



Saint Patrick Parish

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*Jesus said to his disciples:
"No one can serve two masters.
He will either hate one and love
the other, or be devoted to one
and despise the other.
You cannot serve God and
mammon."*

-Matthew 6:24



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, MARCH 3**

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

SAINT PATRICK, MCEWEN

WHAT IS THE RCIA RITE OF SENDING?

Across the entire world, Catholic bishops on the first Sunday of Lent will welcome those sent by the parish to gather together with their godparents and sponsors in what is known as the Rite of Election and the Call to Continuing Conversion. The Rite of Sending, ordinarily held earlier on the same day, offers the parish community an opportunity to acknowledge the spiritual progress the catechumens and candidates have made, express approval of their election or recognition and send them forth to our bishop with assurance of the parish's care and support. To send a catechumen or candidate to the bishop means that a parish has discerned that the person is ready to enter the Catholic Church. In Sacred Scripture, the Book of Revelation makes reference to a "Book of Life" in which are written the names of those who have chosen to follow the Lord Jesus and be baptized. Those who are already baptized, as Catholics or in other denominations, had our names written in the Book of Life at our Baptism. In this Rite, those preparing for Baptism are invited to come forward and sign a book, which we call the "Book of the Elect," as a sign of their desire to be numbered among the chosen of God. Please keep parishioner, Jessica Vossler, in your prayers as she participates in this Rite next Sunday.

THIS WEEK:

Join us for a discussion on the Rites of Initiation for entrance into the Catholic Church. Also, bring any questions you may have on the teachings of the faith! Class will begin following the 6pm Ash Wednesday Mass. We'll meet in the Teen Hall, and all are welcome. If you'd like more information, contact Alyssa Ginter.

YOUTH GROUP

We will be meeting next Sunday, March 5th, starting with Vespers in the church at 6:30 pm. 7-12 Grade.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Children at St. Patrick parish and school are preparing to make their First Confession Saturday, March 4. You can join in their preparation by praying for them and for their families as they ready to make this encounter with Jesus.

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. More details are available at thecatholictraveler.com. Spots are filling quickly! Or contact Joan Watson at joan.watson@dioceseofnashville.com

UPCOMING SERIES FROM THE DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR ADULT FORMATION

An upcoming series on Church history focusing on events that are often misunderstood.

Mondays, 10 a.m. and repeated at 7 p.m.,
Catholic Pastoral Center (March 13-April 3). Info:
Joan Watson 615-783-0263 or
Joan.Watson@dioceseofnashville.com.

(March 13) What the Crusades Were Not; led by Dr. Vince Ryan, Aquinas College.

(March 20) You Say You Want a Reformation: The Forces that Clamored for Ecclesial Change; led by Brian Thomas, Pope John Paul II High School.

(March 27) The Galileo Controversy: Is the Church Anti-Science? Led by Dr. Robert Scherrer, Vanderbilt University.

(April 3) A Lonely Voice: The Catholic Church & the Holocaust; led by Joan Watson, Diocese of Nashville.

CRS RICE BOWL- ENCOUNTER LENT

Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the Church and don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! May these 40 days better prepare us to encounter ourselves, our neighbors and our God.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Please join us for the quarterly Charismatic Mass to be held on March 12th, 2017, at 6:30 PM at St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church, 601 Bell RD, Antioch, TN. Fr. Michael Baltrus will be our celebrant. There will be time for fellowship after Mass and we ask that you bring a snack to share. If you have any questions, please call Deacon Doug Shafer at 615-459-9337 or Bob Schwartz at 615-424-7470.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

VINCENTIAN MEDITATION

Jesus tells us that our heavenly Father knows all that we need, and so we need to let tomorrow take care of itself as today has troubles enough of its own.



This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist many families.

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: February 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.

24 HR ADORATION

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will follow 8 am Mass on Friday, March 3rd and will close with Benediction on Saturday at 7:45 am. There will be a penance service 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 office if you would like to purchase Altar flowers for the First Friday Eucharistic Adoration. Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Join us for breakfast in the cafeteria after 9 AM Mass today! The Knights will be serving Sausage & Pancakes. Free of charge.



SCHOOL NEWS

LEGACY CLUB DINNER

March 11, 2017

St. Patrick School Legacy Club Dinner and Auction: You are invited to join us on Saturday, March 11 from 6:00-11:00 in St. Patrick's Activity Center as we honor Mrs. Nancy Daniel for all her service to our community. All proceeds support St. Patrick School. Tickets cost \$150/couple and include dinner, silent auction, live auction and dancing. If you have an item to donate to the auction or would like to purchase tickets, please call the school office at 931-582-3493. We hope you can come!



DATE	2/25	2/26	3/4	3/5
LECTOR	Erin Ginter	Laura Ross	Lou Lomber	Terry Coleman
EMOHC	James Ginter	Mary Chaney	Tom Powers	Kathy Brewster
	Wade Garmon	Vicki James	Cathy Abou-Sakher	Vince Brewster
		Dan Cesario		Dan Cesario

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

FEBRUARY 26, 2017

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

For many people, God and money run "neck and neck" as their first priority. The solution – become more generous. Giving money to Church and charity frees us from slavery to money and from making money a "god" before God.

SECOND COLLECTION DATES FOR MARCH

- March 1st** Church in Central and Eastern Europe
- March 5th** Black and Indian Missions
- March 19th** Society of St. Vincent de Paul
- March 26th** The Catholic Relief Service
—Rice Bowl return date.

Last Sunday's Collection: \$3,182.25
 Needed Each Week: \$3,700.00
 For the week : Under Budget (\$517.75)
 Year to date: Under Budget (\$ 7,481.32)
 Last Sunday's Attendance: 175

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, Mary Lomber, 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, Tina Cooley, 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, Dave Gregory, 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

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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, February 26: Is 49:14-15 Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 1 Cor 4:1-5 Mt 6:24-34</p>	8:00 am Confession 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass for St. Patrick Parish KofC Breakfast 10:30 am CCD
<p>Monday, February 27: Sir 17:20-24 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 10:17-27</p>	8:00 am Mass for James Citro & Family
<p>Tuesday, February 28: Sir 35:1-12 Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 Mk 10:28-31</p>	8:00 am Mass for Don & Bonnie Canney
<p>Wednesday, March 1: Ash Wednesday Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18</p>	8:00 am Mass 6:00 pm Mass for Special Intention 7:00 pm RCIA
<p>Thursday, March 2: Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 9:22-25</p>	8:00 am Mass for Kelly Spelman
<p>Friday, March 3: Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15</p>	8:00 am Mass for Ann Rickert & Family 24 Hour Adoration 7:00 pm Penance Service
<p>Saturday, March 4: Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 5:27-32</p>	7:45 am Benediction 8:00 am Mass 9 am—1 pm First Reconciliation 4:00 pm Confession 4:30 pm Rosary 5:00 pm Mass for Elizabeth Dibble
<p>Sunday, March 5: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 Rom 5:12-19 Rom 5:12, 17-19</p>	8:00 am Confession 8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass for St. Patrick Parish Rite of Sending 10:30 am CCD 3:00 pm RCIA Rite of Election @ Pastoral Center 6:30 pm Vespers Youth Group