

Saint Patrick's Story

Legends about Patrick abound; but truth is best served by our seeing two solid qualities in him: He was humble and he was courageous. The determination to accept suffering and success with equal indifference guided the life of God's instrument for winning most of Ireland for Christ.

Details of his life are uncertain. Current research places his dates of birth and death a little later than earlier accounts. Patrick may have been born in Dunbarton, Scotland, Cumberland, England, or in northern Wales. He called himself both a Roman and a Briton. At 16, he and a large number of his father's slaves and vassals were captured by Irish raiders and sold as slaves in Ireland. Forced to work as a shepherd, he suffered greatly from hunger and cold.

After six years Patrick escaped, probably to France, and later returned to Britain at the age of 22. His captivity had meant spiritual conversion. He may have studied at Lerins, off the French coast; he spent years at Auxerre, France, and was consecrated bishop at the age of 43. His great desire was to proclaim the good news to the Irish.

In a dream vision it seemed "all the children of Ireland from their mothers' wombs were stretching out their hands" to him. He understood the vision to be a call to do mission work in pagan Ireland. Despite opposition from those who felt his education had been defective, he was sent to carry out the task. He went to the west and north—where the faith had never been preached—obtained the protection of local kings, and made numerous converts.

Because of the island's pagan background, Patrick was emphatic in encouraging widows to remain chaste and young women to consecrate their virginity to Christ. He ordained many priests, divided the country into dioceses, held Church councils, founded several monasteries and continually urged his people to greater holiness in Christ.

He suffered much opposition from pagan druids and was criticized in both England and Ireland for the way he conducted his mission. In a relatively short time, the island had experienced deeply the Christian spirit, and was prepared to send out missionaries whose efforts were greatly responsible for Christianizing Europe.

Patrick was a man of action, with little inclination toward learning. He had a rock-like belief in his vocation, in the cause he had espoused. One of the few certainly authentic writings is his *Confessio*, above all an act of homage to God for having called Patrick, unworthy sinner, to the apostolate.

There is hope rather than irony in the fact that his burial place is said to be in County Down in Northern Ireland, long the scene of strife and violence.

Dates, events and notes to mark on your calendar:

Mar. 13th— St. Leander of Seville

Mar. 14th—St. Maximillian

Mar. 15th—St. Louise de Marillac

Mar. 16th—St. Clement Mary Hofbauer

Mar. 17th— St. Patrick

Mar. 18th — St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Mar. 19th—St. Joseph Husband of Mary

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CANA COMMANDMENTS MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT Date and time

Sat, March 19, 2022
8:30 AM – 7:00 PM MDT

LOCATION

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church
1500 E. Wright St.
Boise, ID 83706

Good Shepherd Catholic Community

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Fr. Joseph Lustig - Priest
David McCarthy, Deacon



Our Lady of Lourdes
Mass - Saturday 5:00p.m.
Confessions - Before or After Mass
132 South 1st Street West
Lava Hot Springs, ID 83246

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Mass - Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Confessions - Sunday 7:45 AM
99 West Center Street
Soda Springs, ID 83276

Blessed Sacrament Church
Mass - Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Confessions - Sunday 10:30 AM
270 North 8th Street
Montpelier, ID 83254

St. Peter's Catholic Church
Mass - Sunday 2:00p.m. (Español)
Confessions - Sunday 1:15 PM
207 East Oneida Street

St. Paul's Mission
Mass - 1st Sun of Month 5:00 pm
2nd-5th weekends: Sat 3:00 pm
Confessions - Before Mass
233 Samaria Lane,
Malad, ID 83252

Daily Mass @ St. Mary's
Tuesday—Friday 9:00 am
Confessions—Before Mass

2nd Sunday of Lent

PSALMS: 27: 1, 4-8, 8-9, 13-14
2nd Reading: Phil 3:17—4:1
Gospel: Lk: 9:28b-36

Therefore my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord.



Lenten Activity

Send a Letter or Card to our Seminarians
Mande una carta a nuestros Seminaristas

Do you need a Lenten activity that falls under the category of charity & almsgiving? Here is an activity for you:

Seminarians love receiving things in the mail from their future church families in Idaho. You can send them all sorts of things like: letters, notes, cards, gifts (Amazon gift cards, cash, socks, cookies). Be sure that your letters arrive before Easter, as most of the seminaries are finishing their school year soon after Easter.

Mt. Angel Seminary

1 Abbey Dr.

St. Benedict, OR 97373

- Timothy Segert
- Nelson Cintra
- Joshua Tennyson

Bishop White Seminary

429 E. Sharp Ave.

Spokane, WA 99202

- Ian Willnerd
- Nathan Ribb
- Nicholas Sower

St. Paul Seminary

2260 Summit Ave.

St. Paul, MN 55105

- Monico Heredia
- Zach Mackeller

Sts Cyril & Methodius

3535 Commerce Rd.

Orchard Lake, MI

48324

- Christopher Din

¿Necesita usted una actividad para cumplir el mandamiento cuersmal de actos de caridad y limosna? Aquí está un buen idea:

Nuestros seminaristas les gusta mucho a recibir cosas por el correo de sus futuras familias en la diocesis de Boise. Puede mandar muchas cosas, como notas, cartas, regalos, (tarjetas de Amazon, dinero, calcetines, café, dulces). Sobre todo, reze por ellos. Esté de seguro que llega su carta antes de la Pascua.

6 major Covenants of Salvation History

1. Creation (Gen 1-3)

In His faithful love God promises a Savior

2. Noah (Gen 9)

The rainbow stands as a sign of God's promise to confirm His covenant and never destroy mankind.

3. Abraham (Gen 15, 17, 22)

By the sign of circumcision God promises in blood to provide a land, a people, and a great blessing.

4. Moses (Ex 24)

At Mt. Sinai, God renews His covenant with the Chosen People, if they keep His Law.

5. David (2 Sam 7)

Through His servant David, God promises a Kingdom that will never end. A kingdom of justice, love, and peace.

6. New & Eternal Covenant (Lk 22)

The fulfillment and completion of God's promise in the gift of His only begotten Son. His Body and Blood offered for our salvation.

Las Seis Alianzas principales en la Historia de Salvación

1. Creación (Gen 1-3)

En su amor fiel, Dios nos prometa un Salvador.

2. Noe (Gen 9)

El arcois está un signo de la promesa del Dios de confirmar Su alianza y nunca destruye la humanidad.

3. Abraham (Gen 15, 17, 22)

Por el signo de circuncisión Dios prometa con sangre para dar una tierra, un pueblo, y una grande bendición.

4. Moises (Ex 24)

En el monte Sinai, Dios renueva Su alianza con el Pueblo Elegido, si mantienen la Ley.

5. David (2 Sam 7)

Por Su siervo David, Dios prometa un Reino que nunca termina. Un reino de justicia, amor, y paz.

6. Alianza Nueva y Eterna (Lk 22)

El cumplimiento de la prometa entre Dios y Su pueblo, con el don de Su Hijo unigenito. Su Cuerpo y Sangre ofrecida por nuestra Salvación.