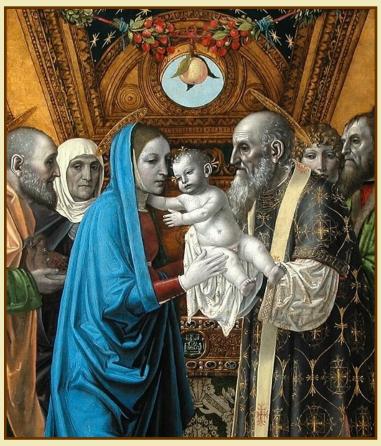
Tacoma Catholic Parishes of Saint Patrick Holy Cross & Saint Rita of Cascia



The Presentation of the Lord - February 2, 2020

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

Holy Cross Parish

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

Sunday Masses
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm
Daily Masses
Monday, Thursday, Friday 9am

Reconciliation Saturday 4pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30pm

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 12 Noon, Saturday 9am Saturday 9:30am





Dear Friends in Christ,

It's a rare occasion that we get to celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on a Sunday. This feast commemorates the time when Joseph and Mary presented the child Jesus to the priest in the Jerusalem Temple. The offerings made, including the offering of their child, were in thanksgiving to God for his many blessings, including the blessing of new life. At this time, the child Jesus was also dedicated to God with the prayer that he would be blessed with the gift of faith in the Lord God.

In the Hispanic community today, a similar presentation has traditionally been made. When I was in Lewis County, I loved to celebrate presentations at Spanish Mass. In a presentation, the parents bring their newborn baby to Mass, and at the end of Mass, they would hand their child to me and I would lift the baby above the altar and pray thanking God for the gift of new life and asking God the Father to bless the child and the parents; that they would be good and faithful parents....and that they would come soon for the Sacrament of Baptism! These are powerful moments of grace and joy!

Most of us were offered and dedicated to God at our Baptism. As we participate in the life of the Trinity, and as we were offered to God on the day of Baptism, so we also received the gift of his blessing, in the gift of the Holy Spirit. In our ongoing life of faith, this is a continuing exchange of gifts. We are called to daily offer the fullness of our lives as a gift to God, and he in return transforms our lives and blesses us. In a sense, not only is our Baptism renewed in this way on a daily basis, but so we are also "presented" anew to God our Father. May we constantly have before our eyes our offering to God and have open hearts to the reception of his many gifts in return.

Many blessings to you all in the week ahead.

Fr. David Mulholland

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2: THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD SCOUT SUNDAY AT 11:00 A.M. MASS

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3:

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. - Chapel - St. Patrick High School Youth - 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick Evening Prayer - 6:45 p.m. - Chapel - St. Patrick Adult Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick Boy Scouts - 7:00 p.m. - Hall - St. Patrick

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4:

Mass at 8:00 a.m. - St. Patrick Noon Mass - St. Rita Outreach / Food Bank - 8:00 a.m. - RE Bldg. - Holy Cross Rummage Volunteers - 10:00 a.m. - R. Hall - Holy Cross PrimeTimers - 5:30 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5: Mass at 8:00 a.m. - St. Patrick

Mass at 5:30 p.m. - Holy Cross Bible Study - Noon - Rectory - St. Rita Sacramental Preparation Touching Safety - 6:00 p.m. -Center - St. Patrick Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m. - Church - St. Patrick

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6:

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7:

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross First Friday Mass & Luncheon - 11:00 a.m. - St. Patrick Men's Prayer - 6:45 a.m. - Hall - St. Patrick Office Hours - Noon - 4:00 p.m. - Rectory - St. Rita Rental - 7:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8:

Mass at 9:00 a.m. - St. Rita Liturgical Minister Retreat - 9:00 a.m. - Center - St. Patrick 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, FEBRUARY 9: THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass at 7:30 a.m. - St. Rita Holy Names Breakfast 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 Sac. Prep. Eucharist Class - 12:30 p.m. - Church Youth Night - 5:00 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick Confirmation Class - 5:45 p.m. - Center - St. Patrick



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 Mass for the People of the Parishes MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Stan Bonner & Isabel Cooke

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Jeanne Robbins Mass at St. Rita | Repose of the soul of Judith Hussey

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Dave Eberhardt Mass at Holy Cross | Repose of the soul of Ester Tinco

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Frank Girolami Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Keith Klappmeyer

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Mass at St. Patrick | Repose of the soul of Bill Garl Mass at Holy Cross | Intentions of Doug Robertson

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Mass at St. Rita | Repose of the soul of Russell Fulp

PRAY FOR THE RESPOSE OF THE SOUL OF

John Sturrock

We offer our sympathy, love and prayers to his 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 Kim Boyle Fred Borovích Joan Bruce Christopher Burton Karen Fitchitt Joanne Girolami Joe Turun Gavin MacHutchin Geraldine Maniatis Sr. Philomena McCarthy,

Beth O'Keefe Rick Ranch Dennis Seiler Kathryn Sharp Larry Staers

HOLY CROSS Bill Adams Eileen Beckowitz Helen Berg Rosemarie Ernst Tudy Gaffney Joe Gilligan Jim Helbling Marjorie Hermsen Kerrie Kennedy Mary Kingston Betty Knoll Joan Kowalskí Carolyn Kurriger

Dick Lucich Janet McIntyre Kathie Mikita Charlotte Mullen Dave Peterson **Ann Roberts** Teffrey Schmidt Níck Tuccí Donna Tveit Ned Vukovích MaryEllen Winski

Dave Adler Colleen Batinovich Robín Coralluzzo Sr. Mary Buttimer Donna Evres Teresa Gibbs Sr. Marílyn Gooley George Greco Sonlee Sally Luppino Mike Mauss Chuck Mazza Donna Pate Michael Pfannenstiel Daisy Radloff Jim Riconosciuto Míriam Sanderson Toy Viafore

ST. RITA

OUR COMMUNITY

THINKING OF SEPARATION OR DIVORCE?

Wait! There is an alternative. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has brought healing to tens of thousands of troubled marriages worldwide. Your situation may seem hopeless, but there is always hope, and you are not alone in your struggle.

For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for an upcoming program, call 206-706-2608 or visit helpourmarriage.org.

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.

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

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

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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Spring Alpha begins March 24TH and runs every Tuesday night through June 2ND. It takes many hands to run an Alpha! Offering childcare to families allows many young parents to attend who wouldn't otherwise be able to come. If you have a heart for children, we would appreciate your help. The commitment is from 6:00 to 8:45 p.m.

Can't come at night, but can help out during the day? We are also in need of volunteers to help with set up. We meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. for set up at Holy Cross Social Hall and are usually done by 11:00 a.m.

If God is calling you to serve in either position, please call Peggy Gagliardi at: 253-564-6660 to sign up.

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.





THE SURPRISING SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: A MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

February 14-16
Palisades Retreat Center
Led by Fr. Tom Vandenberg

This retreat is not a "how to" retreat, but a "vision" retreat, aimed at helping couples see the significance of their marriage as a Sacrament of the Church. It helps them see how their Christian marriage is different from all other marriages, addressing questions like, "What difference does it make?" "What is unique about its spirituality?" "Why is it vital to the healthy life of the Church?"

Fr. Tom will address these and other issues surrounding marriage and its place in the church and a world today, by proclaiming the depth, power, and beauty of this extraordinary vocation, but in his lighthearted and humorous style.

Register at: palisadesretreatcenter.org/ upcoming-retreats/

NW FURNITURE BANK

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

NW Furniture Bank relies on furniture donations from the community to help furnish the homes of families and individuals in need. We can only accept new or gently-used items.

The NW Furniture Bank accepts donations Wednesday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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

NEXT CHAPTER

Dedicated to empowering pregnant women and single mothers to move out of poverty into lives of stability, permanent housing, and self-sufficiency by providing a group living community and life-changing resources.

Next Chapter houses mothers and children at the former St. Ann's Convent. For more information visit: www.nextchapterwa.org



FAITH FORMATION

GOSPEL MEDITATION

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." Very often, having more light is not something we desire as it forces us to confront something we really do not want to see. There can be comfort found in darkness. It has an eerie sense of security to it. We do not have to challenge ourselves or be challenged and can simply exist in some fabricated state of self-fabricated blissfulness. Jesus came to bring light, and it is a light that is resisted by many and hated by some. It is a light that causes us to see things as they really are and not as we would want or need them to be.

It is no wonder then that Simeon boldly and honestly proclaims to Mary, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted and you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." We have to take the Gospel message as it is and not just use those parts that are useful to us or more palatable. Taking Jesus at face value can and will lead to turmoil and dissention. Hearts will be pierced. Whether we like it, Jesus' proclamation of what the world God created really ought to look like has real and absolute social implications.

It has a lot to say about how we treat our brothers and sisters: spiritually, personally, economically, and globally. It has everything to do with the poor, the immigrant, the scared, the unborn, the vulnerable, the sick, and the broken. The light opens us to a challenging, tableturning experience that may not be something we want to see but shows us where we need to be.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION

Youth Confirmation classes meet on Sundays, 5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center of St. Patrick 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: 2/9, 2/23, 3/8 3/22, 4/5, 4/19 We will celebrate Confirmation on Saturday, April 18TH, at St. Patrick Church.

DAILY READINGS

Sunday, February 2: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Monday, February 3: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 4: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 5: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 6: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 7: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51 [cf. 47b]/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday, February 8: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday, February 9: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

WHAT IS ALPHA & WHO IS IT FOR?



The ALPHA course is an eleven-week journey exploring some of the central questions of the Christian faith. Is there more to life than this? Who is Jesus? How can I have faith? Why and how should I pray? How does God guide us? What does the Holy Spirit do? And many more....

The basic format for ALPHA is a shared meal, followed by a video presentation and small group discussion.
Where could ALPHA take you? Do you know someone who might be interested in ALPHA? Invite someone to join you.

Starting: March 24TH, Tuesday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross Social Hall. Dinner and childcare are free. Registration is required so we can plan for food & childcare. Come & See! No pressure. No follow up. No charge.



Understanding God's plan for marriage is one thing, living it out is another. *Beloved:* Living Marriage examines the day-to-day challenges of being united as husband and wife, while maintaining individuality.

Join us to watch the series and learn how to put faith at the center of your marriage.

February 1 & February 8, 2020

6:15 PM-7:45 PM

after the 5 PM vigil mass

SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church Hall 1123 North J Street | Tacoma, WA 98403

bring an appetizer or dessert to share childcare provided by Youth Ministry in the Nursery

MORE INFO | CONFIRMATION@SAINTPATS.ORG



On Wednesday, February 5TH, at 6:00 p.m. at the St. Patrick Parish Center the Faith Formation Office is presenting a sexual abuse prevention course for youth in Kindergarten through 12TH grade.

Caring for One Another

In teaching our youth about our Catholic faith, we have been called to a ministry. A ministry that embodies the mission of Christ in caring for our youth and caring for one another. We have not only been called to teach our youth about our Catholic faith but to do so in a safe space, and a space that allows our youth to form a relationship with God.

Providing Tools for Safe Environments

As a result, the Archdiocese of Seattle would like to take this opportunity to educate our youth and give them the tools they need to protect themselves from those who may harm them. In creating a safe space for our youth, we can teach and show them the ways of Christ in a safe environment conducive to learning.

Integrated Curriculum

The Archdiocese of Seattle has integrated abuse prevention material into our faith formation and youth ministry curriculum in the context of teaching our youth about our Catholic faith.

To help you understand what your youth

will be offered, visit the Archdiocese of Seattle website. On the page, you will find *Parent/Guardian Resources*, to inform you about the curriculum being used, while also making available the actual lessons.

Opt Out Choice

As the guardian, you have the right to opt out of this lesson. You may do so by signing the Opt Out Letter & Form for Touching Safety Program sent to you through the faith formation office or youth program. Unless you would like to opt your youth out of this lesson you are not required to do anything.

Keeping You Informed

We want our faith community to know of our initiative to provide abuse prevention curriculum to our youth in faith formation and youth ministry.

CEREMONY OF LIGHT

Our children who are in Sacramental Preparation recently celebrated the Ceremony of Light. This ritual affirms the children and their families in their baptismal call as unique and important individuals in our faith community. We congratulate these children and we hold you in prayer as you continue to prepare for your First Holy Communion.





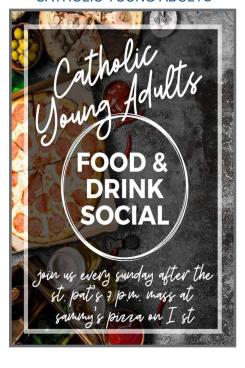
CATHECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Jesus and his love.

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

Contact Kim at: kward@saintpats.org or 253-383-2783 ext. 4108

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 at St. Rita Church from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

A sharing style gathering that includes anywhere from music, teachings, and witness for a compelling Catholic experience.

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



MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

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

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





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STRY CONNECTED

YOUTH MINISTERS

Moira Cashman mcashman@stcharlesb.org

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YOUTH NIGHTS

SUNDAYS | 5 - 7 PM*

2020



*folllowed by Mass at 7 PM

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

Mar 22 | May 17 | Jun 28

SPECIAL EVENTS



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





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.

MONDAYS 6:30-8:30 PM

starts October 7

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

SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Center 1001 North J Street Tacoma, WA

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

More Info: vouth@saintpats.org Let's get social!

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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

HAPPENING AT SAINT PATRICK

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD CHANGES

Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry is now only offered during the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Unfortunately, there aren't enough volunteers at this time to continue the ministry at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

If you are interested in supporting this program as a leader, please contact Laura in the parish office at: 253-383-2783 ext. 4109.

PRIMETIMERS

50 and over

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

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

St Patrick Conference - Society of St. Vincent DePaul want to thank parishioners for their 2019 financial support. With those financial resources (along with 651 volunteer hours) the Conference was able to help 959 individuals, including 225 people with 53 children who were homeless at the time.

Our Mission is to provide aid for food, gas, clothing, utilities and rent for people who are living within the boundaries of our three parishes. This amounted to more than \$51,000 last year. Your ongoing financial generosity helps the Conference continue to meet the needs of our community.

Monetary collections take place the first weekend of each month, Our next collection will take place this weekend, February 1ST& 2ND.

Any help you can give is appreciated.



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.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND LUNCHEON

Join us for Mass on Friday, February 7TH 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!



ADULT BIBLE STUDY

St. Patrick offers two Adult Bible Study groups.

The New Testament Group meets at the Parish Center the 1ST & 3RD Monday at 7:00 p.m. Led by Deacon Bill Eckert, they will be starting a new round looking at the Book of the Prophet Isaiah The purpose of the study is to develop a community of faith informed by Sacred Scripture.

The Old Testament Group meets at the Parish Center the $2^{\rm ND}$ & $4^{\rm TH}$ Monday at 7:00 p.m. We have recently completed the Book of Joshua and will be starting the Book of Judges. Our plan is to finish reading the entire Old Testament. We enjoy tracing our Catholic roots through the Jewish religion and look for similarities as well as the differences in the two faiths. We particularly like to find the references that Jesus made to the Old Testament to try to glean the message. Our perspective is to look at what the readings meant to the people at the time the events took place, what they meant to the people at the time when it was recorded, and especially, what it means to us today as Christians and to our Jewish brothers.

Both groups welcome new members and encourage members to bring their own Bible. We have found the Catholic Study Bible to be very valuable in our studies.

ON LINE GIVING IS EASY!

Just go to our website: ww.saintpats.org Click on the Donate/Online giving button.

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.

FOOD DRIVE

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



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

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA AT HOLY CROSS

Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. by the Chapel Thursday 9:30 a.m. in the Church

MARTHA & MARY MOM'S GROUP

We are a Catholic moms group that will meet next on Friday, January 17^{TH} in the parish hall 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.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

February 20TH at 11:00 a.m. with a small lunch to follow. All women of Holy Cross are invited to attend.

SPECIAL THANK YOU!

A special thank you to the children & grandchildren of Thomas & Florence Garasi (former Holy Cross parishioners) for their generous donation to our Outreach and Foodbank program.

In Lieu of exchanging gifts with family for Christmas they purchased food and clothing for outreach.

Susan McReery of St. Rita parish and her sister Sally Hansen were instrumental in organizing this amazing endeavor. It is very much appreciated by our Holy Cross parishioners.

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.

The greatest need right now is: hats, shoes, gloves and coats.

ALTAR SERVERS

We have revamped the altar server ministry by incorporating rituals to enhance and beautify the liturgy. The altar servers have spent seven sessions and fourteen hours of practice and rehearsal. The adults are: Steve Mullen, Steve Cano and Randy Miles. The youth are: Elodie, Grace, Natalie, Jackson, Aveia, Simeona, Pia, Starllah, Nick, Chris and Alex. Their photos will appear in the bulletin for the next few weeks. They deserve accolades so please let them know how much you appreciate them and their dedication and loyalty to the Altar Server Ministry. Thank you!



BABY SHOWER

Holy Cross will be holding a baby shower for the crisis maternity centers in the area. We will be accepting donations of maternity clothing, baby supplies, and baby/toddler clothing after all Masses on the weekend of February 22ND& 23RD.

Clean, gently-used items are also welcome. You do not need to wrap your donation. Can't get out to shop? Monetary donations are also very useful. Checks may be made payable to: Our Lady of Guadalupe Maternity Center or Pregnancy Aid of Tacoma.

Questions? Contact Peggy Gagliardi at: 253-564-6660

or peggygagliardi@gmail.com.

LECTOR & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

 $\mathbf{5}^{\mathrm{TH}}$ SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February $\mathbf{8}^{\mathrm{TH}},~\mathbf{5}{:}30~\mathrm{p.m.}$

Lectors:

Ralph Miller & Jan Stauffer Eucharistic Ministers: Sandi Rossi, Paty Delgadillo, Marge Beardemphl Choir: Nancy Doran

February 9TH, 10:00 a.m.

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Onolata Petelo & Mike Silvernagle Steve & Sarina Cano, Sandy Benson Choir:

Leann Silvernagle

HOLY CROSS (RUMMAGE)

Our volunteers meet every Tuesday 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.

ON LINE GIVING

Now is the time to try out on line giving! Go to our website at: www.holycross-tacoma.org Click on the cell phone photo.

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:

Sunday: 2:00-3:00 a.m. Monday: 4:00-5:00 a.m. Tuesday: Midnight-1:00 a.m.,

3:00-4:00 a.m., 4:00-5:00 a.m. 11:00-Midnight

Wednesday: Midnight-1: 00 a.m., 1:00-2:00 a.m., 2:00-3:00 a.m.,

Thursday:5:00-6:00 p.m.

Friday: 2:00-3:00 a.m., 3:00-4:00 a.m., Saturday: Midnight-1:00 a.m.,

1:00-2:00 a.m, 2:00-3:00 a.m., 11:00p.m.-Midnight

To sign up call 253-759-3368



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.

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.

FOOD DRIVE

Beginning in March, we will be collecting non-perishable food items on the first weekend of each month to help stock the food bank at Holy Cross. The first collection will be on March 1ST. There will be a basket in the vestibule.

BIBLE STUDY

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

OFFICE HOURS

Beginning on February 3RD, Friday office hours will change to 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

CRAFTERS

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

CALLED TO MINISTRY

Consider becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

At this time we are in need of a Eucharistic Minister for the 3RD Sunday of the month.

Please call Susan at: 253-503-1871

WARM CLOTHING

It is still cold outside and the need for warm clothing is still present. The basket will remain in the vestibule for all donations.

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 president of our Parish Life committee, Francie Jordan. The next meeting will be held on February 2ND after 7:30 a.m. Mass, all are welcome.

ST. RITA OF CASCIA HOLY NAMES SOCIETY 16TH ANNUAL TULIP SALE



6 Bulb Wrapped Pot \$12 each

Pick up at St. Rita Church Sunday, February 9TH

All proceeds benefit their monthly Nativity House Spaghetti Dinner

Name	
Phone	
# of pots	
@ \$12 each =	

St. Rita parishioners may purchase pots to decorate the Church in memory of a loved one

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Amount paid: ₋		
Check #		

Make checks payable to:

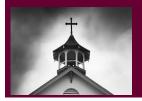
St. Rita Church with Holy Names in memo line

Mail form and check to:

Name of loved one

Mark Lewis 5706 80TH Ave Ct W University Place, WA 98467 Or place in the collection basket

ST. RITA OF CASCIA



THANK YOU TO OUR ADVERTISER OF THE MONTH

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PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS & TELL THEM YOU ARE FROM ST. RITA!



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.

"Let's kick the tires and light the fires" for REACH 2020!



For more information visit: www.saintpats.org/school/fundraising/reach-auction/

This year's theme invites you to Come Fly With Us as we celebrate 126 years of Catholic education. We would be tremendously grateful for your donation of an item or an experience (or several!), an in-kind donation or a monetary gift to the REACH auction.

Your gift is a direct investment in the future of St. Patrick Catholic School.

To submit your contribution, please complete a Procurement Form and return it to St. Patrick Catholic School as soon possible.

Our sincere hope is to achieve our fundraising goals, host a fun community-building event and provide an opportunity for Catholic education to current and future students.

Please do not hesitate to contact REACH@saintpats.org with questions or for assistance. Join us on March 14, 2020, when we hit Mach 3 with our hair on fire!



Check out our Amazon Wish List!
Purchase items from our Amazon Wish
list and they will be sent directly to the
REACH 2020 baggage claim at
Saint Patrick Catholic School.
It is a great and easy way to donate and
support the auction.



Saint Patrick Catholic School is accepting Tuition Assistance Applications for the 2020-2021 school year.





JOIN US FOR MASS Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in the Church.

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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