

PRAYERS BEFORE & AFTER THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

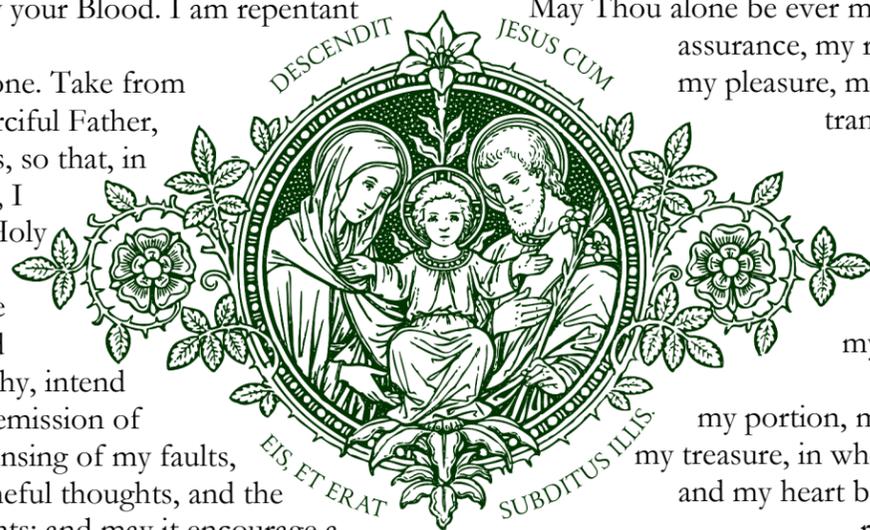
PRAYER OF SAINT AMBROSE BEFORE HOLY MASS:

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.



WELCOME TO

St. Patrick

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - APRIL 25TH, 2021

Of Restless Charity: St. Anselm, Mary Magdalene, and the Christian Life, Part I

Saint Mary Magdalene comes frequently into our midst during the liturgy of Easter. She appears in the Mass Gospels of the Easter Vigil, Easter Sunday, and on Thursday and Saturday during the Easter Octave.—That is, half of the eight Gospels of Easter. Now, all the saints shed light on their Prototype and Head, Christ the Lord. But in the present context, our aim becomes more specific. Seeing Saint Mary Magdalene, we see something of the Easter mystery. Without her, our eyes become dim to the lightening of the Resurrection.

But in the very same moment, the Resurrection shows us the Christian life in its full scope. It cannot be otherwise: 'if Christ be not risen again, then is our preaching vain: and your faith is also vain.' (Corinthians, 15:14) The Easter mystery is not simply part of the historical testimony of the Gospels; it tells us who we are.

Saint Anselm of Canterbury (1033-1109) also comes into our midst. His feast day—April 21st—falls during Eastertide. The arrangement of the liturgical calendar is providential, not arbitrary; for this reason, therefore, we can and ought to see Saint Anselm as an Easter saint: that is, another saint who has the special task of bringing out some aspect of the Easter mystery for us. And so he does: In 1081, while Abbot of Bec, he composed a prayer to St. Mary Magdalene.



The language of tears is a mysterious one; it may be the most profound language that man possesses. This is where Saint Anselm's prayer begins: for Saint Mary Magdalene is the first saint of tears. Beginning with her, an entire tradition in the spiritual life is initiated. Twenty centuries worth of spiritual writers will elaborate the truth that compunction—serene, repentant heart-brokenness—is a most powerful force in the life of the Christian. To this day, there exists a set of prayers in the Roman Missal asking for this very grace:

“Almighty and most mild God, who for your thirsting people brought forth a spring of living water from the rock: draw forth out of the hardness of our heart the tears of compunction; that we may be equal to the task of mourning our sins, and thereby, in your mercy, merit to receive their forgiveness.”

St. Anselm was aware of this importance of *tears of compunction*. Next week, we will examine his prayer to St. Mary Magdalene, and the importance of Christian sorrow.

Adapted from Ad Te Levavi

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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The schedule for Holy Mass and Confessions this weekend is the following:

Saturday

8am – Daily Mass followed by Confessions (St. Patrick)

3pm – Confessions (St. Francis Xavier)

4pm – Vigil Mass (St. Francis Xavier)

Sunday

7:30am – Holy Mass (St. Francis Xavier)

9:00am – Holy Mass (St. Patrick)

11:00am – Holy Mass, Extraordinary Form (St. Francis Xavier) – Fr. Gaines

**12:30pm – Holy Mass, Extraordinary Form (St. Francis Xavier) – Fr. Gaines

**We have temporarily added this Mass to help with diocesan occupancy requirements because the 11am Latin Mass is often very full.

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Jesus,

We believe that you are Lord and Christ.
We believe that you are the Way, the Truth,
and the Life.

We believe that you have the words of
everlasting life.

Give us the courage to follow you,
To live out our faith with conviction,
And to serve others with boldness.
May our faith be a source of healing



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).

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

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



Religious Education

The Catechism of the Good Shepherd (ages 3-6) and the Fatima Club (ages 7-12) meets on Mondays (Except Holidays) from 3:30 PM-5:00 PM.

The Fatima Club will be in the sisters' convent and the Good Shepherd classes will be held in the Chesterton Classical High School.

Contact the Missionaries of Charity at 487-3963 or Mrs. Casey at 280-4402 for more information.



Mass Intention Book

Did you know that there is a Mass intention book available for you to write your petitions in? These intentions are included in the prayers offered during each Mass. Please feel free to include all and any of your prayer requests in the book, which is located at the entrance to the church.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Confidence in Princes

Have you ever confided your problems to a friend, only to get the answer, "have you prayed about it as much as you've talked about it?"

Like all good advice, it can really irritate the recipient at first. Here I am, vulnerable and wounded, unloading my problems, and this joker tries to load them right back up and ship them off to Someone with a higher pay grade.

But again, like all good and irritating advice, it rings true if you sit and think about it.

Sure, venting is helpful. We all need that friend or family member who can listen to our problems. But if we ever start to think that person can solve them, it's a good sign that we're losing perspective.

Are you looking to the world for an answer? Are you looking in the mirror, expecting to find a solution to your problems? Are you expecting happiness, peace, contentment or justice to come from any place other than God?

"It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in princes," the Psalms tell us. Well, I've never put much confidence in princes. But when it comes to problems, I often find myself telling God to take a step back — "I've got this."

It's tough to pray about any problem as much as you talk about it. We want so badly to tackle the issue ourselves. But I'll let you in on a secret: it doesn't matter what the question is, we don't have the answer. Take it to the One who does.

Stewardship: March Contributions

\$9,365.55

YTD (7/1/20-end of March)

\$71,403.17

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or

Online Giving available at www.stpatrickspokane.org
Click on the link in the home page—you may set up recurring or one-time donations.

Holy Hour and Rosary

The Missionaries of Charity invite you to pray for our families and friends who are not in full communion with the Catholic church and no longer practicing their Catholic faith and for their growth in holiness every Friday evening at St. Patrick's from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. Stations of the Cross will be held during Lent at 5:30 PM. Please join us.

Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Any one, families, or singles, who would like to consecrate themselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, please contact the sisters at 487-3963.

WEEKLY PRAYER

Readings for the week of April 25, 2021

- SUN 4/25** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
- MON 4/26** Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]Jn 6:22-29
- TUES 4/27** Acts 7:51-8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]Jn 6:30-35
- WED 4/28** Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]Jn 6:35-40
- THR 4/29** Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]Jn 6:44-51
- FRI 4/30** Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]Jn 6:52-59
- SAT 5/1** Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]Jn 6:60-69
- SUN 5/2** Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]1 Jn 3:1-2Jn 10:11-18

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 25, 2021

- Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- Wednesday: St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest
- Thursday: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
- Friday: St. Pius V, Pope; Arbor Day
- Saturday: St. Joseph the Worker
- Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter

**LIVE THE LITURGY
Inspiration for the week**

The cornerstone is the first stone that is laid and the stone that not only determines how the other stones are placed but the position of the entire structure. As human beings, we need a cornerstone or reference point so that our lives can be properly placed and positioned. Our cornerstone determines not only how we see ourselves but who we will become. Without a cornerstone or reference point, we will be disconnected, disoriented, and poorly positioned for effective action in our world. In order to be the children of God we are, Jesus Christ needs to be our cornerstone and the reference point for all that we do. He alone is the Good Shepherd who can guide through life's questions and challenges, bringing us to proper pasture. Without this proper base, we can easily fall into the trap of self-aggrandizement and quickly lose our way. If that happens, then moral principles, proper conduct, justice, wisdom, and virtue will be difficult to find. We need to listen to the right voices and allow God to show us how to build our house well. Salvation only comes from God and only God will protect us, no matter the cost.



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

*I am
the good
shepherd*