

# SAINT PATRICK'S PARISH

Second Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2009

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WELCOME to anyone new to the parish community. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to the parish staff. Please complete a parish registration form, which can be found in the Gathering Area.

Those individuals who are homebound and wish to receive the Eucharist, please contact the Parish Office (337-1538).

Please contact the parish office for sacramental preparation requirements and schedules. Marriage preparation requires four months notice.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday Morning 8:30 am

11:30 am

Sunday Evening 5:00 pm

*Daily Mass* Monday - Friday 5:30 pm

*Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Saturday 4:00 p.m. until all are heard or upon request

*Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament*

Monday 6:00-7:45 pm

First Friday 6:00-7:45 pm

*Nursery Schedule*

Sunday Morning 11:30 am Mass




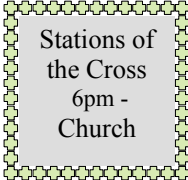
## MISSION STATEMENT

“Called by Christ to proclaim the Good News, the Catholic community of St. Patrick’s Parish seeks to nurture a prayerful community of believers while serving the needs of others, thereby witnessing to the reality of God’s saving love.”



### Mass Intentions for this Week March 7, 2009 - March 13, 2009

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Larry Vopalensky, R.O.S.
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Colin Boyden, Birthday
	11:30 a.m.	Samuel Boysen, Special Intention
	5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Monday	5:30 p.m.	Claire Gerardi, R.O.S.
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	William & Ursula Doerr, R.O.S.
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Maximo Cabrera, Protection during deployment
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Maximo Cabrera, Protection during deployment
Friday	5:30 p.m.	Christina Leithead, Birthday Intentions

March 8 Sunday	March 9 Monday	March 10 Tuesday	March 11 Wednesday	March 12 Thursday	March 13 Friday	March 14 Saturday
<p><i>Day Light Savings Time begins: (2:00am)</i> <i>Turn clocks forward 1 hour</i></p> <p>All Kairos Classes on Spring Break</p> <p>Rosary 8:30am - Chapel</p> <p>Coffee &amp; Donuts 9:30am - Hall</p> <p>Breaking Open the Word 11:30am - Tara</p> <p>CHAOS Practice 2:30pm - Hall</p> <p>Praise Music Group 3pm - Church</p> <p>Servants &amp; Friends CC Group 6:30pm - Church</p>	<p>Daily Mass 5:30pm – Chapel</p> <p>Eucharistic Adoration 6pm - Chapel</p>  <p>Sunday Scripture Reflection Group 7pm - JP II LvRm</p>	<p>Daily Mass 5:30pm – Chapel</p> <p>RCIA 7pm - JP II LvRm</p>  <p>Praise Music Group Practice 7pm—Church</p>	<p>Mom’s CC Group 11:30am - Nursery</p> <p>Daily Mass 5:30pm</p> <p>Folk Choir Practice 6:30pm - Church</p> <p>Center for Social Concerns &amp; Service 7pm - JP II DnRm</p> <p>Ministry of Bereavement 7pm - JP II Chapel</p> <p>CHAOS Practice 7:30pm - Hall</p> 	<p>Adult Faith Study Group 10am - JP II DnRm.</p> <p>Daily Mass 5:30pm - Chapel</p> <p>Taize Prayer 6:30pm - Chapel</p> <p>Traditional Choir Practice 7pm - Church</p> <p>Church Teaching &amp; Doctrine Review 7pm - JP II LvRm</p> <p>Easter Vigil Choir Practice 7:45pm - Church</p>	<p>Daily Mass 5:30pm - Chapel</p>  <p>Stations of the Cross 6pm - Church</p> <p>Seekers’ Group 7pm - JP II Chapel</p>	<p>Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 8:30am - Youth House</p> <p>Franciscan Day of Recollection 9am - 6pm Chapel, Hospital Rm.</p> <p>Contemporary Choir Practice 3:45 pm - Church</p> <p>Confessions 4pm - Church</p> <p>Rosary 4:30pm - Chapel</p> <p>A.A. 8pm - Tara</p>

**PARISH NEWS****ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES**

- **Adult Kairos Lecture** - Our Lenten series on "Caring for Ourselves and Others in the Face of Suffering" is on Spring Break the Sunday. Next week the lecture topic is "Taking Care of Those Who are Suffering from Serious Illness". Please join us for the lecture at 10am or 6:30pm in the Church next Sunday.
- **Adult Faith Study Group** - Thursdays at 10am in the JP II House.
- **Catholic Scripture Study** - on Spring Break this week.
- **RCIA** - Rite of Christian Initiation - Tuesdays at 7pm in the JP II House.
- **Reflection and Faith Sharing Opportunity** - Monday evenings at 7PM in the John Paul II house during Lent.

**"Caring for Ourselves and Others in the Face of Suffering" is the Adult Kairos Lecture Series for Lent:**

- March 8 - No lecture
- March 15 - "Taking Care of Those Who are Suffering from Serious Illness"
- March 22 Taking Care of Those Who are Dying"
- March 29 "Gift of Peace" Personal Reflections by Cardinal Bernardin. (You can purchase this book for \$10. Please see Cathie Schumacher for a copy of this book.)

We hope many of you will join us for these topics. Invite a friend to join you for these lectures on Sunday morning at 10am and Sunday evening at 6:30pm in the Church.

**Saturday Evening Rosary & Sunday Morning Rosary:**

The K of C Women's Auxiliary invites you to pray the Rosary on Saturday at 4:30pm or Sunday morning at 8:00am in the chapel. We hope many of you will join us.

**Adult Faith Study Group** - This long standing St. Patrick's group meets every Thursday morning at 10am in the JP II House. Come and join us to read and discuss the upcoming Sunday readings for a deeper understanding and as preparation for better participation the liturgy.

**Church Teaching & Doctrine Review:** On Thursdays at 7pm in the JP II House, Deacon Felix Maguire will be presenting a series of classes to review Church teachings and doctrine. The next sessions are: March 12 - The Sacraments; March 19 - Morality/Sin/Reconciliation; March 26 - The Mass; and April 2 - Church Year/Easter.

**Mass of Anointing:** The next Mass with Anointing of the Sick is scheduled for Saturday, March 28 at the 5p.m. Mass. If you know someone who is suffering from illness and needs God's healing touch please bring them with you to this Mass.

**Men's Small Group:** Do you have a desire to meet with other men to pray, study and fellowship? Can you make an eight week commitment **starting March 11th at 6:30am to 8am?** Our meeting place will be the Fireweed Room located near the Providence Hospital Cafeteria.  
For additional information and questions please contact Steve Olmstead at the Parish Office - 337-1538.

**Music Ministry News****MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS**

*There are many exciting opportunities for those who want to be a part of the Music Ministry. If you have questions, please talk to any choir director or email Margaret Simmons, Music Coordinator, at [queenowrits@gci.net](mailto:queenowrits@gci.net). Information about the Easter Choirs is available on the St. Patrick's web page and copies of the Easter schedule are on the piano. We always have time for fellowship with those who share our love of music and want to help create an atmosphere of prayer for the congregation. Now is the time to join us, now is the time to share your love, now is the time for God.*

**Activities this week:**Praise Group Rehearsal

Tuesday, March 10, 7:30 PM in the Church

Folk Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 11, 6:30-7:30 PM in the Church

No Bell Choir Rehearsal this week (Spring Break)

Taizé Prayer Service for all parishioners. Join us for an hour of prayer and song as we continue our journey toward Easter and the Resurrection.

Thursday, March 12, 6:30-7:30 PM in the Chapel

Traditional Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 12, 7:00-7:45 PM in the Church

Easter Vigil Rehearsal

Thursday, March 12, 7:45-8:45 PM in the Church

**PARISH NURSES:** Come visit our table for information on the following topics:

- National Diabetes Month
- National Nutrition Month
- Blood Pressure

If you are able to help sit at our table, or are a nurse willing to help take blood pressures once a month, please let us know by contacting Terri Bancroft at 276-5438.

**Reflection and Faith Sharing Opportunity:** One of many ways for us Catholics to enrich ourselves spiritually during these weeks of Lent is to take time ahead of each Sunday to read and reflect on the Sunday Mass readings. Parishioner Al Levitre has offered to facilitate weekly opportunities for parishioners to meet at the John Paul II house on Monday evenings during Lent at 7PM. Participants at these weekly Lenten "Breaking Open God's Word" sessions will together read the upcoming Sunday's Mass readings, reflect on them privately, and reconvene as a group to share their reflections. Although parishioners can easily reflect on Scripture privately in their own homes, doing this in community with others allows for the added dynamic of faith sharing, which benefits all present. No sign-up necessary; come when you can!

**2009 St. Patrick's Lenten Parish Mission, March 23-25<sup>th</sup>:**

"God's Limitless Love"

Reflections on the Prodigal Son, Luke 15:11-31

Monday — Younger Son

Tuesday — Older Son and Lenten Reconciliation Service

Wednesday — The Father

**It's Time Again for CHAOS** - CHAOS - the parish singing and performing group - is now practicing for the St. Pat's Day Show. We rehearse at 7:30pm on Wednesday evenings and 2:30pm on Sunday afternoons in the parish hall. Anyone, and we do mean anyone, may come and participate. The show will be on the 20th of March this year. For information call Barbara Mulac at 333-4867.

**St. Patrick's Seniors':** Seniors are invited to join other seniors in a variety of activities including lunch, crafts, outreach, bingo, social and informational programs. We meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month at noon in the St. Patrick's Parish Hall. First Thursday is soup and sandwich, we provide the soup, bring your own sandwich. Third Thursday is a potluck. This is our fourth year and we welcome new members. For information or transportation, call Sally at Parish Office at 337-1538.

**Hearing Assist Devices Available - please see Father, Deacon Felix or a Sacristan if you need these aids for hearing during Mass.**

**H.U.G.S.S. (Helping Us Give School Supplies) & Coats:** Spring is nearly here and we are looking forward to HUGSS (Helping Us Give School Supplies) and Coats for Kids 2009. Your support of this project last year meant that 4,607 kids from low-income families were better prepared for school. We need donated coats; warm coats of all sizes are needed to help meet the demand in August. New or gently used coats with working zippers are being accepted at Fireweed Cleaners at 500 E. Fireweed Lane. Watch the bulletin for the dates coats can be placed in the H.U.G.S.S. box in the Gathering Area for distribution.

**Habitat for Humanity:** Please mark the date! The Catholic Community "Bingo Buffet to Build" dinner and entertainment event will be held in the St. Patrick Parish Hall on Friday, April 24. Plan to attend this fun evening! Our parish committee is currently seeking donations of silent auction items and drawing prizes. If you have an item that you would like to donate, or if you would like general information on Habitat for Humanity, please contact Tom Morahan at 743-0708 or [geowiz@aol.com](mailto:geowiz@aol.com).

**Transportation Needed:** Please consider this opportunity to participate in the life of the church through service. We have parishioners or people new in the area who need a ride to and from Sunday Mass and are unable to get around on their own. If you are available to assist in this ministry please contact the parish office at 337-1538.

**Operation Rice Bowl:** As we continue our Operation Rice Bowl journey let us remember in prayer that as a community of faith, we have the obligation to reach out to those most in need. Through our participation in Operation Rice Bowl, we put our faith into action; our prayers and alms help people in need around the world. Please pick up your Rice Bowl and calendar at the table in the Gathering Area after Mass today.

#### **Our Lady of the Arctic Franciscan Community:**

Our Lady of the Arctic Franciscan Community is hosting a Lenten Day of Recollection next Saturday, March 14, at 10am with the Divine Office. The day will end at 5pm with the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

- Guest Speaker and Facilitator: Deacon Felix Maguire
- Topic: Words from the Cross
- Lunch: Brown Bag

There will be the Stations of the Cross, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, and Confession. (Full Day of Prayer and Sacraments) **All are Welcome!**



**Worship Locally . . . Give Globally:** The Service Collection is scheduled this weekend to benefit Peter's Pence, Catholic Relief Services, the Church in Africa and the Church in Latin America. Your gift to Peter's Pence helps make possible emergency assistance to people suffering worldwide. Your gift also will help Catholic Relief Services provide shelter, water, sanitation, food, education and humanitarian aid. What you give also supports the pastoral work of the Church—including funding for schools, and education and faith formation programs for lay leaders and religious--throughout Latin America and Africa. Please be generous in today's second collection. Thank you!

## **ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS**

Archdiocesan Web Site is: [www.archdioceseofanchorage.org](http://www.archdioceseofanchorage.org)

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

#### **Holy Family Cathedral**

every Friday from 10 a.m. -12 Noon

#### **Blessed Sacrament Monastery**

Weekdays - 7 a.m. - 9 p.m., Monday thru Friday

First Friday: 8 a.m.— ending with Mass at 8 a.m. Saturday

Saturday & Sunday - 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

#### **St. Patrick's Parish**

Every Monday 6:00-7:45 p.m., First Friday 6:00-7:45 p.m.

#### **Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish**

every Friday from 7 p.m.—8 p.m.

#### **St. Andrew Parish, Eagle River**

48 hour Devotion , every Friday, 10 a.m. thru Sunday 8a.m.

#### **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

Perpetual Adoration - Pope John Paul II Adoration Chapel

#### **Sacred Heart Parish, Wasilla**

First Saturday, begins with Mass at 10 a.m.

followed by Adoration until 4 p.m.

### **HOLY SPIRIT CENTER**

(For information on the following retreats or call (907) 346-2343)

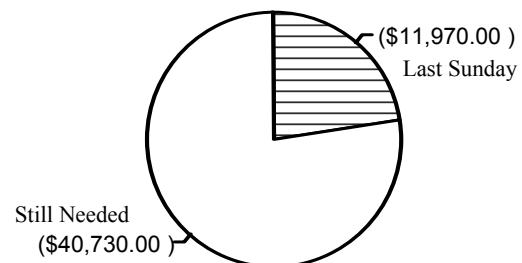
Online registration at: [www.holyspiritcenterak.org](http://www.holyspiritcenterak.org)

**March 8: Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, in conjunction with Alaskans Against the Death Penalty, is hosting Rev. Carroll Pickett.** The film "At the Death House Door", a documentary told through the eyes of Reverend Carroll Pickett, who from 1982 to 1995 ministered to 95 inmates in the final hours will be shown at the parish at 1:30 pm. A discussion with Rev. Pickett will follow. This film was short-listed for an Academy Award this year. All are invited.

**May 6-9:North American Forum "Beginnings Plus" Training for RCIA & Liturgical Ministers** (with focus on adults and children) - Holy Spirit Center. March 6 is deadline for the earlybird special discount. Please call Cindy Lentine at 297-7711 for more information and to register.

### **OPERATING COLLECTION FOR MARCH**

GOAL FOR THE MONTH: \$52,700.00



Total Collected for the Month: \$11,970.00

#### The Second Sunday of Lent

Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. St. Paul reminds us that God Himself "did not spare His own Son." Are my gifts to the Lord of my resources, of my time, of myself, also sacrificial?

(See Romans 8:32)

## Readings For The Week

**Sunday, March 8, 2009**

**Second Sunday Of Lent**

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18  
Psalm 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19  
Romans 8:31b-34  
Mark 9:2-10

**Monday, March 9, 2009**

**St. Frances of Rome**

Daniel 9:4b-10  
Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 & 13  
Luke 6:36-38

**Tuesday, March 10, 2009**

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20  
Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23  
Matthew 23:1-12

**Wednesday, March 11, 2009**

Jeremiah 18:18-20  
Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16  
Matthew 20:17-28

**Thursday, March 12, 2009**

Jeremiah 17:5-10  
Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6  
Luke 16:19-31

**Friday, March 13, 2009**

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a  
Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21  
Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday, March 14, 2009**

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20  
Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12  
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

**Sunday, March 15, 2009**

**Third Sunday Of Lent**

Exodus 17:3-7, (2BA)  
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9  
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

## Kairos Youth Group News

### Kairos Class Schedule AM & PM for March:

Classes will be on March 1, 15, 22, 29.

No class or food fellowship on March 8 due to ASD Spring Break.

**Bell Choir for 6th & 7th Graders:** We will continue practice for our April 19 Sunday Liturgy participation next Thursday, March 19 at 6:30 pm. We will meet in the Cenacle (upstairs room in the Hall) for practice. (No practice this Thursday due to Spring Break.)



### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

**Resurrection Pass:** We will hike the Resurrection Trail June 17 - 19. Mark your calendar and look for registration with more information to come.

**A.C.Y.C.:** Alaska Catholic Youth Conference will be June 1st. Thru 4th at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Registration forms are available! You won't want to miss this conference for High School Youth or anyone who would like to hear outstanding speakers and participate in workshops! It is a great way to begin your summer. Contact Jon Hunt at 337-1538 for additional information.

**Vacation Bible School:** This year VBS will take place July 27th - 31st, from 8:30 - Noon.

### Knitting Instruction

Are you interested in learning to knit? Beginning Wednesday, March 11th from 3pm through 5pm there will be a Beginning through Advanced knitting class. For more information please call Inge in the Parish Office at 337-1538.

## Happy Birthday!

### Monday, March 9

Andrew Holder  
Tyler Kittle

### Tuesday, March 10

Christine Elias  
Jeffrey Elmore  
Brendon Stubbs  
Mitchell Marquez

### Wednesday, March 11

Emily Vottis  
Clarrissa Hynes

### Thursday, March 12

John Allen  
Cameron Pattison  
Jeffery Khang  
Peter Wingerter

### Friday, March 13

Veronika Widger  
Mikayla Widger  
Abigail Kontz

### Saturday, March 14

Savannah Johansen  
Salomon Raas