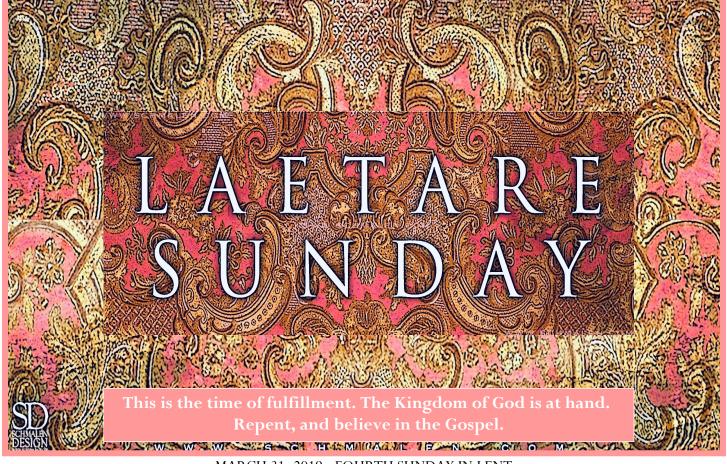
Tacoma Catholic Parishes of Saint Patrick

Holy Cross & Saint Rita of Cascia



MARCH 31, 2019 - FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Saint Patrick Parish

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

Sunday 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 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

St. Peter Chanel Samoan Mass at 1:00 p.m. - Holy Cross

KC Pancake Breakfast & Blood Drive -

After Both Masses - Hall - St. Patrick

MONDAY, APRIL 1:

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. - Church Hall - St. Patrick

TUESDAY, APRIL 2:

Mass at 7:45 a.m. - St. Patrick

Mass at Noon - St. Rita

Outreach/Food Bank - 8:00 a.m. - RE Building - Holy Cross

Prayer Shawl Ministry - 10:00 a.m. - Center - St. Patrick

Rummage Volunteers - 10:00 a.m. - Rummage Hall - Holy Cross

Parish Council - 4:00 p.m. - Rectory - St. Rita

Stephen Ministers - 4:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

PrimeTimers - 5:30 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

Alpha - 6:30 p.m. - Parish Hall - Holy Cross

Choir Practice - 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Sr. Rita

RCIA - 7:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3:

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

Peace Lutheran Dinner - 5:00 p.m. - Off site - St. Rita

Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena - 7:30 p.m. - Chapel - Holy Cross

THURSDAY, APRIL 4:

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

Inclusion Ministry - 2:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

Adult Confirmation - 6:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 p.m. - Choir Loft - Holy Cross

FRIDAY, APRIL 5:

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross

Senior First Friday - 11:00 a.m. - St. Patrick -

Luncheon and Fellowship to follow

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

Eucharistic Adoration - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - St. Rita

Stations of the Cross - 9:30 a.m. - Holy Cross

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, APRIL 6:

Catholic Relief Services Collection

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - St. Rita

Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m. - St. Patrick

St. Vincent de Paul collection

Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m. - Holy Cross

Cupcake Saturday - 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

CALENDAR CONTINUED

SUNDAY, APRIL 7: FIFTH 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

St. Vincent de Paul collection

Mass at 10:00 a.m. - Holy Cross

St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. - 10:00 a.m. - Nursery - St. Patrick

Nativity House - 12:00 p.m. - St. Rita

Altar Server Training - 12:15 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick

Youth Group - 5:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST Masses for the People of the Parishes

MONDAY, APRIL 1ST

Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Frank Hickey

TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of John Armour, Sr.

Mass at St. Rita | For the souls of all Unborn Children

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD

Mass at St. Patrick | Intentions of Joan Christnacht

Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary

THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH

Mass at St. Patrick | Intentions of Tom Holt

Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Jason Lyons and

Intentions of Dennis & Deanna Timmerman

FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Carole MacHutchin

Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Baby Salome Gamble & Family

SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH

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

PRAY FOR THE RESPOSE OF THE SOULS OF Jenny Freeman, Lorraine Stock and

Margaret Weaver (Mother of Nancy McDonald)

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

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER, OUR SICK:

ST. PATRICK

Joanne Armour

Albert Bacon

Dave Beardemphl

Joan Bruce Tim Buchmiller

Debbie Christnacht

Page Cochran

Tedd Feliciano

Joanne Girolami

Delores Glump

Carolyn Tenkins

Chris Jurun Geraldine Maniatis

Tom McDonough

Joe Savage

Tony Schweiger

Dennis Seiler

Gína Slavích

John Sturrock John Tulare

Ron Vanderleest Raquel Wheeler

HOLY CROSS

Bill Adams Eileen Beckowitz

Helen Berg

Jean Bock Toe Gilligan

Jim Helbling

Marjorie Hermsen Georgianne Holcomb

Nick Turun

Betty Knoll

Toan Kowalski

Rick Lewis Corielim

Dick Lucich

Janet McIntyre

Kathie Mikita Virginia Mitchell

Dave Peterson

I.D. Provost **Ann Roberts**

Jeffrey Schmidt Tan Smurro

Maureen Stebner Níck Tuccí

Ned Vukovích

MarvEllen Winski

ST. RITA

Colleen Batinovich Robín Coralluzzo

Sr. Mary Buttimer

Teresa Gibbs Sr. Marílyn Gooley

George Greco Bruce Harris

Tína \mathcal{E}_{t} Joe Isakson

Gary Tensen Sonlee

Sally Luppino

Chuck Mazza

Donna Pate Michael Pfannenstiel

Daisy Radloff

Tim Riconosciuto Míríam Sanderson

Joy Víafore Nelson Williams



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 takes on new meaning as we now move from the third to the fourth week in Lent. Repenting and seeking conversion through faith and belief in the Gospel is a challenge. We implicitly know that repentance is a necessary thing in our life. Without it, we are left mired in our old ways of sin and dysfunction. And such a place leads us down a path toward spiritual and even physical death. "For the wages of sin is death," says Saint Paul in the letter to the Romans. [B]ut the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23. You can see how easy it is to go from death to life, but to experience the reality of it is where the challenge lies. And often the challenge lies in our inability to accept and receive God's renewing grace in our lives.

In today's Gospel of the parable of the prodigal son, the Lord Jesus twice refers to the wayward son as being dead. The very last verse of the gospel says, "But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found." Luke 15:32. For the wayward son in the parable, the realization of his sinful state was the beginning of his repentance as he came to his senses. He then sought his father's help to begin the road to renewal as he returned home. But notice that he didn't seek or expect complete restoration; only to become a servant and a hired hand at his father's house. Instead, the Father embraced his son and completed his process of conversion by restoring him to his true identity as a son and an heir. His father took him from his place of sin and death and restored him to life.

That very same thing happens when we make the decision to repent. Once we repent, then our Heavenly Father does all the rest! He embraces us with his loving mercy and if we open our hearts to receive it, He opens us to the conversion of our lives with His grace. And He showers down love upon us in lavish generosity, beyond our imagining! This is what it means to go from life to death. Too often, though, we feel the work of conversion is our own work; our own will power and discipline. It is, rather, the work of God; the work of His love and mercy in our souls that brings about the change. When we realize that God's grace is the operative factor, we can move beyond our own horizon and openly receive all that the Lord desires to give us for new life, healing, renewal, and restoration.

Friends, there's a little prodigal son in each of us. Let's take to heart the many lessons of this parable in the week ahead and allow the Lord to touch our hearts. Allow the Lord Jesus to have his way and bring you from death to life! God bless,



OUR COMMUNITY

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.

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Your donations to the monthly
St. Vincent de Paul collection
make it possible for our Vincentians
to make home visits and help low
(or no) income residents within
St. Patrick and St. Rita Parish boundaries,
who struggle to pay for life's necessities,
such as utilities, food, gasoline,
beds and clothes.

Monetary collections take place the first weekend of each month.

Our next collection will be April 6TH and 7TH.

Any help you can give is appreciated.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND LUNCHEON

Join us for Mass on Friday, April 5TH at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch and fellowship in the Church Hall.

Need a ride?
Call the Parish Center before the first
Wednesday of the month.

All are welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

On the first Sunday of each month, Knight's of Columbus members will be wearing their name badge, vest or polo shirt to bring awareness to the parish of the members of our Council.

If you have questions about joining our brotherhood, seek out a member.



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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference invites you to a monthly meeting, held the first Sunday of the month between the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses.

A time to reflect on the St. Vincent de Paul ministry and to pray for those we have helped during the previous month.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry invites you to join our next gathering.

on April 2ND at 10:00 a.m.,

in the Parish Center.

If you do not know how to knit or crochet

we would be happy to teach you.

ALTAR SERVERS

Are you being called to serve God?

If so, join us for Altar Server training,
Sunday, April 7TH at 12:15 p.m.

in the Church. INCLUSION MINISTRY

Widening our welcome. Advocating for people with disabilities.

Join us at our next meeting, Thursday, April 4TH at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

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

PRIMETIMERS 50 and over

Join us at the Parish Center for a potluck dinner on Tuesday, April 2ND at 5:30 p.m.

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 23 & 24, 2019.						
WEEKLY INCOME NEEDED	LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION	NEEDED YEAR TO DATE	ACTUAL YEAR TO DATE	+/-		
\$19,717	\$19,717	\$763,833	\$760,799	-\$3,054		



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

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Denis & Deanna Timmerman, April 4, 2019

Congratulations on your 60TH Anniversary!

SACRED STEPS

There will be a funeral for Lorraine Stock Friday, April 5th at 11:00 a.m.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 20TH at 10:30 a.m. at the Parish Hall.

Drinks and goodies will be provided.
Please invite your families
for this fun activity for the children!



ON LINE GIVING

Please go to our website at: www.holycross-tacoma.org

Scroll down and click on the telephone indicating Online Giving.

Create a new account and follow the instructions.



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!
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.

HOLY CROSS RUMMAGE

Our volunteers meet every Tuesday from 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. in the rummage building behind the Rectory on North 43RD street. If you are interested in helping please drop by and check us out.

Many hands make light work!

FUNERAL VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON

It's time for our 3RD Annual Funeral Volunteers Luncheon on May 16TH

Our Altar Society meeting is at 11 a.m. with luncheon following at 12:30 p.m.

Come join us for lunch and some good conversation.

Please RSVP to Laurie Cassaw at: 253-759-0598.

LECTORS, ALTAR SERVERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Fifth Sunday of Lent April 6TH, 5:30 p.m.

Lectors: Jan Stauffer & Blaise Feeney Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Beach, Lenn Doran, Mary Jones Choir: Sandi Rossi Altar Servers: Steve

April 7TH, 10:00 a.m.

Lectors: Steve Cano & Elisa Cano Eucharistic Ministers: Sarina Cano & Steve Mullen Choir: Nancy Cornell Altar Servers: Mary & Pia

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

THANK YOU!

A great big thank you goes out to Sue Beach, Will, Mary and Catherine Rawlings and Mike Rawlings for picking weeds and beautifying the grounds.

OUR SUNDAY COLLECTION

Your generosity as of March 23 & 24, 2019

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WEEKLY INCOME NEEDED	LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION	NEEDED YEAR TO DATE	ACTUAL YEAR TO DATE	+/-	HOLY CROSS FOOD BANK		
\$6,140.57	\$8,402	\$239,483	\$243,894	+\$4,411	\$61		



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

Wendí Pfannenstíel

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.

Sunday, April 7TH
Join us at
Nativity House
702 South 14TH Street

We also 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.



PEACE LUTHERAN DINNER

We will be serving the April Community Meal Wednesday, April 3RDat 5:00 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church 2106 South Cushman.

If you would like to help, please see Pam Smith or Riley Smith or call the office.

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!

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

There will be no
Holy Week services
here at St. Rita,
but there will be Masses
every night at 7:00 p.m.
at both St. Patrick and Holy Cross.

ST. FRANCES SODAILTY

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.

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.

OUR SUNDAY COLLECTION

Your generosity as of March 23 & 24, 2019.

 WEEKLY INCOME NEEDED
 LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION
 NEEDED YEAR TO DATE
 ACTUAL YEAR TO DATE
 +/

 \$2,246
 \$2,773
 \$87,594
 \$99,660
 +\$12,066



ST. RITA OF CASCIA

THANKS OUR ADVERTISER OF THE MONTH
GAFFNEY'S FUNERAL HOME

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

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.

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.

HOLY CROSS SOUP SUPPERS

ST. RITA 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.

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

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 FIFTH WEEK OF LENT - PASTA E VAIANEIA

INGREDIENTS

1 15-oz can beans, drained and rinsed

2 cups green beans

1 cup chopped carrots

1.5 cup vegetable broth

2 medium potatoes,

peeled and cubed

2 cloves garlic

2 medium zucchinis,

chopped

1 medium tomato

1 tsp dried basil (or 2 tbsp fresh basil)

1/2 package durum wheat pasta

Salt and pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS

Cover beans with 1 inch of water and boil until they are tender, about 10 minutes.

Add cut carrots, green beans, and vegetable broth to the water and beans, boil for 30 minutes.

Add potatoes and boil for another 15 minutes.

Then, add zucchini and a whole tomato, boil for 5 minutes and then smash the tomato and remove the skin.

Add garlic, basil, olive oil, and pasta.

Cook until pasta is al dente. Salt and pepper to taste.



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 at any of the parishes. More info can be found at: www.crsricebowl.org.

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 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.

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.

RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Reconciliation is 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

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

FAITH FORMATION

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION RETREAT











The children preparing for First Holy Communion together with their parents, spent a Saturday afternoon in community, praying and learning.

We thought about Jesus' life, death, and resurrection: The Paschal Mystery.
Families brought crucifixes from their homes to look at and to discuss, helping to connect us to one another as a community in our shared faith.

We engaged together in our curriculum from Dynamic Catholic, using the book and video series called BLESSED which has been a huge hit with the children and parents.

We also enjoyed a simple meal and social time together.

Please continue to pray for our 38 children and families.

First Holy Communion is May 19th, at both Holy Cross and St. Patrick.

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.

BETROTHED: 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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

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.

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!

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.

PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED WITHIN THE HOLY CROSS PARISH BOUNDARIES.

For assistance call 253-759-3368 Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

To donate to food for the FOOD BANK, please call Carol Ringrose at: 253-752-8717.



ARE YOU IN NEED OF HELP?

We of St. Vincent de Paul Ministry of Saint Patrick and St. Rita parishes would like to help those within our parishes boundaries who may need assistance with food, and other needs.



Please call the St. Patrick Parish Office at 383-2783 ext. 4105 on Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and we would be happy to assist you in ways that we can.

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.





MASS WITH THE SCHOOL CHILDREN

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



HEDGEFEST

BEAUTIFICATION DAY

Bring your garden tools. (Weeds & overgrown hedge provided)

Earn double volunteer hours!

APRIL 14TH 10:30 - 2:15 P.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!

JOB OPENING

St. Patrick Catholic School is seeking a part-time Food Service Supervisor for their hot lunch program.

This job provides a great way to interact with students from pre-K to grade 8!.

For more information, please contact Barbara Bolanos at: bbolanos@saintpats.org or (253) 272-2297.

The Requirements for School Lunch Supervisor Position are on the school website, under job opportunities.

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.



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

Dolivory Data: April 14, 2019

Delivery Date. April 14, 2016					
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Phone					
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8"	@ \$30 each = \$	Total			
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Name of Loved One					
Church (circle one) St. F	Rita St. Patrick Holy Cr	ross			
Please but orders with payment in collection basket, drop in parish office mail box					

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

or give to Pam Smith or Riley Smith

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Thank you to Immanuel Presbyterian Church for hosting the Spring Bling Fling!

901 N J St, Tacoma, WA 98403

YEP! YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS in PHILANTHROPY

An opportunity for young people to run their own event within our event. Proceeds from the YEP booth will be used in support of children of incarcerated parents. Contact Theresa if you are interested in helping with the YEP booth.

About New Connections: www.nctacoma.org

For more information regarding volunteering or the YEP booth Call Theresa at 253.534.5402

For more information regarding donations or to arrange for pick-up or drop off: Call Rosemary at 541.805.0848

Please leave a voicemail message and we will be in touch as soon as possible.