

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



**“THIS IS THE TIME OF FULFILLMENT. THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS AT HAND.
 REPENT, AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL”**

MARCH 24, 2019 - THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Saint Patrick Parish

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

Sunday Masses	Daily Masses	Reconciliation
Saturday Vigil 5pm	Monday Communion Service 7:45am	Saturday 3:30pm
Sunday 9am, 11am, 7pm	Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 7:45am	
	Thursday 8:45am	

Holy Cross Parish

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

Sunday Masses	Daily Masses	Reconciliation
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm	Monday, Thursday, Friday 9am	Saturday 4pm
Sunday 10am	Wednesday 5:30pm	

Saint Rita of Cascia Parish

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

Sunday Mass	Daily Masses	Reconciliation
7:30am	Tuesday 12Noon, Saturday 9am	Saturday 9:30am

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MARCH 24: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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
 Sodality Sunday - St. Rita
 Youth Group - 5:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
 Confirmation - 5:45 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

MONDAY, MARCH 25:

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
 Benedictine Spirituality - 7:00 p.m. - Chapel - St. Patrick
 Boy Scouts - 7:00 p.m. - Church Hall - St. Patrick

TUESDAY, MARCH 26:

Mass at 7:45 a.m. - St. Patrick
 Mass at Noon - St. Rita
 Outreach/Food Bank - 8:00 a.m. - RE Building - Holy Cross
 Rummage Volunteers - 10:00 a.m. - Rummage Hall - Holy Cross
 Sodality Mtg. - 12:30 p.m. - Hall - St. Rita
 Alpha - 6:30 p.m. - Parish Hall - Holy Cross
 KC Business Mtg. - 7:00 p.m. - Hall - St. Patrick
 Choir Practice - 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Sr. Rita
 RCIA - 7:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27:

Communion Service 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
 Family Religious Ed. - 6:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
 Cub Scouts - 6:30 p.m. - Hall - St. Patrick
 Social Justice - 6:30 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
 Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick
 Mother of Perpetual Help Novena - 7:30 p.m. - Chapel - Holy Cross

THURSDAY, MARCH 28:

Mass at 8:45 a.m. - St. Patrick
 Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross
 Mother of Perpetual Help Novena - 9:30 a.m. - Church - Holy Cross
 Adult Confirmation - 6:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick
 Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 p.m. - Choir Loft - Holy Cross
 Reconciliation Service - 7:00 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick

FRIDAY, MARCH 29:

Mass at 7:45 a.m. - St. Patrick
 Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross
 Men's Prayer - 6:45 a.m. - Hall - St. Patrick
 Stations of the Cross - 9:30 a.m. - Holy Cross
 KC Fish Dinner - 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. - Hall - St. Patrick
 Soup Supper - 6:00 p.m. - Parish Hall - Holy Cross
 Stations of the Cross - 6:15 p.m. - Soup Supper to Follow - St. Rita
 Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m. - Holy Cross
 Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m. - St. Patrick
 Whole - Life Confession - 7:45 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick

SATURDAY, MARCH 30:

Catholic Relief Services Collection

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - St. Rita
 Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m. - St. Patrick
 Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m. - Holy Cross
 St. Peter Chanel Samoan Mass at 1:00 p.m. - Holy Cross
 Reconciliation - 9:30 a.m. - Church - St. Rita
 CGS First Comm. Retreat - 10:00 a.m. - Church - St. Patrick
 Reconciliation - 3:30 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick
 Reconciliation - 4:00 p.m. - Church - Holy Cross

CALENDAR CONTINUED

SUNDAY, MARCH 31: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Catholic Relief Services Collection
 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
 KC Pancake Breakfast & Blood Drive -
 After Mass - Hall - St. Patrick

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH Masses for the People of the Parishes

MONDAY, MARCH 25TH

Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Jack Reidy

TUESDAY, MARCH 26TH

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of John Astle
 Mass at St. Rita | For the souls of all Unborn Children

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27TH

Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Bruce Teaford

THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Carole MacHutchin
 Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Nick Depaul

FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of David Buckso
 Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH

Mass at Saint Rita | Repose of the soul of Fr. Carmine Sacco, S.J.

PRAY FOR THE RESPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

*Jenny Freeman and
 Margaret Weaver (Mother of Nancy McDonald)*

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	HOLY CROSS	ST. RITA
Joanne Armour	Bill Adams	Colleen Batinovich
Albert Bacon	Eileen Beckowitz	Robin Coralluzzo
Joan Bruce	Helen Berg	Sr. Mary Buttimer
Jim Buchmiller	Jean Bock	Teresa Gibbs
Debbie Christnacht	Joe Gilligan	Sr. Marilyn Gooley
Page Cochran	Jim Helbling	George Greco
Jedd Feliciano	Marjorie Hermesen	Bruce Harris
Joanne Girolami	Georgianne Holcomb	Tina & Joe Isakson
Pat Harrington	Nick Jurun	Son Lee
Carolyn Jenkins	Betty Knoll	Sally Luppino
Chris Jurun	Joan Kowalski	Chuck Mazza
Geraldine Maniatis	Rick Lewis	Donna Pate
Tom McDonough	Corie Lim	Michael Pfannenstiel
Joe Savage	Dick Lucich	Daisy Radloff
Tony Schweiger	Janet McIntyre	Jim Riconosciuto
Dennis Seiler	Kathie Mikita	Miriam Sanderson
Gina Slavia	Virginia Mitchell	Joy Viafore
John Sturrock	Dave Peterson	Nelson Williams
John Tulare	I.D. Provost	
Ron Vanderleest	Ann Roberts	
Raquel Wheeler	Jeffrey Schmidt	
	Jan Smurno	
	Maureen Stebner	
	Nick Tucci	
	Ned Vukovich	
	Mary Ellen Winski	



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This is the time of fulfillment. The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel!

- Mark 1:15

Our Lenten theme of repentance and conversion of life is highlighted in this third week of Lent. Our Gospel reading equates our lives once again to that of a fig tree. Does our tree bear good, choice fruit or is it barren and dead? So too, our lives. Are they fruitful and life giving or are they dead and mired in sin?

This coming Thursday evening is our Lenten Reconciliation Service at Saint Patrick Parish, with a number of priests available to hear your confessions. It's in this sacrament of God's mercy that we encounter the person of Jesus, who receives our act of repentance as we confess our sins, so that we might open up our lives to the gifts of healing that are given by God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. What are these gifts? The first gift is God's forgiveness of our sins. The second gift is the grace God freely gives to us so that we may amend our lives and be healed.

Most people readily accept the first gift of forgiveness. That's what we all want, right? That's why we come to confession in the first place. We want our sins taken away so that we can be restored in our relationship with God and each other. Most people, however, do not readily accept the second gift of God's grace. It's freely given, but like any gift, it must be accepted and used by the recipient. What is grace? Grace is a participation in the life of God. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, CCC #1997). Simply put, grace is God's life and power that is made available to help us and heal us of all the underlying roots and sources that generate the sins we bring to confession. But grace is more than just a help given by God; it's actually a new kind of life that is made available to us - God's eternal life, poured into our soul to heal it of sin and to sanctify it." CCC 1999; see also *7 Secrets of Confession* by Vinny Flynn, Chapter 2, pg.27.

In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, God's forgiveness of our sins initiates the process of healing in our lives. When His grace, given in the sacrament, is accepted by into our lives, God is at our side to heal us of the causes of our sins. The reason why so many of us repeat the same sins is that we haven't really used the grace given to us in this sacrament to bring about change and amendment of life. Once we do, however, you will see that God cannot be outdone in His generosity to heal, transform, and renew our lives.

Friends, use this season of Lent to bring the tree of your life to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Repent, confess your sins, and be forgiven. Then, with God's abundant grace, get to the heart of the matter and allow the Lord Jesus to bring you healing and renewal. You will bear much good fruit and will give glory to God's great love and mercy!

Fr David Mulholland

OUR COMMUNITY

$$1 + 1 + 1 = ?$$

At the beginning of the New Year, Father David used this mathematical image to share his reflections about his first six months as pastor of three parishes and a school. After much prayer and dialog with all three Pastoral Councils and staff at each parish, a vision for the way forward has emerged.

$$1 + 1 + 1 = 1$$

It is a vision of a greater sense of common purpose and unity among our three communities; a sense that we will be stronger disciples of Jesus as one unified community with three locations as opposed to three distinct communities with a common pastor. A major step in establishing this unified perception begins at the top, by establishing Unified Councils and Commissions with representatives from all parishes. Unified Councils we intend to establish include:

- Pastoral Council
- Finance Council (but maintain separate accounts)
- Liturgy Commission
- Faith Formation Commission
- Stewardship and Development Commission
- Pastoral Care Commission (new)
- Facilities Commission (new)

These Unified Councils and Commissions will serve as consultative bodies who will discern with the pastor and staff how best to address the challenges and opportunities we encounter as a unified faith community. Through deliberate pastoral planning and dialog they will make recommendations to the pastor regarding parish priorities, directions and policies and enhance communication and understanding among the various parish organizations and parishioners.

* (see *Many Gifts One Spirit*)

While these Unified Councils and Commissions are focused on the broader challenges and opportunities for our larger community, Parish Life Commissions (PLC) will be established at each parish. The three PLCs will help oversee the day to day ministries and programs at the parish level. It will be their responsibility, much like current Pastoral Councils, to (1) implement policies and procedures and decisions developed by the Joint Commissions and Councils, and (2) bring to their attention challenges and opportunities from the bottom up.

Membership for these councils and commissions will be determined this Spring through a process of discernment. It will not be an election. Parishioners interested in offering to serve on a Unified Council or Commission or Parish Life Commission are encouraged to contact the parish office. Stay tuned for additional information in the weeks ahead regarding:

- The talents and skills needed for these various councils and commissions
- The mechanics of the discernment process we will utilize to determine who will ultimately serve on various councils and commissions
- Schedule of key dates (please save the date of May 18th for discernment retreat)

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND BLOOD DRIVE

Join your fellow parishioners in the Church Hall after Masses on Sunday, March 31st for a Pancake Breakfast.

Proceeds help to support our seminarians.
The Blood Mobile will be in the parking lot, please consider donating, your generosity could save a life.

THANK YOU FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knight of Columbus would like to thank everyone who came and enjoyed our annual Irish Dinner.
The SRS Irish Dance Group as always, performed wonderfully.

Thank you to Mike Clark and Tim Grant & family for again providing an outstanding Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner.
Thanks to Dan & Bev Wombacher for being our bar servers.

And last but not least ALL the Knights that came early or stayed late to help make this a very successful dinner.

A NOTE TO KNIGHTS

It's not too late to pay your annual dues!

Please help us to provide for the Charitable works we do by making your payment.
Your dues provide our working capital for the year.

If you are not sure where to send dues please email Mike Prichard at: mprich56@gmail.com.



MOM'S GROUP

The Moms Group 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.

Wednesdays, 9:15 - 10:45 a.m. in the Parish Center Youth Room.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

There are two Bible Study groups.

The Old Testament Group meets the 2nd & 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m.
They are currently studying the Book of Deuteronomy.

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

Both groups meet at the Parish Center.

HEALTH MINISTRY

The Health Ministry will meet after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 31st in the Church Hall.

Grab some pancakes and join us!

Health Ministry hosts and prepares the First Friday Luncheons.
We are also into our Meatless Fridays in Lent Campaign.
Other activities we will be discussing are Emergency Food Network Hunger Walk, St. Pat's Lazyman Ironman, the Blessing of the Bikes, the annual Srs. visit to Seafox Farm, and our Hiking Group treks.

Lots of options for a healthy spring!

ALTAR SERVERS

"Dear Altar Servers,
You are, in fact, already apostles of Jesus! When you take part in the Liturgy by carrying out your altar service, you offer a witness to all.

Your absorption, the devotion that wells up from your heart and is expressed in gestures, in song, in the responses: if you do it correctly and not absent-mindedly, then in a certain way your witness is one that moves people.

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the bond of friendship with Jesus. You are very close to Jesus in the Eucharist, and this is the most important sign of his friendship for each one of us.

Do not forget it."

-excerpt from Pope Benedict XVI, address to Altar Servers, 08/02/06.

Are you being called to serve God? If so, join us for Altar Server training, **Sunday, April 7th at Noon in the Church.**

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

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

For men of all ages who want to deepen their relationship with God.

TEMPORARY JOB OPPORTUNITY

Our Parish & School Development Team is in need of a temporary Development Assistant, to help us with several ongoing events until we are able to conduct a more thorough job search in the summer.

It is a full or part-time opportunity depending on skills and experience.

Contact the Parish Office at: 253-383-2783 for details.

OUR SUNDAY COLLECTION

Your generosity as of March 16 & 17, 2019.

WEEKLY INCOME NEEDED	LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION	NEEDED YEAR TO DATE	ACTUAL YEAR TO DATE	+/-
\$19,717	\$35,942	\$744,116	\$744,041	-\$75



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

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

ST. PETER CHANEL SAMOAN MINISTRY(SPCSM)

The first Samoan Mass will be at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 31st.

Following Mass there will be a small reception at the church hall.

The invitation is extended to our Holy Cross family and others to come and celebrate with the Samoan community.

Samoan Mass will be celebrated monthly at Holy Cross church on the last Sunday of the month.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEEDS YOU

Dishwasher(s) are needed to help out with funeral receptions. Please consider joining our volunteer team!

If interested, please contact Maryann Hayes at: 253-759-8902



OUTREACH / FOOD BANK

We meet every Tuesday from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. in the Religious Education building.

We also meet every Monday after 9:00 a.m. Mass for about 30 minutes to an hour to take the food to the food bank store.

New volunteers are welcome to join us either day.

Any amount of time would be greatly appreciated to help store, stock shelves, serve breakfast and visit with guests.

If you are interested in helping, call Carol Ringrose at: 253-752-8717.

Items needed: peanut butter, canned chicken, canned fruit, warm clothing.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASS

March 28th, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Sign up on line at: virtusonline.org. The class will be held in the parish hall.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS BAKE SALE

Thanks to all who baked, bought and donated to our many charities.

We welcome new members to join our Catholic charitable organization please call Nanci Cornell at: 253-759-3909.

LECTORS, ALTAR SERVERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 30th, 5:30 p.m.**

Lectors: Josh Kors & Floyd Cummings

Eucharistic Ministers:

Joan Pirolo, Patti Delgadillo, Nancy Doran

Choir: Aida Kintanar

Altar Servers: Elodie

**Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 31st, 10:00 a.m.**

Lectors: Russ Wells & Dianne Manley

Eucharistic Ministers:

Marge Beardemphl, Will Rawlings,

Carol Ringrose

Choir: Jan Smurro

Altar Servers: Aaliyah & Aubrey

ALTAR SERVERS

Would you like to be an Altar Server?

If you have received your First Communion you are eligible.

We are seeking children and adults to serve.

We are in need of more servers especially at the Saturday vigil Mass at 5:30 pm.

If you are interested, please contact Paula at: 253-759-3368 ext.101 or

mpfiorino@holycross-tacoma.org

FUNERAL RECEPTION COMMITTEE

We have volunteers who help serve at the receptions after a funeral.

They are amazing people and find great satisfaction in helping others during their time of grief.

We are looking for more volunteers to help.

In the Parish Hall, they help set up, prepare the platters of food, beverages, serve and clean up.

We are also in need of cooks who can prepare salads or desserts at home and drop them off at the parish the morning of the funeral.

We'd love to have you join this most valuable and rewarding ministry.

If you are interested, please call Paula at the Parish Office at: 253-759-3368 ext.101 or pfiorino@holycross-tacoma.org

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\$6,140.57	\$5,927	\$233,342	\$235,492	+\$2,150	\$237



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 OF CASCIA

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

Spend time with the Lord

CALENDAR

Our monthly calendar is on our website,
www.stritastacoma.org

It is updated as events change.

Check it out - The latest information
is just a click away!

NEW DIRECTORY

The new phone directories
are on the back table.

Please limit it to two per household.

THANK YOU

Wendi Pfannenstiel

for all your help in getting
this new directory together.

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.

For more information
please see
Mark Lewis,
President.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SOUP SUPPER

We will have Stations of the Cross
every Friday during lent at 6:15 p.m.
followed by a Soup Supper.

Plan on joining us.

ON LINE GIVING

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

To set up an online account, visit:

<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1149>

and follow instructions
to create an online profile.

BIBLE STUDY

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

Taught by
Sr. Pauline Iguo, O.P.

EGG HUNT

The Easter Bunny
will be here for our annual
EASTER EGG HUNT
after the 10:00 a.m. Mass
on Easter Sunday.
Bring the children and grandchildren!

SPRING CLEANING

March 30th is our cleaning day -
inside and outside!

Please plan on helping us get the
church and yard ready for
Easter and our Easter Egg Hunt.
A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.
Lunch will be served.

ST. FRANCES SODALTY

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

We provide scholarships for
Catholic education.

Please see Riley Smith,
If you are interested in joining.

Join us at our next meeting
in the Parish Hall on
Tuesday, March 26th.



PEACE LUTHERAN DINNER

We will be serving the April Community Meal on Wednesday, April 3rd at Peace Lutheran Church.
If you would like to help, please see Pam Smith or Riley Smith or call the office.

PROLIFE VIGIL

Please stop by the Pro Life Vigil
8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday,
14th Street and MLK.

Your presence welcome and your prayers appreciated.

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\$2,246	\$3,078	\$85,348	\$96,887	+\$11,539



ST. RITA OF CASCIA

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LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY

Lord, Teach Us To Pray by Fr. Jeffrey Kirby, STL.

This book is available at Saint Patrick Church after Mass or at the Parish Center for a suggested donation is \$2 per book. This powerful book will guide the reader through the challenges of discipleship and the various stages of prayer. Consider using this as a Lenten guide.

WALK TO CALVARY

The St. Patrick Health Ministry is recommending that each Friday families or individuals take a healthful walk of at least 1/3 of a mile to commemorate the distance Jesus walked on his journey to Calvary.

Posted on the St. Patrick website is a link to Clarence Enzler's booklet, Everyone's Way of the Cross which has an imagined interaction between Jesus and the reader at each of the 14 Stations of the Cross.

WOMENS LENTEN BOOK CLUB

Join us for a Lenten Book Club, as we delve into what it means to be a disciple of Christ via **Dr. Edward Sri's book Into His Likeness.**

Join us for lively discussion, wine, a warm fire and fellowship at the St. Patrick Parish Center, on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

The dates are: 3/21, 3/28, 4/11, 4/18.
The book is available on Amazon.

YOUNG ADULT LENTEN GATHERINGS

Join us every Thursday through April 11th
7:00 Adoration - Vespers - Confession 8:00 Wine & Snacks 9:00 Night Prayer & Benediction

St. Patrick Catholic Church
All are welcome. No RSVP Necessary.

HOLY CROSS SOUP SUPPERS

Join us every Friday during Lent in the Holy Cross Parish Hall before Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m. for a Soup Supper.

ST. RITA SOUP SUPPERS

Join us every Friday during Lent in the St. Rita Parish Hall after Stations of the Cross for a Soup Supper.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN FISH DINNER BENEFITTING THE DOMINICAN SISTERS

Knights of Columbus Council #809 will be serving a **Fish Dinner** in the St. Patrick Church Hall from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. on Friday, March 29th.

MEATLESS FRIDAYS

The St. Patrick Health Ministry will again be running its Meatless Fridays Campaign during Lent.

This is a wonderful way not only to improve your spiritual well being, but also your health.

All parishioners from any of our parishes who go meatless every Friday in Lent, will be eligible for a drawing for a \$100 Metropolitan Market gift card, as well as a Metropolitan Market tour and tasting with Store Manager, Kelly Heinzinger.

MEATLESS RECIPE FOR THIRD WEEK OF LENT - TEX-MEX BOWL WITH AVACADO AND CHUNKY SALSA

1/4 avocado
1/4 cup brown rice
1/2 cup frozen corn
1 medium red pepper
1/2 cup green cabbage
2 1/2 cups kale
1/4 cup + 1 1/4 tbsp low-sodium salsa
1/4 can no-salt canned black beans
2 tbsp Pumpkin seeds



Cook the brown rice -
1 cup dry brown rice or basmati brown rice
2.5 cups water (= approx. 3 cups cooked)
Rinse the rice and add to a saucepan.
Add water and bring to a boil over medium-high heat.
Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer for 35-45 minutes or until tender, with most of the liquid absorbed. Let sit for five minutes, then fluff with a fork!

Rinse all the produce. Rip the kale leaves off by hand into small, bite-sized chunks. Dice the stems.
Steam the stems and the leaves for just a couple minutes, until lightly wilted.
Heat the corn until room temperature. Dice the red pepper and mix it in with the corn.
Season with salt and pepper to taste.
Dice the green cabbage into small strips. Cut the avocado lengthwise around the pit. Twist to open. Cube the avocado.
Drain and rinse the beans.
Add the steamed kale to a serving bowl. Pile on the rice, beans, and veggies.
Sprinkle pumpkin seeds and optional ingredients on top. Add salt and pepper to taste with a scoop of salsa. Enjoy!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES RICE BOWL

Lent is a 40-day journey of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Each day during Lent we have the opportunity to be inspired by the stories of people and communities from around the world, and take time to set aside a little of ourselves to make room for a stranger.

This lent, CRS Rice bowl invites you, your family and community to journey with Christ through fear to fortitude, recognizing God's invitation to reach beyond ourselves and encounter the needs of all.

Join our parish communities – and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the U.S. – in a life-changing journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl.

Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl in any of the Church the vestibules or offices.

More info can be found at:
www.crsricebowl.org.

PASSION OF THE CHRIST

Join us for a showing of The Passion of the Christ on Palm Sunday, April 14th at 12:35 p.m. at the Blue Mouse Theatre.

Directed by Mel Gibson, and starring Jim Caviezel as Jesus. It depicts the Passion of Jesus largely according to the New Testament Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

The film covers the final 12 hours of Jesus' life, beginning with the Agony in the Garden and ending with a brief depiction of his resurrection.

Tickets will be sold on line at Brown Paper tickets or at the St. Patrick Parish Center.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saint Patrick

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 7:00 p.m.
April 19 - Good Friday - 9:30 a.m. - Living Stations of the Cross by Saint Patrick School 8th Grade
April 19 - Good Friday - 3:00 p.m.

Holy Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
April 19 - Good Friday - 3:00 p.m.

St. Rita

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 6:15 p.m. Followed by a Soup Supper.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

April 17 - Tenebrae Service - 7:00 p.m. - Saint Patrick

April 18 - Holy Thursday - 7:00 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper - Saint Patrick
April 18 - Holy Thursday - 7:00 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper - Holy Cross

April 19 - Good Friday - 7:00 p.m. - The Lord's Passion - Saint Patrick
April 19 - Good Friday - 7:00 p.m. - The Lord's Passion - Holy Cross

April 20 - 8:30 p.m. - Easter Vigil - Holy Cross
April 20 - 8:30 p.m. - Easter Vigil - St. Patrick

April 21 - 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. - Easter Sunday - Saint Patrick
April 21 - 10:00 a.m. - Easter Sunday - Holy Cross
April 21 - 10:00 a.m. - Easter Sunday - Saint Rita of Cascia

EASTER EGG HUNTS

Saturday, April 20 - 10:30 a.m. - Holy Cross Social Hall - Drinks and goodies provided.
April 21 - 11:00 a.m. - St. Rita Side Yard

REGULATIONS FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent.

The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for Baptism or of renewal of Baptism at Easter. (Code of Canon Law, 1249-1252)

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, are days of fast and abstinence.

Fridays of Lent are also days of abstinence.

Fasting is to be observed by all eighteen years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their sixtieth birthday.

On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.

Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by all fourteen years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed.

Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Saint Charles Borromeo - March 20th - 7:00 p.m.
St. Leo - March 27th - 7:00 p.m.
St. Leo - March 28th - 11:00 a.m.
St. Patrick - March 28th - 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation is also offered weekly at:

Saint Patrick

Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. before the 5:00 p.m. Mass, except Easter Vigil.

Holy Cross

Wednesdays, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass
March 13, March 27, April 3, April 10, April 17
Saturdays, 4:00 p.m., before the 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass.

Saint Rita

Saturdays, at 9:30 a.m., after the 9:00 a.m. Mass

FAITH FORMATION

LENT IN THE ATRIUM

At the very beginning of Lent we 'bury' the Alleluia (decorated papers with the word "Alleluia" beautifully made by the children). We change our prayer corner cloth to Lavender, the color the Church uses to represent this waiting time of Lent. During Lent we pray with the parable of the Good Shepherd, remembering that we are called by name and loved by God. The cenacle, also known as the Upper Room, is a favorite work for the children. We help children learn a bit about the location of Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection by showing the City of Jerusalem. We celebrate the Last Supper by reenacting it and hearing, once again, the words of love that Jesus gave us at this meal

*"Take, and eat,
this is my body, broken for you.
Take and drink,
this is my blood poured out for you.
Do this in memory of me."*

Thank you for your ongoing support of the St. Patrick Parish Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

PALM SUNDAY RETREAT at the PALISADES RETREAT CENTER April 12-14

Holy Week is the center and the climax of the Church's liturgical year. In this week, we move from the season of Lent to the Triduum, the three days that celebrate the passion and death and resurrection of the Lord. The Triduum begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, continues with the celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, and reaches its conclusion with the Easter Vigil after sunset on Holy Saturday. This retreat is designed to help us move more deeply into the experience of Holy Week by examining prayerfully the rites and readings, as well as poetry and music. Retreatants will bring with them their Bibles and a notebook. Register at palisadesretreatcenter.org/upcoming-retreats/

SEATTLE MEN'S CONFERENCE

Do you want to be the man that God has always called you to be?
Grow closer to God with powerful speakers like Doug Barry, Deacon Carl Chilo, Fr. Ed White and Archbishop Peter Sartain. These along with engaging worship and inspiring fellowship with hundreds of fellow Catholic men will make this a day to remember!
Join us March 30th at St. Stephen the Martyr in Renton!
Registration is now open at: www.seattlemensconference.org.

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 April 6 -7, 2019.

WIDOWED, DIVORCED OR SEPARATED

If you are ready to deal with the grief of being widowed, divorced or separated, there is help. As a faith-based organization, **Beginning Experience** offers men and women the opportunity and skills to build deeper self respect, to cope with the pain of loss, and to move into the future with renewed hope. Join us for a weekend away for a lifetime of change --
This coming Spring's weekend is Friday - Sunday, April 5 - 7, 2019 at The Gwinwood Conference Center in Lacey, WA
Please call Chris, at: 253- 223-2645 for more information and a brochure.

BETROTHED: A PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

May 31 - June 2
Led by Nathan & Dr. Sarah Bartel
October 18-20
Led by Fred & Anne Janssen

This retreat is for engaged couples. The joy of marriage is the joy of the Church. "Betrothed" invites couples to prepare for a joyful, lifelong marriage. Blending hands-on learning of practical life skills with excellent catechesis and insights from St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body, this marriage-prep retreat is designed to impact on the quality of a couples' communication, conflict resolution, and shared sense of mission.
Register at:
palisadesretreatcenter.org/upcoming-retreats/

CORNERSTONE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Mark your calendars! Dates have been set for the 3rd Cornerstone Conference - October 18th and 19th, 2019.

Join us at the Greater Tacoma Convention Center for inspiring speakers, helpful workshops, and many opportunities to grow in fellowship with Catholics from across the state of Washington.

The Cornerstone Conference is sponsored by the Washington State Catholic Conference (WSCC), the common voice for the Catholic Bishops of Washington State. All Catholics are encouraged to visit the WSCC website, WACatholics.org, to learn more about Cornerstone and to sign up to stay connected.

The Cornerstone Catholic Conference strives to inspire and inform Catholics and others to continue working together to protect human life: the unborn, individuals who live in poverty or on the margins of society, and people at the end of life.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

ST. RITA CHARITY FUND MERGING WITH SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

For many years, Saint Rita has collected donations once a month for a Charity Fund that is used to provide financial support to persons in need residing in and around our parish community. The Saint Rita staff would receive requests from parishioners and non-parishioners alike, and provide limited financial assistance to those in need.

In April, responsibility for this program will shift to the local Saint Vincent de Paul Society that has been a long standing ministry of Saint Patrick Parish. The Saint Patrick site is the only remaining SVDP chapter serving north and central Tacoma. SVDP chapter volunteers meet with those in need from a variety of zip codes (including those covering Saint Rita boundaries) and also conduct home visits. Details of the services and assistance they provide can be found on the Saint Patrick website.

Saint Vincent de Paul, like the Saint Rita Charity Fund, is funded by donations from parishioners. In April, the current balance from the St Rita Charity Fund will be transferred to SVDP. Once a month collections will continue at both parishes. The Saint Rita Charity Fund buckets will be switched to SVDP buckets. Contributions from both parishes will be accounted for by SVDP and ultimately distributed to families in need from Saint Rita and Saint Patrick as well as non-parishioners from the greater Tacoma area. Combining our two programs under the one SVDP office will help us better serve a greater number of people in need.

One final note to bring to your attention. Operating an effective SVDP chapter requires a lot of volunteers who are willing to meet with those in need and sometimes make home visits. It is an incredibly rewarding ministry that helps us truly see the face of Jesus in the poor. Please consider volunteering your time to this most worthy ministry. Contact the parish office at Saint Rita or Saint Patrick or email: SVDP@saintpats.org.

Saint Rita, Saint Patrick and Saint Vincent de Paul - Pray For Us!

NEXT CHAPTER HOUSE!



Next Chapter is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to empowering pregnant women and single mothers to move out of poverty into lives of stability, permanent housing, and self-sufficiency by providing a group living community and life-changing resources.

Next Chapter House
The Olympus House (formerly St. Ann's Convent)
6602 S. Alaska St. Tacoma, WA 98408

To learn more about the Next Chapter program and ways you can be a part of helping those women and children who we will serve, please visit www.nextchapterwa.org.

Next Chapter Foundation - 253.310.6290

As we begin Lent, our Prayer Vigil for life also begins.

The vigil will be Saturday through Tuesday for the 6 weeks of Lent.
In front of Cedar River Clinic, 14th and MLK Way.

Volunteers will keep a prayerful presence from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. each vigil day.

Consider offering your presence for two hours each week.

Will you join in this prayer effort?

For more information contact:
MJ Lockemy (St. Rita) at: 253-224-0949

Allison Verhofstadt (St. Patrick) at:
253-383-2783 or youth@saintpats.org

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.

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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.



STATE OF THE SCHOOL OPEN MEETING for school, families & the community

Join us to learn about plans for facilities, programs, staffing, and admissions at Saint Patrick Catholic School.

Tuesday, March 26, 2019
7:00 PM

Saint Patrick Catholic School
Skip Butler Gymnasium
1112 North G Street
Tacoma, WA 98403

MASS WITH THE SCHOOL CHILDREN

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

JOB OPENING

St. Patrick Catholic School is seeking
a recess supervisor for the 2019-2020 school year.

This paid position is from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m.
on all full school days.

Candidate must be over 21 years old,
have Safe Environment training,
and have a positive attitude with children.

Please contact Barbara Bolanos at:
bbolanos@saintpats.org or (253) 272 2297
for more information about this fun job opportunity!

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St. Rita St. Frances Sodality 1st Annual Easter Lily Sale



Orders Due by April 7, 2019

6" Foil Wrapped Pot - \$12.00 each

8" Foil Wrapped Pot - \$30.00 each

(All proceeds benefit our charitable works)

*You may purchase a plant for yourself or for the church in memory of a loved one.
St. Rita, Holy Cross or St. Patrick

Delivery Date: April 14, 2018

Name _____

Phone _____

6" _____ @ \$12 each = \$ _____ Total

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Amt. Pd. \$ _____

Check # _____ **Make checks payable to: St. Rita Catholic Church, memo: Sodality**

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Name of Loved One _____

Church (circle one) St. Rita St. Patrick Holy Cross

Please put orders with payment in collection basket, drop in parish office mail box,
or give to Pam Smith or Riley Smith

Questions? Contact Pam at: office@stritastacoma.org or 425-220-5044.

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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

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.

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.

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St. Patrick or their respective parish office.

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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. . .