March 17, 2024



Welcome to St. Patrick's Parish!

FIFTH SUNDAYIN

"A community of Christian stewards living in faith, hope and love."

St. Patrick's Parish
2111 Muldoon Road
Anchorage, Alaska 99504
Parish Office: 907-337-1538
Parish Website: www.st.patsak.org

PARISH OFFICE: Tues. - Fri. 10 am - 4 pm

MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekdays: Tuesday & Thursday 5:30 pm

Wednesday & Friday 12 noon

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am , 11:30 am

Adoration: Thursday 6:00 pm - 12 Midnight Confessions: Thursday 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Saturday 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Prayer Requests - Email: prayerchain@st.patsak.org

PARISH STAFF

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New to the Parish?

Please take a moment to call the office or stop on in during the week! We would love to meet you and show you around. Welcome and thank you for coming!



The Moment of Glory

As we enter the last three weeks of Lent in the B Cycle, we get these readings from the Gospel of John.
I've often said the Gospel of John, is

like sitting down to a big bowl of Irish Stew. Before you dive in, you have to sit with it for awhile and stir it slowly. As you do so, what at first appeared to be just murky brown on the surface begins to reveal all kinds of tasty bits. So it is with today's reading.

Remember that unlike the synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke) that were written to unbelievers to convince them that Jesus was the long awaited Messiah, John was written much later to believers who were being persecuted to strengthen their faith. As such, John's gospel comes with a different, deeper perspective.

Only in John do we get Jesus repeatedly referring to his "hour." In fact, he is referring to the many hours of his passion, but specifically about his crucifixion. For the disciples and for many of the early Christians, both Jews and Greeks, the Cross was a great scandal that had to be overcome. It was one of the worst curses that one could endure. But John and his community had come to understand that the Cross as the bridge between heaven and earth. It was on the cross that Jesus paid the price for our sins. It was on the Cross that he was lifted up for all the world to see. For John, the Cross is the moment of glory for Jesus.

It's a good insight for us as well. So often we want to enter with Christ into the glory of the resurrection, but we sometimes forget that to get there we have to go with him to the Cross. It helps to remember that like the sufferings of Christ, the sufferings of this life are also our moment of glory.

May we have the grace to see our own sufferings our union with Christ in his passion, death and resurrection.

PARISH HAPPENINGS



Come for Stations of the Cross on Fridays of Lent, then stay and join us for fellowship and soup supper in the Deacons Hall.



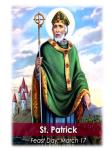
Sponsor an Easter Lily!

Help beautify our worship area for the great celebration of Easter by sponsoring an Easter Lily. A limited amount of envelopes are available in the gathering area.



You may place the completed envelope, in the regular collection at Mass, or you may return them to the office no later than **Wednesday, March 27**th JOIN US IN CELEBRATION OF OUR PATRON SAINT!

This Sunday, March 17
(after the 11:30 Mass)
12:30 pm - Deacons Hall



Potluck - Please bring a dish to share!

- If your last name begins with A J: main dish/appetizer
- If your last name begins with K R: side dish/salad
- If your last name begins with S Z: dessert

Senior Luncheon

Join us for an afternoon of fellowship, food, and

This Thursday, March 21st

12 noon in the Deacons Hall
Live music by Davis Normand and
The Country Memories Band.

Brother Francis Shelter Foot Washing Clinic

Our parish's next service in the Brother Francis



Foot Care Ministry will be next *Tuesday, March 26th, at 5pm,* at the Shelter. Please contact the office or talk with Judy Everard, ministry coordinator, if you would like to help with this important service to our neighbors in need.

Let's Prepare our Church for Easter



As we enter the second half of this Lenten Season, it is time once again to plan for the preparation of our church for the great celebration of Easter. From decorating for Palm Sunday to filling the Baptismal Font and placing the Easter lilies for the Easter Vigil; there is much work to be done.

Palm Sunday Decorating: Saturday, March 23 @ 10 am

Easter Decorating: Holy Saturday, March 30 @ 10 am

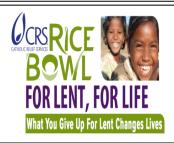
We will gather at 10am to begin the work. Please plan to help for an hour or two, or stay until the work is done.

Families are welcome - Please join us for this joyous project!

EMBODYING THE LOVE OF CHRIST BY CARING FRO ONE ANOTHER

Reflect on your Lenten journey thus far: What have you learned from our global family members in Uganda, El Salvador and Indonesia? How does the Eucharist unite us with our sisters and brothers around the world? Consider how Christ is present in Adolf and Florence, Sandra and Santos, and Evita.

Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope.



HOLY WEEK AT ST. PATRICK'S



Palm Sunday

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am 11:30 am





Vespers & Confessions

March 25, 26, & 27

7:00 pm -9:00 pm



March 28

Mass: 7:00 pm

Adoration: 8:00 pm -Midnight



Good Friday, March 29

Faith Walk (meet @ AWAIC) 10:00 am

Stations of the Cross 3:00 pm

Liturgy of the Lord's **Passion** 7:00 pm





Easter Vigil 8:00 pm



March 31

Masses at 7:30 am

9:30 am

11:30 am



St. Patrick's Parish 2024 Lenten Project

Catholic Social Services - Brother Francis Shelter



Brother Francis Shelter is an emergency shelter for men and women in Anchorage without a home. The shelter serves adults experiencing homelessness with dignity, care, compassion and with an emphasis on moving guests toward self-sufficiency.

Our Lenten project for 2024 is providing supplies to make up care packages for the guests at the shelter. Items needed:

Toiletries:

- . Toothbrushes
- . Toothpaste
- · Lip Balms
- · Feminine Hygiene Products
- Nail Clippers
- · Band-Aids
- · Hand Wipes / Wet Wipes
- . Kleenex

Food Items:

- . Granola Bars
- Dried Fruit / Fruit Leather
- . Jerky
- Cup-o-Noodles
- . Bouillon Cubes
- . Drink Powders

- Socks
- Gloves
- Hats
- Handwarmers
- Emergency Blanket
- Flashlights
- Playing Cards
- . Personal Note Pads
- * When donating please remember items should be new or gently used. Thank you!

Clothing / Other:



Adult Confirmation Class



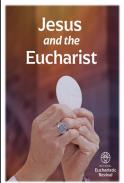
Are you an adult who has never received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Deacon Mick will once again be offering a class to prepare for Confirmation!

It will be held at 1:00 pm in the hospitality room on April 28, May 5, May 12, May 26, and June 2. Confirmation will be on Pentecost on Sunday, May 19 at the 11:30 Mass.

Contact Beth at bjones@st.patsak.org to sign up for the class.

FAITH FORMATION AND MINISTRY NEWS

God is With Us



We will meet at 10:00 am in Deacons Hall to continue our discussion of God's presence with us in the Eucharist. Come find out how God's presence in the Old Testament foreshadowed the Eucharist!

Join us next week to reflect on the Story of the Eucharist. We'll learn more about how, from Genesis to the present day, the Cross is the new Tree of Life, and the Eucharist is its fruit.



St. Patrick's Council 11745 Knights' Korner



Each year the Grand Knight for the council submits a report of activities and expenditures to the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council. It is my privilege to share these numbers with you. Because of the generosity of people at St Pat's I would like to say thank you! None of these contributions, both monetarily and hours are given without the help and support of our spouses and members of our community.

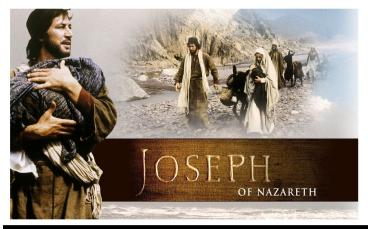
Our St. Patrick's Council has given \$6200 for Faith Activities as well as 600 service hours. \$500 with over 110 service hours for Family Activities. Community Activities provided \$23,000 worth of service and 532 hours. Finally, for Life Activities contribution totaled \$900 with 10 hours of our labor given.

As always thank you so much for your support of our Council!

For information about the Knights of Columbus, contact Council Grand Knight, John Streit, 907-350-1722

Upcoming Council Events

Wednesday, March 20, **6:30pm** - Potluck Social - All are Welcome! **Wednesday, April 3**, **6:45pm** - Business meeting



FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH.

Joseph of Nazareth: The Story of the Man Closest to Christ

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit **formed.org/signup** and select our parish Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



MUSICAL NOTES

C.H.A.O.S. St. Patrick's Day Show

The Reely Big Shoe is in the books! Thanks to the Knights of Columbus and everyone who helped. It was a great success!



Music Ministry News

The Music Ministry is responsible for the music at all Masses and other Feast Days. The Choir signup book is in the Choir Area at Church or you can send a text to 907-242-0668 or an email to queenowrits@arctic.net (Margaret Simmons).

All music ministry info will be in the bulletin each week. You can find the bulletin on the Parish web site, https://st.patsak.org, in the *Bulletins* section.

Let's fill *all* those choir chairs! Let all the angels sing; let us glorify the Lord!

REHEARSALS FOR HOLY WEEK

Holy Week Rehearsals will be in the Hall or the Church.

- Holy Thursday Mass: March 28, 7 PM
 Saturday, March 23, 2:30-3:30 PM, Church
- Good Friday Service: March 29, 7 PM (men only this year)

Thursday, March 21, 7-9 PM, Church Friday, March 22, 7-9 PM, Church Sunday, March 24, 6-8 PM, **Hall**

- Easter Vigil: March 30, 8 PM Tuesday, March 19, 6:30-8:30 PM, Church Wednesday, March 20, 6:30-8:30 PM, Church
- <u>Easter</u>: March 31, 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM
 These two masses are SUAS an hour before.
 - Easter Youth Mass: March 31, 11:30 AM

 Rehearsals begin at 1:30 PM in the Church
 Sundays, March 17, 24

ARCHDIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Please join us for a synod dialogue session

2024

Archdiocesan Wide Synod Zoom Dialogue Session

March 20th at 6:00pm Please email synod@aoaj.org to register

We encourage people from across our Archdiocese to participate as we gather to pray, reflect on scripture and to listen and dialogue with others in small groups on two specific questions provided by the United States Conference of Bishops. (USCCB) The fruits of our efforts will be gathered and submitted to the USCCB right after Easter. Comments will then be included in a National Report to be sent to Rome for the October 2024 meeting of the Synod on Synodality delegates

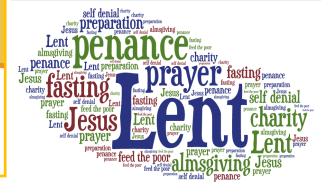






Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary will hold its annual "Acies" on *Saturday, March 23rd* at 1 PM at Holy Family Parish in Anchorage. All are welcome to this prayer service in which participants entrust themselves to Mary's motherly intercession. Reception following.





GOOD FRIDAY FAITH WALK

March 29, 2024

Please Join Us on a Journey of Faith

All-loving and forgiving God, give us the courage to see ourselves with humility and honesty. Open our hearts to receive your forgiveness and your healing love. Then, as you forgive us, helpus to show merey and kindness to others. Helpus to stand for what is right and to speak out against injustice, so that by our words and our example we may give witness to your saving power.

STARTING SITES AND TIMES:

8-30am – Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe , 3900 Wiscorsin Street
9-00am – Glenn Square Mall outside space next to Kriner's Bungers and Pies
3090 Mountain View Dr. (meet 8:00am at Saint Andrew)
9-00am – St. Anthony Church, 8:25 South Klevin Street – Saint Anthony Parish
9-30am – JBER, Government Hill Curling Club, 7II E. Loop Road
9-45am – Captain Cook Statue, 3rd Avenue & L. Street – Saint Elizabeth Parish
10-00am – Pioneer Home, (Pioneer Home residents only sitting only)
10-00am – Brother Francis Shelter, 10-30 East Third Avenue – Holy Cross Parish

10:00am - AWAIC, 100 West 13th Averue & A Street - Saint Patrick Parish

10:5am – The Old Alaska Native Medical Site, 3rd & Gambell 10:30am – Alaska Railroad Station, 4ll West First Averue (Korean) 10:30am – Anchorage Cemetery, Urborn Memorial, 9th Ave & Cordova (945am at Saint Andrews)

10:30am - Coverant House, 755 A Street

10:30am – Delaney Park Strip, Papal Mass Site, 10th Averue & M Street – Saint Benedict Parish

> 10:30am - Holy Family 5th Averue & H Street 10:30am - Pastoral Center, 225 Cordova Street 10:45am - Downstairs Lobby of the Performing Art Center

The walk concludes with all groups meeting at the Town Square / Alaska Center for the Performing Arts at 1145am to pray the last 3 Station of the Cross together.

> Archdocese of Anchorage Juneau 225 Cordova Street, Anchorage, AK 99501 - 907-297-7700

St. Therese's Camp Join the fun!

St. Therese's Camp offers a week-long residential Catholic camp experience. We share the joy of the faith in a powerfully fun way. Activities include making friends, Mass, prayer, gaga ball, Eucharistic Adoration, swimming, boating, archery and bb guns, slingshots, air rifles for high school, campfires, singing, and more! Early bird rate until March 1 is \$392 for grades 3-8 and \$398 for high school; prices go up \$20 after that. Register soon and save money! Campers registered by April 29 get a free camp t-shirt.

Camp weeks: June 2-7, June 9-14, June 16-21, June 23-28: high school week #1, June 30-July 5: high school week #2, July 14-19 and July 21-26.

Call 907-232-2066 or email campdirector@stthereseak.com for more information. Register for St. Therese's Camp summer 2024 at www.stcak.com!

See you at camp!



Week 4

40 LBS A DAY FOR
40 DAYS OF LENT
FOOD DRIVE

7,844 lbs!

During this Lenten season (February 14 - March 30), we're asking your help to meet our community's needs by gathering 12,000 lbs of food for families in need.

Currently, we've collected **7,844 lbs.**, and every can or box makes a significant impact for the over 100 families who come to St. Francis House for food support every day.

With only a few weeks left in Lent, we appreciate your contribution to providing food for our neighbors. Thank you!

Holy Cross Catholic Church: 733 lbs. Holy Family Cathedral: 191 lbs.

St. Andrew Catholic Church: 1,467 lbs. St. Anthony Catholic Church: 662 lbs. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish: 1,984 lbs.

St. Patrick's Parish: 703 lbs.

Lumen Christi High School: 1,465 lbs. Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe: 25 lbs.

Other: 614 lbs.

Grand Total: 7,844 lbs.



SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON PRO-LIFE TRAINING & SIDEWALK OPPORTUNITY Tuesday, March 19th 6:00-8:15p

6:00 - 6:30p

TRAINING/Q+A TIME
IN SEAS POC

6:45p

LEAVE SEAS AS A CARPOOL OR INDIVIDUALLY

7:00p

ARRIVE AT PARKING LOT (2401 E 42nd Ave) AND WALK AS A GROUP TO THE ABORTION FACILITY (4001 Lake Otis Pkwy)

7:15p

PRAY AND WITNESS ON THE SIDEWALK

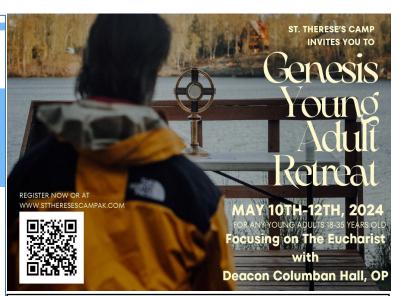
8:00p

WALK BACK TO THE PARKING LOT AS A GROUP

8:15p

DRIVE BACK TO SEAS OR HOME

Dress for the weather - signs provided! Come to the training or prayer, but we hope to see you at both!







Easter Breakfast

Complex Care and Brother Francis Shelter will be celebrating with an Easter Breakfast March 31st and are in need of volunteers to help prepare and deliver yummy dishes to be part of their celebration.

Please sign up at https://bit.ly/csseasterbreakfast.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

Closing Mass and Prayer Service Saturday, March 23

7:00 am Catholic Mass with Fr. Bala

in the new lot (see below)

7:45 am coffee & donuts

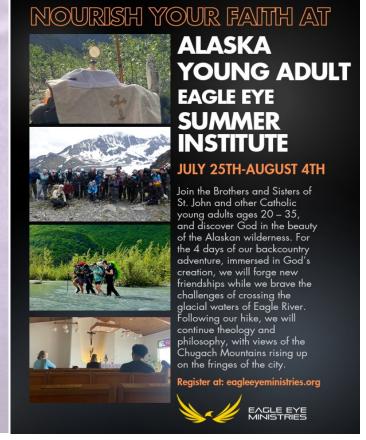
8:00 am evangelical prayer with Pastor Dennis

on the sidewalk

People of all faiths welcome at either or both events.



Please note the new location for Mass:
gather in the empty lot just west of 2401 E. 42nd Ave.
Park on 42nd Ave or nearby streets if possible.
Park in the lot at 2401 E. 42nd Ave. only if needed.



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM, Rosary prayer before Mass, Chapel

8:30 AM, Mass

9:45 AM - 11:15 AM, CGS / Faith Formation K-6

9:45 AM - 11:15 AM, O.C.I.A. 2 / O.C.I.C

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM, Adult Faith Formation - Jesus and the Eucharist:

God Is With Us. (Part 2), Deacons Hall

11:30 AM, Mass w/ Third Scrutiny

12:30 PM, St. Patrick's Day - Parish Potluck Reception, Deacons Hall

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Faith Formation - Middle & High School

1:30 PM, Children's Choir Rehearsal (Easter Sunday Mass), Church

Monday, March 18

Parish Office Closed

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM, SPRED - Total Community, Hospitality Room

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, Adult Bible Study (No Greater Love), via Zoom

Tuesday, March 19

5:30 PM, Mass

6:15 PM - 7:30 PM, Legion of Mary, Cenacle

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM, DivorceCare, Hospitality Room

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM, O.C.I.A, Tara Lounge

Wednesday, March 20

12:00 Noon, Mass

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, Easter Vigil Choir Rehearsal, Church

Thursday, March 21

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM, Adult Bible Study (Sunday's Readings), Hosp. Rm.

12:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Seniors Group - Luncheon & BINGO, Deacons Hall 5:30 Mass

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Confession

6:00 PM - 12 Midnight, Adoration, Chapel

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, HS Girls - Small Group

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM, Good Friday Choir Rehearsal, Church

Friday, March 22

12:00 Noon, Mass

6:00 PM, Stations of the Cross, Church

6:30 PM, Lenten Soup Supper (Hosted by our Candidates and Elects)

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM, Good Friday Choir Rehearsal, Church

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM, Well-Read Mom, Tara Lounge

Saturday, March 23

9:30 AM - 4:30 PM, CGS - Catechist Training, CGS Atrium

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM SoulCore Rosary & Exercise, Cenacle

10:00 AM - 12 Noon, Decorating Church for Palm Sunday

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM, Holy Thursday Choir Rehearsal, Church

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Confession, Reconciliation Room

3:45 PM - 4:30 PM, Contemporary Choir Rehearsal, Church

4:30 PM, Rosary Prayer before Mass, Church

5:00 PM, Mass

8:00 PM - 9:00 PM, AA (Happy Honkers) Meeting, Tara Lounge

Sunday, March 24 - Palm Sunday

8:00 AM, Rosary prayer before Mass, Chapel

8:30 AM, Mass

9:45 AM - 11:15 AM, CGS / Faith Formation K-6

9:45 AM - 11:15 AM, O.C.I.A. 2

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM, Adult Faith Formation - Jesus and the Eucharist:

The Story of the Eucharist. (Part 1), Deacons Hall

11:30 AM, Mass

 $1\mbox{:}00\mbox{ PM}$ - $2\mbox{:}30\mbox{ PM}$, Faith Formation - Middle & High School

1:30 PM, Children's Choir Rehearsal (Easter Sunday Mass), Church

All liturgies are livestreamed and then posted on www.facebook.com/stpatsak

* Announcements for the Bulletin *

Deadline to submit information to be put in the bulletin is **Wednesday by noon**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

March 18 - St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-6; Jn 8:1-11

March 19 - Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

March 20 - Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

<u> March 21 - Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent</u>

Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

March 22 - Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent

Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-7; Jn 10:31-42

March 23 - St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Ez 37:21-28; Jeremiah 31:10-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

March 24 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Mk 11:1-10; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

MASS INTENTIONS

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<u> March 16 - 24, 2024</u>			
	Sat.	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
	Sun.	8:30 am	Dennis Riski, R.O.S.
		11:30 am	
	Tues.	5:30 pm	
	Wed.	12 Noon	Joe Reloza, R.O.S.
	Thurs.	5:30 pm	
	Fri.	12 Noon	Fr. Leo Walsh
	Sat.	5:00 pm	Olivia Brummer, R. O.S.
	Sun.	8:30 am	Carl McCloskey, R.O.S.
		11:30 am	People of the Parish

St. Patrick's Parish Stewardship of Treasure

March 2024 Goal \$65,000.00

Sunday, March 3 \$12,514.56 Sunday, March 10 \$12,469.66

Total Collected: \$24,984.22 Still Need: \$40,015.78

Thank you for your support of our parish family!

Mary Jo Cunniff Associate Broker Keller Williams Alaska Group 907-317-3187 Thinking of selling your home? Downsizing? Relocating?

Give me a call for a no-obligation Free consultation.

