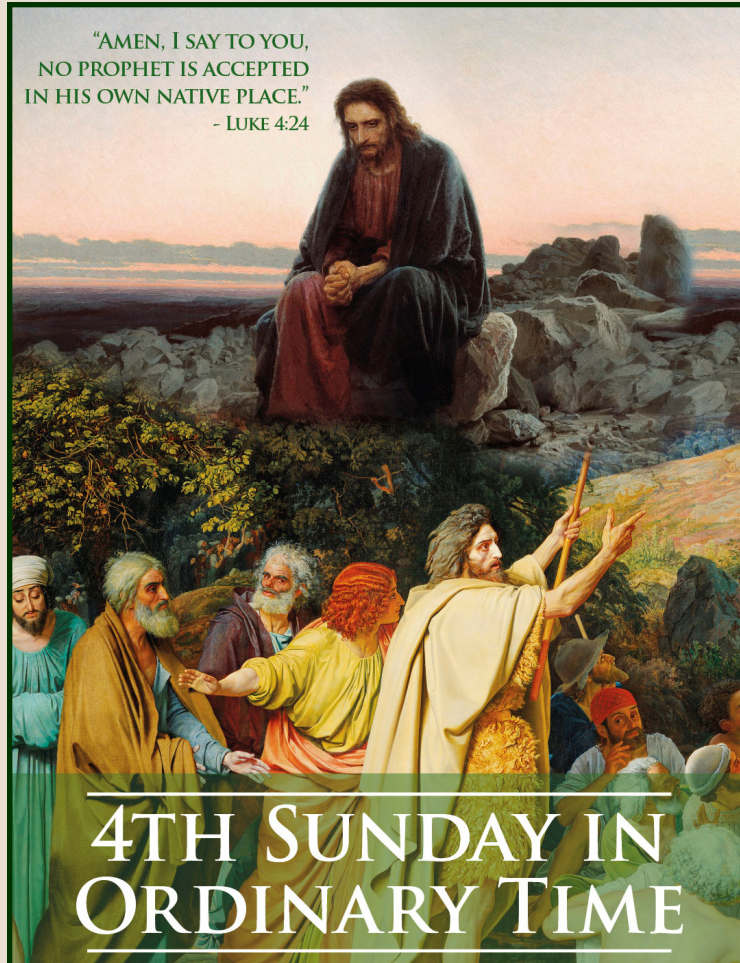


Tacoma Catholic Parishes of
Saint Patrick
Holy Cross & Saint Rita of Cascia



Saint Patrick Parish

1001 North J Street, Tacoma, WA 98403 | 253-383-2783 | www.saintpats.org

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 9am, 11am, 7pm

Daily Masses

Monday Communion Service 7:45am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 7:45am

Thursday 8:45am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30pm

Holy Cross Parish

5510 North 44th Street, Tacoma, WA 98407 | 253-759-3368 | www.holycross-tacoma.org

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

Sunday 10am

Daily Masses

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9am

Wednesday 5:30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 4pm

Saint Rita of Cascia Parish

1403 South Ainsworth, Tacoma, WA 98405 | 253-627-4851 | www.stritastacoma.org

Sunday Mass

7:30am

Daily Masses

Tuesday 12Noon, Saturday 9am

Reconciliation

Saturday 9:30am



The Scapegoat, the Internet and Satan's Game

By now the entire country has seen a video of a supposedly racist confrontation, in front of the Lincoln Memorial, between a grinning young high school student and a Native American elder, chanting and beating a drum. The immediate and ferocious judgment of the internet community was that the boy was effectively taunting and belittling the elder, but subsequent videos from wider angles as well as the young man's own testimony have cast considerable doubt on this original assessment. My purpose in this article is not to adjudicate the situation, which remains, at best, ambiguous, even in regard to the basic facts. It is to comment, rather, on the morally outrageous and deeply troubling nature of the response to this occurrence, one that I would characterize as, quite literally, Satanic.

When the video in question first came to my attention, it already had millions of views on Facebook and had been commented upon over 50,000 times. Eager to find out what this was all about, I began to scroll through the comments. They were practically one hundred percent against the young man, and they were marked, as is customary on social media, by stinging cruelty. As I continued to survey the reactions, I began to come across dozens urging retribution against the boy, and then dozens more that provided the addresses and email contacts of his parents, his school, and his diocese. I remember thinking, "Oh my goodness, do they realize what they're doing? They're effectively destroying, even threatening, this kid's life."

At this point, my mind turned, as it often does today, to René Girard. The great Franco-American philosopher and social commentator is best known for his speculations on what he called the scapegoating mechanism. Sadly, Girard maintained, most human communities, from the coffee klatch to the nation state, are predicated upon this dysfunctional and deeply destructive instinct. Roughly speaking, it unfolds as follows. When tensions arise in a group (as they inevitably do), people commence to cast about for a scapegoat, for someone or some group to blame. Deeply attractive, even addictive, the scapegoating move rapidly attracts a crowd, which in short order becomes a mob. In their common hatred of the victim, the blamers feel an ersatz sense of togetherness. Filled with the excitement born of self-righteousness, the mob then endeavors to isolate and finally eliminate the scapegoat, convinced that this will restore order to their roiled society.

Girard's theory was grounded in his studies of Shakespeare, Dostoevsky, and other literary figures, but his profoundest influence was the Bible, which not only identified the problem, but showed the way forward. Take a good, long look at the story of the Woman Caught in Adultery in the eighth chapter of John's Gospel to see what Girard saw regarding both the sin and the solution. It is surely telling that one of the principal names for the devil in the New Testament is *ho Satanas*, which carries the sense of the accuser. How significant, thought Girard, that it is precisely *ho Satanas* who offers all of the kingdoms of the world to Jesus, implying that all forms of human community are tainted, at least to a large degree, by the characteristically Satanic game of accusation, blaming, scapegoating.

All of which brings me back to the incident in Washington and the nasty reaction to it on the internet. I have used the internet to great positive effect in my evangelical work for many years; so I certainly don't agree with those who denounce it in an unnuanced way. However, there is something about social media comboxes that make them a particularly pernicious breeding-ground for Girardian victimizing. Perhaps it's the anonymity, or the ease with which comments can be made and published, or the prospect of finding a large audience with little effort—but these forums are, increasingly, fever swamps in which hatred and accusation breed. When looking for evidence of the Satanic in our culture, don't waste your time on special effects made popular by all of the exorcism movies. Look no further than your computer and the twisted "communities" that it makes possible and the victims that it regularly casts out.

A few weeks ago, the Wall Street Journal published a piece on me and my work. The author referred to me as "the Bishop of the Internet," a title which I find more than a little strange. But for the moment, I'm going to claim it, only so I can make a pastoral pronouncement to all those who use social media. When you're about to make a comment, ask yourself a very simple question: "Am I doing this out of love, out of a sincere wish for the good of the person or persons I'm addressing?" If not, shut up. If it becomes clear that your comment is simply spleen-venting, scapegoating, or virtue-signaling, shut up. The internet can be a marvelous tool, and it can be a weapon used for Satanic purposes. Applying the test of love can very effectively undermine the scapegoating mechanism and drive the devil out.

BULLETIN LIST OF THE SICK & NAMES FOR THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

If you would like to have the name of a loved one placed on the sick list in the bulletin and mentioned in the Prayers of the Faithful, please contact the St. Patrick Parish Center at: 253-383-2783.

After three weeks, please once again contact the Parish Office to have the name continued. When prayers are no longer needed, please notify the office to have the name removed from the list.

Parishioners of Holy Cross and St. Rita may also contact St. Patrick or their respective parish office. We'll make sure the information gets to the correct person.

PRAYER LINE 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 line list.**

Contact the St. Patrick Parish Center at:
parish@saintpats.org or 253-383-2783
Send a prayer request through myParish app or
submit a prayer request through our website at:
www.saintpats.org

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AS LONG AS IT TAKES

We often get asked "how long do we keep people's names in the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass?"

The short answer is "It Depends."
A more accurate answer is:
"As long as it takes."

In this earthly life, we really won't know for certain the efficacy of Intercessory Prayer. Nevertheless, as a faith community we often find ourselves on both the offering and receiving end of such prayers.

Who's to say whether our prayers at Mass keep those who are ill with us for an additional time; or whether knowing we are praying for them inspire and strengthen them to battle their illness; or whether the prayers provide comfort to their family; or whether the value of the prayers lies with the "pray-ers" who experience the simple comfort and joy of being able to pray for the well-being of someone else.

So keep praying for one another
for "as long as it takes"
to achieve whatever purpose it may serve.

Send us your prayers through our parish prayer line, or scribble it on a piece of paper in our prayer box on the way into Mass, or light a candle near the Mary Altar.

Pray without ceasing. . .

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 7:30 a.m. - St. Rita
Mass at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. - St. Patrick
St. Vincent de Paul Collection after Masses - St. Patrick
Mass at 10:00 a.m. - Holy Cross
Nativity House - Noon - St. Rita
Youth Group - 5:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4:

Communion Service at 7:45 a.m. - St. Patrick
Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross
Eucharistic Adoration - 3:00 - 6:45 p.m. - Chapel - St. Patrick
Evening Prayer - 6:45 p.m. - Chapel - St. Patrick
Adult Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
Boy Scouts - 7:00 p.m. - Hall - St. Patrick

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5:

Mass at 7:45 a.m. - St. Patrick
Mass at Noon - St. Rita
Outreach/Food bank - 7:00 a.m. - RE Building - Holy Cross
Prayer Shawl Ministry - 10:00 a.m. - Center - St. Patrick
Parish Council Mtg. - 4:00 p.m. - Rectory - St. Rita
Stephen Ministry - 4:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
PrimeTimers - 5:30 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
Alpha Meeting - 6:30 p.m. - Parish Hall - Holy Cross
RCIA - 7:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6:

Mass at 7:45 a.m. - St. Patrick
Mass at 5:30 p.m. - Holy Cross
Office Hours - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - St. Rita
Mom's Group - 9:15 a.m. - Center - St. Patrick
Bible Study - 1:30 p.m. - Rectory - St. Rita
Religious Education - 6:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
Vietnamese New Year Potluck - 6:00 p.m. - Hall - St. Rita
Cub Scouts - 6:30 p.m. - Hall - St. Patrick
Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick
Pastoral Council - 7:00 p.m. - Parish Hall - Holy Cross

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7:

Mass with the school children at 8:45 a.m. - St. Patrick
Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross
Inclusion Ministry - 2:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 p.m. - Choir Loft - Holy Cross

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8:

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross
Men's Prayer - 6:45 a.m. - Hall - St. Patrick

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9:

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - St. Rita
Reconciliation - 9:30 a.m. - Church - St. Rita
Reconciliation - 3:30 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick
Reconciliation - 4:00 p.m. - Church - Holy Cross
Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m. - St. Patrick
Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m. - Holy Cross

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 7:30 a.m. - St. Rita
Mass at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. - St. Patrick
Mass at 10:00 a.m. - Holy Cross
Holy Names Breakfast - St. Rita
Pregnancy Assistance Weekend - St. Rita
First Communion, Session 1 - 12:30 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick
Youth Group - 5:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
Confirmation - 5:45 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD Masses for the People of the Parishes

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH

9am Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Haley Middleton

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH

7:45am Mass at Saint Patrick | Repose of the soul of Hank Sanford
Noon Mass at Saint Rita | Repose of the soul of Rev. Carmine Sacco, SJ

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH

7:45am Mass at Saint Patrick | Repose of the soul of Frank Girolami
5:30pm Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Marilyn Schack

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH

8:45am Mass at Saint Patrick | Repose of the soul of Mary Jo Tucci
9am Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Guardian Angels everywhere

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH

7:45am Mass at Saint Patrick | Repose of the soul of Melissa Cline
9am Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Rosemary Swanson

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

9am Mass at Saint Rita | Repose of the soul of Teri Jurich

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RESPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Sr. Esther Aherne, O.P.

Helen Graham (mother of Fr. Jerry Graham, SJ)

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

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let the perpetual light shine upon them.
May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.*



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER, OUR SICK:

St. Patrick

Joanne Armour
Joan Bruce
Debbie Christnacht
Jedd Feliciano
Joanne Girolami
Pat Harrington
Carolyn Jenkins
Geraldine Maniatis
Tom McDonough
Juli Norris
Suzanne Riebschlager
Joe Savage
Dennis Seiler
Gina Slavich
John Sturrock
John Tulare
Raquel Wheeler

Holy Cross

Bill Adams
Eileen Beckowitz
Helen Berg
Jean Bock
Joe Gilligan
Raymond Gores
Jim Helbling
Marjorie Hermesen
Georgianne Holcomb
Nick Jurun
Betty Knoll
Joan Kowalski
Corie Lim
Dick Lucich
Janet McIntyre
Kathie Mikita
Virginia Mitchell
Dave Peterson
John Petrovich
Margaret Prendiville
I.D. Provost
Ann Roberts
Jeffrey Schmidt
Nick Tucci
Ned Vukovich
Mary Ellen Winski
Fran Wooten

St. Rita

Colleen Batinovich
Sr. Mary Buttimer
Teresa Gibbs
Sr. Marilyn Gooley
George Greco
Bruce Harris
Tina & Joe Isakson
Son Lee
Sally Luppino
Chuck Mazza
Donna Pate
Michael Pfannenstiel
Margaret Pinchak
Daisy Radloff
Jim Riconosciuto
Miriam Sanderson
Joy Viafore
Nelson Williams

HAPPENING AT SAINT PATRICK

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT ST. PATRICK

Mondays, 3:00 - 6:45 p.m.
in the St. Patrick Chapel.

Please use the J street entrance at the Parish Center.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry invites you to join our next gathering.
**on February 5th 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 available to those who may be sick, recovering, grieving etc. All skill levels are invited to participate. If you do not know how to knit or crochet we would be happy to teach you. Contact the Parish Center to get a prayer shawl for your loved one.

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

Please drop off blankets, coats and socks in the donations bin at Church.

MOM'S GROUP

The Moms Group at Saint Patrick Church is where Catholic mothers can come together and support each other in the aspects of life we have in common, our faith and motherhood.

Moms (and caregivers) of all ages and stages of life are welcome.
Catholic or Catholic curious?
Practicing or not.

**Our play group meets
Wednesdays,**

**9:15 - 10:45 a.m. in the
St. Patrick Parish Center Youth Room.**

**Check our facebook page -
Catholic Moms Group for details.**

INCLUSION MINISTRY

Widening our welcome.
Advocating for people with disabilities.

**Join us at our next meeting,
Thursday, February 7th
at 2:00 p.m.
in the St. Patrick Parish Center.**

Questions?
Contact Laura Dougherty at:
253-274-4109 or
ldougherty@saintpats.org

PRIMETIMERS

Join us for a potluck dinner at the
St. Patrick Parish Center
on Tuesday, February 5th at 5:30 p.m.

We welcome everyone 50+

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

There are currently two different
Bible Study groups at St. Patrick.

The Old Testament Group meets the
2nd & 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m.
in the Parish Center.

They are currently starting
the Book of Deuteronomy.

The New Testament Group meets the
1st & 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m.
In the Parish Center
and is studying Luke's Gospels.

Join us!
Please bring a bible with you -
If you don't have one
we have some to share.

ST. PATRICK CONFERENCE ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY

Fellow parishioners, your gifts to the St. Vincent DePaul Society in 2018 helped provide the financial resources, along with 559 volunteer hours, to help more than 260 individuals and families with food, gas, clothing, bus passes, utilities and rent assistance worth more than \$35,000.

Our mission is to provide aid for those living within our churches' boundaries including the homeless.

Your ongoing financial support will help St. Vincent DePaul Society continue to meet the needs of the community.

You are in our prayers.

Jerry Anderson, President

St. Vincent de Paul Conference of Saint Patrick Parish invites you to a monthly meeting, held the First Sunday of the month between the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. masses.

A time to reflect on the St. Vincent dePaul ministry and to pray for those we have helped during the previous month.
All are welcome.

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.

OUR SUNDAY COLLECTION

Your generosity as of January 26 & 27, 2019

WEEKLY IN-COME NEEDED	LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION	NEEDED YEAR TO DATE	ACTUAL YEAR TO DATE	+/-
\$19,717	\$16,709	\$606,097	\$587,534	\$-18,563



SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saint Patrick Parish invites all to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through Eucharist, Prayer and Education, to become Disciples for a World Church.

HAPPENING AT HOLY CROSS

PERPETUAL ADORATION AT HOLY CROSS

Encounter the Lord outside of Mass in our Adoration Chapel, 24 hours a day!
 We currently are in need of commitment for the following hours: To sign up call: 253-759-3368
Sunday: 2-3 a.m. / Wednesday: 1-2 a.m. & 2-3 a.m. / Friday: 2-3 a.m., 3-4 a.m., & 10-11 p.m.
Saturday: Midnight-1 a.m., 1-2 a.m., & 11- Midnight

BABY SHOWER

Holy Cross will be holding a baby shower for the crisis maternity centers in the area.

January is a great month to watch for bargains and clearance sales. We will be accepting donations of maternity clothing, baby supplies, and baby/toddler clothing after all Masses on the weekend of **February 16 & 17.**

Clean, gently-used items are welcome. You do not need to wrap your donation. Can't get out to shop? Monetary donations are also very useful.

**Checks may be made payable to:
 Our Lady of Guadalupe
 Maternity Center
 or Pregnancy Aid of Tacoma.**

Questions?
 Contact Peggy Gagliardi at:
 253-564-6660
 or peggygagliardi@gmail.com.

Thank you!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTER'S ANNUAL BAKE SALE

February 9th & 10th
 after Masses.

An assortment of various desserts will be available for purchase. We appreciate your support.

OUTREACH / FOOD BANK

We meet every Tuesday, 7:00 - 9:30 a.m. in the Religious Education building. Volunteers start at 7:00 a.m. to prepare a meal for our guests. Guests show up between 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. to eat a meal, go grocery shopping in our food bank and just take time to talk to friends.

If you are interested in helping or donating food items for the meal call Carol Ringrose at: 253-752-8717.

We are in need of peanut butter, jam, syrup, dish soap, canned chili and canned fruit.

Volunteers also meet Mondays after 9 a.m. Mass to take over the food from the blue barrels to the food bank store.

New volunteers are welcome! Join us!

Quote from one of our guests:

This Christmas here was the best that I have ever seen. Oh! My Goodness it was amazing, from good food to presents, backpacks, clothes, cookies, candy, toys for children. For two weeks straight it was just a blessing to my family and I. This is the best food pantry in all of the Tacoma / Lakewood area. Thank you so much. Please allow me to say that the staff is God sent (all of them). Much love – ES.

SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & ALTAR SERVERS

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 February 9th, 5:30 p.m.**

Lectors:
 Ralph Miller & Jan Stauffer
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Paula Albertson, Lenn & Nancy Doran
 Choir: Sue Beach
 Altar Servers: Elodie & Aubrey

February 10th, 10:00 a.m.

Lectors:
 Elisa Cano & Mike Silvernagle
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Allisha Navarro, Marge Beardemph
 & Jan Smurro
 Choir: Will Rawlings
 Altar Servers: Mary & Pia

MARTHA & MARY MOM'S GROUP

We are a Catholic moms group that gathers every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The kids play and snack while we get some much needed social time with moms of the same & sanity levels!

Come check us out and see how much fun our little group can be. Moms/ caregivers and kids of all ages and stages of life are welcome.

If you have any questions, text or call Beth Reilly at: 206-304-4330

ON LINE GIVING - Go to our website at: www.holycross-tacoma.org and scroll down and click on the cell phone photo. Create a new account and follow the instructions.

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\$6,140.57	\$5,501.75	\$190,357.67	\$193,686.24	+\$3,328.57	\$105



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

As a Roman Catholic parish in the Archdiocese of Seattle, we exist to offer every person in our community a life changing encounter with Jesus.

Holy Cross encourages all its parishioners to love God, love others, inspire hope and transform lives.

HAPPENING AT ST. RITA

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT ST. RITA

1st Friday of the month,
7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Spend time with the Lord

ON-LINE GIVING

If you haven't tried Online Giving -
NOW is the time!

To set up an online giving account, visit:
<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1149>
and follow instructions
to create an online profile.

NEW DIRECTORY

Monday, February 4th is the last day to
change any information
in the new directory.

Please contact the office at:
253-627-4851
or office@stritastacoma.org

VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR POTLUCK

Join us this Wednesday, February 6th
at 6:00 p.m. in the Church Hall.

Bring your favorite dish and join us for an
evening of food, fun and fellowship.



ITALIAN VIGIL MASS AND DINNER

**On Saturday, February 23rd,
we will have an
Italian Mass at 5:00 p.m.
followed by dinner at 6:15 p.m.**

\$20 for adults and
\$10 for children 4-10,
children 3 and under are free.

Tickets are now available.
Please see Pam Smith or
Francie Jordan
after Mass,
or contact the office at:
253-627-4851.

ST. FRANCES SODALTY

We meet on the fourth Tuesday
of the month after Noon Mass.

We provide scholarships for
Catholic education.

See Riley Smith,
If you are interested in joining.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

We are a men's group that
serve Nativity House dinner on the
first Sunday of the month at Noon.

We serve a pancake breakfast
after the 7:30 a.m. Mass
on the second Sunday of the month.

We hold our meetings
after our monthly breakfast.

For more information on
see Mark Lewis, President.

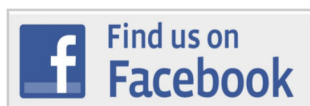


SODALTY EASTER LILY SALE

Sodality will be selling Easter Lilies
for decorating the altar and personal
purchases, just as they do the poinsettias.

Watch the bulletin for flyers.

CHURCH OF ST. RITA OF CASCIA



BIBLE STUDY

Join us for Bible Study
Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.
in the rectory.

Taught by
Sr. Pauline Iguo, O.P.

HAVE YOU SEEN ME?

We have misplaced the white collection basket, If you have seen it please contact the office at: 253-627-4851. *Thank you.*

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\$2,246	\$2,081	\$69,626	\$78,899	+\$9,273



ST. RITA OF CASCIA

THANKS OUR ADVERTISER OF THE MONTH

COOPER'S COLLISON CORNER

Please patronize our advertisers and tell them you are from St. Rita!

FAITH FORMATION

CEREMONY OF LIGHT

On Sunday, January 27th our children who are in Sacramental Preparation celebrated something very special:
The Ceremony of Light.

This ritual affirms the children and their families in their baptismal call
as unique and important individuals in our faith community.

There are 38 children from St. Patrick, Holy Cross, and St. Rita who are preparing for First Holy Communion on May 19th.
We congratulate these children for celebrating the Ceremony of Light
and we hold you in prayer as you continue to prepare for your First Holy Communion.

Benjamin B.	Luna G.	Emery M.	Hudson R.
Ann Mary B.	Allison G.	Michael M.	John R.
Katherine B.	Aveia H.	Sena M.	Lucia R.
Glenburn D.	Simeona H.	Polly M.	Madeline R.
Dylan D.	Eleanor J.	Colm M.	Lucille S.
Alison D.	Janessa J.	Tagan M.	Avery S.
Mason D.	Hannon K.	Alexandra N.	Samuel S.
Audrey E.	Josephine K.	Audrianna N.	Emily T.
Beyla F.	Noah L.	Hudson N.	William W.
	Robert M.	Anela N.	

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes for adults seeking the sacrament will begin soon.
If you are a baptized Catholic and have received your First Communion,
please call Kim at: 253-383-2783 ext. 4108 or kward@saintpats.org

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at
St. Patrick Church on Saturday April 27, 2019 at the 5:00 p.m. Mass

SEEING THE EXTRAORDINARY IN THE ORDINARY: WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

March 22 - 24 Led by Fr. Richard De Lillio, OSFS

During this retreat, we will review God's strategy
that Love is the only remedy to overcome sin.

When we realize that everything we have is a gift, we grow in love with our gift Giver.
Love for our Giver for everything we have, leads us to long for
and share that love with others.

We will look at Pope Francis' thoughts on mercy:
to love another unconditionally requires mercy and forgiveness.

Fr. De Lillio is an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales and held many academic roles at
The Catholic University of America (CUA) in Washington, DC before retiring.
He presently serves as priest in residence at St. John Neumann Parish in Reston, VA.

Register at palisadesretreatcenter.org/upcoming-retreats/



DISCERNING YOUR CALL

for Catholic women 20-40 years old
sponsored by women religious and the Knights of Columbus Council 676,
both of the Archdiocese of Seattle.

The retreat will be held at The Priory Spirituality Center
at St Placid Priory in Lacey on April 6 -7, 2019.

For more information contact Sister Julian Cleary at: 360-438-1771.

THE JOY OF LIFE: CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF HUMANAE VITAE



All Catholics are invited
to attend this conference

The Joy of Life:
Celebrating 50 Years of Humanae Vitae

**Saturday, March 2nd
at St. Brendan Catholic Church.**

This event offers "Ted talk"
style presentations by
Bishop Mueggenborg, Dr. Sarah Bartel,
Jason Kidd, Ashley McCullough and more.

Meet and network with other Catholics
throughout the day at the
vendor booths and exhibits.

Learn more at: www.cwbn.us/joyoflife
or call: 253-278-6550.



WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

**AM 1180 and FM 107.3 KLAY
LAKEWOOD/TACOMA**



YOUTH MINISTRY

Middle School Youth Group is for students in grades 6 - 8.

High School Youth Group is for students in grades 9 - 12.

Youth Group serves students from
Saint Patrick Catholic Church
Saint Rita of Cascia Catholic Church
Holy Cross Catholic Church
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Parish Center

1001 North J Street
Tacoma, WA 98403

YOUTH NIGHTS

SUNDAYS | 5 - 7 PM



2019

Feb 3 | 10 | 17 | 24

Mar 3 | 10 | 17 | 24

Apr 7 | 14 | 28

May 5 | 12 | 26

June 2 | 9

A romantic dinner.
Free childcare.
Faith-filled conversation.
An evening with friends.
Dancing.

YOU'RE INVITED

Valentine's Day Dinner

February 15, 2019 | 6 PM

Saint Patrick Catholic Church
in the Church Hall
1123 North J Street | Tacoma, WA

\$25 PER COUPLE

includes
3 course meal | childcare
talk on marriage | dancing

Sponsored by YOUTH MINISTRY
RSVP YOUTH@SAINTPATS.ORG



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CHURCH & SCHOOL

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

STEPHEN MINISTRY

**Going through a tough time - emotionally or spiritually?
Struggling with a crisis or just feeling down?**

Consider letting a Stephen Minister help.

A Stephen Minister is a member of one of our parishes who is trained to listen, care, encourage, pray and walk along side you during difficult times.

It's confidential and free.

Contact us at: 253-274-4110 or stephenministry@saintpats.org

You'll receive a response within 48 hours.

Please call 911 if it is an emergency.

CONSIDERING SEPARATION OR DIVORCE

Wait! There is an alternative.

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi)

has brought healing to tens of thousands of troubled marriages worldwide.

Your situation may seem hopeless, but there is always hope, and you are not alone in your struggle.

For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for our upcoming program on **March 22-24, 2019**, call 206-706-2608 or go to www.helpourmarriage.org.

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 for healing 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 206-920-6413 for information
on our next scheduled Healing Retreat Weekend.**

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Are you letting Jesus proclaim the good news to you in your marriage?

Sign up to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

Take time for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend at the **La Quinta Inn and Suites in Tacoma, on March 29-31**, Fr. Fred Mayovsky, SJ will be the celebrant.

Apply at mrwwme.org.

For more information please contact Jeanpierre and Gay Charette at: 253-582-0239

ARE YOU WIDOWED, SEPARATED OR DIVORCED?

"Beginning Experience" is offering a weekly grief support class called "Coping"

St. Frances Cabrini, 5715 - 108th Street S.W., Lakewood

February 4th - March 25th, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Open to all Christians to heal, grow in faith, enjoy fellowship of other wounded healers and live in the wholeness of Christ.

For more information, please call Chris at 253-223-2645.

PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED WITHIN THE PARISH BOUNDARIES.

For assistance call 253-759-3368

Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.



SUPPORT U - FOSTERING CAREGIVER WELLNESS

Fostering Caregiver Wellness, is a program to help make life better for seniors and their family caregivers.

That's about 1 in every 4 adults in Pierce County.

Basic care giving information and tips, presented in accessible short classes by St. Leo Health Care Ministry will help reduce the number of caregivers who suffer from burnout by trying to "do it all" alone.

**This is a six-session program from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays starting February 19th and ending March 26th.
St. Leo Church in Bichsel Hall, 710 S. 13th St., Tacoma (corner of Yakima & 13th)**

The classes are as follow: Planning Ahead, Finding, Creating & Using Resources, Self Care for the Caregiver, Family Dynamics & Communication, Dementia, Chronic Illness & the Family and Financial Well-Being.

To register contact Kathy Hitchcock at: rbh@seanet.com or 253-564-3785.

NW FURNITURE BANK

Many agencies work with the homeless, domestic violence victims and low-income population providing temporary housing and recovery programs. When clients complete the programs they may have new housing and a new focus for their life, however, they often have no furniture. NW Furniture Bank meets these needs by providing furniture to those transitioning into their own homes. Furniture is also available for foster children who age-out of the program and for people who lose all of their possessions in disasters.

NW Furniture Bank relies on furniture donations from the community to help furnish the homes of families and individuals in need.

We can only accept new or gently-used items. The NW Furniture Bank accepts donations Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Remember all donations must be free of rips, cuts and stains.

**NW Furniture Bank
117 Puyallup Ave, Tacoma, WA 98421
CONTACT US at 302-3868**

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

CATHOLICS
for the
COMMON
GOOD



CATHOLIC ADVOCACY DAY

Join with hundreds of Catholics as we put our faith in action to advocate for our brothers and sisters in need on **Catholic Advocacy Day in Olympia, Thursday, February 7th.**

The day will include briefings on legislative issues, Mass and appointments with legislators.

It is FREE to participate and you can register online. If you can't register online or if you have any questions, you may contact IPJC via phone at: 206-223-1138 or email: catholicadvocacyday@ipjc.org.

We will coordinate buses for the trip to Olympia.

All bus departures will be early in the morning (6:00 to 7:30 a.m. depending on the location).

At this time we anticipate stops at:

Bellingham, Bellevue, Burlington, Chehalis, Everett, Federal Way, Kirkland, Longview, Renton, Seattle, Tacoma, and Vancouver.

For those who travel on the buses, there will be an opportunity to review the information packet, have updates on the issue and of course, have fun and snacks!

In preparation for the day, you can find your legislators at: <http://app.leg.wa.gov/DistrictFinder/> and look into their stances on issues and bills they have co-sponsored.

Thank you for considering being with us for this communal witness for justice and life on Catholic Advocacy Day.

LEAVENWORTH TRIP 02/16/19 VALENTINES DAY CELEBRATION

A bus will be leaving St Leo's Catholic Church at 8:00 a.m. and will return about 10:30 p.m.

We will walk, shop and have a Bavarian Meal. The Tour bus is provided by Pacific Alaska Tours.

Tickets are \$35 per adult and \$70 per family. \$20 is requested at registration. Subsidies will be available.

Contact Gregor Smith at: 253-376-1113



AN EVENING WITH ELIZABETH SMART FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2019 7:00 - 8:30 P.M. RIALTO THEATER

The abduction of Elizabeth Smart was one of the most followed child abduction cases of our time. Elizabeth was abducted on June 5, 2002 and held prisoner for 9 grueling months.

Through this traumatic experience, Elizabeth has become an advocate for change related to child abduction, recovery programs, and National legislation. Elizabeth triumphantly testified before her captor and the world.

Join us as we spend an evening listening as she shares her journey to peace.

Ticket prices start at \$29
To learn more, or to purchase tickets visit:
tacomaartsalive.org/events/calendar/event/253

INTERFAITH
Women's
CONFERENCE PRESENTED BY am ASSOCIATED MINISTRIES

INTERFAITH WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Our inaugural 2017 Interfaith Women's Conference was such a success we decided to do it again in 2019!

Saturday, March 9, 2019 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Curtis Jr. High School, University Place

2019 Theme - "Seeking Peace: Our Journey"

Ticket prices - \$49.00 (lunch included)

Our webpage has all the information you will need to register as an attendee, a vendor, or to become a sponsor.

Visit www.associatedministries.org/iwc to learn more and to sign up today!



AMAZING QUEST
PRESENTED BY am

The Amazing Quest journey kicks off from People's Park, journeying past four stations that will engage participants in interesting and informative family-friendly activities.

Each stop illustrates the difficulties our homeless neighbors face, and addresses common misconceptions. At the end of your Quest join us for music, food and fun!

For more information or to register go to:
<https://associatedministries.org/amazing-quest-2019/>

SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

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.

REACH Auction



You're Invited!

**Saturday, the Sixteenth of March
Two Thousand Nineteen**

**SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Skip Butler Gymnasium
1112 North G Street
Tacoma, WA**

REACH@SAINTPATS.ORG



MASS WITH THE SCHOOL CHILDREN

Join us in the church for Mass
with the school children.
Thursday mornings at 8:45 a.m.



FEBRUARY SCHOOL CALENDAR

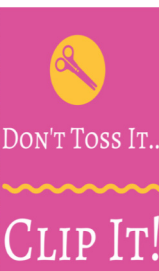
- 2/4-2/6 5th Grade Camp
- 2/6 REACH Board Mtg. 7pm - Library
- 2/7 Middle School Mass 8:45 am
- 2/11 School Commission Mtg. 6:30 - Library
- 2/14 NO SCHOOL MASS
- 2/14 Noon Dismissal - Professional Development
- 2/15 No School - Faculty Retreat
- 2/18 No School - Presidents Day
- 2/21 Primary/Intermediate Mass 8:45 am
- 2/21 3rd Grade Caring Retreat
- 2/21 Blue Ribbon Registration Event
- 2/28 Intermediate Mass 8:45 am



**FOOD
DRIVE**

The greatest need for
the month of January is:

PASTA



**SPRING
MUSICAL
THEATER**

Join us in the
Music Room
after school
Thursday,
February 7th,
to find out
more.

No experience necessary. Come be a part of the fun.

OVER A CENTURY OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN THE CATHOLIC TRADITION

The mission of St. Patrick Catholic School is to nurture in its students abiding Catholic faith while pursuing academic excellence and modeling honesty, respect, and service as dynamic members of our world community.



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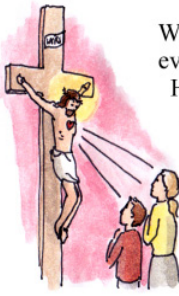
Saint Paul Teaches About Love

SORRY I BROKE THIS. I FORGIVE YOU.



In today's second reading St. Paul tells us what real love is like. It is patient, kind, and forgiving, and it rejoices in the truth. Love never fails! No matter how important you are, or talented, or smart, what really makes you great is loving others.

Who do you love? Can you love someone who bothers you or doesn't like you? Love isn't just a nice feeling about somebody. It means deciding to want what is best for that person. You really can love people that you don't get along with! It's a decision that you can make.



Who was the most loving person ever? Jesus! Think of how much He must have loved us to die on the cross for us even though we hurt Him by our sins! Every day tell Jesus that you love Him, and show it to Him by loving the people around you.

Answers to Love: True or False? 1. false 2. true 3. true 4. false 5. false 6. false 7. true

www.thekidsbulletin.com

The Kids' Bulletin

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 3, 2019



Jesus' neighbours got upset with Him when He said that they wouldn't appreciate a prophet from their own town. But when they tried to throw Him off a cliff, He walked right through the crowd and went away.

Can you find Jesus in this crowd?

Saint Paul Miki and Companions February 6

SAINT PAUL MIKI WAS A YOUNG JAPANESE MAN IN THE 1500'S. HE STUDIED IN THE JESUIT SCHOOLS AND BECAME A JESUIT.

So Jesus made the Apostles into His first priests.

HE BECAME AN EXCELLENT PREACHER. SOON THE EMPEROR BECAME SUSPICIOUS OF THE CHRISTIANS.

We are part of the Kingdom of God...

I must tell the emperor!

26 CHRISTIANS WERE MARCHED 600 MILES AND TORTURED ALONG THE WAY.

PAUL WAS ONE. THERE WERE TWO OTHER JESUITS AND SIX FRANCISCANS.

THERE WERE ALSO TRADESMEN AND THREE ALTAR BOYS.

ALL OF THEM WERE TIED AND CHAINED TO CROSSES ON A HILL NEAR NAGASAKI.

Pray to Jesus! He will help you!

AS HE HUNG ON THE CROSS, SAINT PAUL ENCOURAGED THE PEOPLE TO ASK JESUS TO HELP THEM. HE ALSO FORGAVE THE MEN WHO KILLED HIM.

WHEN CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES CAME TO JAPAN AGAIN IN THE 1800'S, AT FIRST THEY THOUGHT THERE WERE NO CHRISTIANS THERE, BUT THEN THEY FOUND THEM PRACTICING THEIR FAITH SECRETLY. OUR LORD USES THE SACRIFICE OF THE MARTYRS TO STRENGTHEN THE FAITH OF OTHER CHRISTIANS.

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Love: True or False?

Do you know what Saint Paul taught us about love? See if you know which are true and which are false, according to today's second reading...

1. Love sometimes fails. True or false?
2. If I have faith enough to move mountains but don't have love I am nothing. True or false?
3. Love is patient and kind. True or false?
4. Love is jealous. True or false?
5. If I can prophesy and understand all mysteries but I don't have love then I'm still great. True or false?
6. When you love then you are mostly interested in taking care of yourself. True or false?
7. The three most important virtues are faith, hope and love, but love is the greatest. True or false?



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HOLY NAME SOCIETY

15TH ANNUAL VALENTINE TULIP SALE

ORDERS DUE FEBRUARY 3rd
6 - BULB WRAPPED POT - \$12 EACH
PICK UP AT YOUR CHURCH ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10th



NAME _____

PHONE _____

of pots @ \$12 each = \$ _____ total

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In memory of: _____

Amount paid \$ _____

Check # _____

All proceeds benefit our monthly
Nativity House Spaghetti Supper
St. Rita parishioners may purchase a tulip pot for yourself
or for donating to decorate the church.

Payable to: St. Rita Church / Holy Names in memo line
Please mail this form with payment by February 3rd to :

Mark Lewis
5706 80th Ave. Ct. W.
University Place, WA 98467

Or return form and payment in the collection basket
at St. Patrick, Holy Cross or St. Rita

Thank you for your order!