

# SAINT PATRICK'S PARISH

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

### March 22, 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

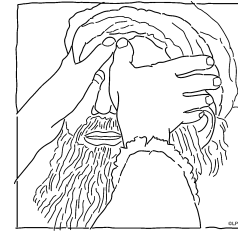
First Friday 6:00-7:45 pm

*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.”



SECOND SCRUTINY

### Mass Intentions for this Week March 21, 2009 - March 27, 2009

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	William Voth, R.O.S.
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Gianna Crowley, Birthday
	11:30 a.m.	Paul DeMarco, R.O.S.
	5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Monday	5:30 p.m.	Maria Kurtz, R.O.S.
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Arleta Ferdynus, R.O.S.
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Russ McClaine, Return to Health
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Peter Donoher, R.O.S.
Friday	5:30 p.m.	Intentions of the Donor

March 22 Sunday	March 23 Monday	March 24 Tuesday	March 25 Wednesday	March 26 Thursday	March 27 Friday	March 28 Saturday
<p><b>Rosary</b> 8am - Chapel</p> <p><b>Kairos AM</b> 10am - Hall</p> <p><b>Breaking Open the Word</b> 11:30am - Tara</p> <p><b>Carmelite Prayer</b> 1pm - Church</p> <p><b>Praise Music Group</b> 3pm - Church</p> <p><b>Kairos PM</b> 6pm - Hall</p> <p><b>Servants &amp; Friends CC Group</b> 6:30pm - JP II DnRm</p>	<p><b>Catechesis of the Good Shepherd</b> 4pm—Youth Hse.</p> <p><b>Daily Mass</b> 5:30pm – Chapel</p> <p><b>Eucharistic Adoration</b> 6pm - Chapel</p>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><b>Parish Mission</b> 7pm - 8:30pm Church</p> </div>	<p><b>CSSI</b> 10am - Chapel</p> <p><b>Daily Mass</b> 5:30pm – Chapel</p> <p><b>Praise Music Group</b> 7pm - JP II Garage</p> <p><b>RCIA</b> 7pm - JP II LvRm</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><b>Lenten Reconciliation Service</b> 7pm Church</p> </div> <p><b>Legion of Mary</b> 7pm-JP II Chapel</p>	<p><b>Mom’s CC Group</b> 11:30am - Nursery</p> <p><b>Daily Mass</b> 5:30pm</p> <p><b>Ministry of Bereavement</b> 7pm - JP II Chapel.</p> <p><b>Folk Choir Practice</b> 6:30pm-Hall</p> <p><b>Holy Thursday Choir Practice</b> 7pm - Hall</p> <p><b>Good Friday Choir Practice</b> 7:45pm - Hall</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><b>Parish Mission</b> 7pm - 8:30pm Church</p> </div>	<p><b>Adult Faith Study Group</b> 10am - JP II DnRm.</p> <p><b>Daily Mass/5:30p</b> 7pm - Tara</p> <p><b>Children’s Eucharistic Adoration</b> 6pm - Chapel</p> <p><b>Bell Choir Practice</b> 6:30pm - Cenacle</p> <p><b>Traditional Choir Practice</b> 7pm - Church</p> <p><b>Church Teaching &amp; Doctrine Review</b> 7pm - JP II LvRm</p> <p><b>Easter Vigil Choir Practice</b> 7:45pm - Church</p>	<p><b>Daily Mass</b> 5:30pm - Chapel</p> <div style="border: 2px dashed black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p><b>Stations of the Cross</b> 6pm - Church</p> </div> <p><b>Seekers’ Group</b> 7pm - JP II Chapel</p>	<p><b>Catechesis of the Good Shepherd</b> 8:30am - Youth House</p> <p><b>Contemporary Choir Practice</b> 3:45 pm - Church</p> <p><b>Confessions</b> 4pm - Church</p> <p><b>Rosary</b> 4:30pm - Chapel</p> <p><b>Mass with Anointing of the Sick</b> 5pm - Church</p> <p><b>A.A.</b> 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" continues this Sunday with the topic "Taking Care of Those Who are Dying". Please join us for the lecture at 10am or 6:30pm in the church.
- **Adult Faith Study Group** - Thursdays at 10am in the JP II House.
- **Catholic Scripture Study** - Tuesdays at 10am in the parish hall. (No evening session this week.)
- **RCIA** - Rite of Christian Initiation - Tuesdays at 7pm in the JP II House.
- **Reflection and Faith Sharing Opportunity** - Will not meet this Monday night due to joining the Parish Mission. However, the group will meet on Monday night March 30th and Monday night April 6 to continue through the Lenten Season.

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

- 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 in the liturgy.

**Church Teaching & Doctrine Review:** Continuing 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 26 - The Mass; and April 2 - Church Year/Easter.

**Mass of Anointing:** The next Mass with Anointing of the Sick is scheduled for next 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? We meet on Wednesday mornings from 6:30 to 8am. Our meeting place is 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. Please talk to any choir director or email Margaret Simmons, Music Coordinator, at 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:**

Folk Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Hall

Holy Thursday Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday at 7pm in the Hall

Good Friday Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday at 7:45pm in the Hall

Bell Choir Rehearsal: Thursday in the Cenacle at 6:30pm

Traditional Choir Rehearsal:

Thursday, March 19, 7:00-7:45 PM in the Church

Easter Vigil Choir Rehearsal:

Thursday, March 19, 7:45-8:45 PM in the Church

**Important Liturgical Note:** As we journey with all those involved in RCIA, we will be reading the A Cycle Readings at our Sunday liturgies this Sunday and for the Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent.

**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.

**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

**Invitation for Altar Servers:** Ever thought of wanting to be an altar server? Well if you have, come join us on Saturday, April 18, 2009, in the Church. We will be conducting Altar Server Training from 10am - 2 pm, lunch will be provided. All new and existing servers are invited to attend. We hope to see you there!

**Knitting Instruction:** Are you interested in learning to knit? Continuing this Wednesday, March 25th, 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.

**March 31: CHRISM MASS** - 7:00 pm at Holy Family Cathedral.

**April 10: Good Friday Faith Walk** - Join us on a Journey of Faith!

The walk will conclude with all groups meeting at the Town Square/ Alaska Center for the Performing Arts at 11:15am to pray the final station together. Please call 297-7711 for more information.

**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 Bingo Buffet:** Please join us for a Cajun dinner, entertainment by the Chugach Mountain Range Cloggers, bingo, silent auction and drawing prizes in the St. Patrick Parish Hall on Friday evening, April 24. Our parish committee will be selling tickets (\$20 per person) in the gathering area after Masses March 21-22 and March 28-29. Plan to attend this fun evening! For more information please contact Tom Morahan at 743-0708 or [geowiz@aol.com](mailto:geowiz@aol.com).

**Operation Rice Bowl:** As we continue our Operation Rice Bowl journey let us remember in **prayer** that we are called to be good stewards of what has been entrusted to us. Through protecting the environment in which we live, we respect the goodness of nature, a gift God has given. May our **fasting** keep us mindful of those who have no clean water to grow crops or to nourish their families. May our **almsgiving** assist Catholic Relief Services as we **learn** about agricultural programs in Honduras. Please pick up your Rice Bowl and calendar at the table in the Gathering Area after Mass today.

**Easter Lily Remembrance:** For a donation of \$15 you may sponsor an Easter lily that will be placed in honor of your loved one in our church for Easter and the Easter Season. The name of your loved one will be displayed on a card attached to the floral container. Easter Lily donation envelopes are available in the gathering area this weekend. Place the envelope with your donation in the regular collection at Mass. Please turn in your completed envelope and donation before March 31st.

**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.

**"Our Lady of the Midnight Sun Carmelite** group invites you to join in two hours of contemplative prayer in the church on Saturday, April 4, from 1:30 to 3:30pm. Lent is an ideal time to open our hearts to the great silence within us that allows us to hear God's voice."

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## 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)

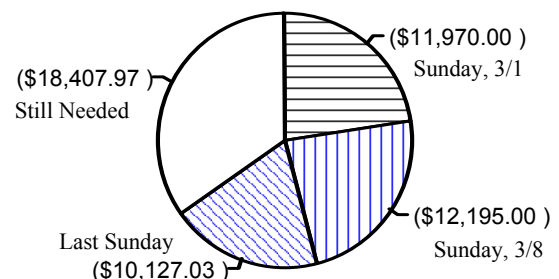
**May 6-9:North American Forum "Beginnings Plus" Training for RCIA & Liturgical Ministers** (with focus on adults and children): This course will be offered at Holy Spirit Center. Please call Cindy Lentine at 297-7711 for more information and to register.

**March 28: Outdoor Stations of the Cross for Lent** - followed by hot cocoa and Taize Prayer by candlelit (organized by St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School 5th Grade Girl Scout Troop) Saturday, 8:30 pm - Holy Spirit Center.

**March 28: CONSECRATION TO OUR LADY** - St. Benedict's Church, March 28, Saturday, 12 noon - The Legion of Mary invites everyone to the annual Consecration to Our Lady, the "Acies". Fr. Francis Li, O.P. will officiate.

### OPERATING COLLECTION FOR MARCH

GOAL FOR THE MONTH: \$52,700.00



Total Collected for the Month: \$34,292.03

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly his handiwork," says St. Paul in the second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead a life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance." (See Ephesians 2:10)

## Readings For The Week

**Sunday, March 29, 2009**

**Fourth Sunday Of Lent**

1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Romans 5: 8-14

John 9: 1-41

**Monday, March 23, 2009**

**St. Toribio de Mongrovejo**

2 Timothy 1: 13-14, 2: 1-3

Psalms 96: 1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 10

Matthew 9: 35-38

**Tuesday, March 24, 2009**

Ezekiel 47: 1-9, 12

Psalms 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9

John 5: 1-16

**Wednesday, March 25, 2009**

**Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)**

Isaiah 7: 10-14; 8: 10

Psalms 40: 7-8, 8-9, 10, 11

Hebrews 10: 4-10

Luke 1: 26-38

**Thursday, March 26, 2009**

Exodus 32: 7-14

Psalms 106: 19-20, 21-22, 23

John 5: 31-47

**Friday, March 27, 2009**

Wisdom 2: 1, 12-22

Psalms 34: 17-18, 19-20, 21 & 23

John 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday, March 28, 2009**

Jeremiah 11: 18-20

Psalms 7: 2-3, 9-10, 11-12

John 7: 40-53

**Sunday, March 29, 2009**

**Fifth Sunday Of Lent**

Ezekiel 37: 12-14

Psalms 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

Romans 8: 8-11

John 11: 1-45

## Kairos Youth Group News

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

Classes will be on March 22 and 29.

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

**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.



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

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

*Happy Birthday!*

### Sunday, March 22

Samantha Khang

Marian Pope

Heide Percy

Jacob Overway

Caden Hynes

### Monday, March 23

Colleen Gamez

Heather Breslin

### Tuesday, March 24

Noah Green

Makayla Moore

### Wednesday, March 25

Vasilio Matthews-Vea

### Thursday, March 26

Andrew Bennett

### Saturday, March 28

Emma Renner

## 6-7th Grade Retreat

**When:** Friday, March 27 thru Sunday, March 29

**Theme:** Service and Outreach in our community.

**Location:** Birchwood Camp in Chugiak

Begins at 7pm Friday with parents dropping off at the camp.

Ends on Sunday at 11:30am with parents picking up at the camp.

**Cost:** \$35 with check made payable to St. Patrick

Permission forms available at Kairos on Sunday. Please call the office to let Julie know your child will attend.