



"Praise the Lord, who heals
the brokenhearted"
- Psalm 147

[Register for Public Mass here!](#)



St. Pat's youth team creating survival kits for those experiencing homelessness

"Come Follow Me"

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

What an intriguing juxtaposition with this week's readings. First, we hear Job speaking to God from the depths of his despair. He has lost everything, and his suffering and depression are palpable. Enter Mark's Gospel and Jesus continuing his inaugural journey. He has just performed his first healing of a stranger in a Jewish synagogue. Next, he encounters Simon's mother-in-law who is sick with fever. Jesus grasps her hand, and she was immediately cured. What was her first response? And this is the important lesson for us all: she immediately serves the needs of others. Job is self-absorbed in his misery while encountering God. Simon's mother-in-law encounters God in human form, is healed, and immediately imitates Christ by serving the needs of others. Jesus' entire earthly

ministry was focused on service of others, "For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many" - (Mark 10:45). We all suffer in this life. But we are never alone in our suffering. Jesus is there at our side. And when we are healed, he encourages us to follow him in the service of others as our response.

Peace...



Dcn. Dennis Kelly
Pastoral Coordinator

Sunday Online Mass Schedule

Mass will be hosted LIVE at 10:30 AM online
via [Facebook](#) *

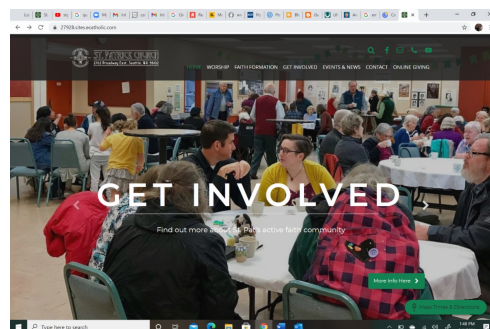
* As an alternative to Facebook, you NOW can also attend Mass by joining the Hospitality Zoom meeting [here](#). Join at 10:30 AM for Mass and then enjoy Hospitality immediately following Mass!

Or find the Mass via [YouTube](#)
(Masses posted within 24 hrs.)

ZOOM LINKS CAN BE FOUND BY CLICKING ON [WORDZOOM](#) TO OPEN

New St. Pat's Website coming Ash Wednesday

Thanks to the extraordinary expert efforts of Kim, Tom, Ryan and Alex Stege and our new communication team, the new St. Patrick website is nearly ready to go public.



You can preview the site at the link
here: <https://27928.sites.ecatholic.com/>.

Please take a look and tell us what you think. It is not perfected yet, so all input is welcomed. Please send your comments to Laura (lauradavidash@aol.com) to make sure your opinions get to the team. Thanks to the Stege family, Laura, Paul Sampson, Sandi Tennyson and

others for helping us get this major web revamp to near completion. We are blessed by your gifts.

Ash Wednesday

Sign up now for Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Patrick on Wednesday, February 17th, at 7PM. This year will be different than other years. Guidance from the Vatican and Archdiocese is to sprinkle Ashes on the tops of the heads of recipients and not place the cross on the forehead. This Rite is known around the world, but seldom used in the U.S.. For COVID Safety Protocol reasons, this is the safest way to distribute ashes. A generous portion of ashes will be sprinkled on top of each head, allowing the recipient to create their own cross on their forehead if they wish after they return to their seat. Hope to see you on Ash Wednesday.



Preparing for Lent 2021

Lent is the liturgical season before Easter of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving which starts on Ash Wednesday, February 17th, and continues through Holy Thursday on April 1st. All who can are welcomed to participate in fasting on Ash Wednesday and Fridays in Lent. And abstain from eating meat on Fridays, too.



Racial Justice- A Lenten Pilgrimage with the Prophets

"We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life."
Pope Francis



Join us on a Lenten journey of recognizing, repenting, and responding to the sin of racism. When you register you will receive emails twice a week throughout Lent with materials to enlighten and engage you in the many ways that racism exists in our society. You can engage with these materials at your own pace and schedule. (All of the educational materials are adapted from the Ignatian Solidarity Network by permission)

You are encouraged to also join a small reflection group that meets once a week for under an hour to discuss what you are learning, share your thoughts, and help to build community. This is entirely free and everything is provided online for you to review at your convenience. This is created by the Racial Equity Committee of St. Patrick and Christ Our Hope. Please register by Ash Wednesday, February 17th by going to the registration page at <https://christourhopeseattle.org/lent> or reach out to Deanna Tighe at dtighe@christourhopeseattle.org.

Social Justice Committee

The Social Justice Committee wants to create 1" buttons for awareness of our parish, and our events that we do.



We would like to know if there is a button maker in the community that we could use? Also, if anyone would like to be involved with creating buttons, or any other Social Justice projects, please contact SJ co-chair Liza Neal at lizamarieneal@gmail.com.

Ready, Set, Go! - BINGO!

St Patrick Virtual Game Nights begin on Saturday, February 6th from 6 PM - 8 PM, hosted by Elaine Clark and called by Ellen Carpentier.



We will use **Zoom** and construct our own bingo cards.
(**Zoom link --- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4426861398?pwd=T2ZGK1RnSlhLZHo1ais3UTZqcFILdz09>** opens at 5:55pm) To prepare in advance, have 3 sheets of paper and a marker to create cards and tiles at the beginning of game time, and have a head lamp or flash light handy to call out "Bingo" so deaf members will know if you are a winner.

For hearing participants, to make the game go faster we encourage looking up the ASL alphabet and numbers on YouTube a few days beforehand. Each player will need "good enough" internet connectivity plus ability to access Zoom. Hope you can join the fun on Saturday night!

Free Tax Aid for the Community from United Way

From February 12th to April 18th, 2021, trained and IRS-certified tax experts will be available to provide online assistance in filing your taxes. United Way Tax Program works hard to maximize your return so you can keep more of your money. They can also assist with claiming stimulus check money. It also allows people to file for free online and get information and assistance over the phone in numerous languages. If you would like more information you can check out our website at <https://www.uwkc.org/need-help/tax-help/>.

Continuing Engagement Opportunities

We encourage you to attend Sunday hospitality immediately after St. Patrick Mass at 10:30 AM. Hospitality will be hosted by Betsey Beckman and Sandi Tennyson via **Zoom** around 11:30 AM.

Join Fr. Hersey and me for **Coffee and Conversation** on Wednesday

mornings at 9:30 AM.

Dr. David and Ruth Ard host a weekly scripture study group, [Breaking Open The Word](#) on Wednesday afternoons at 5 PM.

Alternatively, join a virtual small Women's group, [Encountering God](#), who gather online on Thursdays at 11 AM. This is a sixty minute women's reflection group led by Lisa Dennison and Deanna Tighe.

There is an opportunity to join **Games Night** on the 1st and 3rd Saturday 6 PM - 8 PM each month. The first event kicks off on February 6th. Contact Elaine Clark if you have any quesitons.

Please email [Deanna Tighe](#) if you have questions about these events or ideas on other ways you would like to engage.

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