**St. Patrick Catholic Church**

**Week of December 8 / Semana del 8 de Diciembre**

**Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners!**

We are blessed with your presence and your participation in the Mass. If you are a new parishioner, we ask that you fill out a registration form and return it to the parish office (drop box), in person or by mail. Thank you!

**¡Bienvenidos Visitantes y Nuevos Parroquianos!**

Somos bendecidos con su presencia y su participación en la Misa. Si usted es un nuevo feligrés, le pedimos que llene una forma de registro y la devuelva a la oficina parroquial (en el buzón), en persona o por correo. ¡Gracias!

**Mass & Service Times / Horario del Misas**

**Monday / Lunes**
(no services)

**Tuesday / Martes**
9:00 AM—Misa en Español

**Wednesday / Miércoles**
5:00 PM—Holy Hour /Hora Santa
6:00 PM—Mass in English

**Thursday / Jueves**
9:00 AM—Misa en Español

**Friday / Viernes**
9:00 AM—Misa en Español
6:00 PM—Holy Hour /Hora Santa

**Saturday / Sábado**
5:00 PM—Mass in English
7:00 PM—Misa en Español

**Sunday / Domingo**
9:00 AM—Mass is English
11:30 AM—Misa en Español

**Confessions / Confesiones**

Saturday / Sábado
3:30 PM - 4:30PM
Any other time by appointment. Cualquier otra hora con cita previa.

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**Mexican Food Sale**

**Sunday, December 8**

**After the Masses**

**In the Hall**

**Venta de Comida**

**Domingo, 8 de Diciembre**

**Después las Misas**

**En el Salon**

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**This Week’s Second Collection**

**La Segunda Colección de esta semana**

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**Parish Mission Statement:** St. Patrick’s Church is a Catholic, multicultural parish within a collegiate, agricultural, and industrial community. The parish’s mission is to worship and work together so our community will grow more in love and acceptance of one another and be apostles as Christ teaches us. We accept that we have differences and will use them to unite us as one in Christ. We shall pursue this mission faithfully through the power of the Holy Spirit and the gifts and talents of our members.

**Declaración de la Misión:** La Iglesia San Patricio es una Parroquia Católica multicultural dentro de una comunidad colegial, agrícola e industrial. La misión parroquial es dar culto y trabajar juntos para que nuestra comunidad crezca en amor y aceptación del uno y otro y ser apóstoles como Cristo nos enseña. Estamos de acuerdo que tenemos diferencias y las usaremos para hacernos uno en Cristo. Seguiremos esta misión fielmente por medio del poder del Espíritu Santo y los dones y talentos de nuestros miembros.
December 8, 2019: Second Sunday of Advent

Special Advent Presentation
Sister Isabel Johnson will be speaking after both Masses Sunday, December 8, in the parish hall. Please plan to attend!

Presentación Especial de Adviento
La hermana Isabel Johnson hablará después de ambas misas el domingo 8 de diciembre en el salón parroquial. Por favor planea asistir!

Why We Celebrate the Immaculate Conception on December 9th This Year
Sunday, December 8, is the second Sunday of Advent AND is the assigned date of the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Because the Sundays of Advent rank higher than solemnities, the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred this year to Monday, December 9.

There will be a Mass celebrating the Immaculate Conception at 6 PM on Monday, December 9.

Por qué celebramos la Concepción Inmaculada
El 9 de diciembre de este año
El domingo 8 de diciembre es el segundo domingo de Adviento y es la fecha asignada de la solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción. Debido a que los domingos de Adviento tienen un rango más alto que las solemnidades, la solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción se transfiere este año al lunes 9 de diciembre. Habrá una misa celebrando la Inmaculada Concepción a las 6 PM el lunes 9 de diciembre.

Advent Reconciliation Service
Tuesday, December 10 7:00 pm
There will be 6 priests available to hear individual confessions after the Reconciliation Service. During Advent, remember that preparing your soul for Christ’s coming is more important than preparing your home.

Servicio de Reconciliación de Adviento
Martes, 10 de diciembre 7:00 pm
Habrá 6 sacerdotes disponibles para escuchar confesiones individuales después del Servicio de Reconciliación. Durante el Adviento, recuerde que preparar su alma para la venida de Cristo es más importante que preparar su hogar.

Nuestra Virgen María Guadalupe
Domingo, 12/8, 7:00 pm—Rosario
Lunes, 12/9, 7:00 pm—Rosario
Martes, 12/10, 6:00 pm—Rosario
Miércoles, 12/11, 7:00 pm—Rosario
Jueves, 12/12, 5:00 am—Mañanitas
7:00 pm—Misa

Please join your fellow parishioners as we pray the ROSARY on Saturday, December 14 at 10 AM, in the Church.
We will be reflecting on Christ’s teachings from the Gospel of St. Luke.

Volunteer Office Staff Needed for Fridays!
If you can spare 2—4 hours on Fridays to help out in the parish office, please contact Father Kiko or Mireya (503-838-1242). Please consider this as your gift of time, to the church.

Shared Leadership Meal & Meeting
Wednesday, December 11, 6:30 pm, in the Hall
Every parish group or ministry should be sending a representative to this meeting. All other parishioners are welcome to attend.

Liderazgo Compartido
Comida y Reunión
Miércoles 11 de Diciembre, 6:30 p.m., en el Salón
Cada grupo parroquial o ministerio debe enviar un representante a esta reunión. Todos los demás feligreses son bienvenidos.

Clases de Quinceañera para Comenzar en Enero
Los formularios de inscripción están disponibles en la oficina. La fecha límite para inscripciones completadas es el 6 de enero.

Quinceañera Classes to Begin in January
Registration forms are available at the office. Deadline for completed registrations is January 6th.

Fill the Food Cart!
St. Patrick’s has donated over 293 pounds of food as of Thanksgiving.
¡Llena el carro de alimentos!
8 de Diciembre: Segundo Domingo de Adviento

TREE OF GIVING: An Annual Tradition
Please take 1 or more tags to provide gifts for the children of our school district. Gifts must be returned no later than NOON on Monday, December 16th (You can ignore the date on the tag). Gifts should not be wrapped and should have tag attached.

ÁRBOL DE DAR: Una Tradición Anual
Por favor, tome 1 o más etiquetas para dar regalos a los niños de nuestro distrito escolar. Los regalos deben ser devueltos a más tardar el mediodía del lunes 16 de diciembre (Puedes ignorar la fecha en la etiqueta). Los regalos no deben envolverse y deben tener una etiqueta adherida.

La Pastorella
(The Christmas Story)
Sunday / Domingo, December 15
1:00 pm
In the Church / En la Iglesia
 Practices:
Sunday/Domingo, 12/8 at 5:30 pm, in the Church
Monday/Lunes, 12/9 at 7:00 pm, in the Hall
Saturday/ Sabado, 12/14 at 11:30 am, in the Church

SAINT OF THE WEEK:
OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
DECEMBER 12
In the sixteenth century near Mexico City, Juan Diego was baptized and attended Mass faithfully in honor of Our Lady. Juan was walking by a hill when he heard beautiful music and a radiant cloud appeared. Within it stood an Indian maiden dressed like an Aztec princess. The Lady spoke to him with instructions to the bishop to build a chapel in the place where she appeared. The bishop requested through Juan for the Lady to give him a sign. Juan returned to the Lady who provided him beautiful roses (which are not indigenous to this place) to carry to the bishop in his tilma. On December 12th, when Juan opened his tilma, the roses fell to the ground and the bishop sank to his knees. On the tilma there was an image of Mary, Our Lady, as she appeared at the hill. As a result of this miracle, over nine million Indians became Catholic in a very short time.

Our Weekly Offering ❖ La Ofrenda Semanal
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For November 23-24, 2019
Envelopes $1,475.00
Loose $609.90
Modular Building $100.00
Faith Formation $609.90
Total $2,645.15

For November 30-December 1, 2019
Envelopes $2,196.00
Loose $1,660.03
Modular Building $786.25
Total $4,642.28

December 7-8:
Retirement Fund for Religious

For our College Students:

Catholic Campus Ministry
At WOU
315 N. Knox Street, Monmouth
Sunday Mass at 4 pm

Please Pray For // Por Favor Ora Por:
The Maria Cervantes Family
The Estella Oliveros Family
Arturo Cantu
Isabel Lumbreras
Esperanza Calvillo
Maria Alvarado
John Vanderzanden
Sharon & Mike Tebb
Edie Vanderzanden
Ben & Louisa Sanchez
Adan Campos
Lucy Villastrigo
Mary Jane Pollard

To add someone to this prayer list, please call Chris at 503-623-2864

Job Opening: Maintenance Work
The parish has a part-time position opening for someone to do regular maintenance in our church buildings. The position would also recruit, train and coordinate volunteer custodial crew. Please contact Father Kiko for more information & application.

Apertura de Trabajo: Trabajo de Mantenimiento
La parroquia tiene un puesto de trabajo a tiempo parcial para que alguien haga mantenimiento regular en los edificios de nuestra iglesia. El puesto también reclutará, entrenará y coordinará la tripulación de custodia voluntaria. Comuníquese con el Padre Kiko para obtener más información y solicitud.
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<th>Psalm 98</th>
<th>Ephesians 1: 3-6, 11-12</th>
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Advent is a season of repentance and anticipation that is only made possible through *metanoia* (Greek, meaning a changing of one’s mind), a changing of one’s life style for the better. This change can only take place with the help of God who offers humanity His assistance and hope if humans wish to accept it. Unfortunately, humans are caught in a self-made trap – a trap of excessive pride that presupposes they can do it by themselves. Through his own hubris and folly, misfortune plague us as despair creeps within our soul leaving us with a feeling of emptiness and longing for a long-awaited savior. Today’s liturgy reminds us that God has planned from the very origin of our fall to intervene and restore the fullness and happiness we had with Him and lost with original sin. He promises us a Messiah who will come and bring that *metanoia*, subduing all that is not holy and not true. This Messiah will conquer our hubris and restore creation to its original status where God will walk with His people, once again.

In the first reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, the Messiah’s future coming is predicted. His coming will bring justice and reclamation. His presence will give Light to the Darkness that prevails. This is God’s way of telling mankind that His presence will overpower the human inclination to sin and eradicate the hubristic tendency within ourselves. Isaiah’s prognostication indicates that there will be a complete *metanoia*, reversal, that the “wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together...”. This revolution will bring all nations to God. This Messiah encourage the *metanoia* needed to reverse our normal way of thinking and assist us in making that change needed to embrace the Divine.

This universal effect of the coming of the Messiah and the transformation that he will bring is confirmed in the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans. Paul informs the Roman community that their redemption and inclusion within God’s Redemptive Plan is revealed within Sacred Scripture. The hope that is embedded and promised with these ancient texts are meant for all of humanity in order that the creation’s restoration can take place. The Apostle to the Gentiles tells the Jewish Christians that Christ’s coming was not only meant for their redemption but, also, for the redemption of the Gentiles in order that all might praise God. This universal redemption is all inclusive. It is intended for all who are willing to make the *metanoia* demanded.

Finally, in today’s Gospel according to Matthew, John the Baptist’s call for this *metanoia* reverberates. John is in the desert of Judea calling for repentance to all who will hear. The Gospel account has many sinners seeking John out of repentance for their sins as he baptizes them in the river. The Temple has become corrupt and there is a longing by the people for forgiveness. When John sees the sinful Temple employees approaching him, he calls them vipers and demands that they change their ways if they wish forgiveness. He warns them that if this *metanoia* does not take place within them, then, God will “cut them down” and throw them into the fire. The prophet continues with the prognostication that the Messiah is approaching and he will cleanse all with unquenchable fire, the Holy Spirit. In short, the Kingdom of God is at hand and justice will be forthcoming.

Holy Mother the Church begins this New Church Year with a call to change our minds and follow the mindset that Christ, Himself, modelled for us. It is a mindset where the self is less important than the condition of our neighbor. This *metanoia* forces us focus on what is truly important in the eyes of God – our neighbor and creation. It was the Divine Will from the very beginning that we be responsible caretakers. Our actions and our lives should be focused on the Divine Will because only then will evil be destroyed and justice affirmed. Man’s desire to be redeemed and restored to his original status can only take place if we change our minds and focus on God’s desires not our own. This demands the *metanoia* emphasized, today.

**Deacon Rob**