

## Parish Calendar

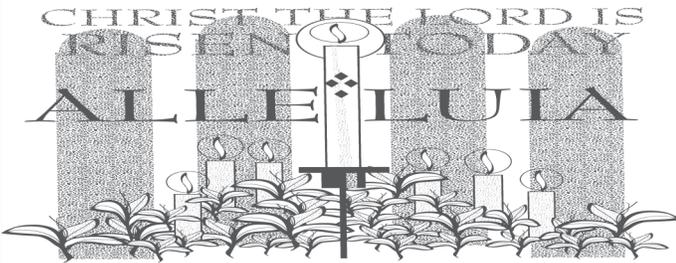
### Sunday, April 5: *Easter Sunday*

**Masses at 7:00, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.**

No Children's Liturgy

No Sunday Social Hour

Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:30 Mass



### Monday, April 6: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

**Parish Center Closed**

No Eucharistic Adoration

Adult Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. - Center

Evening Prayer - 7:00 p.m. - Center

Sister Parish - 7:00 p.m. - Center

KC Basketball Final Four Party - See article

### Tuesday, April 7:

**Communion Service at 7:45 a.m.**

Strengths Exercises - 10:00 a.m. - Center

Prayer Shawl Ministry - 10:00 a.m. - Center

PrimeTimers - 6:30 p.m. - Center

Strengths Exercises - 7:00 p.m. - Center

### Wednesday, April 8:

**Communion Service at 7:45 a.m.**

Stewardship Commission - 7:00 p.m. - Center

### Thursday, April 9: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

KC Rosary Potluck - 6:30 p.m. - Hall

RCIA - 7:00 p.m. - Center

### Friday, April 10: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Men's Prayer Group - 6:45 a.m. - Hall

### Saturday, April 11: Mass at 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation - 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Church

Eucharistic. Min. Training - 4:30 p.m. - Church

### Sunday, April 12: Mass at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

*Second Sunday of Easter*

*Divine Mercy Sunday*

Children's Liturgy - During Masses - Mtg. Rm.

Sunday Social Hour - Benedictine Spirituality

Youth Group - 6:00 p.m. - Center

## Parish Programs & Staff



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The "Celtic Knot" is a stylized graphical representation of knots and braids used for decoration. Most commonly used by the ancient Celts, the art form is also commonly found in Norse and even Egyptian artifacts.

It is believed to have reached it's zenith in the early centuries A.D. when they were used in the ornamentation of Christian monuments and manuscripts like the 8th century Book of Kells. It embodies the connection of everything, to everything. No matter how our lives may twist, turn and overlap they all fit together as part of the magnificent whole. No beginning. No End. Just one of God's beautiful creations.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

*Gerald Waltier*

We offer our sympathy, love and prayers to his family and friends in this time of sorrow.

Please pray for all the sick members of our faith community, in particular:

*Amy Alexeev  
Eleanor Breite  
Rosemary Connelly  
Yvonne Doherty  
Jack Enright*

*Diane Fehl  
Virginia Fitchitt  
Dorothy Foster  
Suzanne Gardner*

*Barbara Gruber  
Stan Naccarato  
Matthew Ohare  
Carol Pfeiffer  
Lynn Ross*

### Mass Schedule

Sat	Apr 4	<i>Holy Saturday</i>
Sun	Apr 5	<i>Easter Sunday</i>
Mon	Apr 6	RIP George Christnacht
Tues	Apr 7	Intentions of Virginia Fitchitt
Wed	Apr 8	<i>Communion Service</i>
Thurs	Apr 9	RIP Mike Woods
Fri	Apr 10	Intentions of Kim Ward
Sat	Apr 11	Intentions of Mollie Cleary
Sun	Apr 12	RIP Joe Dini

### Interested in becoming Catholic?

For those interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or wanting to join in full communion with the Church, "Inquiry" sessions are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

These informal classes will help you discern whether you wish to continue the process known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), which prepares adults to become members of the Catholic Church.

Questions? – call Leah at 253-756-8901

**The next Baptism class will be on April 19<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 3:30 p.m.**

For more information, please contact Amy at the Parish Center 383-2783 ext. 4113.

### Welcome!

If you are a visitor to St. Patrick Catholic Church, we want you to know how welcome you are - whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese.

If you are new to our area and would like to become a member of our community, please stop by the Welcoming Table in the Gathering Space after any of the Masses on the first Sunday of the month to register. Registration forms can also be obtained at any time on our website at: [www.saintpats.org](http://www.saintpats.org) or by contacting the Parish Center at 383-2783.

### Tax Fraud

We have received reports from employees and volunteers who have discovered that acts of fraud have been committed on their 2014 tax returns related to last year's Archdiocese data breach.

If you find you have been compromised, please notify the Archdiocese at: [taxinformation@seattlearch.org](mailto:taxinformation@seattlearch.org) or call the Archdiocese Identity Theft Help Line at: 1-866-329-5954.

## CRS Rice Bowl

Lent is a journey. Where will it take you this year? CRS Rice Bowl is your passport to global solidarity. Forty years ago, Catholics in the United States wanted to respond to famine in Africa. Could we feed the hungry through Lenten prayers, fasting and almsgiving? The answer was yes - and it came in the form of a small cardboard box. Forty years later, it still does. Join our parish community - and more than 13,000 Catholic communities across the United States - in a life changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice bowl.

**We prayed, fasted and gave alms - and now we celebrate! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends in our own hearts, where Jesus reigns forever. Let us rejoice in our risen Lord - and in the lives we've changed this Lent in Tanzania, Nicaragua, Niger, Lebanon and the Democratic Republic of Congo and all over the world! Don't forget to in your CRS Rice Bowl!**

Parish Office note: Please convert your CRS Rice Bowl change into a check made out to St. Patrick Church. Thank you!



CRS RICE  
BOWL  
40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

## Altar Flowers

Thank you to everyone who has participated in the Altar Flower offering.

Your generous donations help to defray the cost to the parish for Easter flowers.

If you haven't donated yet and wish to, please use your preprinted giving envelope or your own envelope with Altar Flowers written on it, and put it in the collection basket.

*Thank you*

## Lighthouse Catholic Media

We are proud to offer our parishioners inspiring recorded presentations by leading Catholic clergy, theologians and lay speakers from **Lighthouse Catholic Media.**

These CD's present a practical and effective program to help Catholics know their faith - to keep their faith! Check out the kiosk in the Gathering Space.

A donation of \$3.00 is suggested.



Next weekend, St. Patrick Church will launch our own app for iPhone and Android smart phones!

Bring your phone to Mass -  
**Yes, you read that right!**

**Bring your phone to Mass**  
**(Make sure to turn it off before Mass starts)**  
**and then afterwards look for the crew**  
**in the green shirts in the Church Hall -**  
**we'll help put myParish app on your phone.**

This will allow us to better communicate with you throughout the week and keep you updated with relevant parish news or updates. The app is well designed and very intuitive.

It will be a great resource for parishioners by providing daily Mass readings, Catholic news and prayers, convenient prayer and Confession reminders, our bulletins and more.

To install myParish App:

Go to [myparishapp.com/appstore](http://myparishapp.com/appstore) or

Go to your App Store (iPhone) or

Play Store (Android) and install the app by searching for myparish.

## Donations for Pregnancy Aid

Social Justice Ministry is collecting new or gently used infant and toddler clothing as well as baby bottles, formula, strollers and car seats for Pregnancy Aid.

A donation bin is in the Gathering Space.

**Pregnancy Aid is in need of Volunteers,  
Monday, Wednesday and Fridays,  
10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

**at Urban Grace Church, 902 Market Street**

Please contact Pregnancy Aid at 383-4100

## Outerwear Collection

Social Justice Ministry collects and distributes to the needy, coats, hats, gloves and clothing throughout the year. Please put your donations in the bin in the Gathering Space.



## Croatian Daffodil Dinner

*and*  
**Pastry Sale**

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Dinner will be served 1:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

Slavonian Hall - N. 30th & Carr St.,

Dinner: Adults \$15.00

Children 12 & under: \$5.00

*Croatian pasta with meat sauce,  
Kielbasa, Sauerkraut, Salad,  
Rolls and Coffee*

Help support Emergency Food Network  
Bring non-perishable food items to donate

## Used Eyeglass Drive

The Knights of Columbus are continuing to collect old and used eyeglasses during the month of April. There is a drop box in the Church Vestibule, on top of the lost and found. Glasses can be of any size and readers are ok too. Any question please contact Chip McCullough of K of C 809 at 253-381-9212 or chipmccullough@comcast.net

Accept Christ, know your faith,  
and follow His call.

**Iron Sharpens Iron as one man  
sharpens another.**

Proverbs 27:17(RSV)

This will be our Third  
Men's Conference  
In the Archdiocese  
of Seattle.

We are honored  
once again to have  
Archbishop Sartain  
as a presenter.

Our event will be  
hosted by

St. Stephen the Martyr Parish in Renton.

Your \$50.00 Registration fee will cover the  
Conference and lunch.

**Register at: <http://ststephensevents.com/mens-conference.html>**



## Cans 4US

There is a blue and orange  
container next to the recycling bin in the parking  
lot for the collection of aluminum cans.

The cans donated will be cashed in at a  
local recycling center.

100% of the proceeds will be donated to 4US.

*An Evening with*

**Archbishop J. Peter Sartain**



**April 26, 2015**

Holy Cross Church  
5510 N 44<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Tacoma, WA 98407

The evening will begin with Mass at 5:00 p.m.  
and be followed by a reception and program.  
This free event is open to all but reservations  
are required. You can make your reservation at:  
253-330-8820 or [www.svdptacoma.org](http://www.svdptacoma.org)  
For questions please call 253-474-1702.



## Easter Message 2015

It is with a heavy heart that I write what is my last Easter message to the people of St. Patrick community. It has been 20 years since I was warmly welcomed into this beautiful community. It has been a great privilege to serve you as Pastor for such a long time. Although looking back it seems like such a short time. C'est la vie! None of us is here forever. We are just passing through. All of us hope that as we pass through that we do some good along the way. That is my hope; that I have done some good during my time here with all of you my family, my brothers and sisters in Christ.

What a joy it has been to share my life with all of you; to celebrate the sacraments with you over the years. There have been lots of celebrations; Sunday Masses, Baptisms, Marriages and other life-giving occasions; as well as many sad good-byes, bidding a fond farewell to those who left us to go home to be with God.

As I take my leave of you at the end of June, I want to thank you sincerely for all your kindness to me and all your support and encouragement. I've always felt loved and appreciated by this community. I leave with no regrets, but a heart filled with gratitude and good memories of happy times.

If I have offended anyone in any way I am sorry; please forgive me and pray for me. I promise to pray for all of you every day until I die.

I don't know what the future holds but I do know that the Good and Gracious God who brought me here, who in my case saved the best for last, will continue to lead me and guide me. I do sincerely hope with His grace to allow myself to be led by Him always. I believe that same Good and Gracious God will watch over and take care of this beautiful community through those who follow me. Change is difficult and challenging. Patience and trust will enable us all to move forward with hope and confidence.

Affectionately,  
In Christ,

*Fr. Seanus*



## Stewardship of Talent

**Strengths is the ability to provide consistent near perfect performance in a given activity.**

We are a Strengths-based parish committed to the “Stewardship of Talents” process.

Each one of us has strengths-unique combinations of talents, knowledge and skills that help us “**do what we do best**” every day.

Our greatest talents do more than make us unique individuals.

They also serve as our best opportunities for excellence.

To become our best selves, we must increase our understanding of our talents.

**Strengths develop when we tap into these talents and intentionally apply them to accomplish tasks or reach desired outcomes according to God’s will.**

Do you know what your talents really are or are you still assuming what you think they are?

For more information contact Mary at: 383-2783 ext. 4109 or [mrandall@saintpats.org](mailto:mrandall@saintpats.org)

### Spring Sessions

Tuesdays: April 7,14, 21 Afternoons or Evenings, 10 :00 - 11:00 a.m. or 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

People strong in *Competition Strength*

Measure their progress against the performance of others.

They strive to win first place and revel in contests.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Join our Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting **this Tuesday, at 10:00 a.m.** in the Parish Center.

This ministry makes shawls for people in need. Once the shawls are completed they are blessed and then they are available to anyone in need, whether they are sick, recovering, grieving, etc.

All skill levels are invited to participate in this ministry and we will teach you if you would like to learn how. To get a prayer shawl for your loved one, contact the Parish Center.

## Children’s Rosary

**Join us for a Children's Rosary this Sunday following 10:30 a.m. Mass.**

All children and their families are welcome. Any child who wants to pray a decade will be assisted as needed. Grab a doughnut and join us in the Children's Liturgy room. We look forward to praying with you and Our Lady!



## Men's Prayer Group

*Friday mornings,*

*6:45-7:30 a.m. in the Church Hall*

This Prayer Group is for men of all ages who want to deepen their relationship with God within the context of family life, work and our faith community.

Walking with Purpose is a weekly study that aims to bring women into a deeper, personal relationship with Christ, through individual study and small group discussions that link our everyday challenges and struggles to the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Church.

**We meet Thursday evenings, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

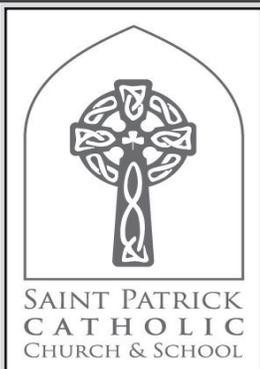
**and Friday mornings, 9:00 -11:00 a.m.**

**Both groups meet in the Church Hall childcare is available on Friday mornings.**

For more information about the program, please go to: [www.walkingwithpurpose.com](http://www.walkingwithpurpose.com) for questions about registering and content, please contact Megan McDaniel at:

[mcdaniel101699@gmail.com](mailto:mcdaniel101699@gmail.com)

*Enabling Women to know Christ through Scripture*



## Saint Patrick Catholic School

Over a Century of Academic Excellence  
In the Catholic Tradition

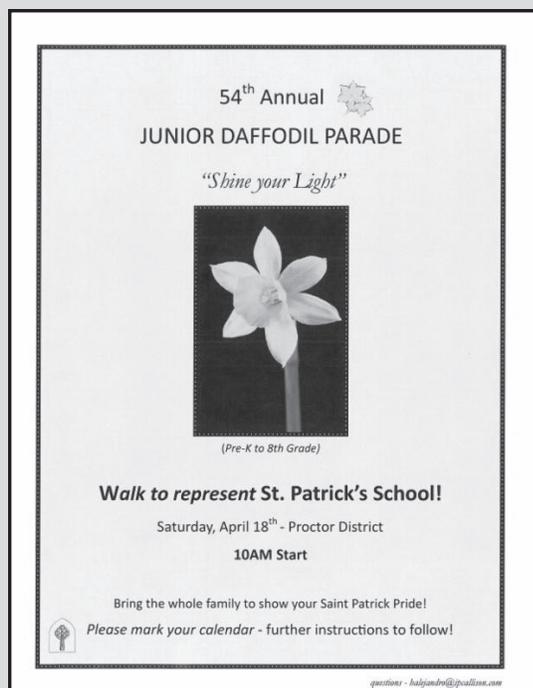
Be it known to all who enter here that Christ is the reason for this school.

*He is the unseen but ever-present teacher in the classroom.*

He is the model of its faculty and the inspiration of its students.

St. Patrick Catholic School provides an excellent education, with emphasis on faith, academics and service for Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Our graduates are well prepared for college preparatory high school, with strong Catholic identities and a commitment to serving others. Our students benefit from small class sizes with an emphasis on academic achievement and respect for others. Please contact Heather at (253)272-2297

### Junior Daffodil Parade



Please save the date for the Junior Daffodil Parade!  
It will be held on April 18<sup>th</sup>.

We are looking for parish and school groups to join us in representing the church and school at this fun community parade.

If your group would like to join the fun, please contact Heather Alejandro at: [halejandro@ipcallison.com](mailto:halejandro@ipcallison.com).

### You never outgrow recess - Come join the fun!

One of our three beloved St. Pats School Lunchtime Playground Supervisors will be unavailable for the final three weeks of the school year.

We are looking for a replacement to fill in from May 20 - June 12.

This job is supervising K thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade students during the school lunch / playground periods.

There are three shifts each day: 12:00-12:30; 12:30-1:00; and 1:00-1:30.

Salary is \$10.50 per hour.

Come enjoy the fun in the sun and joyful exuberance of children at play!

Please contact Michele Graves at the school office 272-2297, or email: [mgraves@saintpats.org](mailto:mgraves@saintpats.org).

## Atrium News

*Alleluia! He is Risen. Indeed, He is Risen!*

The Easter season is a particularly joyful one in the atrium.

During this time, we uncover our Alleluia, which has been tucked under some rocks during Lent.

We reenact the Easter Vigil by blessing a Paschal candle, reading from scripture, singing, and accepting the Light of Jesus for ourselves. Below are some of the prayers the children (ages 3-12) offered up during Lent in the hope that God would bring healing and new light to our world:

“I hope everyone in the whole world has a good day.”

“For our family and other families at St. Pats to come to a deeper understanding of God in our daily lives and ordinary actions.”

“For more people around us to find kindness and grace in their hearts for others, not just those they are familiar with, but strangers, too.”

“We hope that our uncle gets better and that God gives him health because he is very sick.”

“We pray for a happy family.”

“We pray for no war.”

“Our Easter prayer is that God blesses those who are poor, hungry, or homeless.”

“I pray that we use kinder words to each other.”

“We pray that people have peace on earth.”

“For more rainbows.”

*Thank you, St. Patrick community,  
for your ongoing support of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.  
May the true light of the risen Christ bring peace and joy to us all.*

Visitors are always welcome to the atrium!

Contact Kim at the Parish Center, extension 4108 or [kward@saintpats.org](mailto:kward@saintpats.org).

## Sacramental Preparation News

On Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, the children of our parish who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, were joined by their parents for an afternoon retreat.

During the retreat, we reflected on some key moments of the Mass.

Each child filled a specially decorated keepsake box with items representing these moments including a booklet which can be used as a guide about the Mass.

We looked at similarities and differences in the crucifixes the children had brought from home, and discussed the Paschal Mystery.

We finished the day having the children decorate their own crosses.

Our closing prayer in the Church was a blessing given by the parents of the children as they ‘received’ their cross.

As we stood as a group around the altar and prayed the Lord’s prayer, we could see the joyful anticipation in the eyes of the children as they await their moment to come to the Table of the Lord for the first time.

Please hold these children in prayer as they approach the date of their First Holy Communion the weekend of April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.

*“Then Jesus declared, ‘I am the bread of life.  
Whoever comes to me will never go hungry,  
and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty’.”*

John 6:35

## St. Patrick Parent Association Mother & Son Rock Climbing

**April 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Pre - K to 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:00- 7:00 p.m.**  
**Grades 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Edgeworks Climbing  
6102 North 9th Street, Suite 200  
Tacoma WA 98406  
(Road behind LA Fitness on 6<sup>th</sup>,  
access off Pearl Street)

\$20 per person + \$5.00 one time Family Fee

Families with multiple children in different grades may choose what time frame they would like to attend.

Contact Isabella Webb at:  
imwebb01@gmail.com  
or Christy Henningsen at:  
chenningesen@gmail.com

For a waiver form go to:  
<http://edgeworksclimbing.com/waiver.html>



## Join the KC's for the Final Four Championship Game

Knights of Columbus will be hosting a  
Final Four Championship Game Viewing Party  
on

**Monday April 6<sup>th</sup>,**  
**starting at 5:30 p.m. in the Church Hall**  
**(game starts at 6:00 p.m.)**

Hot dogs, chip and soft drinks will be available  
with a suggested donation of \$5.00 per person.

All proceeds go to  
Tacoma-Pierce County  
Chapter of Habitat for Humanity.

Any question contact Chip McCullough at:  
381-9212 or [chipmccullough@comcast.net](mailto:chipmccullough@comcast.net)



## ST. PATRICK YOUTH

Come as often as you can!  
We would love to see all your faces present.  
Food, Fun, Games, Fellowship and MORE.

All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders welcome.

See schedule for dates. Usually alternate  
Sunday's from 6:00 -7:30 p.m.  
in the PARISH CENTER.

### **Clothing and Household Donations**

We will be collecting clothing and household  
donations to raise money for our youth to  
participate in summer events.

Please bring your clothing to the  
Parking Lot Bin "Sight Connection"  
They pick up the clothing on Friday's and pay  
us .20 cents a pound.

### **Schedule for the Winter/Spring**

April 12, April 26, May 17,  
May 31 (WRAP UP EVENT)

**Go LIKE the Saint Patrick Catholic Church  
Facebook page for up to date information  
and always go to the website for  
Confirmation and Youth Group information.**  
**website: [www.saintpats.org](http://www.saintpats.org)**  
**Email: [youth@saintpats.org](mailto:youth@saintpats.org)**

## Health Ministry

If you are interested in leading our  
Health Ministry,  
please contact Mary at: 383-2783 ext. 4109  
or [mrandall@saintpats.org](mailto:mrandall@saintpats.org).  
Please discern this call,  
as Health Ministry can go in many  
different directions as needs arise.

## Eucharistic Minister Training

A training session will be held on  
Sat. April 11<sup>th</sup> in the church at 4:30 p.m. for all  
those seeking to engage your Strengths  
in service to the Lord and our Parish.

We are one body in this one Lord.  
Please prayerfully consider joining us as we  
seek to serve Him more fully.  
Contact the Parish Center at 3838-2783  
for more information.

**Parish Councils and Commissions**

**Finance Council:** Georgeann Cukjati, **Pastoral Council:** Charles Christnacht, **Stewardship Commission:** Kerry Keely

**Parish Ministries**

**Adult Bible Study:** Deacon Bill Eckert

**Altar Servers:** DJ and Laura Dougherty

**Arts and Environment:** Leah Walker

**Benedictine Spirituality:** Gavin MacHutchin

**Cara to Cara:** Elaine Hilton

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Lisa Beritich

**Children's Rosary:** Dianne Falk

**Choir:** Bob McKamey

**Daily Mass Set Up:** Jane McDonough

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Bruce Stephen-Jordan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Lorraine Karabaich

**Funeral Receptions:** Molly Lane, Jackie Swift, Teresa Kilga

**Grief Ministry:** Barbara Simpson

**Health Ministry:**

**Knights of Columbus:** Mark Jensen

**Lectors:** Chris Kradjan

**Library:** Marie Hollinshead, Tony Pepin

**Men's Prayer Group:** Charles Christnacht

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Anita Staeheli

**PrimeTimers:** Gerry O'Leary

**ReMembering Church:** Leah Walker

**Respect Life Group:** Paddy O'Halloran

**Senior Ministry:** Joan Doherty

**Sister Parish:** Florence Bucholz

**Social Justice Group:** Bill White

**Sunday Social Hour:** Clare Keller

**St. Vincent de Paul:** Dolly Reed

**Ushers:** Tony Karabaich

**Walking with Purpose:** Megan McDaniel

**Welcoming Committee:** Joanne Girolami

**Young Professionals:** Lauren Hobby



SAINT PATRICK  
CATHOLIC  
CHURCH & SCHOOL

For more information, please contact the Parish Center at 253-383-2783,  
email: [parish@saintpats.org](mailto:parish@saintpats.org), fax: 253-627-5396 or visit our website at [www.saintpats.org](http://www.saintpats.org)

**If you're in the Church Hall or Gathering Space, Wi-Fi access is now available.**



The WiFi name in the Church Hall is **Saint Patrick** and the new password is **Shamrock**  
In the Church Gathering Space use: **SPC-Gathering**

Password: **WelcomeSaintPatrick1123**