

Parish Calendar



Sunday, September 20: Mass at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catechetical Blessing at all Masses

Annual Fund Kick Off

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

Sunday Social Hour - School

Baptism Class - Noon - 4:00 p.m. - Center

Covenant of Faith / Reconciliation Class #1 -

Noon - 2:00 p.m. - Church

Monday, September 21: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

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

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

Benedictine Spirituality - 7:00 p.m. - Center

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

Tuesday, September 22: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

KC Business Mtg. - 7:00 p.m. - Hall

RCIC - 7:00 p.m. - Center

Wednesday, September 23:

Communion Service at 7:45 a.m.

Social Justice Mtg. - 6:30 p.m. - Center

Safe Environment Training - See article

Finance Council - 7:00 p.m. - Center

Thursday, September 24: Mass at 8:45 a.m.

RCIA - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. - Center

Friday, September 25: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

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

Saturday, September 26: Mass at 5:30 p.m.

Java Script - 8:00 a.m. - Center

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

Cara to Cara Reception - After 5:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 27: Mass at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Twenty - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Talent Card Weekend

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

Sunday Social Hour - Family Based Catechesis

Reconciliation Class #2 - Noon - 1:00 p.m. - Church

Youth Group - 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. - Center

Confirmation - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. - Center

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St. Patrick Parish 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.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of
Bill Bruzas, Jr. and Jerry Mitchels, father of Teri Hager
 We offer our sympathy, love and prayers to their families and friends
 in this time of sorrow.

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

*David Atkinson
 Chris Birmingham
 Jack Enright
 Jack Conlon
 Pearl Fors*

*Suzanne Gardner
 Joanne Girolami
 Hayden Kaleiwehea
 Polly Martinez
 Carol Pfeiffer*

*Rick Ranch
 Pat Rink
 Ingrid Skeldon
 Betty Solberg
 Jamie Welch*

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 19 - Intentions of Rita Lucas
 Sunday, September 20 - Intentions of Margaret O'Connell
 Monday, September 21 - RIP - Dorothy Peters
 Tuesday, September 22 - RIP - Rose Schweiger
 Wednesday, September 23 - *Communion Service*
 Thursday, September 24- RIP - Hannah Rajacich
 Friday, September 25 - RIP - Mary Bergman
 Saturday, September 26 - RIP- Joan Wilson
 Sunday, September 27 - RIP - Adrian Gonzales

Start your Day with Mass!

Monday, Tuesday & Friday - Mass is at 7:45 a.m.
 First Friday of the month Mass is at 11:00 a.m.
 with the Seniors
 Wednesday - Communion Service is at 7:45 a.m.
 Thursday - Mass is at 8:45 a.m.
 with the school children.

Baptism Class

The next Baptism Class
 will be TODAY, September
 20th from Noon to 4:00 p.m.
 To register or for more
 information, contact Amy
 at: 383-2783 ext. 4113.



Welcome Visitors!

St. Patrick Catholic Church is proud to welcome visitors from near and far throughout the year.
 Thank you for adding to the power of our prayer by your presence in our midst today.

We hope you feel welcome and return when you are in the area again!

Loved this weekend's homily so much you wanted to hear it again?

Saint Patrick Catholic Church has entered the digital age with homilies on demand.
 Homilies are now available on the website for you to listen to again (and again)
 and listen deeply (and more deeply) each time you hit play.

The Pope is on Instagram, Northwest Catholic Magazine is on Twitter,
 Bishop-elect Robert Barron on YouTube and The Archdiocese of Seattle on Facebook.
 Social media is a great way to keep in touch with St. Patrick and stay on top of happenings in the Catholic
 world so you can share the Good News with your friends and family.

You can subscribe to Saint Patrick Catholic Church on YouTube
 for quick and easy access to the weekly homily and follow us on Twitter and Instagram
 for photos and Like us on Facebook for links to the
 latest published news on the website.

Listen to the weekend's homily again.
 You might hear something you missed the first time.

Stewardship of Talent

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

Over 400 parishioners are currently exploring and developing their God-given strengths, or groups of talents.

The Strengths process helps us to better understand our talent themes.

As we continue to explore these themes, writings from our Church's documents or words from spiritual writers about our relationship in Christ as uniquely created children of God.

It's never too late to become involved in Living Your Strengths, you'll find much to deepen your relationship with God and others.

For more information, contact Mary at: 383-2783 ext. 4109 or mrandall@saintpats.org.

People strong in *Strategic Strength* create alternative ways to proceed. Faced with any given scenario, they can quickly spot the relevant patterns and issues.

Atrium Registration is Now Taking Place

If you would like to register your child for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (atrium), registration materials are now available.

Registration materials may be found on our parish website at: www.saintpats.org or in the gathering space of the Church.

You may also contact Kim Ward at: (253) 383-2783 ext. 4108 or kward@saintpats.org to request a registration packet or to answer any questions.

To learn more about the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, please go to www.cgsusa.org

Returning Catholics

Have you recently started coming back to Mass, sitting in the back rows and are wondering when all of these changes happened?

Everyone is welcome at St. Patrick especially those who are finding their way back to the Catholic Church.

We have a program called **Remembering Church** to answer your questions (divorce, remarriage, annulments, all that hand holding at Mass, and who is the Deacon?) and help you get back into a comfortable relationship with the Church.

Please contact Leah at: (253)756-8901 or rcia@saintpats.org to learn more.

Adult Confirmation

The Catholic Church requires those wishing to serve as God-Parents, Confirmation Sponsors, Liturgical Ministers or RCIA Sponsors to have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Many times we discover that unintentionally we have slipped through the cracks during our youth and never received this wonderful and faith fulfilling sacrament.

Classes for adults (those past high school age) will begin Thursday, September 17th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Please call Leah at (253)756-8901 or email rcia@saintpats.org to register.

It's never too late to join us - we've been waiting to hear from you!

Interested in becoming Catholic

RCIA or The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults will begin sessions, for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Church with the intention of becoming members, on Thursday, September 17th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Please join us and explore how Jesus may be to calling you. Questions? Call Leah at: (253)756-8901 or email rcia@saintpats.org

ST. PATRICK CHURCH YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Group

**all meetings are from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
in the Parish Center, unless otherwise noted,**

Games, Food, Fellowship, Fun!
Bring old friends, meet new ones!
All 6-12 graders are welcome.

We will be exploring the VIRTUES this year through games, discussion, small groups, men and women sessions, and videos.

Sept. 27

Oct. 11, 25

Nov. 8, 22

Dec. 13

Jan. 10, 24

Feb. 7, 21

Mar. 6, 20

April 10, 24

May 1 NET RETREAT

3:00 - 8:00 p.m. Dinner provided

May 15 Wrap Up Event

May 15, 10:30 a.m. Mass -

High School Senior Blessing

Confirmation Class

**all meetings are from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
in the Parish Center, unless otherwise noted.**

Sept. 27

Oct. 11, 25

Nov. 8, 22

Nov. 28 / 29 - RETREAT Overnight

Dec. 13

Jan. 10, 24

Feb. 7, 21

Mar. 6, 20

Dates subject to change depending on
when Confirmation is scheduled.

Ushers Needed

The Saturday Evening Vigil Mass
is in need of Ushers.

If you feel called to this ministry,
please contact Tony Karabaich at:
376-1054 or karaboooo@hotmail.com



40 Days For Life

**A nationally coordinated,
on-site Fall Prayer Campaign
Wednesday, September 23rd -
Sunday, November 1st,
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Kick - Off Rally

Sunday, September 20th at 2:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Lakewood
5400 -112th St SW, Lakewood

Mass for Life

Tuesday, September 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

Visitation Church, 3314 S. 58th St., Tacoma
(Rosary precedes the Mass)

Our community will be uniting with hundreds of
others for a peaceful, prayerful,
simultaneous pro-life outreach -
The nationwide 40 Days for Life.

Come any time, or join

St. Patrick Respect Life Group members
any time Mondays 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Local location:

The sidewalk outside the
Cedar River Clinic late-term abortion center
1401 MLK Jr. Way,
in the Hilltop area of Tacoma

Through the prayerful efforts of people
involved in 40 Days for Life, we've seen
52 precious lives saved right here in Tacoma
and over 10,000 nationwide!

(And innumerable hearts and minds
have been changed).

The recent video releases by the
Center for Medical Progress have exposed
the depravity of what we face,
but you can be a peaceful, prayerful,
hopeful antidote to that.

Come pray at the vigil,
change hearts and help save lives!

For more information:

253-536-LIFE 5433

www.40daysforlife.com/tacoma

Facebook- Tacoma 40 Days for Life



Each year we look forward to our Easter celebration with joy as the pinnacle moment of our Catholic faith. A powerful part of our Easter Vigil celebration includes the initiation of our fellow parishioners who have made the decision to become a part of our Catholic community. The RCIA process is a powerful journey for adults and children as they prepare to receive the Sacraments.

At St. Patrick, we amend the RCIA program for the children in our parish who wish to receive the Sacraments at Easter.

The first session of our journey will take place in the Fireside Room in the Parish Center at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22nd.

If you have a child, who falls into any of the following categories and wishes to prepare to receive the Sacraments, please join us on Tuesday!

1. Baptized in the Catholic Church and past the age of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist who has not received those Sacraments.
2. Baptized in another Christian faith
3. Not baptized in any faith

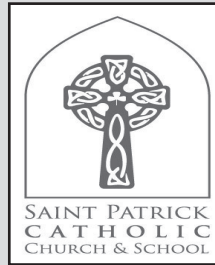
If you have any questions, please contact Laura Dougherty at: 253.370.2872.



Please remember that during Mass the Church remains unlocked. As in any other public place, young children should always be accompanied.

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.

You are welcome to join us in prayer throughout the school year! We hope you will find us praying together with a sense of reverence and joy, knowing God's great love for us in the Eucharist. Thursday mornings at 8:45 a.m. in the Church Go Church! St. Patrick pray for us.

Annual Fund 2016 - Creating a Legacy

Our goal is to reach \$150,000 in donations.

The campaign runs from September 3rd – October 31st.

Donations can be made through a one time gift or in periodic, monthly recurring payments.

Employer matching is available!

The Annual Fund allows us to fund capital improvements, increase our endowment and pay for necessary operating expenses.

You can pledge and pay online at www.saintpats.org/school/fundraising/annual-fund/



**FUND
RAISING
WHILE YOU
Shop**

Do you have questions about our Scrip Fundraising Program? We've updated the website with details and forms to make it easier for you to sign up and continue to shop with Scrip to raise funds for St. Pat's.

If you have questions, please email scrip@saintpats.org.

St. Patrick Catholic School -
A Legacy of Faith and Learning

Catechetical Sunday

**Saint Patrick Catholic Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday
September 19th and September 20th.**

**Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists
will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry.**

Catechetical Sunday is an invitation to reflect on the role that each person plays,
by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of
faith. Catechists from the following groups will be called forward:

R.C.I.A., ReMembering Church, and the Children's RCIA; Baptism, First Reconciliation
and First Communion, Confirmation, Youth Ministry, teachers at Saint Patrick Catholic School,
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Young Adult Ministry, Adult Bible Study,
Family Based Catechesis, Vacation Bible School,
Walking with Purpose, Men's Prayer Group and Children's Rosary Group.

On Catechetical Sunday, we not only honor and bless those whom the community
has designated to serve as catechists.

In addition, we honor and bless the role of parents, grandparents, and guardians
in their role as primary catechists of their children.

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.

And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20

Volunteer Training

**There are many opportunities to volunteer at St. Patrick Catholic
Church and School. In trying to make it as easy as possible for
our parishioners to do so, the following must be completed:**

1. Background Checks

Volunteers with unsupervised, ongoing access to minors and vulnera-
ble adults are required to complete a background check every three
years. Screening is also required from any volunteer with access to
cash, checks or other negotiables.

2. Policies

All volunteers are required to read and sign the Policy for the Prevention of and Response to Sexual Abuse,
Code of Professional Conduct, and Reporting Suspected Abuse of Minors and Vulnerable Adults.

3. Safe Environment Training

Volunteers with unsupervised, ongoing access to minors and vulnerable adults are required to complete the
Protecting God's Children course within 90 days of beginning service . Current volunteers are required to
take updated online training courses every three years.

We will be hosting in the **school's library** the "**Protecting God's Children**" class for **new volun-
teers on Wednesday, September 23rd beginning at 6:30 p.m.** To attend this class you must log-on to
VirtusOnline.org to register and establish an account with the Archdiocese and follow the steps to becoming
compliant with all Safe Environment requirements.

All **current employees and volunteers** who have already completed the Safe Environment requirements
will be automatically transferred into the new database. VIRTUS sent log-on information to every current par-
ticipant in August. Those who have already attended a Called to Protect for Ministries class will not be re-
quired to take the VIRTUS foundation class, Protecting God's Children. These individuals will be notified by
VIRTUS when it is time to renew their background check and/or take an online refresher course, which is
now required every three years.



Children's Rosary Group

Salutations Children!

Your Children's Rosary Group will be starting up again on Sunday, October 11th.

We will meet after the 8:30 a.m. Mass downstairs in the Children's Liturgy Room.

We have many rosaries for you to choose from, but these are some things you might want to bring: your own special rosary and a flower for Mary's vase on her altar.

Our children leaders will assist any child who wishes to lead a decade.

Grab a doughnut and come pray with Mary! Parents and wee siblings are very welcome.

"The Children's Rosary® is a prayer group movement that was begun out of love for Our Lady and Her Son.

Jesus tells us

"Truly, I say to you unless you turn and become like children you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven"

(Matthew 18:3).

The Children's Rosary is an effort to begin in parishes rosary prayer groups composed of children and led by children.

Through prayer of the Rosary Our Lady will guide our young people while at the same time sanctify families and Parishes."

(from The Children's Rosary blog)

Blessings as always,

Mrs. Falk and The Children's Rosary Leaders

Our October Schedule:

October 11th after 8:30 a.m. Mass

October 25th after 10:30 a.m. Mass

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.

Social Justice

Social Justice Ministry

meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room of the Parish Center.

Join us!

Our next gathering will be Wednesday, September 23rd

Project Rachel

Healing lives touched by abortion

If the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion have been sapping faith, virtue and joy from your life, enter a spiritual process that will change your life.

Reach out, we can help. Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, find healing and peace for your soul.

Call for information on our next scheduled Healing Retreat Weekend.
1-800-822-HOPE

Check out

Catholic Community Services' web site at
www.CatholicCharitiesSeattleArch.org



Make a Difference – Share Your Talent

God gives it all - then calls us to share. Our personal commitment of ourselves through service in our parish provides a strong and unique connection to God through our community of faith. Stewardship has its beginning in baptism. Our baptism as one of Christ's intentional disciples, calls us to share our gifts – including our talents. You will have an opportunity to recommit to a ministry you are already involved with or commit to a new ministry when we offer our Stewardship of Talent two weeks. With more than 71 ministries listed each of you will find a place in which our God-given talents are being used.

Begin now to discern which one of our ministries God may be calling you to serve using your particular talents. Committing our God-given talents to a ministry in our parish is just as important as Stewardship of Time and Treasure. It is how we gratefully give back to God in thanksgiving for the talents He has given us. There are many needs within our faith community that affords us the opportunity to give. Don't let your talents "die on the vine." By giving of your talents, we can support our parish's efforts to carry out the mission Christ gave us. For a brief description of each of our ministries go to our parish website. Let us all pray for generous hearts so that we might give back to God, a full measure of the talents God has given us.

Welcome Reception for our New Priests and New Parishioners

You are invited to a Welcoming Reception hosted by the Cara to Cara Ministry. Join us for the reception, in honor of new parishioners and our new Parish Priests immediately after all Masses the weekend of September 26th and 27th in the Church Hall.

It is also the Stewardship of Talent weekend, ministry leaders will be on hand to share information about the many ministries at St. Pat's.

More than 50 ministries are active in parish and community life.

Which one are you called to serve?

Ministry leaders will be ready to answer your questions about their ministry.

After the Saturday night vigil on the 26th, the Cara to Cara hosts will be serving wine and cheese.

On the 27th after the Sunday Masses, scrumptious breakfast items will be served.

We invite you to stay for the live streaming of the closing Mass of the World Meeting of Families

on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Philadelphia at 1:00 p.m.,

continuing the fellowship of the day as we witness this historic event together as a parish community.

View the event invitation on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/events/389664761244864/>

To learn more about Cara to Cara go to: <http://www.saintpats.org/parish/ministries/outreach/cara-cara/>

Good Neighbor Parking



As we strive to be good neighbors to those living near our Church, we encourage our parishioners to be sensitive to the residential parking situation. The street parking around St. Patrick Church is limited and can be challenging, **please park in the parking lot whenever possible**. If you park on the street, please remember to obey all no-parking signs, to not park closer than 15' from a fire hydrant and to not block a cross walk or anyone's driveway.



St. Patrick Church has an app for iPhone and Android smart phones!

Join in and stay connected with us all week long.

My Parish Apps great features will be a help to all of us, such as, daily Mass readings, Catholic news, prayers and prayer reminders, quick access to online giving, confession reminders and our weekly bulletin.

Be sure to download the App today by visiting **myparishapp.com**

or searching for my parish your phone's App store.

Lighthouse Catholic Media

We continue to offer our parishioners Inspiring recorded presentations by leading Catholic clergy, theologians and lay speakers from Lighthouse Catholic Media. These present a practical and effective program to help Catholics **to know their faith - to keep their faith!**

A donation of \$3.00 is suggested. Please place your contribution in an envelope labeled "Spiritual CD donation" and give it to an usher, or place it in the collection basket.

We feel these Spiritual CDs are a valuable resource that help parishioners deepen their relationship with Jesus, please stop by and take a look for yourself.



Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive



WORLD
MEETING OF
FAMILIES

Since its inception by Saint John Paul II in 1994, the World Meeting of Families has strengthened the sacred bonds of families across the globe. Held every three years and sponsored by the Holy See's Pontifical Council for the Family, the World Meeting of Families is the world's largest Catholic gathering of families. The theme of the World Meeting of Families – Philadelphia 2015 is "Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive," emphasizing the impact of the love and life of families on our society.

**Parishioners and school families are invited to join a viewing of
The Papal Mass for World meeting of Families at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 27th in the Church Hall.**

**The list below are events surrounding Pope Francis' visit to the US Sept. 22-27, 2015
The times listed are PST.**

Pope Francis Visits Washington D.C.

Wednesday Sept. 23, 2015

1:15 p.m. Junipero Serra Canonization Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Thursday, September 24, 2015

6:20 a.m. Speech to the Senate and House of Representatives (Joint Session of Congress)

8:15 a.m. Visit to St. Patrick Church in D.C. and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington

Pope Francis Visits New York

3:45 p.m. Evening prayer at St. Patrick Cathedral (New York)

Friday, September 25, 2015

5:30 a.m. United Nations General-Assembly

8:30 a.m. Multi-religious service at 9/11 Memorial and Museum, World Trade Center

1:00 p.m. Visit to Our Lady Queen of Angels School in East Harlem

2:00 p.m. Papal motorcade through Central Park

3:00 p.m. Madison Square Garden Mass

Pope Francis Visits Philadelphia

Saturday, Sept. 26, 2015

7:30 a.m. Mass at Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul

1:45 p.m. Visit to Independence Mall

4:30 p.m. Visit to Festival of Families and Prayer Vigil with World Meeting of Families

Sunday, September 27, 2015

6:15 a.m. Papal meeting with Bishops at St. Martin's Chapel, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

8:00 a.m. Visit to Curran - From Hold Correctional Facility

1:00 p.m. Papal Mass for World Meeting of Families

4:00 p.m. Visit with volunteers and benefactors of the World Meeting of Families at Atlantic Aviation

During the historic visit of Pope Francis to the United States,
the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

will live-stream over six days of free online video coverage of papal events.

Special guests will be providing commentary and explanations of several events as they happen in Washington, New York City, and Philadelphia.

All events will be live streamed in English with audio commentary from the USCCB website at:
<http://www.usccb.org/live>

All events will also be available for video on demand at:
<http://www.usccb.org/about/leadership/holy-see/francis/papal-visit-2015/papal-visit-2015-video-on-demand.cfm>

Mobile (smartphone or tablet):

You can watch all live-streaming and video on demand as well as up to the minute news and photos from the USA Catholic Church app available. You can download the app for free by visiting: www.USACatholic.Church on your smartphone or tablet.



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MISSION

POPE FRANCIS 2015

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Parish Ministries and Programs offered at Saint Patrick Parish
for the Stewardship of Talents Weekend Sept. 26th and 27th
through Giving, Serving, Inviting and Thanking.

“We are a Catholic faith Community rooted 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.”

Administration – Serving the Lord

Office Helpers – an opportunity to help with office needs as they arise.

Office “Special Project” Helpers – an opportunity to help as projects arise.

Child Care Provider – an opportunity to babysit our young as needs arise.

“One Time Event” Planners - an opportunity to implement one event per year.

Faith Formation - Inviting (Evangelizing)

St. Patrick School – an opportunity for men and women to work for the school in a variety of volunteer roles.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – a sensorial rich experience for children 3-12 years of age that gives children the opportunity to grow in love and knowledge of God.

Family-Based Catechesis – a faith formation program for the whole family.

RCIA Sponsor – for persons interested in supporting the faith and growth of RCIA members in their journey of faith.

Returning Catholics - a ministry of opportunity for men and women who have been away from the Catholic Church for a time, to become reacquainted with the changes and practices of our Roman Catholic traditions.

In Community - Serving / Inviting (Evangelizing)

Cub Scout Helper - a program of citizenship and leadership with a strong religious sense for boys in a outdoor setting.

Boy Scout Helper - a program of citizenship and leadership with a strong religious sense for boys in a outdoor setting.

Cara to Cara Ministry – an expansion of welcoming efforts by offering an opportunity for parish members to welcome new parishioners through this ministry of friendship.

Girl Scout Helpers - a program of citizenship and leadership with a strong religious sense for girls.

Bridge Club Ministry – a ministry that provides card playing and socialization.

Parents of Preschoolers (MOP's – DOP's) - to foster love and support for parents of infants and toddlers with social hour and prayer as part of their gatherings.

Pastoral Council – an organized consultant group of men and women advisors for the Parish Coordinator

PrimeTimers – a ministry designed for single men and women over 50 years of age for social interaction that centers around sharing meals.

Senior Ministries XYZ – a ministry that provides an opportunity for men and women age 60 and older to meet for Mass and lunch on the First Fridays of each month, September through May.

Young Professionals – this ministry provides social and faith opportunities for women and men ages 22 to 35.

Welcoming Committee – This ministry provides an opportunity for new persons to register with our faith community, and to learn more about the many ministries and programs we offer as a parish.

Facilities and Grounds – Serving the Lord

Handymen's Maintenance Team – a ministry that helps with fixing and restoring objects for both the Church and Parish Center.

Snow Shovelers – persons willing to help shovel Church and Parish Center sidewalks and parking lots when needed.

Garden Ministry – persons willing to help with weed pulling and plantings as needs arise with our school and parish.

Liturgy and Music Ministry –Thanking (Praising the Lord)

Altar Server Helper – persons interested in assisting the training of altar servers.

Altar Linens – a ministry that helps keep our altar linens washed and ironed.

Arts and Environment – a ministry that provides opportunity for those artistically gifted in preparing our Church environment throughout the liturgical seasons.

Children's Liturgy of the Word – a ministry that offers our young children ages 3-5 and 5 to 12 years of age, an opportunity to hear the Word of God in age appropriate, based on the readings from our Sunday Masses. No registration is required. An opportunity, too, for adults to become facilitators/leaders.

Daily Mass Set-up - a ministry that provides opportunity for men and women to be lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and to set-up and clean-up for daily Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration – a ministry that provides an opportunity to spend quiet time with the Lord with exposure of the Consecrated Host on the altar of our Chapel.

Eucharistic Ministers – a ministry that provides opportunity for men and women to serve Consecrated hosts and Consecrated wine during our weekend liturgies and other times of Eucharistic celebrations.

Greeters – a ministry that greets our parishioners and visitors at our weekend liturgies and other times of liturgical celebrations.

Lectors – a ministry that provides opportunity for men and women readers to proclaim the Word of God at all of our weekend liturgies and other times of liturgical celebrations.

Music Ministry - a ministry that provides opportunity for men and women who can sing well to join our choirs, and/or cantor at our weekend liturgies as well as at other liturgical celebrations.

Ushers – a ministry that offers opportunity for men and women to serve in the capacity of greeting and seating our parishioners and visitors while providing a safe environment during our weekend liturgies and other times of liturgical celebrations.

Ministry of Sacraments - Inviting / Thanking / Serving

Confirmation – celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with St. Patrick's Parish. Must be 16 years of age by Confirmation date to participate. Classes begin in September.

Adult Confirmation – Celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation as an adult by attending classes where learning and sharing faith is part of the preparation process.

First Eucharist – preparation for the sacrament that enables children to partake in the Holy Eucharist. Also called First Communion.

First Reconciliation – preparation for sacrament that enables children to receive God's forgiveness. Also called Confession.

Infant Baptism – an opportunity for babies to be baptized at our weekend liturgies. Parents participate in classes to prepare for this Sacrament for their child.

Outreach – Serving / Inviting(Evangelizing)

Health Ministry – a ministry that provides an opportunity to help with health education and other opportunities for mental and physical well being for our parishioners.

Knights of Columbus – a ministry (organization) for men giving them opportunity to serve/invite/thank/and give to our parishioners in a variety of ways.

Respect Life - a that provides an opportunity to work on all of life's issues beginning with life in the womb through all human stages of life.

Sister Parish – a ministry that affords the opportunity to make connections with our Sister Parish in Bogota, Columbia.

Social Justice – a ministry that provides both education and opportunities for engaging in social justice issues.

St. Vincent de Paul – this ministry provides opportunity help serve the needs of the poor within our parish boundaries.

Pastoral Care – Serving / Inviting (Evangelizing)

Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick – a ministry of opportunity for men and women to bring Holy Communion to our homebound parishioners.

Funeral Reception Ministry – provides an opportunity for men and women to serve our grieving parishioners and other family members and friends following our funeral liturgies.

Grief Ministry - a ministry for men and women that help provide grief counseling and support for those in need of this service.

Lay Pastoral Care Team – a ministry that aids in situations which call for discernment and implementation.

Prayer – Serving / Inviting (Evangelizing)

Children’s Rosary Group Helpers – a ministry that prays the rosary following our Sunday Mass.

Daily Rosary Group – a ministry that prays the rosary following our weekday Masses.

Men’s Prayer Group - a ministry for men of all ages that centers on prayer and faith discussions concerning a man’s role in regard to family life, work, and community.

Prayer Chain Ministry – a ministry that prays for special requests.

Prayer Shawl Ministry - a ministry for men and women to make prayer shawls for anyone in need.

Spiritual Formation – Inviting (evangelizing)

Adult Bible Study – a ministry that provides opportunity for men and women to come together and study Scripture for purpose of learning and living the Gospel as a way of life.

Adult Faith Formation – for those seeking more information on the sacraments and/or the RCIA process.

Benedictine Spirituality – a ministry that provides opportunity to pray the Liturgy of the Hours, learn the art of Lectio Divina (holy reading) and practice hospitality based on the Holy Rule of Saint Benedict of Nursia.

Parish Library Ministry – a ministry that provides opportunity to serve our library’s needs in both cleaning and keeping our books and other materials current for all levels of spiritual growth.

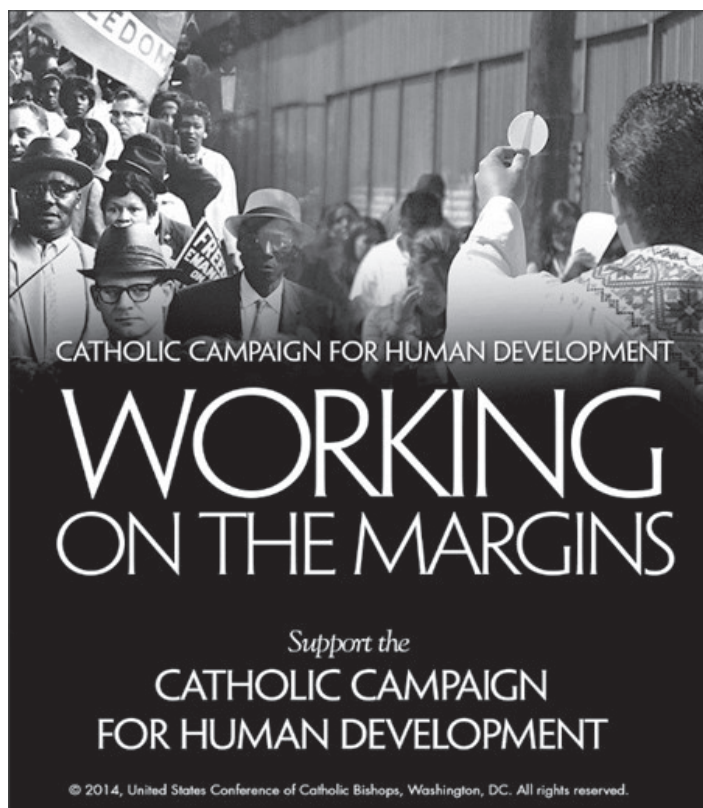
Spiritual Growth Opportunities: For those who wish to attend retreats, workshops, and listen to guest speakers to nourish the soul.

Walking with Purpose - a ministry that provides women of all ages an opportunity to study and discuss Scripture in a scheduled and prescribed format.

Living Your Strengths – Inviting (Evangelizing)

One to One Coaching - a process that provides women and men an opportunity to learn and develop their talents through individual Strengths coaching.

Strengths Exercises – a series of sessions that provide men and women an opportunity to use their talents within the context of family, work and community life.



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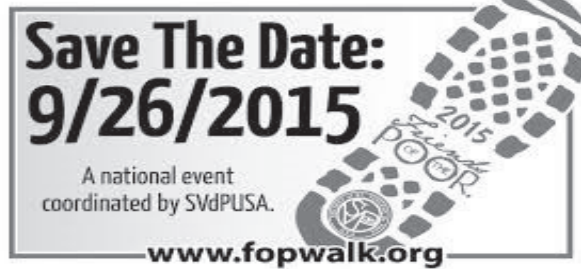
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Questions? Call Diana at 253-845-5025.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul 2015 Friends of the Poor Walk

Star Center - 3873 S. 66th, Tacoma

Registration starts at 9:00 a.m.

Walk begins at 10:00 a.m.

Food and Fellowship at 11:00 a.m.

For more information,
call 426-1700 or www.fopwalk.org

Sponsor a St. Patrick walker and those pledges
come back to our own St. Patrick - SVDP.

Fulcrum Foundation Regional Event Wednesday, October 14th

Please join us for an evening of information and inspiration! Come get to know the Fulcrum Foundation team and engage with fellow parents, staff, volunteers and friends interested in strengthening our Catholic schools.

All Saints Parish Room, 503 - 3rd St. SW, Puyallup

5:30 p.m. Parish Tour

6:00 p.m. Wine and Cheese Social Hour

7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Brief Program featuring recipients of Fulcrum support

What is the Fulcrum Foundation?

The Fulcrum Foundation's mission is to support all Catholic schools in western Washington (the Archdiocese of Seattle), with programs designed to keep schools excellent and accessible. Fulcrum has awarded more than 14,500 tuition assistance grants since its founding in 2002.

How are we connected?

Fulcrum has a number of active participants from Pierce communities, including Board members Fr. Michael Radermacher, Dr. Roy Heynderickx of St. Martin University, and committee members, Gavin O'Brien and Sheila Ryan.

You can visit Fulcrum's website to learn more about us: www.fulcrumfoundation.org

Nativity House

Nativity House is currently in great need of men and women's clothing for our homeless guests. Always needed are underwear and socks.

As the weather turns cooler gently used jackets, shoes and warm clothing is appreciated.

Nativity House is next to St. Leo Church at: 702 S 14th Street, Tacoma and is open 7 days a week.

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.

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.

Pregnancy Aid

Social Justice Ministry continues to collect new or gently used infant and toddler clothing as well as baby bottles, formula, strollers and car seats for Pregnancy Aid. A bin is in the Gathering Space for donations.

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For WiFi in the Church Hall and the Gathering Space use: **Saint Patrick**

The password for both is : **Shamrock**