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# Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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## *Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*



### **Celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass**

*Saturday, 4:00 pm ❖ Sunday, 10:00 am (English) 12:00 Noon (Spanish)*

Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 am

First Friday, 10:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation, Vigil 6:30 pm (Bi-Lingual), 10:00 am

### **The Sacrament of Reconciliation**

One hour before each Mass or by appointment



## PLEASE PRAY

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE HOSPITAL OR ON HOSPICE:** Please keep all the sick and their caregivers in your prayers.

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES** Betty Carroll, Mickey Davidson, Linda Karch, and Pat Rogato. Please keep these, all the homebound, and their caregivers in your prayers. If you know of any parishioner who should be added to or removed from this list, please contact the office.

**PRAYER BOOK:** The prayer book in the narthex is available for all prayer requests. Please pray daily for these requests.

**PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS:** Especially our families, friends and loved ones who are currently in active military service: Joseph Byrd (Stateside), Bret King (Stateside), Jason King (Stateside) Please keep all of our brave men and women in your prayers. **Please call the office to add to or remove names from this list.**

### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS



**SHAWL MINISTRY:** We will meet the second Monday of every month. For more information contact Mary Evans.



**MUSIC MATTERS:** The choir is preparing for Lent and Easter music on Sundays at 8:30 am. New and former members are welcome to join us.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10567** is hosting a Baby Bottle Drive to support local crisis pregnancy centers. Individuals can take a bottle home, fill it with cash, coins, and/or checks. Bottle should be returned to the drop off box in the narthex by April 16. Bottles will be available in the narthex and passed out to the Faith Formation classes.

**LADIES MEETING DATE CHANGE:** With Holy Week Services beginning on April 6th, the Ladies Auxiliary will hold their April meeting on Thursday, April 13. Please remember to bring an Irish or Kitchen item for the State Basket that will be taken to the State Meeting in Atmore, Alabama on April 22. Our meeting here at St. Patrick's will be at 6:30. All are welcome.



**RCIA** Considering joining the Catholic Church or know someone who may be interested? Catholic but never confirmed? Need to make your First Communion? Want to be baptized? Let us help you! Check out our RCIA classes for adults considering joining the Catholic Church. Come and Learn. For more information, please call the church office. Weekly classes on Tuesday Sept.– April.

**FAITH FORMATION** will not meet this week.

**LADIES' BIBLE STUDY** Watch the bulletin for information on the next meeting..

**FAITH FORMATION SECURITY:** For safety reasons all children must be in class by 6:30pm Sharp. ALL children should be dismissed with an adult family member or an older sibling. NO child should leave class alone. Special thanks to all our parents for keeping an eye out for possible security concerns.

## OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE

**2024 CALENDARS** will need a sponsor! The cost to Sponsor our church calendar for 2024 is \$345.00. If you, or your family, would like to sponsor the calendars please contact the office as soon as possible.

**LENTEN DAY OF SERVICE** Thank you to all who came out Saturday for our Lenten Day of Service.

**SWIECONKA** (sh-vee-en-soon-kah) is a Polish tradition where Baskets containing a sampling of Easter foods are brought to church to be blessed on Holy Saturday. The basket is traditionally lined with a white linen or lace napkin and decorated with sprigs of boxwood (*bukszpan*), the typical Easter evergreen. This food is shared on Easter morning in a ritual breaking of the fast. Fr. Weis will bless baskets after the Vigil Mass for anyone who wishes to participate. Bishop Steven Raica will bless baskets at the Cathedral of St. Paul on Holy Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. All are welcome.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 3:00 pm on Good Friday



**HOLY THURSDAY ADORATION:** After the Mass of the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel until 11:00 pm.

**WE NEED YOU!!** Please volunteer as a Lector, Usher, Extraordinary Minister of Communion, Altar Server, Care of the Altar/Environment, Choir member, and/or Fellowship/Coffee. Please contact the Church office or Lisa Dougherty if you are interested. We also need current ministers to contact Lisa Dougherty with your availability to minister at the Holy Week Liturgies.

**SPRINGFEST TICKETS!** Joseph Conte is our Ticket Sales Chairman. Please turn in your sold tickets as soon as possible. You may turn tickets in between now and April 29. Springfest is Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>! Get ready to assist, invite your family, friends and neighbors, **sell tickets**, bake cakes, and attend! Watch the bulletin for more information and save the date!

**PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH!** We would love to have you. Please pick up a Census Card in the narthex. Place completed card in the collection basket.

### Weekly Mass Schedule

Capital Improvement		Saturday	04/01	4:00 pm	Doug Balcom - †	
		Sunday	04/02	10:00 am	For the People	
		Monday	04/03	No Mass		
		Tuesday	04/04	9:00 am @ St. Stanislaus		
		Wednesday	04/05	9:00 am	Sandy Alfano - †	
		Thursday	04/06	7:00 pm	For the People	
		Friday	04/07	3:00 pm	Stations of the Cross	
		Friday	04/07	7:00 pm Passion of our Lord		
			Saturday	04/08	7:45 pm (Bi-Lingual)	For the People
			Sunday	04/09	10:00 am	For the People

**VISITS TO THE SICK** If you are ill and in need of the Sacraments and would like a visit from Fr. Weis, he has asked that you (or an immediate family member if you are too ill) contact him through the church office or at 205-546-9309. The surest way of getting the message to Father is by speaking to him personally during office hours or calling the church office and leaving a message either on the answering machine or with a member of the office staff.

**Next Week's Readings**

**Easter Sunday**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** (Acts 10: 34a, 37-43) **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** (Colossians 3:1-4 ) **Gospel** (John 20:1-9)

**Palm Sunday:** Are you willing to stay with Jesus/with others through difficult times? Pray for the strength to endure hardships. (Matthew 27:11-54) Let us pray for countries that suffer from war, oppression, and poverty, that dedicated missionaries will help to alleviate the suffering. (**Vocation View is sponsored by Serra Club**)



**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**Palm Sunday is April 2<sup>nd</sup> Mass is Saturday at 4:00 pm and Sunday at 10:00 am and 12:00 Noon**

**ST. PATRICK**

**HOLY THURSDAY: Mass at 7:00 pm**  
**ADORATION: following Mass until 11:00 pm**  
**GOOD FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross 3:00 pm**  
**The Passion 7:00 pm**  
**HOLY SATURDAY: The Easter Vigil: 7:45pm**  
**EASTER SUNDAY:**  
**Mass 10:00am**

**ST. STANISLAUS**

**HOLY THURSDAY: Mass at 5:00 pm**  
**GOOD FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross 4:00 pm**  
**The Passion 5:00 pm**  
**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**Mass 8:00am**



*Weekly Finance Report*

<i>Account</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expense</i>	<i>Diff.</i>	<i>Balance</i>
Operations	3,372.91	3,494.52	(121.61)	2056.80
Capital Imp	514.91	76.96	437.95	14,737.06

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**



**MEETING:** Our next meeting will be held this Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> after Mass.

**PANTRY NEEDS**

- Cooking Oil
- Peanut Butter
- Sugar
- Mac & Cheese



**Palm Sunday** Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life. **Please support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the poor as they carry their cross of suffering and pain.**

NOTE: No canned goods or toiletries are needed at this time.

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

**THE PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP** will meet on Saturday, April 15th, at 10am at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Homewood, AL. All are welcome to join us for an hour of prayer/rosary/adoration and Holy Mass led by Fr. Eric Gami. For more information, contact Angela Kolar at [angkolar@att.net](mailto:angkolar@att.net). "Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry!" Padre Pio... pray for us!

**WHAT IS MAGNIFICAT:** Magnificat is a ministry to Catholic women whose purpose is to help women be open to the Holy Spirit through a deeper commitment of their lives to Jesus Christ. The entire scene of the Visitation in Luke 1:46 is the inspiration for the Magnificat Ministry, which adopts the name of Mary's hymn of praise and the spirit of this Biblical encounter between Mary and Elizabeth. Magnificat meals are held four times a year. The program includes a shared meal, praise and worship, and a speaker who shares God's work in her life. The Magnificat Ministry also provides other opportunities for spiritual growth, such as: Retreats, Bible Studies, Life in the Spirit Seminars, and Intercessory Prayer Groups. **The Magnificat Prayer Breakfast** will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in the Parish Hall on Saturday, April 15 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Our speaker, Michelle Laque Johnson, is the author of Walking the Way of the Cross for Caregivers. Tickets are \$20 and include a catered breakfast. They are available online at <http://BirminghamMagnificat.org> or by email at [magnificat0296@gmail.com](mailto:magnificat0296@gmail.com) and by contacting Donna Chmielarski and from Alpha Church Supply. No tickets are sold at the door.

**OUR LADY OIF SORROWS CATHOLIC SCHOOL** is having a Crawfish Boil and Auction on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm – 10:00 pm in the OLS School Parking Lot. Tickets are \$35.00 on line and \$40.00 at the door. Ticket purchases include crawfish and two drink tickets. There will be music by Livewire, Food, Cash Bar and auction items! Visit [www.olsschool.com](http://www.olsschool.com) to purchase tickets.

**HER CHOICE BIRMINGHAM WOMEN'S CENTER** 19th Annual GOLF FORE LIFE is Friday, May 19, 2023 - Highland Park Golf Course \**New Time*: Registration 7:45AM · SHOTGUN START 9:00AM. Box Lunch Following. Have fun, save lives and raise funds for Her Choice, the only pro-life pregnancy resource center located in the heart of Birmingham. The cost is **\$250** (\$125 tax deductible) per individual golfer and prizes will be awarded immediately following the tournament. Please, support this event and contact Her Choice Women's Center: · [golf4life@herchoicebirmingham.org](mailto:golf4life@herchoicebirmingham.org).



**MATERIAL, EMOTIONAL AND SPIRITUAL POVERTY** Poverty is, perhaps, most obvious in a material sense. Many in emotional poverty, however, may be more apparent in sowing destruction in their own lives and the lives of others. Those in need of spiritual fulfillment, exhibit their pain by seeking grace in all the wrong places. Bishop Raica is asking for your help in reaching out to those in poverty throughout our diocese. Please join this mission by scanning the QR code to give today to Catholic Charities and Communities of the

Diocese of Birmingham.

**NEED SPACE THIS SUMMER?** We've got a Stellar spot for you! VBS is coming to St. Patrick on July 24-28, 2023. The fun starts at 5:30pm-8pm. We would like for the whole family to come eat dinner with us at 5:30. For more information, Visit [www.saintpatrickcc.com](http://www.saintpatrickcc.com), or you can talk to Tara Blanchard. Signup sheet is on the Parish School of Religious Education Bulletin Board. Please sign up as soon as possible to help up better prepare supplies.

**THE MARRIAGE TRIBUNAL** is looking for volunteers willing to be trained as canonical advocates. An advocate is the personal legal representative of a party to a case brought before the Tribunal. To help people move through the annulment process, the Tribunal is offering two workshops for the training of new advocates and for use as a refresher course for experienced advocates. The training sessions will be offered April 22 at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Anniston from 10:00am to 3:00pm and September 23 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Florence from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Lunch will be provided for both sessions and there is no cost. Please RSVP to Mattie Shumate at or [mshumate@bhmdiocese.org](mailto:mshumate@bhmdiocese.org).



# **IMPORTANT DATES FOR THOSE RECEIVING SACRAMENTS THIS EASTER AND SPRING**

April 8, 2023: Easter Vigil: Sacraments (Baptism, First Communion, & Confirmation) for non-Baptized children ages 8 and up.

April 15: Baptism date for school age children, ages 7 and under.

May 7, 2023: First Communion for all Faith Formation students, 2nd Grade and above, who have been Baptized but have not received First Communion. (First Confession will be held the day before on May 6)

May 27, 2023 Confirmation at the Cathedral of St. Paul for the Confirmation Class.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Weis, Lisa Dougherty, or Tara Blanchard.

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## **SPRINGFEST! APRIL 30, 2023**

**Please volunteer to help with our biggest fundraiser  
of the year!**

**See Desi Nelson (Springfest Chair)  
Joseph Conte ( Raffle Ticket Chair)  
Ann Tulloss or Patsy Byrd ( Auction Chair)  
Jeff & Tara Blanchard ( Vendor Booth Chair)  
(Children's Games) (Cake Booth)**

**DO YOU HAVE** Gift Cards you will never use? Please considering donating them to "Don't Spill The Beans" for Springfest! We are looking for donations of gift cards that have correct balances and are in date. Please see Desi Nelson.