

March 11, 2018

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

Canby, OR

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sacraments: Adult Baptism

Adults seeking baptism are expected to participate in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). RCIA begins in the fall with the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation in the Spring (Easter). For information call the Office 503-266-9411

Infant Baptisms:

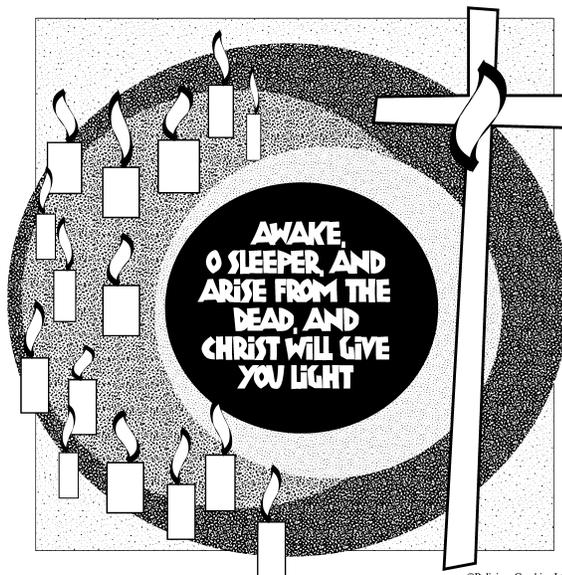
Registered parishioners are expected to complete a Baptismal Preparation program prior to scheduling a baptism. Baptismal preparation programs are offered 3 times a year. Next class:

Sacramental Prep Policy:

In compliance with Archdiocesan policy and recommendations for the preparation and reception of the Sacraments, St. Patrick requires that any candidate receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation, First Reconciliation and First Eucharist must be actively involved in age appropriate Religious Education for a minimum of 1 year prior to beginning preparation for the Sacraments. The candidates must have regular attendance in our programs. Additionally, it will be expected that each candidate will continue to be involved in age appropriate classes and regularly attend weekend Mass during the period of Preparation for the Sacrament.

Marriage Policy

Please contact the Pastor at least **six months** prior to the wedding to ensure adequate time for these preparations.



St. Patrick Catholic Church Mission Statement:

As a Catholic faith community united in Christ's Gospel and Sacraments, we strive to bring all people to know, love and serve God and one another.

Are You New to St. Patrick?

We welcome you to St. Patrick Catholic Church. At St. Patrick we know that we are all individual parts of the mystical Body of Christ. Working together, we find great joy in doing God's work here on earth. We invite and encourage you to stop by the parish office Monday through Thursday and our Administrative Assistant, Debbie Newbury looks forward to meeting you and would be happy to assist you in registering with the Parish.

HEARTBEATS OPTION LINES

Answers the calls of women facing an unexpected pregnancy, providing help and support, and connecting them to their local pregnancy help organization. 24-hour Emergency Helpline 800-712-HELP (4357) - <https://optionline.org>.

Parish Office Information

Parish Office: 503-266-9411
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Canby, OR 97013
Parish Office Hours:
Monday-Wednesday-Thursday
9am-5pm; Tuesday: 9am-6pm
Closed for lunch 12-1:00pm.
Closed on Fridays.
Website: www.stpatcanby.org
Email: stpatricks@canby.com.
Please like us on facebook.

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass:

Tuesday Evenings 7:00pm
Wednesday~Friday 8:00am

Confession Schedule

Saturdays 4:00-5:00pm

Sunday Liturgy

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
Sunday: 8:30am & 11:00am
& 1:30pm Mass in Spanish

St. Vincent DePaul Food Bank

Gretchen McCallum:
503-701-9135
PO Box 754, Canby, OR
97013

Prayer Needs:

If you have a prayer need,
please contact Kathy Usher,
503-266-2485 after 9:00am

Sunday Bulletin

Bulletin deadline: **Monday morning** of each week.
Please email your article to:
dnewbury@canby.com.

Heartbeat's

OptionLine.org &
24 Hour emergency helpline:
800-712-4357

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

“Peace be with you”

“Peace be with you!” Christ repeated these words in the Upper Room on the day of his Resurrection to his frightened Apostles. The Apostles were troubled, anxious, and fearful—much like each one of us at some point in our lives. This Tuesday, we have a chance to say “Peace be with you” to ourselves and each other in the sacrament of Penance. Let us come together with contrite hearts this **Tuesday, March 13th beginning at 7:00p.m. Assisting us will be: Fr. John Waldron, Fr. Maxy D’Costa, Fr. James Coleman, Fr. Aniceto and Fr. Arturo.**



GOING TO CONFESSION BROCHURES

AVAILABLE

Available in the back of the church are brochures on **“How to Make A Good Confession.”** Please help yourself.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY CELEBRATION

Come join us on **Sunday, March 18, 3:00 to 6:00p.m.** for Irish Stew and Pozole as a **THANK YOU** for your generosity and to celebrate our patron saint. Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun! More details next week.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed on **Thursday, March 15** and **Monday, March 19**. Four of our Pastoral Staff members: Deacon Jerry Giger, Frances Parker, Jody Patershall and Debbie Newbury will be attending the 2018 RE Congress in Anaheim, CA. Please keep them in your prayers.

SECOND COLLECTION

This week, we are taking up **The Catholic Relief Services Collection** to respond to **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

If you have an item for the Sunday Bulletin for Sunday, March 18th, please have your article into the Parish Office by Monday, **March 12th by 9am**. Please email your article to dnewbury@canby.com.

REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL

The second creation account in the book of Genesis tells us how “the Lord God formed the man out of the dust of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life”. God was the first potter! God was the first to have the pleasure of taking dust and water; missing it and smoothing it, and then drawing it into a divine image into which God breathed God’s very own life. This Sunday’s gospel



tells of another divine potter—Jesus, the Son of God—who uses his own saliva to mix with the dust of the earth, make clay, and use it to bring new seeing and believing out of a blind beggar. All the man needed to do was to obey Jesus’ command to “Go wash.” He did so, and was recreated to see with the new eyes of faith. Through baptism we come to a new seeing and we are recreated into being more perfect members of the Body of Christ, more truth-filled images of God. Our own believing-responding to Jesus continually recreates us with new spiritual insight, with deeper believing, with more sure understanding of who Jesus is for us and who we are to be for others. This long gospel intertwines many conversation-encounters on many levels. There is the conversation-encounter of the miracle: Jesus touched, the man “went and washed.” There are the conversation-encounters of relationships: the disciples and Jesus, Jesus and the blind man, the neighbors and the blind man, parents and the Pharisees, Pharisees and the blind man, Pharisees and Jesus. There are the conversation-encounters about seeing: gaining sight, resisting sight; coming to faith, resisting faith. Lent invites us into the same conversation-encounters with Jesus, in which we choose either to be drawn toward Jesus or to turn away from him. Which do we choose? This is our lifelong baptismal challenge. The miracle recorded in this gospel is less about a blind man receiving his sight than it is about the openness of the blind man to having an encounter with Jesus, his willingness to enter into conversation with him, and his readiness to believe and respond in worship. This gospel challenges those who are preparing for the Easter Sacraments to deepen their faith in Jesus’ power to recreate them as members of his Body. It challenges all of us to deepen our faith so that we, too, are recreated with ever new Life. Then, like the blind man whom Jesus helps to see, we can exclaim “I do believe” and worship with raised hearts and voices.

Living Liturgy—year A



LENT AND RCIA

With the Rite of Election which happens on the first weekend of Lent the Elect and Candidates enter, with the whole Church, the Season of Lent, or Purification and Enlightenment. Their time now is focused on prayer and a greater sense of conversion prior to

receiving the Sacraments of Initiation. During this time they will celebrate the final three Rites signifying their readiness and the Church's faithfulness in prayer with and for the Elect and Candidates. These three Rites are the Scrutinies. They are celebrated on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent following the homily. On these Sundays the community typically reads from John's Gospel three powerful stories of conversion and discipleship. We read, respectively, The Samaritan Woman at the Well, The Man Born Blind, and The Raising of Lazarus. Each of these Gospel stories challenge the Elect, the Candidates and Ourselves, to a new understanding and deeper conversion to the person and teaching of Jesus known as the Christ. In the Scrutinies the Elect and Candidates have prayers of Exorcism prayed over them that during these final days before the celebration of the Sacraments they might be spiritually strengthened to stand firm in overcoming the trials and temptations which assault them in their journey toward the Cross and the Resurrection to new life in Christ.

The Journey of Faith for those participating in the RCIA should be the journey that every Catholic Christian makes year after year. Each year we are called to Newness of Life in Christ through personal and community conversion. May we keep our Elect and Candidates in our hearts and prayers and open our hearts anew to God's call to our own renewal of faith. Saints Modesta, Guadalupe, Gladys, Mary, Manuel, Victoria, Cheri, Luis, Wendy and Elizabeth, pray for us.

DONNA CORI GIBSON CONCERT APRIL 8, 2018

The Knights of Columbus are proud to sponsor her concert on *April 8th*, here in the church at St. Patrick's. Donna will sing two songs at each of the masses on Sunday and then put on a great concert on Sunday afternoon, starting at 3:30 pm. The real reason why the Knights are sponsoring this concert is to help "Promote our Faith" here at St. Patrick Church. Her faith filled songs will inspire you to dig deeper into your faith. She sings from the heart and is inspired by our Blessed Lady and the Holy Spirit.

The concert will be **free**, but we will be asking for a free will offering to help offset some of the costs to fly her in from St. Louis. In addition, the Knights will be putting on a fabulous Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner after the concert. Dinner tickets must be purchased in advance and will be sold after the masses (**costing \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12**) or on the Knights website at www.koc3484.com. For more information, contact Duane Kloser at 503-913-2895 or Paul Crawford at 503-680-8924.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sunday, March 11, 2018

- 9:45a.m. Sunday Religious Education
- 9:45a.m. Adult Education class
- 11:00p.m. Choir practice [Spanish]
- 12:00p.m. Sacramental Prep
- 3:00p.m. Spanish Marriage Encounter

Monday, March 12, 2018

- 9:15a.m. Bible Study
- 6:00p.m. Choir practice
- 12:00p.m. Women's Club meeting
- 7:00p.m. Bible Study

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

- 6:30p.m. Spanish RCIA Gr.
- 7:00p.m. Penance Service
- 7:00p.m. Bible Study [Spanish]
- 7:45p.m. Spanish Bible Study

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

- 8:00a.m. Mass
- 5:00p.m. Choir practice [Spanish]
- 7:00p.m. Junior High, Youth Group, Confirmation prep, RCIA

Thursday, March 15, 2018

- 8:00a.m. Mass
- 12:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:30p.m. Spanish Religious Education
- 7:00p.m. Bible Study
- 8:15p.m. Rosary [Spanish]
- 9:00p.m. Benediction

Friday, March 16, 2018

- 7:00a.m. Marian Prayer Group
- 8:00a.m. Mass
- 6:00p.m. Soup Supper
- 6:00p.m. Stations in Spanish
- 7:00p.m. Stations in English
- 7:00p.m. Spanish Prayer Group



*As long
as I am
in the
WORLD,
I am the
LIGHT
of the
WORLD.*

John 9:5

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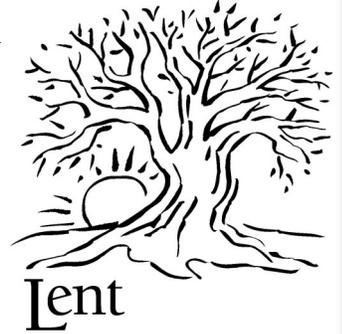
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

Our Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Maintenance Committee are beginning to collaborate for the benefit of St. Patrick Church's future needs and goals. We will strive to listen with an open mind and heart and pray for guidance to best serve our parish community. We encourage all parishioners to do their part and continue to volunteer in the many ministries here at St. Patrick.



YOUR SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

Needed for Weekly Budget Goal	\$	8,719.81
Offertory- March 3/4, 2018	\$	<u>9,786.32</u>
Over/(Under)	\$	1066.51
Building Fund Collection		\$693.00
Unemployment		\$1322.75
Cemetery		\$21.00

A NOTE OF THANKS TO ALL THE FAMILIES OF ST. PATRICK CHURCH THAT PLEDGED THEIR FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO MATER DEI RADIO

We were overwhelmed by the enthusiastic response given by the people of your parish. During the weekend presentations 133 families filled out pledge cards totaling \$10,233. When you add the \$7,500 matching gift, the total support from your church family comes to a very generous \$17,733. This goes a long way in helping us to achieve our goal of \$1.8-million to cover the costs associated with building our media center, which will bring more souls closer to Christ. Thank you, again for your prayers and support. God Bless You!

RECYCLE BIN

Available in the vestibule of the church is a yellow recycle bin. We are asking that you please place all your catholic material that parishioners bring to the church for other parishioners in this recycle bin instead of placing them on the book case. This will keep the top of the book case free of clutter and look presentable to our congregation and visitors who visit our church. Thank you for your understanding!

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Penance Service Tuesday, March 13

Wednesday, March 14

+Mary Hilsendagerr by Hannan family

Thursday, March 15

Intentions for the Parishioners

Friday, March 16

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Saturday, March 17, 2018

5:30p.m. +Pat Coleland by Stuart & Karen Hunt

Sunday, March, 18, 2018

8:30a.m. +Matt Wagner by family

11:00a.m. Intentions for the Parishioners

1:30p.m. Intentions for the Parishioners

ST. PATRICK KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—Council 3484



Monthly meetings held first
& third Tuesdays of the
month in the Multipurpose
Room of the Parish Center
at 7:00pm.

ANNUAL LENTEN SOUP SUPPER AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We are still in need of a group, organization, families or individuals to help provide a simple soup supper for **March 23**. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church.

St. Patrick Religious Education Programs

HERE COMES PETER COTTONTAIL...

All children of St. Patrick's, ages two years through the 5th grade, are invited to join in an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 8th following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Parents, remember to bring an Easter basket and camera! If there is a torrential downpour, the hunt will be postponed until weather permits.



We have plenty of plastic eggs from previous years, but would appreciate donations of small toys, stickers and individually wrapped candy to fill the eggs. To avoid problems due to allergies, we ask that all candy be nut free.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING

Thank you to all who have donated to our Lenten Almsgiving Project! As of March 4th, the students collected \$94.25. We have two more weeks to collect money before Spring Break and our goal is \$500.00.

We are very excited to announce that private donors from our parish are challenging our parishioners to a dollar-for-dollar match, up to one thousand dollars. Any money donated by March 18th will be doubled! Thank you to our anonymous couple for their generosity! Checks can be made to St. Patrick. Please mark Cross Catholic Outreach under the memo.

VISITING RACKLEFF PLACE

The elementary students have made some Easter cards for our food bank and for the residents at Rackleff Place. We do not have class on Sunday, March 25th (Palm Sunday) but the cards, along with candy, will be delivered to Rackleff Place that morning. If any children would like to visit and pass out cards, please meet Jody Patershall at the facility promptly at 10:00a.m. Seeing the children's smiling faces and beautiful cards would be a wonderful surprise for the residents! If anyone is interested in doing this, please email Jody as soon as possible. We do ask that each child meet us at the facility and be supervised by a parent/guardian while we are there.

CLASS SCHEDULE

There will be no religious education classes on March 25th and April 1st. We wish all of our families a fun and safe Spring Break and a Happy Easter! Classes resume April 8th.

CONFIRMATION DAY RETREAT

Our confirmation day retreat was held on Saturday, March 3rd in Mt. Angel. We visited the Fr. Bernard Youth Center, Missionaries of the Holy Spirit, St. Joseph's Shelter, Queen of Peace Monastery, Mt. Angel Abbey and concluded our day celebrating Mass at St. Mary's church. We would like to thank our chaperones for this event: **Brian & Sue Masterson and David Riener**. We would also like to thank **Mindy Ferriss** for the generous donation of her time to drive us the entire day.

WEDNESDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LENTEN PROJECT

The Wednesday Religious Education youth will be collecting money to help with the **Cross Catholic Outreach project to raise \$500.00** and provide clean & safe drinking water to an entire village. We are asking the Wednesday youth to bring in their spare change and dollars to help – one small act of kindness can make a big difference. **Money will be collected on Wednesday, March 14th & 21st.**

SAVE THE DATE FOR CONFIRMATION

We have eleven youth preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. St. Patrick will join St. John the Apostle in Oregon City this year on **Sunday, May 6th at 3:00 p.m. with Bishop Smith**. All are welcome to join us as we celebrate our youth. There will be a cake reception at St. John's following the ceremony.

