PRAYERS BEFORE & AFTER THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

PRAYER OF SAINT AMBROSE BEFORE HOLY MASS:

I draw near, loving Lord Jesus Christ, to the table of

your most delightful banquet in fear and trembling, a sinner, presuming not upon my own merits, but trusting rather in your goodness and mercy. I have a heart and body defiled by my many offenses, a mind and tongue over which I have kept no good watch. Therefore, O loving God, O awesome Majesty, I turn in my misery, caught in snares, to you the fountain of mercy, hastening to you for healing, flying to you for protection; and while I do not look forward to having you as Judge, I long to have you as Savior. To you, O Lord, I display my wounds, to you I uncover my shame. I am aware of my many and great sins, for which I fear, but I hope in your mercies, which are without number. Look upon me, then, with eyes of mercy, Lord Jesus Christ, eternal King, God and Man, crucified for mankind. Listen to me, as I place my hope in you, have pity on me, full of miseries and sins, you, who will never cease to let the fountain of compassion flow. Hail, O Saving Victim, offered for me and for the whole human race on the wood of the Cross. Hail, O noble and precious Blood, flowing from the wounds of Jesus Christ, my crucified Lord, and washing away the sins of all the world. Remember, Lord, your creature, whom you redeemed by your Blood. I am repentant of my sins, I desire to put right what I have done. Take from me, therefore, most merciful Father, all my iniquities and sins, so that, in purified mind and body, I may worthily taste the Holy of Holies. And grant that this sacred foretaste of your Body and Blood which I, though unworthy, intend to receive, may be the remission of my sins, the perfect cleansing of my faults, the banishment of shameful thoughts, and the rebirth of right sentiments; and may it encourage a wholesome and effective performance of deeds pleasing to you and be a most firm defense of body and soul against the snares of my enemies. Amen.

PRAYER OF SAINT BONAVENTURE AFTER HOLY MASS:

Pierce, O most Sweet Lord Jesus, my inmost soul with the most joyous and healthful wound of Thy love, with true, serene, and most holy apostolic charity, that my soul may ever languish and melt with love and longing for Thee, that it may yearn for Thee and faint for Thy courts, and long to be dissolved and to be with Thee. Grant that my soul may hunger after Thee, the bread of angels, the refreshment of holy souls, our daily and supersubstantial bread, having all sweetness and savor and every delight of taste; let my heart ever hunger after and feed upon Thee, upon whom the angels desire to look, and may my inmost soul be filled with the sweetness of Thy savor; may it ever thirst after

Thee, the fountain of life, the fountain of wisdom and knowledge, the fountain of eternal light, the torrent of pleasure, the richness of the house of God. May it ever compass Thee, seek

Thee, find Thee, run to Thee, attain Thee, meditate upon Thee, speak of Thee, and do all things to the praise and glory of Thy name, with humility and discretion, with love and delight, with ease and affection, and with perseverance unto the end.

May Thou alone be ever my hope, my entire

assurance, my riches, my delight, my pleasure, my joy, my rest and tranquility, my peace, my sweetness, my fragrance, my sweet savor, my food, my refreshment, my refuge, my help, my wisdom, so my portion, my possession and my treasure, in whom may my mind and my heart be fixed and firmly rooted immovably henceforth and forever. Amen.







FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY - DECEMBER 29TH, 2019

Musings from your Parish Priest:

PRAISED BE JESUS CHRIST! NOW AND FOREVER! A blessed Christmas to you and your families! I hope that you've had a joyous time in remembering what God has done for you this Holy Day! The Child of Bethlehem is in the world, most especially in all the tabernacles throughout the world, where he continually gives Himself to us, our daily Supersubstantial Bread!

In the first three days following the birth of Christ, Holy Mother Church invites us to never loose sight of why the Christ Child came, so that He could die for our Salvation. To help us understand this, the Church presents us with three feasts that exemplify three kinds of "martyrdom" of the saints. Saint Stephen's (Dec. 26) is the martyrdom willed and endured. Saint John (Dec. 27) willed to be a martyr like his fellow Apostles, but did not die as one. The Holy Innocents (Dec. 28), little children, did not will to be martyrs, but



endured it nevertheless. They are the "first buds of martyrdom." Stephen's martyrdom is the prototype of what it will mean to live as a Christian in the first four centuries of the Church. As he is being stoned, Stephen, "looking up to heaven, saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God." Stephen showed perfect conformity to Christ: 'receive my spirit; do not



hold this sin against them." In Mary's Immaculate Heart,

ly Communion to the Blessed Virg





St. Patrick our Patron Pray for us and our families!

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me. Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ lying down, Christ in sitting, Christ in rising up, Christ in the heart of every person who may think of me, Christ in the mouth of every person who may speak of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me!- St Patrick's Breastplate



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Sundays	9:00 AM (Church)	
Weekdays	7:00 AM (Convent)	
Saturdays	8:00 AM (Church)	

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Holy Days Consult Bulletin

Holv Sacrifice of the Mass St. Francis Xavier Sundays 7:30 AM 11:00 AM (Latin)

Weekdays (M,T,W) 8:00 AM Holy Days Consult Bulletin

Sacramental Celebrations

Holy Baptism: Parental preparation is required. Please contact a priest to set up an appointment.

Penance: Saturdays, 8:30—9:00 AM or by appointment. Also at St. Francis Xavier: Tuesdays, 4:00 -5:00 PM; Saturdays, 3:00-3:30 PM, & Sundays 10:30-11:00 AM Holy Matrimony: Please contact a Parish Priest at least 6 months in advance of your wedding.

Care of the Sick & Homebound: Communion is taken to the sick and elderly on a regular basis. We ask families to please notify the Parish office when illness or infirmity impedes a person from coming to church for an extended period of time. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered on request. Call 487-6363.

ANY NEWS FOR THE BULLETIN? PLEASE CONTACT TRACI @ 466-3811, ext. 200 OR EMAIL: stpatspokanebulletin@gmail.com

BULLETIN ITEMS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN MONDAY @ 4:00 PM. Also, if you know of any homebound who would like to have the bulletin mailed to them, please send us their address.

Clause for a Christian Will: I give, devise, and bequeath o St. Patrick Catholic Parish — Spokane for the benefit of (insert St. Patrick Catholic Church), a Washington honprofit corporation, (*description of gift*).

The diocese is committed to helping victims/survivors of sexual abuse and to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers who supervise other volunteers who work with minors and vulnerable adults **are required to report** any suspected abuse by others they supervise. Contact: Roberta Smith, Victims Assistance Coordinator (509) 353-0442 Office Phone or (509) 998 -18340 Cell. You may also go to the Diocesan website: wwwdioceseofspokane.org

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For spiritual emergencies, scheduling sacraments or funerals please contact Fr Gaines at 487-6363

To request a certificate, bulletin ad or to speak to someone about your charitable contributions please contact the office and say you are calling for St. Patrick Parish. 509-466-7738

Office Hours for Fr. Gaines:

Tuesday and Wednesday Mornings after Mass about 8:30 AM at



St. Francis Xavier Or call 487-6363 to schedule an appointment.





Memorial Candle for October

St. Patrick's Prayer Line

Have a certain need that prayer can help? St. Patrick's Prayer Line is available. Call Jackie Silvey (483-3109).



Good Shepherd Catechism Join us!

The Sisters will have classes on Mondays, from 3:30 to 4:30 in the Convent. This is for children ages 3-12.

Boot Drive

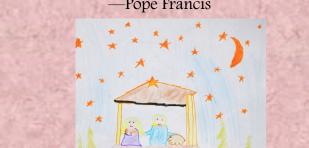
Due to the overwhelming need for warm winter boots for children in the neighborhood, this year we are partnering with the Boys and Girls Club for a Boot Drive to help local children. Boots of all youth sizes



boots

can be left in the Nave of the Church to be collected. Please participate in this charitable endeavor, as works of charity are fundamental to the practice of a Christian and Catholic life.

"Father of Goodness, the birth of your Son Jesus opens a new time to the world, a time of hope and peace. We pray for children and adolescents, especially those who live discouraged by their difficulties and sufferings, who do not find opportunities to develop, feel enthusiasm for the future, nor the support they need to have a decent life. Help us to give them a bright future, embracing with love the children and adolescents of today, so they can transform the world that you have created in a space of life and fraternity among all. Amen" —Pope Francis



Join your fellow parishioners for coffee and donuts following Mass today.



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Charity Maintenance Fund

Please note: Mail your contributions to St. Thomas More Parish, 505 W. St. Thomas More Way, Spokane, 99208





St. Patrick's

December 24: 4:00 PM December 25: 9:00 AM December 31: 5:30 pm

St. Francis Xavier

December 24: 4:00 PM December 25: 7:30 AM & 11:00 AM (Extraordinary Form) January 1: 5:30pm



Scout troops 258 and 260, along with the Knights of Columbus Council 14394 wish to thank all of our parishioners for food and cash donations for the Food Baskets. We were able to provide a Turkey dinner for 40 needy

families in our area. God Bless you this holiday

season.