

St. Patrick Parish Robertsdale, Alabama 23035 State Highway 59 Robertsdale, AL 36567

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### **December Events**

#### ST. PATRICK PARISH POSADA

Join us in the Parish Center. December 15, 16, 17 at 7pm Sunday 18 after the 11:15am Mass December 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 at 7pm

#### **YOUNG ADULTS**

All young adults 18-30 are invited to join us for a game night on Dec. 14th following Family Faith Night, starting approximately at 7:30 pm. Bring your favorite board game or cards if you have one!

#### <u>ALTAR SERVER CHRISTMAS</u> <u>PARTY</u>

All current altar servers are invited to a celebration on Dec. 8th at 6 pm. Contact Diana Diaz for more info!

#### **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION**

Details inside..

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

A blood drive will be held on Dec. 4h from 7:00am-12:00pm in the St. Matthews Room. For more information contact Tim Mullek 251-424-8143.

#### PARISH & SCHOOL WORKDAY

On Saturday, December 17th from 8 am-12 pm we will hold a Parish workday, everyone is welcome to come help. We will meet at the KOC Hall. Bring your gloves and rakes.

Friday December 2 & Saturday December 3 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

St. Patrick Christmas Bazaar



Baked Goods • Gift Baskets • Handmade Crafts Holiday Decor

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#### ESTÁN CORDIALMENTE INVITADOS A LA POSADA EN LA PARROQUIA ST. PATRICK

Centro Parroquial Diciembre 15, 16, 17 a las 7pm Domingo 18 de Diciembre después de la Misa de 11:15am Diciembre 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 a las 7pm Diciembre 24 después de la Misa Compartiremos una Cena Navideña Traiga su imagen del Niño Dios para arrullarlo

#### **JOVENES**

Todos los Jovenes de 18-30 estan invitados a nuestra noche de juegos el 18 de diciembre a las 7:30pm. !No olvides tus juegos de mesa favoritos!

#### <u>SERVIDORES DE ALTAR FIESTA</u> NAVIDEÑA

Todos los servidores de altar estan cordialmente invitados a nuestra fiesta Navideña a llevarse acabo el 8 de diciembre a las 6pm. Para mas informacion comunicarse con Diana Diaz.

#### <u>CELEBRACION EN HONOR A NUESTRA</u> <u>SENORA DE GUADALUPE</u>

Detalles adentro..

#### DÍA DE TRABAJO PARROQUIAL

El sábado 17 de diciembre de 8 am a 12 pm tendremos un día de trabajo parroquial, todos son bienvenidos a ayudar. Nos reuniremos en la Parroquia. Traiga sus guantes y rastrillos.



#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Vigil Mass 5:00 pm

**Sunday:** 7:15 am, 9:15 am, 11:15 am (Spanish)

Weekday Evening: Tuesday & Wednesday 5:15 pm

Weekday Morning: Thursday & Friday 8:30 am

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION\*

**Tuesday & Wednesday:** 4:45 pm - 5:10 pm

**Thursday & Friday:** 8:00 am - 8:25 am

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

\*Sacrament of Reconciliation also by appointment.

# INTERESTED IN GROWING IN YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF SCRIPTURE WITH YOUR SPOUSE?

Join us on Mondays from 6:30-7:30 in the Archangel room. We will meet December 5th, 12, and 19th, Contact Melanie for more details.

#### **PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY**

We were so happy to have so many of you submit or take pictures for our fall edition. We will have another chance for photos in March before we print again. If you have a picture you'd like added in March, you can email them to Melanie at m.millerspcc@gmail.com.

## ST. PATRICK ANNUAL CAMPAIGN (SPAC)

The St. Patrick Annual Campaign for 2022-23 began on October 1. Our goal this year is \$100,000 to replace the playground equipment, improve our communication system for campus security, and increase our school tuition assistance fund. Please prayerfully consider a generous contribution to this effort. For more information go to: school.stpatcatholic.com/spac

#### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Join us Wednesdays from 6-7:30. Each week, we will discuss a topic to help us grow in our relationship with God as we share dinner, fun and fellowship.

#### ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Come and join us for Praise & Worship music with Adoration by Stephen Sylvester. Along with Confessions on December 13th at 6pm.

### HOLY MASS AND CELEBRATION IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OFGUADALUPE

SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2022 ST. PATRICK PARISH, ROBERTSDALE, ALABAMA

> NOVENA OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE DECEMBER 3rd - 11TH AT 6:30 P.M.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 11 11:00 A.M. FOLKLORIC DANCES

12:00 P.M. PROCESSION AND ROSARY (Spanish) 1:00PM HOLY MASS (Spanish)

A REPRESENTATION OF THE APPARITIONS OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE AFTER MASS

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MAÑANITAS (Spanish birthday songs) SUNDAY DECEMBER 11th AT 11:30PM

MASS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE (Spanish)



COME TO CELEBRATE WITH THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS...

### SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS

#### December 7th

5:15pm English & 7:00pm in Spanish

#### **December 8th**

8:30AM in English

The Parish office will be closed on December 8th.

#### **BEST ADVENT EVER**

Reclaim the peace that can only come from simplicity this Christmas. Sign up for BEST ADVENT EVER at <u>dynamiccatholic.com</u> You'll receive short, inspiring videos in your inbox each morning for free to help you focus your day on what matters most.

Another great resource for your prayer life this Advent is on display in the narthex. Hallow is a Catholic prayer app and website. There is a trial period of 90 days, but you can also access the free content without putting in any billing information. Contact Melanie at m.millerspcc@gmail.com if you have any questions.

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Middle school youth group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 6-7:30. Dinner is served, as well as fun games, fellowship and faith topics. Grades 6-8 are invited to attend!

#### RCIA IS STARTING!

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the process by which interested people enter and become confirmed in the Catholic Church. This is a period of preparation before the Easter Vigil liturgies. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, join us on Sundays from 10:30am-12 pm in the Knights of Columbus Hall. In December, we will meet Dec. 4, 11th, and 18th before the holidays.

<u>DECEMBER 3RD &amp; 4TH</u>						DECEMBER 10TH & 11TH			
<u>Mass</u>	1st Reading	2nd Reading	Altar Servers	<u>EM</u>	<u>Mass</u>	1st Reading	2nd Reading Altar Servers	<u>EM</u>	
5:00pm	C. Tucker	P. Durant		Sonia	5:00pm	K. Dye	M. Hoyt	L. Rowe	
7:15am	G. Schultz				7:15am	N. Cillo			
9:15am	R. Hodges	M. Langley		Francis	9:15am	D. Smith	L. Sciple	J. Coleman	
11:15am	Lupita	Sadie		Alex	11:15am	Lilia	Jesus	Juan	

FINANCIAL		TOTAL	WEEKLY GOAL	VARIANCE
STEWARDSHIP  Last Week's Collections	<b>Contributors</b>	183	_	_
East Week's Concentions	Collection	\$8,604.57	\$10,930.00	-\$2,325.43

SANTA MISA EN HONOR A LA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE

DOMINGO 11 DE DICIEMBE DEL 2022 EN LA PARROQUIA ST. PATRICK, ROBERTSDALE, ALABAMA

NOVENA A NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE DEL 3 AL 11 DE DICIEMBRE A LAS 6:30 P.M.

DOMINGO 11 DE DICIEMBRE 11:00AM BAILABLES FOLKLÓRICOS

12:00P.M. PROCESIÓN Y EL REZO DEL ROSARIO 1:00PM LA SANTA MISA

LAS APARICIONES DE LA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE DESPUES DE LA SANTA MISA

REZO DEL ROSARIO Y LAS MAÑANITAS A LA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE DOMINGO 11 DE DICIEMBRE A LAS 11:30PM

MISA EN HONOR A NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE LUNES 12 DE DICIEMBRE A LAS 7-00PM



VEN A CELEBRAR CON LA FAMILIA Y AMIGOS. III TE ESPERAMOS!!!

#### FORTALECIENDO FAMILIAS EN LA FE

El ministerio "Fortaleciendo familias en la fe" Te hace la cordial invitacion, a los temas de Evangelizacion para parejas y familia, dos veces al mes en el salon parroquial despues de la Misa de 11:15.

Quedate a fortalecer tu familia y compartir en comunidad. LOS NIÑOS SON BIENVENIDOS. cualquier pregunta llamar a Jose Rodriguez & Veronica Rodriguez. (251)599-8763 SEÑOR, QUE SE HABRAN NUESTROS OJOS. MATEO. 20:33

#### **MUJERES DE FE**

Les hacen una cordial invitación a todas las mujeres mayores de 18 años a participar en este grupo para un crecimiento espiritual con la palabra de Dios y la oración.

Reuniones 1er miércoles de cada mes a las 6:00pm en el salón parroquial. No tenemos cuidado de niños. Para más información contactar a

Verónica Díaz (251)215-9588

#### ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO

Vengan a compartir unos momentos en la presencia de Jesús Sacramentado. Cada primer viernes del mes 8:45am a 9:30am, el primer Sábado 6:00pm a Domingo 7:00am y los Martes de 5:45pm-6:30pm.

#### CORO DE NIÑOS

Este grupo se reunirá los miércoles en el centro de 6 a 7 p. m. para practicar. Estarán cantando en una misa una vez al mes.

#### MEJOR ADVIENTO

Recupera la paz que solo puede venir de la simplicidad esta Navidad. Regístrese en BEST ADVENT EVER en dynamiccatholic.com Recibirá videos breves e inspiradores en su bandeja de entrada todas las mañanas de forma gratuita para ayudarlo a enfocar su día en lo que más importa.

Otro gran recurso para su vida de oración este Adviento está en exhibición en el nártex. Hallow es una aplicación y sitio web de oración católica. Hay un período de prueba de 90 días, pero también puede acceder al contenido gratuito sin ingresar ningún dato de facturación. Póngase en contacto con Melanie m.millerspcc@gmail.com si tiene alguna pregunta.

#### COMITÉ GUADALUPANO

Te invita a ser parte de este grupo para coordinar, organizar, colaborar y ayudar a preparar la celebración del día de la Virgen de Guadalupe. Para más información contactar a Celestino Ortiz (251)597-4738

#### GRUPO DE JÓVENES DE HIGHSCHOOL

Nos reunimos todos los miércoles de 6-7:30 pm. Ven a disfrutar juntos de la comida, los juegos y conversaciones y tópicas de la fe.

### GRUPO DE JÓVENES DE ESCUELA INTERMEDIA

Nos reunimos 1° y 3° jueves de cada mes. Ven a disfrutar juntos de la comida, los juegos y conversaciones y tópicas de la fe.

#### CAMPAÑA ANUAL DE PATRICK (SPAC)

La Campaña Anual de St. Patrick para 2022-23 comenzó el 1 de octubre. Nuestro objetivo este año es \$100,000 para reemplazar el equipo del patio de recreo, mejorar nuestro sistema de comunicación para la seguridad del campus y aumentar nuestro fondo de asistencia para la matrícula escolar. Por favor considere en oración una generosa contribución a este esfuerzo. Para obtener más información, visite: school.stpatcatholic.com/spac

#### INVITAMOS A LAS FAMILIAS A QUE SE REGISTREN

Bienvenidos a la Parroquia St. Patrick. Si usted está interesado en registrarse favor de llenar una tarjeta de inscripción y ponerla en la canasta de la colecta el domingo o puede venir personalmente en horario de oficina y recibirá una caja con sobres para su ofrenda que podrá usar cada semana para lo que usted guste y pueda contribuir.

Por favor sepan que Dios bendice al dador generoso sin importar cuan pequeño o grande sea su ofrenda.

#### News regarding our beloved Sr. Margaret

Sr. Margaret has been a pillar in our parish and school community since 1980. She has blessed countless lives with her gerenous, caring and faithful heart. It is with sadness but also gratitude for the blessing she has been that we annouce that her Presentation Community is calling her back to Ireland from St. Patrick School at the end of the 2022-2023 school year. We will greatly miss her.

We are forming a serach committee and will be seeking to hire a new principal for the 2023-2024 school year. Please pray for Sr. Margaret and that the Holy Spirit may guide us in this process.

-Fr. Jim Morrison, Pastor

#### **MASS INTENTIONS** Saturday 12/3 5:00pm Sunday 12/4 7:15am LaVerne Thompson 12/4 9:15am Sunday Sunday 12/4 11:15am Dr. Aidan Lucari Tuesday 12/6 5:15pm Wednesday 12/7 5:15pm Wednesday 12/7 7:00pm Thursday 12/8 8:30am Tom & Jerry Bodden 12/9 Friday 8:30am Saturday 12/10 5:00pm Sunday 12/11 7:15am Sunday 12/11 9:15am 12/11 11:15am Sunday

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to provide flowers for the altar in honor of a loved one or a special occasion please contact the Parish Office at 251-947-5054

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

### ACTIVE MINISTRIES

Worship Eucharistic Ministers Lectors Altar Servers Altar Guild Music and Cantering Children's Liturgy of the Word Hospitality Ministry Holy Hour Divine Mercy Chaplet

Word Youth Religious Education RCIA **RCIY** Wednesday Hispanic Bible Study Vacation Bible School Men of St. Joseph Mujeres De Fe Confirmation Prep Baptism Classes High School Youth Group Middle School Youth Group Adult Religious Education

> <u>Community</u> Ladies Auxiliary Adult Exercise Family Faith Night Bingo Grief Support Group

Service
Homebound Ministry
Knights of Columbus
Blood Drive Legion of Mary Prison Ministry St. Vincent De Paul Society

**Facilities** Church Cleaning Parish Work Days Friday Yard Crew Church/Center Maint. & Repairs

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND RECOVERING

Alan Nicolich Jr., Helen York, John Mullek, Marie Odom, Dan William Lees

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> For more announcements and information, please visit our BULLETIN BOARD or view our TV MONITOR located in the Narthex.

If you have a parish update you would like to submit, please call our office or email Flavia Bonilla, Parish Secretary

#### **Second Sunday of Advent (A)**

Isaiah 11:1-10 / Romans 15:4-9 / Matthew 3:1-12





### Pretend the Dream

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

hen I was in college, we had a professor who would often say that if, instead of acting the way we feel, we would act the way we would like to feel, then we would soon begin to feel the way we hoped. Over the years, I've found a fair amount of wisdom in that advice, although I don't always remember to tap into it. I know it's all a kind of pretending, but somehow the pretending does seem to make a difference.

Each year, we make our journey into Christmas with a year's baggage. We come with good memories of moments of lazy fun, sun-drenched summers, and dappled autumns, vacations, and birthday parties. But we also make our way into this red and green season with a generous share of hurts and pains, failures and even sins, just because most years are lived that way.

And so, during this last month of each year we play at being happy and pretend that all is good. We sing carols

and toast friendships and wish each other blessings and goodness. And we do it all with an unspoken honesty, knowing full well that life is not always so, but maybe by pretending, and by some freakish twist of godliness, we can find for some short time the harmony once prophesied by Isaiah. Maybe the wolf and the lamb will be kind, and the calf and lion will forget their history, and for at least one brief shining moment we will live in harmony with one another.

#### Reflect-

This Advent, once a week, try to skip doing something that stresses you.

Once a week, act the way you would like to feel. Fake it if you must.

# Dear Padre,

### Many LGBTQ+ youth are homeless, suicidal, or even murdered because of who they are. How can we support them?

Your desire to be compassionate is very much in keeping with the Church's teaching. In 1986, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, led by then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (now emeritus Pope Benedict XVI), issued a strongly worded call for civility and respect for homosexual persons. On the Pastoral Care of Homosexual Persons emphasized, "It is deplorable that homosexual persons have been and are the object of

violent malice in speech or in action. Such treatment deserves condemnation from the Church's pastors wherever it occurs." The Catechism of the Catholic Church stresses that homosexual persons "must be accepted with respect, compassion, and sensitivity" (CCC 2358).

"The Church actively asserts and promotes the intrinsic dignity of every person. As human persons, persons with a homosexual inclination have the same basic rights as all people, including the right to be treated with dignity," wrote the US Bishops in "Ministry to Persons with a Homosexual Inclination" (2006). In terms of offering support, this document reads, "As baptized members of the Catholic community, persons with a homosexual inclination continue to look to the Church for a place where they may live in authentic human integrity and holiness of life. Being welcomed into and participating in their local faith community is the foundation of spiritual support that the Church offers to them. Full and active participation is encouraged. Participation in a worshiping Catholic community is a support for living a life of chastity and integrity and an encouragement to an ongoing personal conversion."

> — The Redemptorists DearPadre.org

#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Many people today are constantly using social media, but are not themselves very

social: they are caught up in themselves, prisoners of the cell phone in their hand. What appears on the screen is not the reality of other persons: their eyes, their breath and their hands.

ADDRESS IN A MEETING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE, ATHENS, DECEMBER 6, 2021



#### **MONDAY**

December 5 Advent Weekday Is 35:1-10 Lk 5:17-26

#### **TUESDAY**

December 6 Advent Weekday Is 40:1-11 Mt 18:12-14

#### WEDNESDAY

December 7 St. Ambrose. Bishop and Doctor of the Church Is 40:25-31 Mt 11:28-30

#### **THURSDAY**

December 8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Gn 3:9-15, 20 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38

#### **FRIDAY**

December 9 Advent Weekday Is 48:17-19 Mt 11:16-19

#### **SATURDAY**

December 10 Advent Weekday Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Mt 17:9a, 10-13

#### **SUNDAY**

December 11 Third Sunday of Advent Is 35:1-6a, 10 Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11

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