

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

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December 16, 2018 - The Third Sunday of Advent

The central mission of our parish is evangelization - proclaiming the Kingdom of God and seeking it before all else.

Please contact us if you have any questions about our parish, Catholic faith, personal spirituality, or parish involvement. If you are new to our parish, please contact us; we would love to meet with you! To become a registered parishioner here, please complete a parish registration form, which can be found on the bulletin table in the Gathering Area.

MASS SCHEDULE & HOURS



Mass

Saturday Vigil
5:00 p.m.

Sunday

8:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday

5:30 p.m.



Adoration

Alternate Mondays
6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

Thursdays

6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

First Fridays

6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.



Reconciliation

Saturday
4:00 p.m. (or by appointment)



Office Hours

Tuesday- Friday
9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

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GROW IN FAITH

Baptism

In the waters of baptism we are washed clean, freed from sin, and reborn as sons and daughters of God. Please contact Deacon Mick to sign up for a baptismal preparation class.

Marriage Preparation

To prepare for marriage, you and your fiancé will meet with one of our priests or deacons for minimum of six months. If you are journeying toward marriage, please contact Deacon Mick.

Children's Faith Formation

Our children's faith formation is for Pre-K - 5th grade. We meet every Sunday morning from 10-11:15am, October - May. Contact John Barrientes.

Middle School Youth Ministry

Every Sunday from 3-5 p.m., our middle school youth come together to have fun and praise God. Contact Paige Christensen.

High School Youth Ministry

We challenge St. Patrick's Parish Youth to desire Christ in a deep and meaningful way. Join us every Sunday from 3-5 pm! Contact Paige Christensen.

Young Adult Ministry

Whether we are hiking, camping, singing music, sharing a meal, or on our knees in Adoration, Christ is our focus. We meet every Monday at 7 pm in the JPll House. Contact John Barrientes.

Young Families Adoration

Every second Thursday of the month, from 6-7pm, Adoration in the Chapel will be a welcoming space specific for those babies and toddlers with the wiggles and giggles.

Bible Studies

There are four parish opportunities to study the Bible. Catholic Scripture Study groups meet on Monday evenings, and Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Our Thursday morning group meets to study the coming Sunday's readings. Contact LouAnn or Tom at 337-3506 for more information.

ACTS Retreats

Encounter Christ on this powerful 3-night, 3-day retreat. For more information email acts@st.patsak.org.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is designed to deepen the personal relationship one has with Christ while learning more about the Catholic Faith. The RCIA year begins in September and ends at Easter. Contact John Barrientes.

Men's & Women's Small Groups

As brothers and sisters united in Christ, we support one another on our spiritual journey. In small groups of 6 to 12 people, men and women meet weekly with one another to deepen their faith together. Contact John Barrientes.

S.P.R.E.D.

SPRED is religious education for our friends with special needs. We meet on Monday nights in the church. For more information contact the parish office.

Legion of Mary

We are a World Wide Service Apostolate dedicated to Mary, serving our parish and community. We meet every Tuesday, 6:15pm in the JPll House. Contact Pat Ford through the parish office.

SERVE OTHERS

Knights of Columbus

St. Patrick's Council meets on the first Wednesday of each month (Member's Only), with the social meeting on the third Wednesday (Open to All). Meeting begins at 7pm. Meetings take place in the Deacons Hall.

Brother Francis Foot Care Clinic

St. Patrick's volunteers provide service twice monthly in the Brother Francis Shelter Foot Care Ministry. 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.

Parish Nurses

Help our parishioners stay healthy by serving as a parish nurse. Parish nurses serve our parishioners by taking blood pressures and other health screenings. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Liturgy

Join our Liturgy Teams and become a Sacristan, a Children's Liturgy of The Word Leader, an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, Lector, or Greeter! Contact the parish office if you are interested.

Music Ministry

We are always looking for parishioners to join our music ministers who lead us in song during Mass. To join one of our choirs, please approach one of our music ministers after Mass.

Children's Formation

We are always looking for adults to teach our children the faith by being strong witnesses! If you love working with children and are living out the faith joyously, contact John Barrientes to get involved.

Youth Ministry Core Team

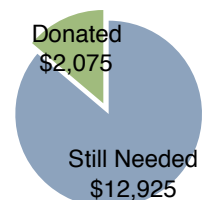
Have you ever thought about ministering to and mentoring the youth of our parish? If you're on fire with the faith and want to evangelize our youth, join our youth ministry core team! Contact Paige Christensen.

Bereavement Ministry

The Church ministers to the sorrowing and consoles them in the funeral rites with the comforting Word of God and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Bereavement Ministry is a wonderful way to share in our parish family. Contact Bill Groom at stpatsbcak@gmail.com for more information.

Parish Missionary Sponsorship

Pledge to support a St. Patrick's Parish Missionary who is volunteering a year of service in ministry to college students at UAA and APU. Donation envelopes are available in the pews.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Your St. Pat's Knights will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast this Sunday morning after both the 8:30 and 11:30 Masses. Join us in the Deacons Hall for all your breakfast favorites -- eggs, sausage, bacon, and of course, PANCAKES!!!

Parish Directory 2019

Have you made your appointment to have your picture taken to be included in our new parish photo directory? A new directory will be a great help in getting to know our fellow parishioners. Ron Kuczek of Alaska Photo Network will take the pictures and produce the directory. Ron will be in the gathering area before and after all the Masses this weekend taking appointments for photography sessions and taking pictures.. Please plan to be a part of our Parish Directory 2019!

Retirement Fund for Religious

Last weekend's special collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious totaled \$4,044.98. If you missed last weekend's special collection please place your donation in this weekend's regular collection and mark it "Religious Retirement". [This collection is for retired religious, not retired archdiocesan priests. If you are interested in learning more about how to support retired archdiocesan priests by contributing to the Priest Pension Fund please contact Nathan McCabe, Director of Stewardship and Development, at nmccabe@caa-ak.org or 907-297-7789.]

Warm Clothing Drive

The St. Pat's Music Ministry is collecting warm clothing for those in need, especially at Brother Francis Shelter. Many people in the Anchorage area—the poor, the homeless—do NOT have clothing suited to our long, cold winters. Someone NEEDS what you have stuck away: coats, hats, gloves, scarves, boots, pants, shirts, sweaters. Even warm socks or outdated long johns can make a difference! As an Advent gift, won't you please dig through your closets and other storage for something your neighbor needs? Boxes for donations are located in the Gathering Area throughout Advent.

Bulletin Inserts Online

December Parish Calendar/Christmas Mass Schedule/Climate Change Info Sheet/Music Ministry News/Warm Clothing Appeal

Christmas Mass Schedule

Please plan to join us for the Celebration of the Solemnity of The Nativity of the Lord! We will celebrate Masses on Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24th, at 5pm, 7pm, 9pm and Midnight. The singing of carols will begin one half hour before each Mass. Mass on Christmas Day will be at 11am with the singing of carols beginning at 10:30.

Christmas Choirs

The Christmas choir schedule will be on the St. Patrick's web page, MyParish.org, and Facebook (like us on Facebook!). Questions? Talk to any choir director or email Margaret Simmons, St. Patrick's Music Coordinator, at queenowrites@arctic.net. Midnight Mass Rehearsals begin soon! Talk to Stephanie Williams, Traditional Choir director, for more information.

Music Ministry News

It's time to mark your calendars and warm up your voices! There are many opportunities for you to enrich your spiritual life through music. There are the Feast Days Choirs and Christmas choirs. Instrumentalists are welcome too! Simply sign up, show up for rehearsals, and sing. We regret to announce that this year's Advent Benefit Concert has been cancelled. We are planning the return of the Benefit Concert in Advent of 2019.

Seekers Group

Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith? Know someone who does, and may not yet be ready for the RCIA process? Our parish Seekers Group may be just right for you! The Seekers Group is an informal gathering for discussion of what it means to be Catholic. Please call the parish office at 337-1538 for more information. Please join us and invite a friend!

St. Patrick's Seniors

Our St. Pat's Seniors will gather for a Lunch and Meeting this Thursday, December 20th, at noon in the Deacons Hall. Please join us on Thursday for an afternoon of food and fellowship. Please call the parish office for more information.

SEEK Conference 2019

The Parish Missionaries are taking St. Pat's college students to SEEK2019 in Indianapolis, Indiana, to encounter Christ and learn to joyfully live out the Gospel of the Lord! Please consider joining us on this mission by sponsoring one of our students through airline mile and monetary donations. Contact Vyvian Lucio if you feel called to join us in this mission, and if you have any questions. luciovyvian@gmail.com

Lector Workbooks for 2019

The lector workbooks for the new liturgical year are now available on the table in the main sacristy. All lectors are invited to stop in to the sacristy after Mass and pick up your copy of the new lector workbook. Thank you for serving our parish community!

Bookkeeper for SEAS

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in south Anchorage needs a full-time bookkeeper starting February 1, 2019. Duties include: Accounts receivable/payable, electronic banking, payroll, taxes, bank reconciliations, weekly deposits and donation postings, budgeting, financial reports, others duties as needed under the direction of the pastor. Pay depending on experience. Must be willing to submit to a background check. Please send resume to: frpatrick@akseas.net

Advent Candle Sale Thanks

The caretakers of the Marian Shrine thank you for supporting the Advent Sale. We sold 32 candle sets and 10 wreaths. The proceeds from this sale including donations were \$339. This money will be used to purchase votive candles for the Marian Shrine which are lit for holy days, feast days and funerals throughout the year. We pray that lighting of your Advent candles will bring you joy as you remember God's promise to our world - Christ our Light and Hope will come! Thanks, Jane Guzauskas

FY18 Financial Report

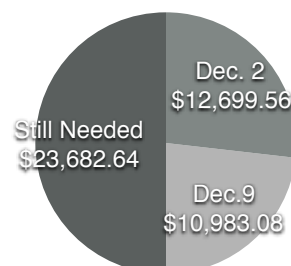
The Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2018 is available on the bulletin in the gathering area. Thank you once again for your consistently strong financial support of our parish! Please pick up a copy of the report and call John Gagnon in the parish office if you have any questions. Thank you!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Goal for the Month of
December: \$70,000.00

Total Thus Far Collected:
\$23,682.64

Still Needed: \$46,317.36



READINGS & INTENTIONS

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday - 12/16/18

Zephaniah 3:14-18a

Psalms: Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 3:10-18

Mass Intentions:

Sat. 5:00pm - People of the Parish

Sun. 8:30pm - Marianne Pentecostes, Return to Health
Ellie Pentecostes, Special Intention

Sun. 11:30am - Juanita & Ernie & Mary - Healing of Hearts
Lou Bonito, R.O.S.

Sun. 5:00pm - Ed Grantier, Healing

Birthday: Dominick Flores

Monday - 12/17/18

Parish Office Closed

Mass Intention: Antoni & Maria Zych, R.O.S.

Kurt Youngblood, Birthday Blessings

Genesis: 49:2, 8-10

Psalms: 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17

Matthew 1:1-17

Birthday: Allana DeGuzman

Tuesday - 12/18/18

Mass Intention: Evy Dessert, Birthday Blessing

Jeremiah 23:5-8

Psalms: 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19

Matthew 1:18-25

Birthday: Enrique Mendez

Wednesday - 12/19/18

Mass Intention: Joe Pearson, R.O.S.

Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a

Psalms: 71:3-4a, 5-6b, 16-17

Luke 1:26-38

Birthdays: Logan Brooks, Hannah Davies, Joshua Gaspard,
Penelope Gaspard

Thursday - 12/20/18

Mass Intention: Gig & Jeff Currier, Special Intention

Isaiah 7:10-14

Psalms: 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6

Matthew 1:26-38

Friday - 12/21/18 - St. Peter Canisius

Mass Intention: Fr. Steve Moore, R.O.S.

Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11

Psalms: 80:2ac & 3b 15-16, 18-19

Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

Birthdays: Braylon Herrell, Samantha Lewandowski,
Bridgit Matus, Julinna Timothy-Thompson

Saturday - 12/22/18

1 Samuels 1:24-28

Psalms: 2:1, 4-5, 67, 8abcd

Luke 1:46-56

Next Sunday - 12/23/2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Micah 5:1-4A

Psalms: 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Hebrews 10:5-10

Luke 1:39-45

Holy Father's December's Intention:

In the Service of the Transmission of Faith. That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

December 16 - December 23, 2018

Sunday - December 16

Directory Photos

Kof C Pancake Breakfast

Ablaze

Traditional Choir Rehearsal

Directory Photos

Praise Choir Rehearsal

Directory Photos

8am - Gath Area
9:30am - 1:30pm - Dcns Hall
10am - All Rooms
10:45am - Church
12:30pm - Gath Area
3pm - Church
6:15pm - Gath Area

Monday - December 17

Parish Office Closed

Rosary

Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Young Adult Gathering

5pm - Chapel
5:30pm - Chapel
6:15pm - Chapel
7pm - TBA

Tuesday - December 18

Directory Photos

Rosary

Simbang Gabi Mass

Legion of Mary

Simbang Gabi Reception

RCIA

College Women's Bible Study

4pm - Gath Area
5pm - Chapel
5:30pm Mass - Church
6:15pm - Cenacle
6:30pm - Dcns Hall
6:30pm - Tara
8pm - TBA

Wednesday - December 19

Directory Photos

Rosary

Mass

Folk Choir Rehearsal

4pm - 8pm - Gath Area
5pm - Chapel
5:30pm - Chapel
6:30pm - Church

SCHEDULE

Thursday - December 20

Adult Faith Study Group

Seniors' Group Lunch & Meeting

Directory Photos

Rosary

Mass

Adoration for Vocations & Proj. Rachel

Baptism Class

Traditional Choir Rehearsal

10am - Hospitality Rm
Noon - Dcns Hall
4pm - Gath Area
5pm - Chapel
5:30pm - Chapel
6pm - Chapel
7pm - Tara
7pm - Church

Friday - December 21

Rosary

Mass

Samoan Choir Rehearsal

5pm - Chapel
5:30pm - Chapel
7:30pm - Church

Saturday - December 22

SoulCore Group II

SoulCore Exercise Group

Decoration of the Church/Set Up Tree

Directory Photos

Contemporary Choir Rehearsal

Confessions

K of C Rosary

Directory Photos

Samonan Choir Rehearsal

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8am - Cenacle
9:30am - Cenacle
10am - Church
3pm - Gath Area
3:45pm - Church
4pm - Recon Rm
4:30pm - Chapel
6:15pm - Gath Area
6:30pm - Church
8pm - Tara