

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

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December 2, 2018 - The First 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

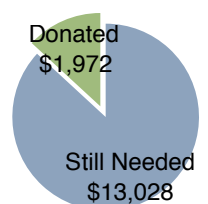
Have you ever thought about ministering to and mentoring the youth of our parish? If you're on fire with the faith and want to evangelize our youth, join our youth ministry core team! Contact Paige Christensen.

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 Missionaries

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

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!

Advent Candles and Wreaths

Advent candles and wreaths will be available for purchase in the gathering area after all Masses this weekend. The proceeds from this sale will be used to purchase votive candles for the Marian Shrine through the year. Help us care for our Marian Shine by preparing your home for Advent. Have a blessed Advent Season!

Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception

Saturday, December 8, is the Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation. We will celebrate two Masses for the Solemnity, a Vigil Mass on Friday, December 7, at 5:30pm, and Mass on the Solemnity on Saturday, December 8, at 9am. Please note, the Saturday 5pm Mass on December 8 is for the Second Sunday of Advent, and will not fulfill the obligation for The Immaculate Conception. Please plan to join us for the celebration of Mass for the Solemnity on Friday evening or Saturday morning.

#Giving Tuesday

The Archdiocese of Anchorage would like to thank you for supporting #GivingTuesday. Every gift has an important impact right here in the Archdiocese of Anchorage! Haven't made a commitment yet? It is never too late to give! Make your gift today at <https://www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/donate/>

Mass of Remembrance

St. Patrick's Bereavement Ministry will be sponsoring the Mass of Remembrance here at St. Patrick's Parish on the 5th of December at 7pm. We have a display in the gathering area to share photos of your loved ones who have passed away. On the day of the Mass of Remembrance the photos will be placed at the front of the church for the Mass. We are requesting that photos are no larger than 5 by 7. Join us as we pray for our deceased loved ones.

Christmas Masses

The Christmas 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!

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!

St. Patrick's Senior's

Our St. Pat's Seniors with gather for a Lunch this Thursday, December 6th, at 11:30am until 2:30pm at the Golden Corral. The cost of our Christmas luncheon buffet is \$8.19 and an additional \$2.20 if you purchase a beverage. We look forward to you joining us for food and fellowship. And remember when two or more are gathered together God is in our midst. Also, come and visit Santa and his elves. Please call the parish office for more information.

Bulletin Inserts Online

Climate Change Info Sheet/Archbishop's Religious Retirement Fund Collection Letter/Music Ministry News

Retired Religious Collection

Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give to next week's second collection. [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.] Please refer to the insert in today's bulletin,

Truth in Love

Did you know that Archbishop Etienne has his own blog? Keep up on all of Archbishop's adventures around the Archdiocese of Anchorage by subscribing to his blog, Truth in Love, at www.archbishopetienne.com.

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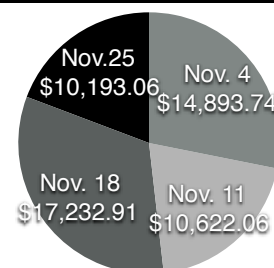
Please be sure there are no valuables left in your vehicle when you are here at the parish, and be sure to lock your vehicle. Please notify the parish office if you experience any vandalism of your vehicle when it is here on our parking lot. Thank you!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Goal for the Month of
November:
\$54,000.00

Total Thus Far Collected:
\$52,941.77

Short of Goal :\$1,058.23



Special Collection Schedule:

This Weekend: Parish Building Fund

Next Weekend: Retirement Fund for Religious

READINGS & INTENTIONS

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday - December 2, 2018

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalms 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Mass Intentions:

Sat. 5:00pm - Christopher Waldroop, R.O.S.
John Fleece, R.O.S.

Sun. 8:30pm - Barbara Huck, R.O.S.
Tricia Cole, Birthday Blessings

Sun. 11:30am - People of the Parish

Sun. 5:00pm - Olive Corack, R.O.S.

Birthdays: Jaiden Chernikoff- Davis, Gabriel Novero

Monday - 12/03/18 - St. Francis Xavier, Priest

Parish Office Closed-

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

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalms 122:1-2, 3-4B, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9

Mt. 8:5-11

Birthdays: Cassidy Broberg, Anna Marie Kinney

Tuesday - 12/04/18 - St. John Damascene

Mass Intention: Ted Ireton, S.I., & Vyv Lucio, Birthday Blessings

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

Luke 10:21-24

Birthdays: Wyatt Broberg, Maria Koop, Belicia Manuel

Wednesday - 12/05/18

Mass Intention: Mary R. Lanza, Special Intention

Revelation 25:6-10a

Psalms 23:1-3a, 3B-4, 5, 6

Matthew 15:29-37

Birthdays: Michael Blomburg, Leo Bowe, Alexander Brooks,

Antonio Escalante, Gabrielle Winsor, Colette Zidek

Thursday - 12/06/18 - St. Nicholas

Mass Intention: Michael Waldroop, R.O.S.

Isaiah 26:1-6

Psalms 118: 1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a

Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Birthday: Ellie Cullison

First Friday - 12/07/18 - St. Ambrose

Mass Intention: Jennifer Gregory, R.O.S.

Isaiah 29:17-24

Psalms 27:1, 4, 13-14

Matthew 9:27-31

Birthdays: Rebecca Fischer, Lilly Kocurek

First Saturday - 12/08/18 - The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass Intention: People of the Parish

Genesis 3:9-15, 20

Psalms 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

Luke 20:27-40

Birthdays: Natalia Estalalla, Camden McLeod, Melanie Miller

Next Sunday - 12/09/2018

Second Sunday of Advent

Baruch 5:10

Psalms 126:1-2, 2-3 4-5, 6

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Luke 3:1-6

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 2- December 8, 2018

Sunday - December 2

Directory Photos

CGS - Level 1

Traditional Choir Rehearsal

Ablaze Potluck

Directory Photos

Ablaze - Parent/Carechist Form. -

Praise Choir Rehearsal

CGS - Level 11

8am - Gath Area

10am - Atrium

10:45am - Church

12:30pm - Dcns. Hall

12:30pm - Church

Chapel, Church, Dcns. Hall

3pm - Church

3pm - JPll West

Monday - December 3

Parish Office Closed

Rosary

Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Catholic Scripture Study Group

SPRED Catechist Prep

Catholic Scripture Study

Young Adult Gathering

5pm - Chapel

5:30pm - Chapel

6pm - Chapel

6:15pm - Tara

6:15pm - Hosp Rm

6:30pm - Dcns. Hall

7pm - TBA

Tuesday - December 4

Directory Photos

Rosary

Mass

Legion of Mary

RCIA

College Women's Bible Study

4am - Gath Area

5pm - Chapel

5:30pm - Chapel

6:15pm - Dcns Hall

6:30pm - Tara

8pm - Chapel

Wednesday - December 5

Scripture Study

Directory Photos

10am - Hosp Rm

4pm - 8pm - Gath Area

SCHEDULE

Rosary

Mass

Mass of Remembrance

5pm - Chapel

5:30pm - Chapel

7pm - Church

Thursday - December 6

Adult Faith Study Group

Seniors' Group Lunch

Directory Photos

Rosary

Mass

Adoration for Vocations & Proj. Rachel

YM Core Team Meeting

10am - Dcns Hall

11:30am - Golden Corral

4am - Gath Area

5pm - Chapel

5:30pm - Chapel

6pm - Chapel

6:30pm - Tara

Friday - December 7

YM & HS Retreat Begins

Rosary

Vigil Mass-Immaculate Conception

Samoan Choir Rehearsal

Alaska Chamber Singers Concert

5pm - St. Therese's Camp

5pm - Chapel

5:30pm - Church

7:30pm - Church

8pm - Church

Saturday - December 8

SoulCore Group II

Mass - Immaculate Conception

SoulCore Exercise Group

Youth Ministry - Service Day

Directory Photos

Contemporary Choir Rehearsal

Confessions

K of C Rosary

Directory Photos

Samonan Choir Rehearsal

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8am - Cenacle

9am - Church

9:30am - Cenacle

11:30am - TBD

3pm - Directory Photos

3:45pm - Church

4pm - Recon Rm

4:30pm - Chapel

6:15pm - Directory Photos

6:30pm - Church

8pm - Tara