

PRAYERS BEFORE & AFTER THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

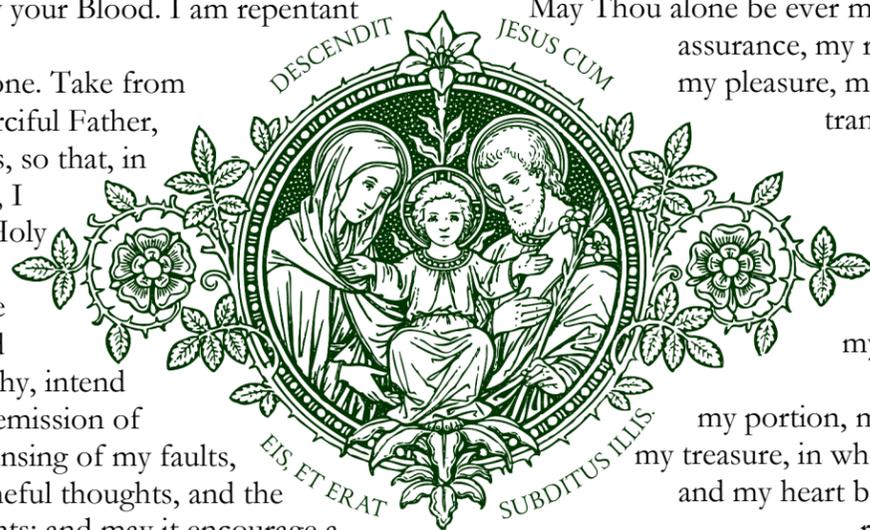
PRAYER OF SAINT AMBROSE BEFORE HOLY MASS:

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, 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.



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St. Patrick

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Roman Catholic Church serving Jesus Christ, Located in the Heart of Hillyard, Diocese of Spokane



EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - JANUARY 5TH, 2020

Musings from your Parish Priest:

This Sunday is the Feast of the Epiphany, which means an appearance or a showing - the showing of Christ to all humanity. Light is a key symbol of this feast. The divine mystery of God, which is present and acting in the humanity of Jesus Christ, becomes a light not only for Israel but for all the nations of the world.

The scriptural foundation of the Feast of the Epiphany is found in Matthew's beautiful story of the Coming of the Magi, that we read each year on this day. The Magi are not kings as popular devotion came to identify them, but wise astrologers who studied the skies and the movement of the stars in the clear night skies above the desert. The term "Magi" is generally used to connote practitioners of Zoroastrianism, a monotheistic Iranian religion of ancient times. It is likely, though in no way certain, that the three Magi were originally from Persia.

Matthew's story does not tell us how many Magi came from the East to Israel seeking a newborn king, but popular devotion again soon came to identify them as three, from the three gifts the Magi presented to Jesus. These three gifts offered to Jesus are gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

These gifts can devoutly symbolize for us the three theological virtues that characterize a Christian's response to God through, with and in Christ, as we pray to conclude every Eucharistic Prayer. The three core Christian virtues, Faith, Charity, and Hope, are the virtues directed towards God, by which we directly experience God in our lives.

Gold can symbolize charity, finding God in our lives by the love we experience for another. Frankincense can symbolize faith, our ongoing openness and responsiveness to God in our lives by faith, and the regular prayer we need in our lives to nourish this faith. Myrrh, used to heal and to anoint bodies after death, can symbolize the healing and painful experience of confidently waiting for God by hope, the God whom we shall meet face to face only in the future.

The bright star moving across the dark sky, as the Magi travelled across the desert sands, can symbolize anything in our lives that truly leads us to discover the mystery of God revealed in the person of Jesus Christ. Our star can be events in our lives. It can be persons close to us or people we meet only once in our lifetime. Above all, our star can be the wonder of the Church, rightly understood as People of God who strive to walk by faith, faith in the epiphany of God for the world in Jesus Christ, showing itself in love and hope. *Adapted from a commentary by Fr. John Reilly, S.J.*



In Mary's Immaculate Heart,



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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www.stpatrickspokane.org

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass St. Patrick's

Sundays	9:00 AM (Church)
Weekdays	7:00 AM (Convent)
Saturdays	8:00 AM (Church)
Holy Days	Consult Bulletin

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass St. Francis Xavier

Saturday	4:00 PM
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 to St. Patrick Catholic Parish — Spokane for the benefit of (*insert St. Patrick Catholic Church*), a Washington nonprofit 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: www.dioceseofspokane.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.



Mass Intentions



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

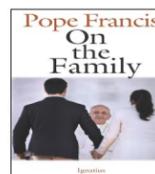
Due to the overwhelming need for warm winter boots for children in the neighborhood, this year we are partnering with the Boys and Girls Club for a Boot Drive to help local children. Boots of all youth sizes can be left in the Nave of the Church to be collected. Please participate in this charitable endeavor, as works of charity are fundamental to the practice of a Christian and Catholic life.



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PICK OF THE WEEK



Pope Francis On the Family

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The Family is a "New Mission Field for the Church"

Throughout this collection of the Holy Father's addresses, Pope Francis emphasizes the primary role of God and faith in family life and the crucial importance of regular family prayer to draw on God's graces within the home. He emphasizes the deep crisis that the family and marriage are undergoing in the Western world and challenges families today to be witnesses of love, fidelity, and service to the rest of the modern world.

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A FATHER'S LOVE RECEIVED & SHARED

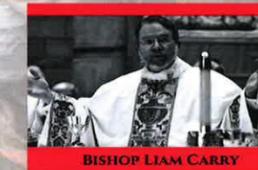
Hearts on Fire

MEN'S CONFERENCE

January 25th | 8 am - 4 pm
Mirabeau Park Hotel & Convention Center | 1100 N Sullivan Rd



CHRIS PADGETT



BISHOP LIAM CARRY

Text SpokaneMen to 84576 to stay up-to-date on Men's Conference details.

"WE ARE THE SUM OF THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US." -JOHN PAUL II

An Epiphany Prayer

Lord Jesus, may your light shine our way, as once it guided the steps of the magi: that we too may be led into your presence and worship you, the Child of Mary, the Word of the Father, the King of nations, the Saviour of mankind; to whom be glory for ever.

(Frank Colquhoun)



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

