

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



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph - December 29, 2019

### Saint Patrick Parish

1001 North J Street, Tacoma, WA 98403 | 253-383-2783 | [www.saintpats.org](http://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 44<sup>TH</sup> Street, Tacoma, WA 98407 | 253-759-3368 | [www.holycross-tacoma.org](http://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](http://www.stritastacoma.org)

Sunday Mass

7:30am

Daily Masses

Tuesday 12 Noon, Saturday 9am

Reconciliation

Saturday 9:30am



# PASTOR'S LETTER

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Gee, Wally.....” I grew up hearing those words of Beaver Cleaver spoken often on the Leave it to Beaver show. Over the years, I’ve heard people say how they wish family life were as simple and innocent as was seen in the household of Ward and June Cleaver. But, my friends, life is not black and white; and it’s not a sitcom....from the 50’s or from today.

Family life is much more complex today. Still, life in a family has the possibility of truly being holy, and a place where each member of the family can grow in holiness. The family of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus was faced with challenge and peril from the get go, just like many of our families today. Life has never been “easy” but still, if we look to the love and care we receive from our Father, we can grow as His beloved sons and daughters no matter what family we may have or the challenges that might be present.

I want to challenge each of our families in this coming new year to truly be present to each other. Whether you’re a couple; have one child or many or none at all, make it a point to dedicate quality time to your family life. Be present to each other. Put the phones and devices down. Look each other in the eye and have real meaningful conversations; not conversations about the weather, but about life, and faith, and things of substance. I feel that our kids today are less social and more socially awkward because they don’t have opportunities to have device-free conversations; person to person, especially with those who are closest to them in their families. When is the best time for this to happen? Well, God our Father has given us the perfect time: Sunday, the Lord’s day! This is the day set aside so that we may give our Father praise and worship at Mass and grow in love for each other as family, both at the parish and at home. This is precious time. Make good use of it and make a real new year resolution to become a holy and loving family!

*Fr. David Mulholland*

**CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29:  
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH**

Mass at 7:30 a.m. - St. Rita  
 Mass at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. - St. Patrick  
 KC Pancake Breakfast & Blood Drive  
 Mass at 10:00 a.m. - Holy Cross

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 30:**

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 31: NEW YEARS EVE  
THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD VIGIL  
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED**

No Noon Mass - St. Rita  
 Mass at 6:00 p.m. - St. Patrick  
 Outreach / Food Bank - 8:00 a.m. - RE Bldg. - Holy Cross  
 Rummage Volunteers - 10:00 a.m. - R. Hall - Holy Cross

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1: NEW YEARS DAY  
THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD  
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED**

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross  
 Mass at 9:00 a.m. - St. Patrick  
 Mother of Perpetual Help Novena - 7:30 p.m. -  
 Chapel - Holy Cross

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 2:**

Mass at 8:00 a.m. - St. Patrick  
 Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross  
 Inclusion Ministry - 2:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 3:**

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross  
 First Friday Mass and Luncheon - 11:00 a.m. - St. Patrick  
 Men's Prayer - 6:45 a.m. - Hall - St. Patrick  
 Office Hours - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Rectory - St. Rita

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 4:**

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

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 5:**

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  
 SVDP Mtg. - 10:00 a.m. - Nursery - St. Patrick  
 Youth Night - 5:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick



**MASS INTENTIONS**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29 Mass for the People of the Parishes  
 MONDAY, DECEMBER 30  
 Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Doris Ormsby Watters  
 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Vigil  
 WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  
 THURSDAY, JANUARY 2  
 Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Remedios Bacho  
 Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Milica Yerkovich  
 FRIDAY, JANUARY 3  
 Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Gina Slavich  
 Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Maureen Stebner  
 SATURDAY, JANUARY 4  
 Mass at St. Rita | Repose of the soul of Joe Doria

**PRAY FOR THE RESPOSE OF THE SOUL OF**

*Catherine Sleavin*

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:**

<b>ST. PATRICK</b>	<b>HOLY CROSS</b>	<b>ST. RITA</b>
Joan Bruce	Bill Adams	Dave Adler
Christopher Burton	Eileen Beckowitz	Colleen Battinovich
Julie Fitchitt	Helen Berg	Robin Coralluzzo
Joanne Girolami	Jean Bock	Sr. Mary Buttimer
Joe Jurun	Norm Christenson	Donna Eyres
Bianca Mally	Rosemarie Ernst	Teresa Gibbs
Geraldine Maniatis	Judy Gaffney	Sr. Marilyn Gooley
Sr. Philomena	Joe Gilligan	George Greco
McCarthy, OP	Jim Helbling	Judy Hussy
Beth O'Keefe	Marjorie Hermesen	Tina Isakson
Angie Olson	Kerrie Kennedy	Son Lee
Loren Parkhill	Mary Kingston	Sally Luppino
Rick Ranch	Betty Knoll	Mike Mauss
Dennis Seiler	Joan Kowalski	Chuck Mazza
John Sturrock	Carolyn Kurriger	Donna Pate
John Tulare	Dick Lucich	Michael Pfannenstiel
Diamond Yates	Janet McIntyre	Daisy Radloff
Terry Yates	Kathie Mikita	Jim Riconosciuto
Trevor Yates	Dave Peterson	Miriam Sanderson
	Ann Roberts	Dori Schoebien
	Jeffrey Schmidt	Joy Viafore
	Nick Tucci	
	Donna Tveit	
	Ned Vukovich	
	MaryEllen Winski	

# THREE PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

## Three Parish Expense Report

Fiscal Year: July 2019-June 2020

<b>BUDGETED</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>UNDER/OVER BUDGET</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>EXPENSES</b>	

### SAINT PATRICK

<b>NOVEMBER:</b>			
Personnel	\$64,917	\$ 62,621	\$ 2,296 UNDER
Operating	\$50,303	\$ 35,634	\$ 14,669 UNDER
Month Total:	\$115,220	\$ 98,255	\$ 16,965 UNDER
Year to Date:	\$576,100	\$ 557,855	\$ 18,245 UNDER

### HOLY CROSS

<b>NOVEMBER:</b>			
**Personnel	\$19,104	\$17,815	\$ 1289 UNDER
Operating	\$19,941	\$13,606	\$ 6,335 UNDER
Month Total:	\$39,045	\$ 31,421	\$ 7,624 UNDER
Year to Date:	\$195,225	\$ 191,336	\$ 3,889 UNDER

### SAINT RITA

<b>NOVEMBER:</b>			
**Personnel	\$9,434	\$ 9,481	\$ 47 OVER
Operating	\$4,660	\$ 2,728	\$1,932 UNDER
Month Total:	\$14,094	\$ 12,209	\$ 1,885 UNDER
Year to Date:	\$70,465	\$ 76,219	\$ 5,754 OVER

\*\* Holy Cross and Saint Rita personnel expenses are adjusted to reflect respective salary payments made to Saint Patrick for services rendered on their behalf by Saint Patrick staff.

12/18/19



YEAR END GIVING

# 6 WAYS TO GIVE

TACOMA CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ST. PATRICK | HOLY CROSS | ST. RITA OF CASCIA

As we come to the end of the year,  
we want to thank you for your generous gifts throughout the year!  
Every year people ask how they can help as the year comes to a close.

Here's how you can support the  
Tacoma Catholic Parishes of St. Patrick | Holy Cross | St. Rita of Cascia  
and Saint Patrick Catholic School before the end of the year:

## PRAY

We invite you to pray for our three-parish community and our school.

## DONATE

We rely on your generous donations to sustain ministries.  
Please consider a year-end donation to your parish  
or to the Saint Patrick Catholic School Annual Fund or the Endowment which provides tuition assistance.

Donations received (or postmarked)  
by December 31<sup>st</sup> will be recorded on your 2019 parish giving report.

Online Giving donations made by you  
on or before December 31<sup>st</sup>  
will also be recorded on your 2019 giving report.

## SHOP

Shop with Scrip gift cards available for purchase in the Development Office Saint Patrick Catholic School.  
Another way to shop and give is to enable AmazonSmile.  
When you designate St. Patrick School as your beneficiary,  
Amazon donates a percentage of your purchase to Saint Patrick Catholic School - our largest ministry.

## WRITE A REVIEW

Wherever you've encountered our content  
Facebook, Yelp, Niche.com, GreatSchools.org - write a review!  
Your positive reviews help make our work more visible to others on multiple platforms.

## FOLLOW US

Follow us on social media - Facebook - St. Patrick, Facebook - St. Rita of Cascia, Facebook - Holy Cross,  
Instagram, YouTube and like, comment and share our story!

## SHARE YOUR TESTIMONY

Strengthened your faith because of ALPHA?  
Converted through RCIA?  
Came back to the Church?  
Let us know!



SAINT PATRICK  
CATHOLIC  
CHURCH & SCHOOL



Holy Cross Catholic Church  
A PARISH OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SEATTLE



ST. RITA OF CASCIA  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

# OUR COMMUNITY



**DECEMBER 31 -  
SOLEMNITY OF MARY,  
MOTHER OF GOD VIGIL MASS**  
St. Charles Borromeo - 5:00 p.m.  
St. Patrick - 6:00 p.m.

**JANUARY 1-  
MASS FOR THE  
SOLEMNITY OF MARY,  
MOTHER OF GOD**  
St. Patrick - 9:00 a.m.  
Holy Cross - 9:00 a.m.  
St. Leo - 12:10 p.m.

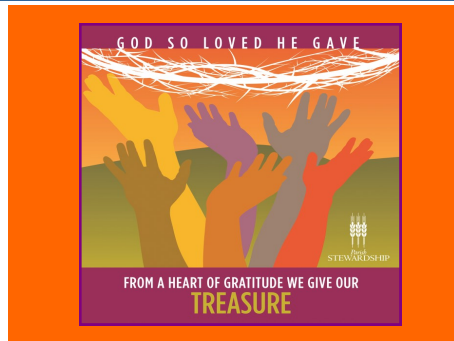
## PRAYER LINE REQUEST

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



## CALLED TO SERVE *as* CHRIST

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



## MARCH FOR LIFE - JANUARY 21

More information coming soon.

## RETREATS AT ST. PLACID

**CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR  
WITH THE BELOVED**  
January 3-5  
Friday, 7:30 p.m. - Sunday, 11:00 a.m.  
Register by prior Wednesday: \$220

**THE SOUL'S SLOW RIPENING:  
DANCING THE SACRED  
ON A CELTIC PATH**  
Saturday, January 18,  
9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.  
Register by prior Friday: \$60

**THE CLOUD OF UNKNOWNING:  
A CALL TO CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER**  
Saturday, January 25,  
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Register by prior Friday: \$65  
Information & registration  
at: www.stplacid.org



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.

# FAITH FORMATION

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 29:

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday, December 30:

1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday, December 31:

1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday, January 1:

Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Thursday, January 2:

1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28

Friday, January 3:

1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 [3cd]/Jn 1:29-34

Saturday, January 4:

1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [3cd]/Jn 1:35-42

## YOUTH CONFIRMATION

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:

1/12, 1/26, 2/9, 2/23, 3/8 3/22, 4/5, 4/19

We will celebrate Confirmation on Saturday April 18, 2020 at St. Patrick Church

## ADULT CONFIRMATION OFFERED THIS SPRING

If you are an adult baptized Catholic, who has received First Holy Communion and not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, now is your chance!

We will celebrate Confirmation at our unified parishes of St. Patrick - Holy Cross - St. Rita on Saturday April 18, 2020 at St. Patrick Church

To register or learn more, contact: [kward@saintpats.org](mailto:kward@saintpats.org) or 253-383-2783 ext. 4109

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

“Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you.” 725 kilometers. That’s the distance on modern roads from Bethlehem to Cairo. Assuming one covered 40km a day on foot - ambitious for two young parents and their infant son - the journey would take well over two weeks. Of course, the Holy Family didn’t have modern roads. They would travel through wilderness, fear bandits, run low on water, and cross the vast Sinai Peninsula in a reverse of their forefathers in Exodus. Here, in struggle and sacrifice, are the beginnings of the forging of the Holy Family.

“Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt. He stayed there until the death of Herod.” Large Jewish communities existed in most major cities of the ancient Mediterranean world, after the collapse of their kingdoms chronicled in the Old Testament, and Joseph could likely find work as a carpenter. All the same, today’s Gospel reminds us that the first formational years of Jesus as a babe-in-arms were spent in a strange land. The members of the Holy Family were foreigners, outsiders, immigrants.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. God took on our humanity. He is in solidarity with our own trials and difficulties. On the feast of the Holy Family, we honor the special place of the family within society. We are invited, too, to recall those families who share in the struggles of the Holy Family in a particular way. We pray for immigrants, asylum seekers, and refugees. We pray for all parents who sacrifice their own well-being and comfort so their children may have a better life.

## CATHECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

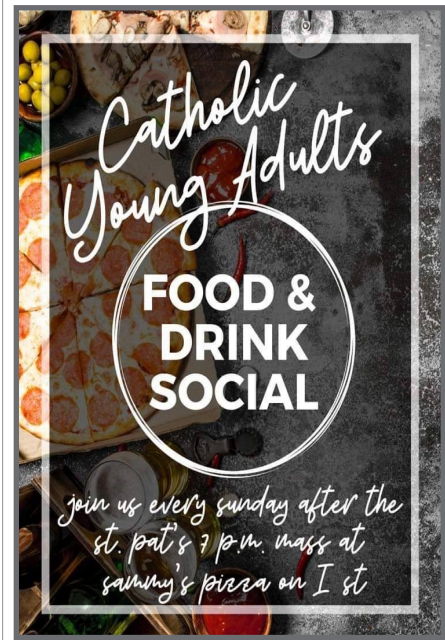
The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Christian education process for children 3 to 12 years old.

In the prepared environment, the atrium, the children grow in the knowledge of Jesus and his love.

Contact [kward@saintpats.org](mailto: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](http://english.clonline.org) or email: [toby.danna@gmail.com](mailto:toby.danna@gmail.com).

# MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Middle School YOUTH GROUP #253  
2019-2020 CALENDAR

## WHO

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

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

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

All are always welcome.

## WHERE

### Saint Patrick Catholic Church

1123 North J Street  
Tacoma, WA 98403

### Parish Center

1001 North J Street  
Tacoma, WA 98403

## STAY CONNECTED

### YOUTH MINISTERS

Moira Cashman  
mcashman@stcharlesb.org

Allison Verhofstadt  
youth@saintpats.org



@saintpatstacoma  
@stpatscoolyouthminister



@stpatschurch

www.saintpats.org

## YOUTH NIGHTS

SUNDAYS | 5 - 7 PM\*



\*followed by Mass at 7 PM

2020

Jan 5 | 12 | 26

Feb 9 | 23

Mar 8 | 15 | 22 | 29

Apr 19 | 26

May 3 | 10 | 17

Jun 14

## SERVICE

Jan | **Pregnancy Resource Drive**

Feb 13 | **Valentine's Dinner @St. Patrick Church**

Mar | date TBD | **Spring Cleaning**

**SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR** after 9 AM and/or 11 AM Mass

2020 | Jan 12 | Mar 22 | May 17 | Jun 28

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Jan 21 | **March for Life** in Olympia, WA

Feb 1 | **Mass & Adoration**

Feb 26 | **Ash Wednesday Mass & Soup Supper**

Mar 1 | **Snow Excursion**

### HOLY WEEK

**Tenebrae Service** | Apr 8 | 7 PM

**Last Supper Dinner** | Apr 9 | 5 PM

**The Passion Movie** | Apr 10 | 7 PM

Apr 19 | **Sung Divine Mercy Chaplet** | 3 PM

Jun 14 | **Messy Wars**

## OFF-SITE RETREATS

### Middle School Students

May 29 - 31

### High School Students

Jan 24 - 26



# HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS NIGHT

## "She Is..."

BEAUTIFUL. WORTHY. COURAGEOUS. PASSIONATE. STRONG.  
EMPATHETIC. HUMBLE. KIND. BOLD. LOVED.

Join us Monday nights for chips, queso, cookies, discussion, & chapel time with your friends & young adult woman leaders.

Join one of our small groups or start a new one with a group of your friends.

*Open to young women in grades 9-12 regardless of parish or school affiliation.*


**MONDAYS**

**6:30-8:30 PM**

*starts October 7*

**SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Parish Center  
1001 North J Street  
Tacoma, WA

More Info:  
[youth@saintpats.org](mailto:youth@saintpats.org)

Let's get social!  
 /youthgroup253

## HIGH SCHOOL GUYS NIGHT

Join us Monday nights for sports, food, discussion, and chapel time with *your* friends and young adult male leaders.

Join one of our small groups or start a new one with a group of *your* friends.

*Open to young men in grades 9-12 regardless of parish or school affiliation.*

**MONDAYS | 6:30-8:30 PM**

*starts October 7th*

**SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Parish Center | 1001 North J Street | Tacoma

Let's get social!  
Instagram /youthgroup253

More Info  
[youth@saintpats.org](mailto:youth@saintpats.org)

# HAPPENING AT SAINT PATRICK

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND BLOOD DRIVE

Join us December 29<sup>TH</sup>  
after morning Masses for another  
delicious KC Pancake Breakfast.



Then give the gift of blood at the  
Cascade Regional Blood Mobile  
in the St. Patrick Church parking lot  
from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



**BLOOD DONATION**  
BE A HERO GIVE BLOOD

### 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 at:  
253-383-2783 ext. 4109.

### 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](mailto:stephenministry@saintpats.org)

You'll receive a response  
within 48 hours.

Please call 911 if it is an emergency.

### 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.

### FOOD DRIVE

The greatest need this month is  
**BABY FOOD.**

Please think of those less fortunate when  
you are grocery shopping.

### INCLUSION MINISTRY

Widening our welcome.

Advocating for people with disabilities.

Join us at our next meeting,  
Thursday, January 2<sup>ND</sup>  
at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Questions?

Contact Laura Dougherty at:  
253-274-4109 or  
[ldougherty@saintpats.org](mailto:ldougherty@saintpats.org)

### ON LINE GIVING IS EASY!

Please go to our website at:  
[www.saintpats.org](http://www.saintpats.org)

Click on the Donate/Online giving button.

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

St. Patrick offers two  
Adult Bible Study groups.

The New Testament Group  
meets at the Parish Center the  
1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> 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<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> Monday at 7:00 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  
within the context of family life,  
work and our faith community.

### FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND LUNCHEON

Join us for Mass on  
Friday, January 3<sup>RD</sup> at 11:00 a.m.  
followed by a delicious 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,  
regarding joining our brotherhood,  
seek out a member.



## 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 - 1am, 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

### OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed  
December 31 & January 1.

Thank you.

### 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 2<sup>ND</sup> and 4<sup>TH</sup> 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.

### 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 with clean up.

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

### MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS FOR DECEASED LOVED ONES AT HOLY CROSS

*Virginia Mitchell*

*Linda Hudman*

*Silvino Delatorre*

*Norlin Family*

*Forgotten deceased of Holy Cross*

*Loretta T. Sullivan*

*Pat Daly*

*Art Doran*

*Frank and Lucille Deuster*

*Bob Cukjati*

*Gary Evans*

*Eusebia Cisneros*

*Rosario Salvador Delgadillo*

*Jim Brown*

*Katherine Evansich*

*Joe and Ruth Gagliardi*

*Barb and Ellen Price*

*Phil and Pam Koehler*

*Pam, Flip and Tom*

*Jesus Fernandez*

*Harold Keller*

*Wez Jones*

*Margaret Fenlon*

*Margie Eckroth*

*Al Hayes*



### LECTOR & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

SOLEMNITY OF MARY,  
HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

January 1, 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Steve Cano

Eucharistic Ministers:

Greta Toledo, Elisa Cano, Aida Kintanar

Choir: Dianne Manley

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 4, 5:30 p.m.

Lectors: Floyd Cummings & Jan Stauffer

Eucharistic Ministers:

Lenn & Nancy Doran, Paula Albertson

Choir: Sandi Rossi

January 5, 10:00 a.m.

Lectors: Steve Cano & Onolata Petelo

Eucharistic Ministers:

Elsa Cano, Marge Beardemphl,

Jan Smurro

Choir: Sandy Benson

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASS

January 23<sup>RD</sup> from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Please sign up on line at [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org).  
Meet in the parish hall for the class.

### THE OUTREACH & FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS

Thank you for your awesome generosity  
in response to our recent Giving Tree.  
Your donations will help make Christmas  
brighter for our guests who will have  
breakfast with us December 24<sup>TH</sup>.

Written by Outreach guest:

"Plenty of people with nowhere to go.  
Here for thanksgiving  
with or without snow.

You never know but you might be given  
reasons to live.

So thanks again for all your giving as it  
won't just go to waste.

As you have class and you have honor  
& integrity & good taste."

R.L.T.C. (Nov. 2019)



## 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

1<sup>st</sup> 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 3<sup>RD</sup> Sunday of the month.

Please call Susan at: 253-503-1871

### CRAFTERS

Bring a project you're working on the second Friday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the rectory for relaxation and fellowship.

### FUNERALS

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

### VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR POTLUCK

Our annual Vietnamese potluck will be held on Sunday, January 19<sup>TH</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Bring your favorite dish and help us celebrate the Lunar New Year.

### BIBLE STUDY

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

### 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 to the families who have made their

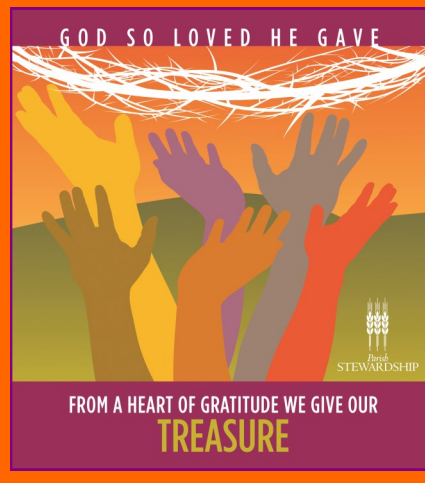
## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE COMMITMENT FOR 2020.

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.



### 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.

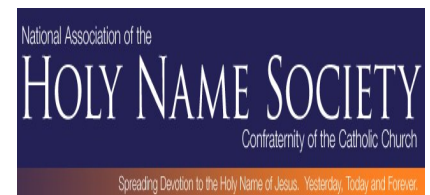
### HOLY NAME SOCIETY

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.

We 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,



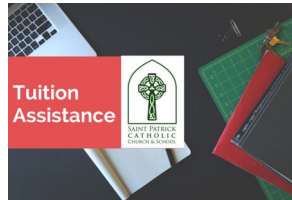
## ST. RITA OF CASCIA

THANK YOU TO OUR ADVERTISER OF THE MONTH  
**GAFFNEY FUNERAL HOME**



# 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.



Saint Patrick Catholic School is currently accepting Tuition Assistance Applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Applications are due by January 31, 2020. After the deadline, we will continue to accept applications until funds are no longer available.

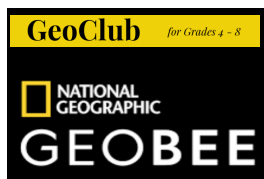


COME FLY WITH US!



JOIN US FOR MASS

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



The academic competition is open to students in grades 4-8. Students are invited to join the GeoClub for games & practice questions. GeoClub meets Wednesdays, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. in Mr. Miller's room. GeoClub prepares students covering topics like geography, civilizations, cultures, physical features, and more.

**Disney's**  
SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
**SPRING MUSICAL THEATER**

**INFORMATION MEETING**  
*for students in grades 4 - 8*

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020**  
3:15-4:15 pm | in the Music Room

**NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. COME BE A PART OF THE FUN.**

Attend the meeting to receive information about schedules, performer roles, crew positions, audition details, and parent notes. No commitment required! Auditions in January 2020.

QUESTIONS?  
[mlewis@saintpats.org](mailto:mlewis@saintpats.org)

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## 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.

# PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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