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

<p><b>Sunday, April 2:</b>                      Ez 37:12-14                      Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8                      Rom 8:8-11                      Jn 11:1-45</p>	<p>8:00 am Confession                      8:30 am Rosary                      9:00 am Mass for Mother Ann Marie                      10:30 am CCD                      6:30 pm Vespers &amp; Youth Group</p>
<p><b>Monday, March 3:</b>                      Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62                      Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6                      Jn 8:1-11</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Kelly Lagan Spelman +                      5:30 pm Potluck                      7:00 pm Penance Service</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, April 4:</b>                      Nm 21:4-9                      Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21                      Jn 8:21-30</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Daniel Raab &amp; Family                      6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, April 5:</b>                      Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95                      Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56                      Jn 8:31-42</p>	<p>9:00 am Cemetery Clean Up                      6:00 pm Mass for Neil Wilson+                      7:00 pm RCIA</p>
<p><b>Thursday, April 6:</b>                      Gn 17:3-9                      Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9                      Jn 8:51-59</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Shirley Hay+</p>
<p><b>Friday, April 7:</b>                      Jer 20:10-13                      Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7                      Jn 10:31-42</p>	<p>8:00 am Mass for Special Intention                      24 Hour Adoration                      7:00 pm Stations of the Cross &amp; Confession</p>
<p><b>Saturday, April 8:</b>                      Ez 37:21-28                      Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13                      Jn 11:45-56</p>	<p>7:45 am Benediction                      8:00 am Mass for Tommy Holloran +                      4:00 pm Confession                      4:30 pm Rosary                      5:00 pm Mass for Shirley Hay +                      Spring BBQ Work Day</p>
<p><b>Sunday, April 9:</b>                      Palm Sunday                      Mt 21:1-11                      Is 50:4-7                      Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24                      Phil 2:6-11                      Mt 26:14—27:66</p>	<p>8:00 am Confession                      8:30 am Rosary                      9:00 am Mass for Mother Ann Marie                      10:30 am CCD                      6:30 pm Vespers</p>