

Parish Calendar

Sunday, August 7: Mass at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Baptisms at Mass

Sunday Social Hour - Walking with Purpose

St. Vincent de Paul Collection

Welcome Table in the Gathering Space

Monday, August 8: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration - 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Chapel

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

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

Foreign Mission Outreach - 7:00 p.m. - Center

Tuesday, August 9: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Wednesday, August 10:

Communion Service at 7:45 a.m.

Thursday, August 11: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Friday, August 12: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

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

Saturday, August 13: Mass at 5:30 p.m.

The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sunday, August 14: Mass at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Social Hour

Respect Life - 11:30 a.m. - Church Hall

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St. Patrick Catholic Church Mission Statement

We are a Catholic faith community in the traditions and people of "Old Tacoma" called together and empowered by Christ to nurture the spiritual and liturgical needs of our community through lifelong Christian education, celebration of the Sacraments, prayer and service to others.



Welcome Visitors!

If you are a visitor to St. Patrick Catholic Church, we want you to know how welcome you are - Whether you came from across the country or another parish in Tacoma -

We are so happy you are here!

For more information check out our website at: www.saintpats.org or call us at: 383-2783.

*Know that you always have a place
to worship and a community
to belong to at
St. Patrick Catholic Church.*

Glad You Asked That

Throughout the year we noticed a steady negative balance in the weekly contributions in the bulletin. How did Saint Patrick Parish finish the fiscal year (July 2015 - June 2016)?

In terms of the bulletin weekly collection tally, we ended up \$98,000 short of our goal of \$1,073,000. What does that mean for the parish? Are we hurting financially? The best way to answer that is "Yes" and "No."

First of all, thank you for your continued generosity to your parish community. Though our weekly collections did not meet expectations, other sources of income and close management of our expenses helped reduce the overall year end shortage to \$72,000. The shortage was not unexpected. The Archdiocese informed us that whenever parishes change leadership, they can expect to see up to a 10% drop in attendance and contributions. More challenging than this most recent shortage in contributions is the steady decline in attendance at Saint Patrick (and throughout the Catholic Church in America) for the past 10 years. Our average weekly Mass attendance in 2006 was 1088, compared to 815 for 2016.

In terms of our shortfall and its direct impact on the parish, we are fortunate to have a Parish savings account which enabled us to meet our financial obligations. However, we realize negative years like this are not sustainable over time. Nevertheless, we remain optimistic and trust in the Lord that things are moving in the right direction.

Our plan moving forward to address these challenges (in consultation with the Finance Council and other parish leaders and staff) is two-fold:

- (1) **Outreach** - Attract and welcome new members to join us at Saint Patrick. Cultural Catholicism is no longer filling our pews.
- (2) **Better communication to parishioners about our individual fiscal responsibility to our church.** If Saint Patrick Parish is going to continue growing into the kind of church community God is calling us to be, we all need to be willing to provide the necessary resources, to the best of our individual ability.

As always, your feedback and questions are most welcome.

Saint Patrick - Pray For Us.



Kevin Lovejoy
Pastoral Coordinator
Saint Patrick Church and School

Join us for Daily Mass - A wonderful way to start your day!

Monday, Tuesday & Friday -
Mass is at 7:45 a.m.

Wednesday -
Communion Service is at 7:45 a.m.

Thursday - Mass is at 7:45 a.m.
(When school starts again in September,
Thursday morning Mass will be at 8:45 a.m.)

First Friday of the month -
September through May
Mass is at 11:00 a.m. with the Seniors.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 6 - RIP Larry Moisio

Sunday, August 7 - RIP Grandma Nye

Monday, August 8 - RIP Teresa Yaconetti

Tuesday, August 9 - RIP Amy Dyckman

Wednesday, August 10 - *Communion Service*

Thursday, August 11 - Intentions of the
Callet - McLaughlin Family

Friday, August 12 - RIP John McHugh

Saturday, August 13 - RIP Rosa Fernandez

Sunday, August 14 - RIP Mary Mason

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

*Suzanne Gardner
Monica Ilacqua
Beth Mill
Margaret O'Connell*

*Lauren Parkhill
Juan Perez
Carol Pfeiffer
Ingrid Skeldon
Gina Slavich*

*Teri Staeheli
Jeannine Sturman
Ozzie Velez
Troy Yates*

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Psalm 147:3



Feast of the Assumption of Mary

Monday, August 15th
Mass at 7:00 p.m.
No Morning Mass

"Taken up into heaven, Mary shows us the way to God, the way to heaven, the way to life. She shows it to her children baptized in Christ and to all people of good will. She opens this way especially to the little ones and to the poor, those who are dear to divine mercy. The Queen of the world reveals to individuals and to nations the power of the love of God whose plan upsets that of the proud, pulls down the mighty from their thrones and exalts the humble, fills the hungry with good things and sends the rich empty away (cf. Lk 1:51-53)."
Pope John Paul II, Homily, August 15, 1999

Prayer Request

Do you need prayers for yourself or someone you love?

It is as simple as asking.

Send us your request and we'll add it to our prayer list.

Contact the parish at:
parish@saintpats.org or 253-383-2783



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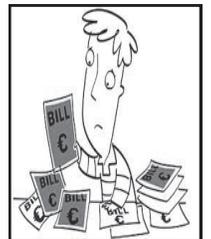
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A Summer Reminder...

If you are away during the summer, please remember to remain up-to-date on your Sacrificial Giving Commitment, (so we can keep up-to-date on our bills!).



On-line giving or electronic payments are always an easy option. Visit our website at: www.saintpats.org or contact the Parish Center at 383-2783, for more information.

Thank you for your continued support.

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.

If you are interested in 2016/17 school admission, please contact our school office to schedule a tour at: school@saintpats.org or 253-272-2297. Drop-in tours will also be available.

Confirmation Information

Are you interested in being Confirmed this year? Are you a high school sophomore, junior or senior?
Classes will begin in September.
Please contact Joe and Anna at: Youth@saintpats.org if you have any questions.

Faith Formation

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion preparation enrollment for 2016-2017 is now underway.
Registration forms may be found on our website.
To complete a registration form, go to Sacraments on the pull down menu.
Children should be at least 7 years of age, baptized Catholic and spent the 2015-2016 year in a Faith Formation program.
If you have questions, please contact Kim at: 383-2783 ext. 4108 or kward@saintpats.org

Interested in becoming Catholic?

For those interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or wanting to join in full communion with the Church, join us for **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and see what we are all about. Classes will be starting soon!
Questions? Contact Kim at: (253)383 - 2783 ext. 4108 or kward@saintpats.org
We are waiting to hear from you!

Listen to this weekend's homily again

St. Patrick Church has entered the digital age with homilies on demand.
You can subscribe to St. Patrick Catholic Church on YouTube for easy access to the Homily.
Listen to any homily again; you may hear something you missed the first time.

Altar Server Training

Training for new altar servers, and any current altar servers wishing to be trained to serve at funerals, will be held on Sunday, August 21st at 12:00 pm.



All parish youth grades 5 -8 are eligible and encouraged to join us for this training.

SAVE THE DATE

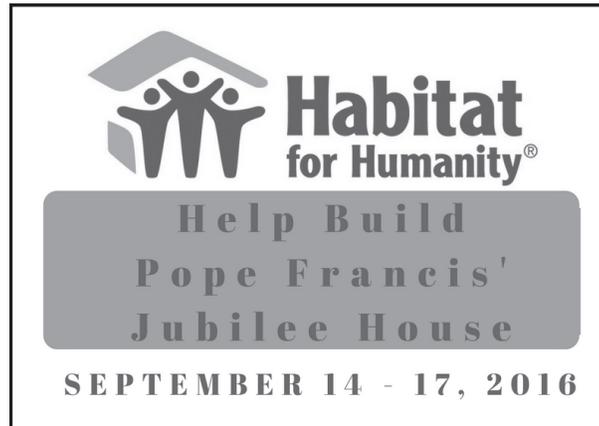
THE ANNUAL
Parish & School Picnic

SEPTEMBER 18, 2016 | 12:00 PM
COURTYARD
NORTH 12TH & J STREETS
TACOMA, WASHINGTON, 98403

sponsored by | SPPA | Pastoral Council | Knights of Columbus Tacoma Council 809

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All are invited to help build the Pope Francis' Jubilee House,
September 14 – 17, 2016
in a Tacoma/Pierce County Habitat for Humanity
community - The Woods' lot #218,
located at 1006—104th Street East, in Tacoma.

At a recent meeting of the Pierce County Deanery Council, the Pastors of the Deanery entered into a partnership with Tacoma/Pierce County Habitat for Humanity to fund, build, and dedicate a house to Pope Francis in honor of his Jubilee Year of Mercy.

This commitment provides every Catholic in the county with an opportunity to participate as their abilities and time permits.

The Pope Francis' Jubilee House is part of recent Pierce Deanery efforts to encourage our parishes to find new ways to work together in collaboration to spread the Good News and what better way to see “concrete” results that can come from a team effort than by cooperatively building a house!

All 25 Pierce Deanery parishes have committed to support the building of Pope Francis' Jubilee House calling upon Christian stewardship of treasure and talent.

**Anyone can come out and work on the build site on any
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and/or Saturday.**

Saint Patrick Catholic Church and School's designated work week is September 14 – 17, 2016.

Chip McCullough, parishioner, member of the Knights of Columbus Tacoma Council 809 and active Habitat for Humanity volunteer is coordinating the efforts at the parish.

Our goal is to have at least 10 volunteers at the build site everyday.

Those age 16 or older are able to work on the house.

No construction experience is needed.

There is something everyone can do. Younger people can help with landscaping.

All first-time volunteers are required to attend an orientation.

A New Volunteer Orientation is scheduled for Saturday, September 10, 2016 in the Church Hall for 6:30 p.m. or immediately following 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass.

The presentation is about 1 hour.

If you have already taken the required New Volunteer Orientation, contact event coordinator Chip McCullough via [email](#) or phone 253-381-9212 to select a work day, or two or an hour or a few!

The out-of-pocket sponsorship amount for construction materials for the house is \$65,000.

Saint Patrick Catholic Church has committed to raising \$5,000.

Make your donation today!

Drop a check made payable to Saint Patrick Catholic Church in the collection basket and note *Habitat for Humanity Pope Francis' Jubilee House* in the memo line.



4US

Help a Mom, Save a Baby...

A baby's heartbeat begins 22 days from conception before most women even know that they are pregnant.

These babies can be viewed by ultrasound.

4US raises money to purchase ultrasound machines for pregnancy help centers.

Their mission is to illuminate hope to women with the gift of an ultrasound!

1 machine = 1,000 lives.

96% will choose life!

Be part of the movement that literally saves lives!

Looking for low-cost, family fun that will impact eternity?

Join us on Friday, August 12th and Saturday, August 13th
at Ft. Steilacoom Park in Lakewood, WA to support 4US.org.

The 4US mission:

Illuminate hope for pregnant women in crisis through the gift of ultrasound.
100% of all donations collected go towards providing Pregnancy Resource Centers (PRC)
with ultrasound machines and training!

Why?

Upon seeing tiny fingers & toes on a 4US provided ultrasound machine,
and assured of receiving free care as long as it's needed within a 4US beneficiary PRC,
96% of women in crisis pregnancies CHOOSE motherhood!

What is the Rally Round 4 UltraSound?

5 spectacular life-affirming events spanning 2 days.

Friday Night includes a 5K LumaGlow Fun Run with a rockin' DJ at *theBEAT*.
Saturday's events include bike rides of 21 & 42 miles; 5K, 10K & Half-Marathons Races & Walks;
a Motorcycle Rally; a Family Fun Festival; and **The World's Largest Squirt Gun Fight**.

How?

Single and multi-event pricing – all low-cost – with 100% going to ultrasound machines!
Low-cost camping, low-cost fun, and concessions are on site + family friendly registration fees
AND kids 13 & under are only \$5 for all the events!

Who are The300?

They are 300 elite volunteers who give 3 days of time, talent & \$300 treasure to underwrite,
host execute the Rally Round 4 UltraSound.

In exchange for their service, 4US provides an awesome mission trip experience to deepen their faith, equip
them to affirm life and engage the culture in a positive way that transcends politics.

The Cause:

Thanks to The300 and some key sponsors, 100% of the funds raised at these events will provide
ultrasound machines and training to centers that provide entirely free services to pregnant women.

To learn more about all the ways to impact eternity -- visit www.4US.org

Be Part of the Team!

The ministry of Children's Liturgy of the Word is important to our parish, providing an accessible understanding of the weekly Mass to the youngest members of our community. But it cannot happen without the help of many volunteers. We are not looking for teachers. The weekly CLOW leaders do not teach. They share the Sunday scripture with the children and invite reflection and conversation.

We hope you will consider being part of the team! If you feel called to help keep Children's Liturgy a strong and vibrant opportunity for the young people of our parish, please contact us at: cLOW@saintpats.org.

Respect Life

The Good Shepherd lays down his life for his sheep. This theme is found also in the story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37). When the Good Samaritan came along, he didn't ask, "If I help this man, what will happen to me?" Instead the Good Samaritan asked, "If I do not help this man, what will happen to him?" That's the question for us. If I do not address this evil, what will happen to the unborn? If I do not get involved, what will happen to those who are vulnerable, those who are marginalized in our society, those who are oppressed, those who have no one to speak for them?

There are many ways to help, publicly or privately, individually or as a group, occasionally or more regularly, by giving your time or your experience or expertise or financially. Call Paddie at: 627-0162 .

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all the Parishioners who came to our "Pancakes for Seminarians" breakfast last Sunday. It was an outstanding turn out and the Knights appreciate your generosity in the donations collected. We hope you also enjoyed the change from ham to bacon and our brief introduction into our Seminarian program that is supported by our Supreme Office.

I would also like to take this time to thank all the Knights who helped, it made the day very easy on all of us with so many hands. A special thanks and recognition to Meg Herring who has continued to help at our breakfasts.

We look forward to seeing you at our next breakfast in October at which we will also have the Blood Mobile on sight for those who would like to donate blood.

Our Council would like to welcome its newest member, Earl Sodeman, who became a member in July.

Did you know the Number One best success in recruiting a new member is to ASK! When in Church or downstairs in the Hall ask your fellow Catholic gentleman if he is a Knight and if not would he like to join or learn more about the Knights.

We have a busy year ahead and hope to see you.

God Bless our Priests, Staff and Parishioners here at St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Mike Prichard
Grand Knight

Men's Prayer Group

Join us
Friday mornings,
6:45-7:30 a.m.
in the Church Hall

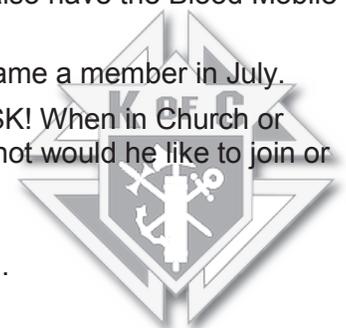
This Prayer Group is for men of all ages who want to deepen their relationship with God within the context of family life, work and our faith community.

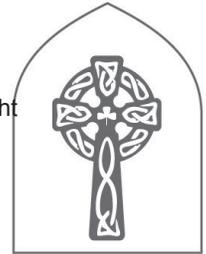
Children's Liturgy of the Word Leaders' Re-treat!

Please join us on
Wednesday, September 14th
from 6:00 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.
for prayer and fellowship
as we get ready to kick-off the new year of CLOW.

We will **re-affirm** our commitment to this important ministry with **re-fresher** training, **re-energizing** prayer and **re-newing** of friendships.

We encourage all current and incoming leaders to attend.



Parish Councils and Commissions**Finance Council:** Georgeann Cukjati, **Pastoral Council:** Matt Husted, **Stewardship Commission:** Jim Rooks**Parish Ministries****Adult Bible Study:** Deacon Bill Eckert**Altar Servers:** DJ and Laura Dougherty**Arts and Environment:****Benedictine Spirituality:** Gavin MacHutchin**Cara to Cara:** Elaine Hilton**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Lisa Beritich, Donna Anel**Children's Rosary:** Dianne Falk**Choir:** Bob McKamey**Daily Mass Set Up:** Jane McDonough**Eucharistic Adoration:** Bruce Stephen-Jordan**Eucharistic Ministers:** Susan Campbell**Foreign Mission Outreach:** David Little**Funeral Receptions:** Teresa Kilga, Molly Lane, Jackie Swift**Grief Ministry:** Margaret Erickson**Health Ministry:** Dr. Garry Fitzgerald**Knights of Columbus:** Mike Prichard**Lectors:** Chris Kradjan**Library:** Marie Hollinshead, Tony Pepin**Men's Prayer Group:** Charles Christnacht**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Anita Staeheli**PrimeTimers:** Gerry O'Leary, Joan Christnacht**ReMembering Church:** Leah Walker**Respect Life Group:** Paddy O'Halloran**Senior Ministry:** Joan Doherty**Social Justice Group:** Bill White**St. Vincent de Paul:** Dolly Reed**Stephen Ministry:** Penny Melton**Sunday Social Hour:** Clare Keller**Ushers:** Fred Morley**Walking with Purpose:** Donna Anel**Welcoming Committee:** Joanne Girolami

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People strong in

Consistency Strength

are keenly aware of the need to treat people the same.

They try to treat everyone in the world with consistency by setting up clear rules and adhering to them.