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



Third Sunday of Advent - December 15, 2019

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 8:00am Tuesday - Friday 8:00am School Mass, Thursday 9:00am

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

THREE PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

THREE PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED		AMOUNT NEEDED TO FULFILL MISSION	SURPLUS/DEFICIT
<u>Saint Patrick</u> November Yr. to Date- 5 months	\$88,156 \$428,708	\$ 84,900 \$445,725	\$ 3,256 (\$ 17,017)
<u>Holy Cross</u> November Yr. to Date-5 months	\$26,136 \$137,551	\$ 27,432 \$144,018	(\$ 1,296) (\$ 6,467)
<u>Saint Rita</u> November Yr. to Date-5 months	\$ 15,118 \$ 55,137	\$ 11,628 \$ 61,047	\$ 3,490 (\$ 5,910)
COMBINED TOTAL YR TO DATE	\$621,396	\$650,790	(\$ 29,394)

Each week our new Three Parish Stewardship report will provide monthly reports on (1) contributions received, 2) expenses paid, (3) Mass attendance, and (4) various trend reports to help provide greater openness and understanding of how our parishes operate, and hopefully grow in our Mission. Please let us know what you think of the new format. Submit your questions or comments to:<u>askthefinancecouncil@saintpats.org</u>.

These income calculations are based on a weekly Mission need of \$21,225 Saint Patrick; \$6,858 Holy Cross; and \$2,907 Saint Rita. These deficits are expected during this first half of the fiscal year. As stated in our 2019-20 Budget Explanation, our projected expenses (The Amount Needed to Fulfill Mission) exceed last year's Contributions by \$78,391. It is a calculated risk by our parishes to commit to these increased Mission related expenses (mostly salaries) before the parish has actually contributed the funds we need. It is our confident hope that contributions will increase throughout the year as a result of parishioners responding to additional information we have provided through presentations from the Finance Council and our November Stewardship of Treasure Campaign.

Shifting from Maintenance to Mission takes additional financial resources, and our strategy to increase giving is threefold: (1) providing a better and more realistic explanation of how our parish(es) operate and the costs associated with those services we provide; (2) to encourage parishioners who have not been giving regularly to consider starting to give consistently; and (3) asking those who are currently giving, to consider giving more, if possible, to support this greater Mission we have entered upon. Stay tuned for upcoming reports on the results of our Stewardship of Treasure Campaign.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass at 7:30 a.m. - St. Rita St. Vincent de Paul Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m.,11:00 a.m.,7:00 p.m. - St. Patrick Mass at 10:00 a.m. - Holy Cross RCIA Class - 10:30 a.m. - Center - St. Patrick Youth Night - 5:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick Confirmation Class - 5:45 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16:

Communion Service at 8:00 a.m. - St. Patrick Mass at 9:00 a.m.- Holy Cross Eucharistic Adoration - 3:00 - 6:45 p.m. - St. Patrick Evening Prayer - 6:45 p.m. - Chapel - St. Patrick No Adult Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick Boy Scouts - 7:00 p.m. - Hall - St. Patrick Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m. - St. Rita

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17:

Mass at 8:00 a.m. - St. Patrick Mass with anointing of the sick at Noon - St. Rita Outreach/Food Bank - 8:00 a.m. - RE Building - Holy Cross Rummage Volunteers - 10:00 a.m. - Rum. Hall - Holy Cross PrimeTimers Christmas Potluck - 5:30 p.m. - Center -St. Patrick KC Officer's Meeting - 6:30 p.m. - Hall - St. Patrick

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18:

Mass at 8:00 a.m. - St. Patrick Mass at 5:30 p.m. - Holy Cross Bible Study - Noon - Rectory - St. Rita ACC Meeting - 5:30 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick Mother of Perpetual Help Novena - 7:30 p.m. - Holy Cross

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19:

Mass with the school children at 9:00 a.m. - St. Patrick Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross Inclusion Ministry - 2:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick Advent Reconciliation Service - 7:00 p.m. - St. Patrick

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20:

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross Men's Prayer - 6:45 a.m. - Hall - St. Patrick Office Hours - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Rectory - St. Rita

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21:

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - St. Rita Reconciliation - 9:30 a.m. - St. Rita Reconciliation - 3:30 p.m. - St. Patrick Reconciliation - 4:00 p.m. - Holy Cross Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m. - Holy Cross Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m. - Holy Cross Youth Night - Elf Movie & Spaghetti Dinner - 5:00 p.m. -Center - St. Patrick

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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 RCIA Class - 10:30 a.m. - Center - St. Patrick



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 Mass for the People of the Parishes MONDAY, DECEMBER 16 Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Raymond Gores

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17 Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Louis Imhoff Mass at St. Rita | Repose of the soul of Ron Ames

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18 Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul John Peschek Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Laurie Cassaw

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19 Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Barbara Bullinger Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Angela Connelly

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Robert Masenga Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Lehua Persing

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21 Mass at St. Rita | Intentions of Fr. Dick Pusch & Family

PRAY FOR THE RESPOSE OF THE SOUL OF

Maureen Stebner

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



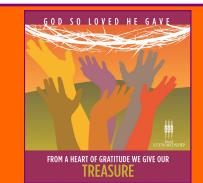
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER, OUR SICK:

ST. PATRICK Albert Bacon Joan Bruce Christopher Burton Joanne Gírolamí Toe Turun Bíanca Mally Geraldíne Maniatís Sr. Phílomena McCarthy, OP Beth O'Keefe Angie Olson Rick Ranch Dennís Seiler John Sturrock John Tulare Terry Yates Trevor Yates

HOLY CROSS BíllAdams Eileen Beckowitz Helen Berg Jean Bock Norm Christenson Rosemarie Ernst Judy Gaffney Joe Gilligan Jim Helbling Marjorie Hermsen Kerne Kennedy Mary Kingston Betty Knoll Joan Kowalskí Carolyn Kurríger Dick Lucich Tanet McIntvre Kathie Mikita Dave Peterson Ann Roberts Jeffrey Schmidt Níck Tuccí Donna Tveít Ned Vukovích MaryEllen Winski

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Robert & Karen Bruback

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Susan Dandy

Virginia Delyanis

Noreen Deruette

Marianne Collins

Georgeann Cukjati

Jamie & Wynter Dait

Teodorico & Marilyn Cruz

Pierson & Sara Clair

John Bushnell

Jon Calder

Jason & Tiffany Bone

John & Kim Boyle

John Bosse

Joseph Devlin & Monica Kiehl Michael & Judy Dillinger Elisabeth Dippold **Diane Doherty** Joan Doherty Terry & Mary Donahue Kate Donohue & Greg Lippert Brian Donovan Donald & Laura Dougherty Mark & Denise Dynan Douglas & Martha Eberhardt Don & Ann Marie Eberhart William & Barbara Eckert Stephen & Anne Enquist Michael & Julia Fallon **Michael Faltus** Gail Ferry David & Mary Kay Firestine Julie Fitchitt Garry & Cathleen Fitzgerald Jack & Mary Foust Michael & Maureen Freeman John & Aida Galbraith Cathryn Galt Michael & Katherine Garrison Randy & Sherree Gause Christopher & Doreen Gavin Stephen & Kathryn Gernon Brian & Sara Gilfeather Larry & Nancy Gladstone **Dolores Glump** David & Kelly Goodsell Barbara Gruber Thomas & Barbara Gudmundson Skyler Gunderson Gerry Gunovich Angelino Guron, Jr. Wade & Teri Hager Brent & Shannon Hall Lisa Hallett Mary Hannan Eric & Jean Hansen Marlene Harnish Scott & Theresa Harris Andrew & Jacqueline Henrikson Barbara Hepfer Barb Hiatt **Janice Higgins** Jonathan Hoag & Jocelyn Stewart Robert & Cheryl Hoffman

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Thank you to the families who have made their

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE **COMMITMENT FOR 2020.**

We are grateful for your generous support.

We can't be the parish Christ is calling us to be without everyone's commitment and support.

If you did not make your commitment, please pledge today!

Pledge cards can be found online or in all church vestibules and gathering spaces.

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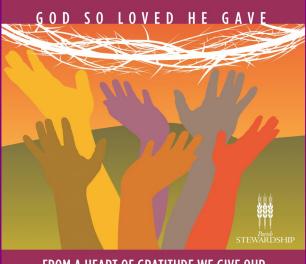
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FROM A HEART OF GRATITUDE WE GIVE OUR TREASURE

HOLY CROSS

Dan & Paula Albertson **Thomas Andersen** Isabel Andrade George Angel Anna Arthur Michael Bakula Stephen Ball Sue Beach Tristan Beach Sandra Benson Joe Berlanga Norma Briggs Dee Brown John & Patricia Campbell Estevan & Sarina Cano **Timothy Cassaw** Maria & Dolores Cisneros Isabel Cooke Nanci Cornell Susan Costlow Rosemary Cowan Floyd & Sue Cummings James & Susan Davis Otis & Winona Delaney Patricia Delgadillo **Dolores Diamond** Lenn & Nancy Doran Bruce Dunn **Diah Evans** James & Peggy Gagliardi Baby Salome & Tyrone Gamble Benjamin & Sherry Gervais Hazel Gores Norma Graham Jeri Grenier-Jaap Ron & Christin Harpel Stephen & Marilane Hatch Benjamin & Jennifer Heitman James Helbling Mary Hickey James & Becky Hunt John & Catherine Jaquish Margaret Jelic J. Elsie Jerkovich John & Mary Jones George Jurich Scott & Kimberly Kaul Joshua & Patricia Kors Hank & Roseanne Kraiewski Roland & Patricia Kroll Francis & Carolyn Kurriger Mary Rose Lamb

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OUR COMMUNITY



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.

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 or submit a prayer request through our website at: www.saintpats.org

HELP US STAY IN TOUCH WITH YOUR LOVED ONES

If you or a loved one are temporarily or permanently moving to a care facility, please contact the office to let us know.

Our Pastoral Care team would be happy to arrange someone to make a visit and even to bring Holy Communion.

Contact Laura at: 253-383-2783 ext. 4109 with the person's name and contact info.

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 St. Patrick Parish Center at: 253-383-2783.

After three weeks, please contact the office to have the name continued.

When prayers are no longer needed, please notify the office to have the name removed from the list.

HOMILIES ON DEMAND

Homebound parishioners, "long distance" parishioners or you just want to hear a homily again.

> For access to our homilies check our website at: www.saintpats.org

YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO US

Please remember that during Mass our Church remain unlocked. Please DO NOT send young children to restrooms alone. As in any public place, young children should be accompanied at all times.



SERVE

Giving of our time, talent and treasure mainly involves a change of attitude about giving. It's important to think in terms of giving in gratitude to God, of considering how blessed we are, of using our gifts and talents for the good of others.

Continue to say the campaign prayer for St. Patrick, Holy Cross and St. Rita success and for our hard-working campaign volunteers who are giving of their time and hearts.

More information is available at: www.calledtoserveaschrist.org



2019 Winter Concert Series

Featuring the works of Kirchner, Lauridsen, Bach, Shubert, Pergolesi, Handel, Forrest, Gjeilo, and some traditional carols.

Sheri-Ann Nishiyama,

Sunday Dec. 15, 3:00 p.m. St. Patrick Catholic Church Corner of 12th and J, Tacoma

SACRED STEPS

A funeral Mass for Maureen Stebner will be held at Holy Cross Catholic Church on Friday, December 20TH at 11:00 a.m.



Washington state law allows a minor child to obtain an abortion without her parents' knowledge.

The Catholic Bishops of Washington State strongly support and encourage gathering signatures on a petition.

Initiative 1004 (I-1004), is an initiative to institute a "parental notification law" that will require physicians to notify parents or guardians before performing abortions on minors.

259,622 validated signatures of registered voters are required to put I-1004 on the ballot. If you are a registered voter in Washington who hasn't signed the petition, please consider doing so. Petitions will be available after Mass. the season of Advent— a season of waiting & preparing in joyful expectation of Christmas

Fourney through the Seasons for Advent & Christmas

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RECONCILIATION SERVICE | 6 PM | ALL SAINTS BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE | 7 PM | ST. CHARLES BORROMEO

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PRIMETIMERS POTLUCK [AGE 50+] 5:30 PM | ST. PATRICK SIMBANG GABI | 7 PM |VISITATION

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SIMBANG GABI | 7 PM | ST. LEO

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RECONCILIATION SERVICE | 7 PM | ST. PATRICK

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CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS

ST. PATRICK | 5 PM* & 9 PM HOLY CROSS | 5:30 PM ST. CHARLES BORROMEO | 5 PM & 7 PM ST. LEO | 5 PM* & 10 PM *FAMILY MASS SACRED HEART | 6 PM ALL SAINTS | 5 PM & 9 PM

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CHRISTMAS ST. PATRICK | MIDNIGHT & 10 AM HOLY CROSS | 9 AM ST. CHARLES BORROMEO | MIDNIGHT [CAROLING AT 11:30 PM] | 8 AM | 10 AM ST. RITA | 10:30 AM ALL SAINTS | 9 AM & 11 AM

31 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD VIGIL MASS

ST. CHARLES BORROMÉO | 5 PM ST. PATRICK | 6 PM ALL SAINTS | 7 PM

JANUARY

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MASS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD 9 AM | ST. PATRICK | HOLY CROSS | ST. CHARLES BORROMEO | ALL SAINTS 12:10 PM | ST. LEO

LUKAS HASLER ORGAN RECITAL | 5 PM | ST. CHARLES BORROMEO

More Info development@saintpats.org

FAITH FORMATION

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 9: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday, December 10: Gn 49:2, 8-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17

Wednesday, December 11: Jer 23:5-8/ Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25

Thursday, December 12: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Friday, December 13: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1 -2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday, December 14: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

YOUTH CONFIRMATION

Sacramental Prep for Youth Confirmation classes meet on Sundays, 5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center of Saint Patrick Catholic Church.

Join Youth Group for food, friendship and fun starting at 5 p.m., participate in Youth Confirmation class starting at 5:45 p.m. then stay for Mass at 7:00 p.m. with your friends from Youth Group.

Class dates: 12/15, 1/12, 1/26, 2/9, 2/23 3/8 sponsor attendance requested 3/22, 4/5, 4/19

UPCOMING RETREATS AT ST. PLACID PRIORY

CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR WITH THE BELOVED January 3-5 Friday, 7:30 pm - Sunday, 11am Register by prior Wednesday: \$220

THE SOUL'S SLOW RIPENING: DANCING THE SACRED ON A CELTIC PATH Saturday, January 18, 9am-3pm Register by prior Friday: \$60

THE CLOUD OF UNKNOWING: A CALL TO CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER Saturday, January 25, 9am-3pm Register by prior Friday: \$65

Information & registration at: www.stplacid.org

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Who did you come to see? A version of this question is posed by Jesus many times in the Gospels. He asks it of Andrew and John when they begin to follow him. He asks it of Mary Magdalene in the garden of the resurrection. He asks it in today's Gospel. "What did you go out to the desert to see?" There is something innately human about "seeing." Animals have eyes - some with much more powerful vision than our own - but that's not the kind of seeing Jesus is talking about. We could phrase the question several other ways. "What are you looking for?" "What are you longing for?" "Whom do you seek?"

It is in seeing for ourselves that our suspicions or hypotheses are confirmed, that our desires discover their fulfillment, and that we can rest for a moment in certainty. John the Baptist sought certainty of Jesus' identity. "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" Jesus sends word to him based on the testimony of sight, observations of the mighty deeds Jesus has begun to work. "Go and tell John what you hear and see."

God recognizes our desire to see. In the Incarnation, the Word is made flesh. The invisible is made visible. The supernatural is made manifest in an infant who can do little more than the most natural of movements as he feeds, cries, sleeps. We don't need to wait for Christmas to see God. The work of God is all around us. Those blinded by sin "regain their sight." People overcome backgrounds of poverty and violence to make world-changing contributions. Addicts grow and heal. Truth is spoken, and people listen. Let's pray for the grace to see God's movement in our lives this week. How have you seen the work of God?

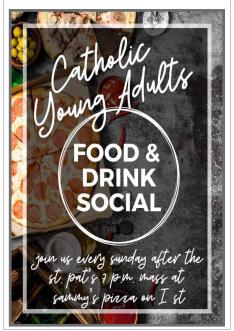
CATHECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Christian education process for children 3 to 12 years old. In the prepared environment, the atrium, the children grow in the knowledge of Jesus and his love.

Today CGS can be found in all 50 states and 37 countries!

For more information contact kward@saintpats.org

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS



MASS CONSUMPTION & THE OFFERTORY

Mass Consumption, a Bible Study and Tacoma Catholic Young Adult Group meets every Monday night 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. at Tacoma Mall Panera Bread.

On the last Monday of the month they hold an event called The Offertory. A sharing style gathering that includes anywhere from music, teachings, and witness for a compelling Catholic experience.

Check out our Facebook page for the time and place.

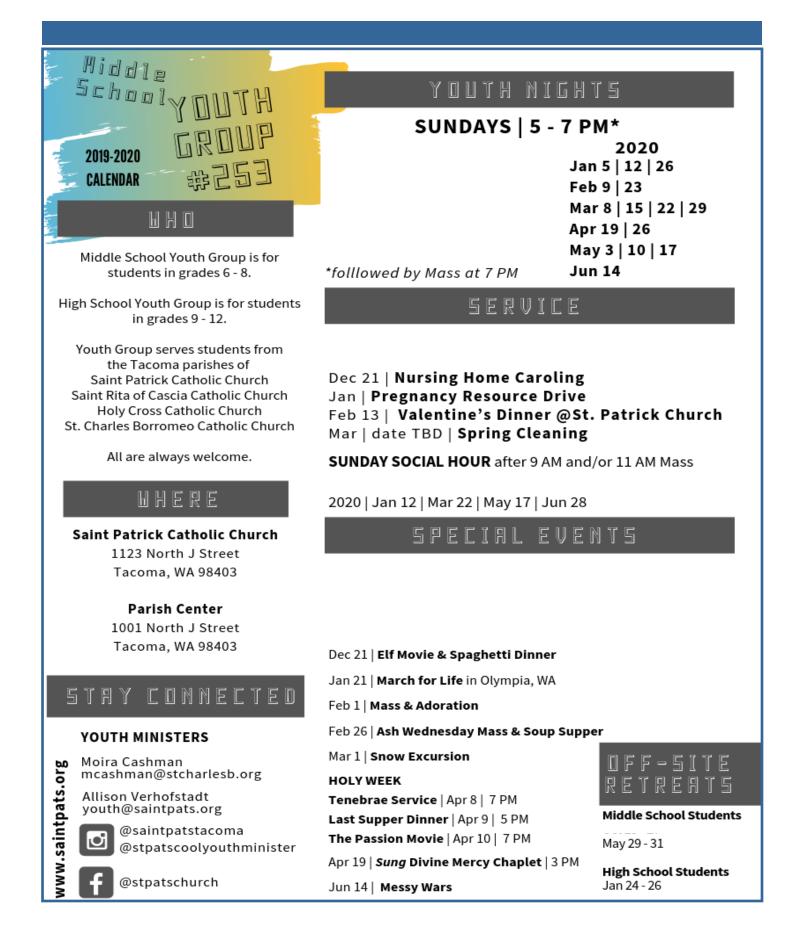
COMMUNION AND LIBERATION

Communion and Liberation hosts a weekly School of Community at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings, at St. Patrick Parish Center.

CL is a movement in the Church founded by the late Monsignor Luigi Giussani that proposes the relevance of the Incarnation to the deepest needs of the heart in all areas of life.

For more information visit: english.clonline.org or email: toby.danna@gmail.com.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY



HAPPENING AT SAINT PATRICK

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

CHRISTMAS CASTING CALL

At the Christmas Vigil Mass on Tuesday, December 24THat 5:00 p.m., Children will present the Gospel story, serve as lectors, carry up the gifts and help greet at the doors.

We are looking for children ages 5-12 to bring the celebration to life. Children must attend two practices: Saturday, December 21st from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. & Sunday, December 22nd from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

To sign up, email Regina Keller at: reginamkeller@gmail.com

We also need parents to assist. Be rewarded with school volunteer hours, early Mass seating and priceless Christmas memories.

Join us in this beautiful tradition!



ADULT BIBLE STUDY

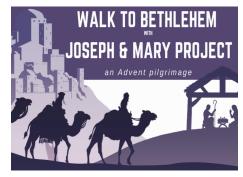
St. Patrick offers two Adult Bible Study groups.

The New Testament Group meets at the Parish Center the $1^{ST} \& 3^{RD}$ Monday at 7:00 p.m.

This group is taking the month of December off -Join us again in January.

The Old Testament Group meets at the Parish Center the $2^{ND} \& 4^{TH}$ Monday at 7:00 p.m.

For the month of December this group will not be meeting on the fourth Monday, December 23RD.



Biblical scholars have determined that the distance Joseph and Mary traveled from Nazareth to Bethlehem was a grueling 90-mile journey, but each day they walked, knowing the birth of Jesus, our Lord and Savior was approaching.

To keep the memory of their journey and its purpose in our minds during Advent, the Health Ministry encourages you to take a heart-healthy walk, rain or shine, and to pray the Advent prayer of St. Francis of Assisi or reflect on a weekly Advent inspirational message during your journey in the Walk to Bethlehem with the Mary & Joseph Project.

The Health Ministry will make a donation to Pregnancy Aid of Tacoma on behalf of each person/family who journeys with Joseph and Mary this season.

THE ADVENT PRAYER OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Blessed are you God our Father, King of the ages. You revealed your love to all when Christ came in poverty to this world. Keep us in your constant care as we await his birth in the Glory of Christmas.

WEEKLY ADVENT REFLECTIONS

www.dynamiccatholic.com/best-adventever/advent-prayers

FOOD DRIVE

The greatest need this month is BABY FOOD. Please think of those less fortunate when you are grocery shopping.

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 within the context of family life, work and our faith community.

PRIMETIMERS

PrimeTimers invites all those in the age 50+ club to a holiday potluck dinner on December 17TH at 5:30 p.m. in the St. Patrick Parish Center to celebrate the season.

No RSVP needed just bring a dish to share.

ON LINE GIVING IS EASY!

Please go to our website at: www.saintpats.org

Click on the Donate/Online giving button.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD CHANGES

As of January 1, Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry will be held

only during the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

We are grateful to the ministers who have led our young parishioners over the years. Unfortunately, there just aren't enough volunteers at this time to continue the ministry at the later Mass.

We encourage families whose children feel served by this ministry to join us at 9:00 a.m.

If you are interested in supporting this program as a leader, please contact Laura in the parish office.



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 need commitments for the following hours: To sign up call 253-759-3368 Sunday: 2-3 am / Tuesday: Midnight-1 am, 3-4 am, 4-5 am, / Wednesday: Midnight - 1 am, 1 - 2 am, 2-3 am, Friday: 2-3 am, 3-4 am, / Saturday: Midnight-1 am, 1-2 am, 2-3 am, 10-11 pm, 11-Midnight

SACRED STEPS

A funeral Mass for

Maureen Stebner

will be held at Holy Cross Catholic Church on Friday, December 20TH at 11:00 a.m.

OUTREACH / FOOD BANK

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

We also meet Mondays after 9:00 a.m. Mass to take the food from the blue barrels to the food bank store.

> If you are interested in helping, please call, Carol Ringrose at: 253-318-3383.

Please donate: hats, shoes, gloves and coats.

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 belief & sanity levels!

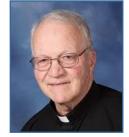
Come check us out and see how much fun our little group can be. Moms/caregivers and kids of all ages and stages of life are welcome.

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

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.



The funeral mass for Fr. John Renggli presided by Archbishop Etienne along with sixty priests concelebrating and attended by 600 people, was beautiful.

A heartfelt thank you to all who kept vigil, helped to prepare and served at Fr. John's Vigil, Funeral mass and reception.

It could not have happened without you!

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



LECTOR & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 21, 5:30 p.m. Lectors: Jan Stauffer & Josh Kors Eucharistic Ministers: Sandi Rossi, Nancy & Lenn Doran Choir: Mary Jones

December 22, 10:00 a.m. Lectors: Russ Wells & Susie Ala Eucharistic Ministers: Will & Mary Rawlings, Carol Ringrose Choir: Nanci Cornell

DECORATING THE CHURCH

We will decorate the church for Christmas after the 10:00 a.m. mass on December 22ND. We would appreciate all the helping hands we can get. Thank You!

ON LINE GIVING

Now is the time to try out on line giving!

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

NATIVITY HOUSE

We prepare and serve dinner to the people at Nativity House on the first Sunday of each month.

We are usually at Nativity House from 3:30 to 6:15 p.m., for food preparation, cooking, serving dinner to approximately 150 guests and assisting the staff with clean up.

If you would like to volunteer, please call Floyd at: 253-208-0810.



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 SAINT RITA OF CASCIA

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT ST. RITA OF CASCIA

1st Friday of the month, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

COFFEE HOUR

Can you help out by providing doughnuts on the first or third Sunday? If this is something you are interested in doing please contact the office.

PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE

Is there something you would like to see us do as a church family as we move into the future?

Contact the chairperson our Parish life committee, Francie Jordan.

CALLED TO MINISTRY

Consider becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

At this time we are in need of a

Eucharistic Minister and two Ministers of the cup for the 3RD Sunday of the month. Please call Susan at: 253-503-1871

SODALITY POINSETTIA SALE

The members of Sodality would like to thank everyone who purchased plants this year.

Not only did you decorate the church and your homes with these beautiful plants, but you help us to continue our charitable works.

HELP THE HOMELESS STAY WARM THIS WINTER

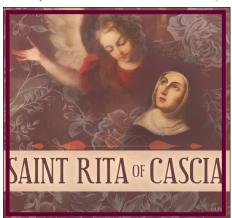
Once again the generosity of our parishioners is amazing. We have collected a large amount of warm clothing for those less fortunate.

Thank you.

CHRISTMAS DINNER BASKET

We will be providing Christmas dinner for a family in need again this year. There is a basket in the vestibule for non-perishable items,

Holy Names will provide the turkey.

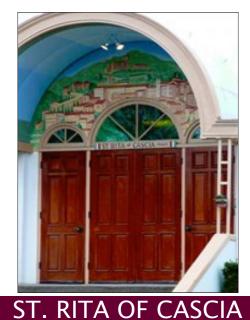


FUNERALS

To schedule a funeral or for questions related to death or dying, please call Father David or Laura Dougherty at: 253-383-2783.

CRAFTERS

Bring your project and join us on the second Friday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Rita Rectory for relaxation and fellowship.



BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study held in the rectory every Wednesday at Noon taught by Sr. Pauline Igoe, OP

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The apostolate of the society is to assist in parish ministries by performing the Corporal Works of Mercy: to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, give drink to the thirsty,

shelter to the homeless, tend the sick, visit those in prison, and bury the dead.



e 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.

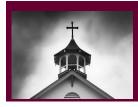
For more information, see Mark Lewis, President.

ST. FRANCES SODALITY

St. Frances Sodality meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month after Noon Mass. See Riley Smith, if you are interested in joining.

Mission Statement The St. Frances of Rome Sodality is an organization of Catholics of all ages at St. Rita of Cascia Parish. We meet monthly from September to May. Our goal is to support each other spiritually and socially, under the direction of our pastor.

We foster a Christian community through prayer, charitable works, and supporting Catholic education through scholarships.



THANK YOU TO OUR ADVERTISER OF THE MONTH GAFFNEY FUNERAL HOME

SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

SAINT PATRICK C A T H O L I C Church & 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.



ANNUAL FUND 2020: COMMUNITY VISION

Community Vision is the process of developing consensus about what future the community wants, and then deciding what is necessary to achieve it. What does our community value most? What kind of community do we want to be?

JOIN US FOR MASS

Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in the Church.



SCRIP FOR SALE

Sunday, December 15 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Church Hall

Fill your holiday stockings while supporting St. Patrick School!



OPERATION KEEP'EM WARM & FED

Operation Keep' Em Warm & Fed provides blankets, food, coffee & vitamins to our brothers and sisters struggling with poverty, homelessness and addiction issues in Tacoma's inner city, serving 90-125 people every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Saint Patrick Catholic School Supports Keep' Em Warm & Fed by serving as sandwich makers and hospitality providers.

Sandwich Makers Prepare sandwiches after school for distribution to our neighbors on the street. December 17

Hospitality Providers Distribute food & offer kindness and fellowship to our neighbors on the street in the early morning. December 16 Call the school at: 253-272-2297 for more information.

PRE-K SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

St. Patrick Catholic School is currently hiring substitute teachers for our preschool program. The successful candidate will be energetic and enthusiastic about working with young children ages 3-5. Working in partnership with another teacher, preschool substitutes will assist in supervising indoor and outdoor play where you will be asked to monitor for safety and to ensure all students are treating each other with kindness and respect. Our students are active and naturally curious, and we foster those traits and encourage students to grow through exploration. We are looking for substitute teachers who believe young children learn best through hands on experiences in a classroom where the teacher provides a safe and healthy environment for them to make messes, creations, and self-directed academic and social conclusions.

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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