

Please be sure to visit the club house,  
located in the corner.  
Please sign the memory book. A basket for cards is provided.



*Welcome to*  
*An Evening in honor of*  
**Father Seamus Laverty**

*The party committee would like to thank:*

Gallucci's Catering  
owned and operated by Adrielle Flinders

Terry and Helen Manley  
Budget Signs

Knights of Columbus Council 809

Coach Jensen and the young men of Bellarmine Football  
Go Lions!

Staff and alumni of Saint Patrick School

Saint Patrick Parish,  
Tacoma, Washington

*Thanks our priest and friend for his*  
*20 years of service to our community.*

June 20, 2015

7:00 pm

Saint Patrick School Gymnasium

## 7:00 Walking the Course

Please join Father Seamus on the links of the famed St. Patrick course for hors d'oeuvres and cocktails.  
Piano selections provided by Juan Perez

## 8:00 The Open

Master of Ceremonies -Mr. Chris Gavin,  
parishioner and Saint Patrick School Principal

“Ode to Goodness” a poem by  
Dr. John McDonough, MD

Thanks and Good Wishes -  
The Sisters of Saint Dominic,  
represented by Sister Sharon Casey, O.P.

Presentation by Grand Knight Mark Jensen  
and the Knights of Columbus Council 809.

Parishioners are encouraged to share short stories  
and good wishes with our pastor and friend.

## 8:45 Awarding of the Claret Jug

A blessing and a Goodbye  
Parishioner Zane Clark will bless Father Seamus  
with a rendition of “The Irish Blessing”.

Please join in singing the final refrain:

*“Until we meet again, until we meet again,  
May God bless you, May God bless you....  
Until we meet again.”*

## Ode To Goodness - John R. McDonough

Goodness abounds its mystery everywhere  
In the quiet of the morning's dawn  
Or the midst of noon as balm air  
Or evening's calm before the day is gone  
Nature's bounty springs from far and near  
Beauty beyond our powers we grasp and yearn  
And yet our limits keep from going far  
Our powers are austere  
Souls in search of beauty's space we churn  
While goodness and beauty remain our distant star.

And yet there is this counter evil's lair  
We see it in our world so far and wide  
Trying always trying luring's blare  
To conquer goodness rash demonic pride  
Our Savior came with daring life and death  
And resurrection glory living on  
Evil thwarted is declawed, defanged  
With God's e'er present breath  
A church and priests to provide the brawn  
With teaching and the sacraments to send.

Ireland oh Ireland you suffered so  
Patrick planted faith throughout the land  
Famine pillage repression deathly blow  
Brought Ireland to it's knees a barren strand  
Yet like the phoenix rose in scented air  
Ireland's finest men so formed and brave  
Like wild geese again  
With book and prayer  
Away abroad ahead our souls to save  
Bringing goodness to restore God's reign.

Seamus one of many flew away  
From Ireland a torch of Patrick's flame  
To this new county his to preach and pray  
And to this new country his to preach and pray  
And to a parish bring the saint's acclaim  
We journey with our Seamus father priest  
As if our travel will go on forever  
but no alas at best  
We age and must go on another feast  
Awaits our journey's end but first a sever  
God speed be with you Seamus ever blessed.