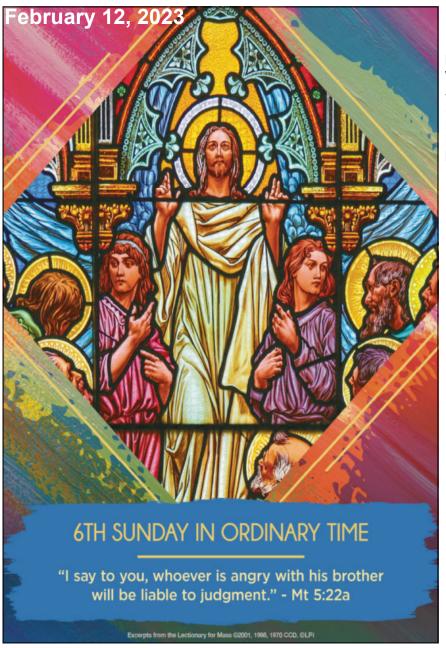
## Welcome to St. Patrick Catholic Church

### Growing as Disciples of Jesus and Making Disciples for Jesus

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### Mass Schedule/ Horario de Misas

Mon, Tues, Thurs 6:30 a.m. Wed, Fri (Mie, Vier) 12:15 p.m. Saturday/Sábado 8 a.m., 5 p.m. Sundays/Domingo:

English 7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 11 a.m.

Español 12:45 p.m.; Burmese 2:30 p.m.

**School of Religion K-8; Catecismo K-8**Wednesdays/Miercoles 6:30 p.m.

RCIA Classes (Adults)
Sundays 6:30 p.m., Oct—Easter

#### Adoration

Tuesdays, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena 6:30 pm

### Marriages/Matrimonios

Please notify the pastor 8-10 months prior to wedding. Favor de notificar a la parroquia 8-10 meses antes.

#### Baptisms/Bautismos

By appointment only; Por cita solamente.

#### Confessions/Confesiones

3:30 p.m. Saturdays, 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays or by appointment Español– Martes a las 5:30 p.m. Sabados a las 3:30 p.m.

### Rosary

Saturdays at 4:30 pm; Sundays at 7 am; Tuesdays at 6:30 pm



#### **Pastor**

Father Mark Mertes (mmertes@archkck.org)

Parochial Vicar
Father William Dun-Dery

**Burmese Ministry**Father Michael Van Lian

**Deacon/Diácono**Dave Cresswell



### From Theresa Smith, Director of Adult Faith Formation:

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) sessions are based on the 4 pillars of the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" - The Creed, The Sacraments (Liturgy), The Commandments (Morality) and Prayer. The handouts we use are filled with quotes from the Catechism and Scripture to help us understand the beliefs of the Church, the graces and power of the sacraments and liturgy, Catholic morality (Ten Commandments and sin) and deepening our relationship with God through prayer.

In today's Gospel, Jesus mentions several commandments but then adds this phrase, "...But I say to you..." According to paragraph 2054 in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "Jesus acknowledged the Ten Commandments, but he also showed the power of the Spirit at work in their letter...He unfolded all the demands of the Commandments." So what does this mean for our lives? Does this take away our freedom? On the contrary, it gives us freedom! A loving parent always sets rules for their children. It's essential for their growth and safety! The Lord wants us to live and love fully, not be hindered by the pain and chaos that accompanies sin.

Following the laws in driving, for instance, enhances your freedom. If you obey the rules of the road, you are free to go where you wish. If you don't, you lose that freedom. Avoiding sin gives us the freedom to really live and not be lost in darkness.

So how do we begin? First of all, learn the Ten Commandments! Ask the Lord to open your heart to His Word and open your eyes to what you need to change. Learn WHY the Church teaches an action is a sin and then get to work purging it from your heart. Make regular confession a habit so that you can receive the mercy of Christ to help you to go and sin no more. No sin is greater than His mercy so don't be afraid to approach Him. Remember how much God loves you and wants to set you free.

## Scripture Readings for Week of February 13-19

Mon/Lun: Genesis 4:1-15, 25;

Mark 8:11-13

Tue/Mar: Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10;

Mark 8:14-21

Wed/Mie: Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22;

Mark 8:22-26

Thur/Jue: Genesis 9:1-13; Mark 8:27-33 Fri/Vie: Genesis 11:1-9; Mark 8:34-9:1 Sat/Sab: Hebrews 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13 Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18;

1 Corinthians 3:16-23;

Matthew 5:38-48



### Desde Theresa Smith:

Las sesiones del Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (RICA)se basan en los 4 pilares del "Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica"- El Credo, Los Sacramentos (Liturgia), Los Mandamientos (Moralidad) y La Oración. Los folletos que usamos están llenos de citas del Catecismo y las Escrituras para ayudarnos a comprender las creencias de la Iglesia, las gracias y el poder de los sacramentos y la liturgia, la moral católica (Los Diez Mandamientos y el pecado) y profundizar nuestra relación con Dios a través de la oración.



En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús menciona varios mandamientos, pero luego agrega esta frase: "...Pero yo les digo.." Según el párrafo 2054 del catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, "Jesús reconoció los Diez Mandamientos, pero también mostro el poder el Espíritu Santo obrando en su carta... El desplego todas las demandas de los Mandamientos". Entonces, ¿que significa esto para nuestras vidas? ¿esto nos quita la libertad? Al contrario ¡nos da libertad! Un padre amoroso siempre establece reglas para sus hijos. ¡Es esencial para su crecimiento y seguridad! El Señor quiere que vivamos y amemos plenamente, que no nos detenga el dolor y el caos que acompaña al pecado. Seguir las leyes al conducir, por ejemplo, mejora tu libertad.

Si obedeces las reglas de tránsito, eres libre de ir a donde quieras. Si no lo haces, pierdes esa libertad. Evitar el pecado nos da la libertad de vivir realmente y no perdernos en la oscuridad.

Entonces, ¿cómo empezamos? En primer lugar, ¡aprende los Diez Mandamientos! Pídele al Señor que abra tu corazón a Su Palabra y abra tus ojos a lo que necesitas cambiar. Aprende POR QUE la Iglesia enseña que una acción es un pecado y luego ponte a trabajar para purgarla de tu corazón. Haz de la confesión regular un hábito para que puedas recibir la misericordia de Cristo para ayudarte a ir y no pecar más. Ningún pecado es mas grande que Su misericordia, así que no tengas miedo de acercarte a Él. Recuerda cuanto te ama Dios y cuanto quiere liberarte.

### Thank you to all who donated for Christmas flowers in memory of:

Bob and Betty Alvarado; Antoinette Bishop and Daniel Rynard; Byron Couch; Juanita Spaur; Bonnie Gale Yankovich; Helen Carroll; Chacon Family; Jean Wineinger; John P. Crilly; Sam Danner; Lucille Denton; Lora Denton; Yarc Family; John and Stella Dercher; Robert and Kathryn Hennessey; Lyle and Evelyn Englehart; Dennis Hennessey; Martin Englehart; Elaine Sibley; Jack Loun; William Gates Family and Richard Quinn Family; Leo and Edna Glick; Cecil and Lucy Green; Rod Hightower; Warren Kearney; Bob Keuchel; Brian Keuchel; John Kris Neumann; Jackie Rodina; Elaine M. Sibley; Marie Sibley; Robert Sibley; Frances Storm; Peter Storm; James, Evelyn and William Tanner; Tanner Family; Joseph Wiggans and Monica Wiggans Porterfield; Robert Wirthman

#### Homemade Baby Blankets Needed

Do you like to sew, knit or crochet? If so, please consider making baby blankets for the mothers at local pregnancy centers and for families in our parish. A homemade blanket is a beautiful way of reminding mothers that they and their babies are remembered in prayer and loved. Parishioners, if you are interested in joining a group that would get together to work on your blankets or other projects for those in need, pray and enjoy good company, please contact Theresa Smith or the parish office.

### **Lenten Silent Retreat: Penetrating Mystical Truth**

Christ's Peace House of Prayer, 22131 Meager Rd., Easton. Friday, February 24 at 5:30 pm -Sunday, February 25 at 4:30 pm. Start the Holy Season of Lent this year with a deep understanding of the mystical life with penetrating insight and practical usefulness. The more deeply you comprehend mystical truth, the more you will be transformed by its power. There are conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, Confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. Cabins/ Courtyard Rooms: \$170 Single/\$250 Couple or Single Guest Rooms: \$100 (Meals Included). To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at ChristsPeace.com or call 913-773-8255.



### Mass Intentions (Intenciones)

Sunday, February 12-6 Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day

7:30 a.m. Mass Int: Marty Ammon † 9:15 a.m. Mass Int: People of the Parish 11:00 a.m. Mass Int: Vera Samyn † 12:45 p.m. Spanish: Maria Elena Peňa †

2:30 p.m. Burmese Int: Available

Monday, February 13

6:30 a.m. Mass Int: Ray Hamilton †

Tuesday, February 14—Sts. Cyril and Methodius; St. Valentine's Day!

6:30 a.m. Mass Int: Glenda Burdolski †

Wednesday, February 15

8:10 a.m. Mass Int: Sophia Hraback † 12:15 p.m. Mass Int: Gladys Mullen

Thursday, February 16

6:30 a.m. Mass Int: John Manning †

Friday, February 17—Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:10 a.m. Mass Int: Ann Meara Bolden † 12:15 p.m. Mass Int: JoAnn and John Jaklevic † Saturday, February 18

8:00 a.m. Mass Int: Gail Malec † 5:00 p.m. Mass Int: Mildred Sambol †

Sunday, February 19—7 Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Mass Int: Hraback Family † 9:15 a.m. Mass Int: Orlando Martinez † 11:00 a.m. Mass Int: People of the Parish

12:45 p.m. Spanish: Available 2:30 p.m. Burmese Int: Available

### **Events**

Wednesday, Feb 15 School of Religion Classes 6:30 pm School

Thursday, Feb 16 Knights of Columbus 6:30 pm Rosary and Meeting

Parish Center

Sunday, Feb 19 Pancake Breakfast! 8-11 am Parish Center

Sunday, Feb 19 Adult Classes (RCIA) St. Patrick Room 6:30 pm

### **FORMED: FREE Content in English & Spanish**

The parish has a subscription to FORMED, an amazing site for Catholics. Download FORMED app to your phone or visit FORMED.org, click "I belong to a parish" then put in parish name or zip code. Follow instructions to access our subscription and enjoy movies, Bible studies, e-books, documentaries and much more! Perfect for Lent!



God doesn't un-say anything. Today, Christ asserts that for those hoping for a 'free pass,' "Not... the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law" (Matthew 5:18). The law is God's unchangeable word, and all will be judged according to His law. Yet. inasmuch as God will not recant his law, neither will he recant his mercy. Technically speaking, our hope should abound because, according to Saint Thomas Aquinas, "It is more proper for God to spare and to show mercy than to punish. For the former belongs to him by reason of his nature, the latter only by reason of our sins" (Summa Theologica II, II, 21, 2). Yet some people don't know his law. While God's mercy may account for this, they will still suffer judgment under the law. Jesus gave our parish the task of sharing the good news that he came to save us from the law. Our Catholic parish is the most direct local route for our community to reach Him and Our Archbishop's Call to Share appeal seeks to help more people get access to



Him. Please support *Call to Share* today. We need your generosity, prayers, and advocacy. Let's bring souls from our community to his merciful feet! Please contact Theresa Smith, 913-299-3370 or tsmith@archkckcs.org to add or remove a name. Only family may add names because of privacy.

Please pray for the sick: Evelyn Adams, Ethan Allen, Brian Altenhofen, Karla Alvarado, Vincent Anderjaska, Micah Babatunde, Kason Barger, Andrew Becker, Donna Bileck, Douglas Braman, Victor Braman, Marsha Brown, Tom Burdolski, Mary Ann Bush, Hannah Buttaccio, Noah Callaway, Cindy Cigich, Owen Cigich, Raymond Cote, Margie Courtney, Toni Courtney, Vernon Cox, Vicky Daniels, Douglas Danko, Eileen Dechant, Connie Engelbrecht, Diane Falgren, Charles Galladay, Sue Goble, Cora Grant, Mary Hecht, Blia Her, Randy Herrington, Bernadine Holland, Shirley Imhoff, Waylon Irons, Mike Kerns, Jim Koenig, Betty Kolenda, Sophia Kovac, Luu Linh, Andrea McNeely, Laraun McNeely, Chad Messinger, Willetta Minters, Rodney Morris, Mary Jo Prock, Judy Rodina, Liley Sanchez, Mary Lou Schmalz, Emily Segui, Regina Seuferling, Joseph Tayler, Ray Valverde, Tim Vaughan, Deacon Charlie Voss, Glenn Waltsak, Joe Wingerter, Jose Zarate, Jr.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the office, 299 -3370, to receive the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. For a scheduled hospital stay or surgery, please schedule the sacrament with the priest before you are admitted to the hospital. If your condition worsens, you recover then become ill again or you face new challenges due to aging, it's appropriate to be anointed again.

**Homebound:** If you are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please call the parish office, 913-299-3370 to arrange for a priest to visit.

Scheduling Mass Intentions: A spiritual works of mercy is to pray for the souls of those who have died. To have a deceased loved one as the intention at a parish Mass, visit the office or email stpatrickchurchkck@archkckcs.orgvisit or call 913-299-3370 or . Suggested donation is \$10.

Please pray daily for those who have died: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Gail Malec**. Our prayers and sympathy are of-

A Loss in Our Church Family

fered to her family and friends.

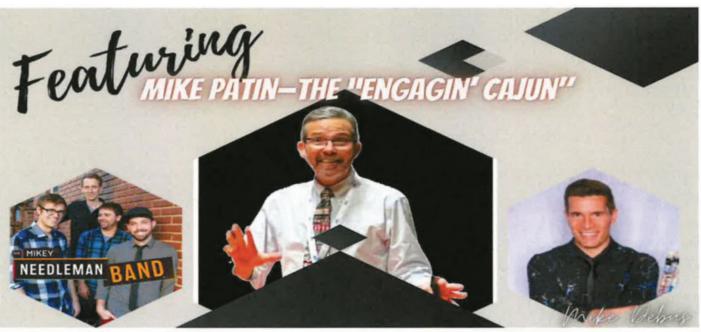
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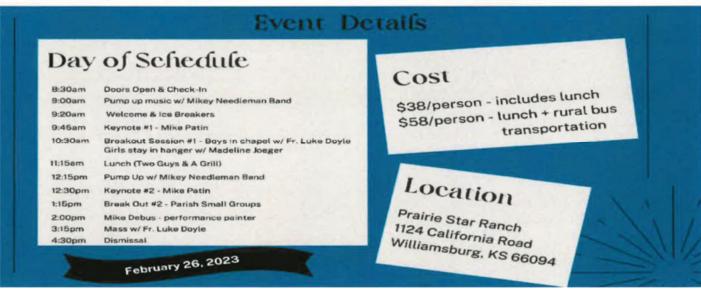
Please contact Ramona Galvan at rgalvan@stpatrickkck.org for more information if you are interested in attending. Registration deadline is Wednesday, February 22.



"Whoever really takes the Eucharist as his daily bread, experiences each day the mystery of Christmas, the Word Made Flesh."

-St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross





### **Knights of Columbus - Performing Works of Charity**



The Knights of Columbus Bicentennial Council at St Patrick Church thank all parishioners for their ongoing support. The Knights are an international organization committed to living their faith at home, in their parish, at work, and in their community. We invite all Catholic men to join (kofc.org) and become active. Our council kept very busy this past year and was able to grant over \$12,500 in charitable donations as well as sponsor many events as noted below.

- Sponsored free throw championship for children ages 9 through 14.
- Raised over \$1,500 in our annual Tootsie Roll Campaign benefitting children with special needs.
- Our once-a-month Sunday breakfasts give parishioners a chance to visit and enjoy good food.
- Donated \$400 to the Archdiocesan Religious Sisters Appreciation Dinner held at St Patrick parish center.
- Sponsored Parish Blood Drives every 8 weeks averaging over 35 donors each time.
- Donated \$650 to help remodel housing at Sanctuary of Hope so that it can reopen as the new Shalom House – a place for men who are experiencing homelessness.
- Raised \$1,744 during Life Saver Sunday which was donated to 2 Wyandotte County Crisis Pregnancy Centers.
- Raised \$140 in rosary sales and a raffle to donate to Planned Parenthood Exposed which helps educate the public on the evils of abortion and Planned Parenthood.
- Participated weekly in Christian sidewalk witnessing in front of Planned Parenthood in KCK.
- Helped fund repairs to the Parish Center's kitchen and gym floor, and furnish new Christmas lighting on the rectory.
- Provided prayerful and financial support to 2 seminarians \$500 each to Aaron Waldeck and George Rhodes and \$875 to Sudeep Kodikandla who was ordained in 2022.
- Donated \$900 to help fund Religious Education Programs at St Patrick and throughout Kansas.
- Donated a special rosary to each candidate that received the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- Serviced the aluminum can recycling bin where proceeds of \$1,882 went to St Patrick School's IRISH financial aid fund.
- Volunteer at Giving Hope food pantry twice a month distributing food to those in need.
- Participated in Life Chain where we publicly and prayerfully stand for life.



### Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world. Our local council 6781 here at St Patrick Church will hold a membership drive at all Masses the weekend of February 18/19. Whether you become an individual member or a member of our council you will find that Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join today, simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter our council 6781 for local information.

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## in the Parish Center

## Starting Friday, February 24th 4:30pm

### Fish Dinner Menu

Senior meals will be half amount of fish or shrimp with cole slaw, choice of fries or mac and cheese, roll along with drink and dessert

Child's meal will be half of fish or fried shrimp and choice of fries and mac and cheese (no coleslaw), roll along with drink and dessert.

	Adult	Senior	Child
Baked Cod Fish (2PCS)	\$14.00	\$10.00 (1pc)	\$7.00 (1pc)
Fried Cat Fish (2PCS)	\$14.00	\$10.00 (1pc)	\$7.00 (1pc)
Fried Shrimp (8PCS)	\$14.00	\$10.00 (4pcs)	\$7.00 (4pcs)
Boiled Shrimp (15PCS)	\$15.00	\$11.00 (8pcs)	\$8.00 (8pcs)
Combo - 1pc of fish and			
4pcs fried shrimp	\$15.00	\$11.00	

Meals include Cole Slaw, choice of Fries or Mac and Cheese, roll along with drink and dessert

Family Meal is \$35.00 for 2 adults and 2 or more children. If ordering boiled shrimp it will be \$1.00 per person extra.

For More Info please contact Fritz Vertz at 913-515-0621.

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Director of Music Ministries/Directora de Musica Cynthia Bounds: cbounds@archkckcs.org

Director of Adult Faith Formation; RCIA; Wedding Coordinator; Annulment Advocate; Spiritual Mentor Theresa Smith, tsmith@archkckcs.org

### **Contact Information/Contacto**

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Office Fax/Fax de las Oficinas	788-2644
School/Escuela	299-8131
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Early Education Center/Preescholar	299-3051
Religious Ed/Ed. Religiosa(K-8)	299-3728
Parish Center Reservations	299-3370
Parish Center Kitchen/Cocina	299-2286

### Parish Ministries/Ministerios

Pastoral Council / Consejo Parroquial: Nominations for Members will be accepted soon.

> Altar Society President/ Presidente Sociedad del Altar Jean Langkop

> > CYO Director Ashley Calderon

Finance Council / Consejo Financiero:
Bob Charbonneau, Lina Chavez, Michael Dean,
Joe Globoke, Ron Green, Ambrose Kham-Thang,
Tu Za Mang, Tyler Saucedo, Ramiro Valenzuela,
and Deacon Charlie Voss

Knights of Columbus Caballeros de Colon Gene Barragree

School Council Tim Conrad, Principal

Prolife Ministry
Call parish office, 913-299-3370, for updates!

PTO Chairperson
Andrea Gabaldon, PTO@stpatrickkck.eduk12.net

Social Concerns Consejo de asuntos sociales Bob and Ann Timmons

Green Club Fritz Vertz (913-515-0621)

#### Parish Mission Statement/Misión

St. Patrick Parish is called to love and serve the Lord, to grow in knowledge, virtue and holiness and to spread the Gospel.

La parroquia de San Patricio esta llamada a amar y servir al Señor, a crecer en conocimiento, virtud y santidad y a compartir el evangelio.

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