

St. Patrick Parish

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December 19, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Advent



TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH

Visit our website and
register online or come to
the Parish Office

Mass Schedule during Covid-19

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m., Tuesday through Friday
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday
4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
or another time
by appointment.

Parish Staff

St. Patrick's Thrift Shop

457 Magnolia Avenue
Larkspur CA 94939
Phone: 415-924-5393

Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday:
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Saturday: Noon - 4:00 p.m.

Monsignor Michael Padazinski
Pastor
Angela Hadsell
School Principal
Helena Miller-Fleig
Director of Religious Education
Agata Konopka
Parish Office

Cathy Plocki
Liturgical Coordinator
Phyllis Rybensky
Helping Hands Coordinator
Barbara Cavalier
Hospitality Coordinator
Deborah Benedict
Adult Choir Director
Daniel Savio
Pianist

Parish Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Monday—Friday)

St. Patrick K-8 School

415-924-0501

St. Patrick School of Religion

415-924-0600 x15

Christmas Schedule 2021

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions:

Tuesday, December 21

7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve

Friday, December 24

Vigil of the Nativity of Our Lord

4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Mass (*outside, weather permitting, bring your own chair*)

6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass

9:00 p.m. Vigil Mass of the Nativity of Our Lord

Christmas Day

Saturday, December 25

8:00 a.m. Christmas Mass

10:00 a.m. Christmas Mass

11:30 a.m. Christmas Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation



On Tuesday, December 21, from 7:00 — 8:00 P.M., we will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) in the church. There will be four priests available for confessions.

We are all in need of God's forgiveness and availing ourselves to the grace of the Sacrament might truly be the greatest gift we receive at Christmas!



St. Patrick's **Children's Faith Formation (CFF)** program warmly invites you to this year's **Christmas Pageant**, which will take place during the **4 p.m. outdoor Mass** (weather permitting, otherwise indoors) on **December 24th**.

All members of our community, both young and old, will delight in this joyful retelling of the Nativity of the Lord.

If you are home this Christmas, please join us; and don't forget to bring a chair and to dress warmly!



"Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High."

Luke 1:30-32

**Mass Intentions
December 18 — 26**

Saturday December 18	5:00 pm	Inez & Anthony Scardina †
Sunday December 19	8:00 am 10:00 am	Alfred Cariani † People of the Parish
Monday December 20		No Mass
Tuesday December 21	8:00 am	Philip Guelfi †
Wednesday December 22	8:00 am	Jim Murray †
Thursday December 23	8:00 am	Anthony Di Caprio †
Friday December 24	4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Ray Hollister † Bob Rybensky †
Christmas Eve	9:00 pm	People of the Parish
Saturday December 25	8:00 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	Jim Murray † John & Dorothy Aiello † Antonio & Maria Vargas †
Christmas Day		
Sunday December 26	8:00 am 10:00 am	People of the Parish Michael & Maryanne McCullagh †



**San Francisco Mission District
Toy Drive**

Thank you for your generous donations to the Mission Neighborhood Health Clinic annual Christmas party. Because of you, children were able to receive a gift for Christmas. Merry Christmas.
Erin and Patrick Loftus-Sweetland

PRAYER LIST

If you have someone you would like to include, please contact the Parish Office.

Advent

This advent be amazed by newness

“In this season of Advent, we are called to expand the horizons of our hearts, to be amazed by the life which presents itself each day with newness. In order to do this, we must learn to not depend on our own certainties, on our own established strategies, because the Lord comes at a time that we do not imagine. He comes to bring us into a more beautiful and grand dimension.”

— *Pope Francis, Angelus, 27th November 2016*



Holy Christmas

“Ensure that Holy Christmas is never a celebration of commercial consumerism, of appearances or of useless gifts, or of excessive waste, but that it is a celebration of joyfully welcoming the Lord into the crib and into the heart.”

— *Pope Francis, Meeting with the personnel of the Holy See, 2014*



Donating to St. Patrick Church Online

The church relies on an increase in contributions to support special programs and basic operating expenses. Please be as generous as you can. For your convenience, we offer online giving through the church website. It's easy to donate! Simply go to our website, www.stpatricksparish.com. On the homepage click on 'Giving,' and you will be directed to VANCO. Please call the parish office with any questions.

***Your donations to St. Patrick Parish
are most appreciated!***

Gabriel Project Advent Giving Tree

During Advent, we wait in expectant hope for the arrival of the Baby Jesus, as his mother Mary would have done so long ago. This is the perfect time to walk with other expectant mothers as they await the arrival of these new blessings.

Our (virtual) Advent Giving Tree is a way to support pregnant women in need as we celebrate this season. Donations will go to support the Gabriel Project, which helps pregnant women throughout the year, through volunteers, or “angels,” at parishes in the three counties of the Archdiocese.

To give please go to:

<https://sfarchdiocese.org/gabriel-project-advent-giving-tree/>

We hope to echo the angel Gabriel's message to women in difficult situations: "Do not be afraid" (Lk 1:30). Thank you for your generous support.

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Six-Week Course on the Eucharist by Canadian Theologian Brett Salkeld

The Archdiocese of San Francisco School of Pastoral Ministry highly recommends this six-week course. Brett Salkeld is an advisor to the Archdiocese of Regina, has a weekly podcast "Thinking Faith!," and can be followed on Twitter at @BrettSalkeld. He is the author of "Can Catholics and Evangelicals Agree about Purgatory and the Last Judgment?"; "How Far Can We Go? A Catholic Guide to Sex and Dating (with Leah Perrault)"; and, most recently, "Transubstantiation: Theology, History, and Christian Unity."

Sign up at: <https://www.sfarch.org/eucharist/>
Questions, please contact Deacon Fred Totah at totah.fred@sfarch.org or 415 614-5504



Merry Christmas!

Another year of coping with Covid! In spite of it all, it is my sincere hope that you and your family are well and enjoying this wonderful season of grace and hope. May you have a wonderful Christmas filled with joy, peace, happiness, good health and an abundance of grace from our promised Messiah, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. With fewer restrictions in place, our Christmas liturgies this year will look more like years past. Our Masses will take place in our beautiful worship space (with the exception of the 4:00 P.M. Christmas Eve Mass which will be outdoors, weather permitting), decorations will be festive, and our adult choir will enhance our prayer with their angelic voices. And so, let us plan to pray together as a faith community, in person, to give thanks to our Savior with the greatest prayer we have to offer, the prayer of the holy Mass.

As you know, this is my sixth Christmas at Saint Patrick serving as your pastor. With all of the ups and downs of this past couple of years, I continue to feel your prayerful support and encouragement and this is perhaps the greatest gift for me this Christmas! I hope that you, too, feel my love and support as we continue our journey together worshipping the Lord who came among us once at Bethlehem and abides with us now through the presence of the Holy Spirit. Saint Patrick is truly a wonderful parish and we are growing ever stronger. I feel so blessed to belong to such a vibrant and faith-filled parish community.

As 2022 prepares to dawn, may it prove to be a better year for each of you, for our parish and for our world. May Jesus, born once in Bethlehem, bless our many worthwhile endeavors as we seek to promote His message of peace, hope, joy, and love!

Again, a most heart-felt Merry Christmas!

Monsignor Michael Padazinski

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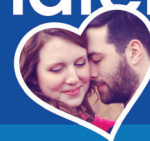
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