

# SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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!

**MAY 3 ❖ 3 de MAYO 4th Sunday of Easter ❖ IV Domingo de Pascua**

## SPECIAL SCHEDULE OF MASSES

*During Governor Brown's "Stay at Home Order"*

## CALENDARIO ESPECIAL DE MISAS

*Durante el "Orden de quedarse en casa" del Gobernador Brown*

## LIVESTREAM MASSES & ADORATION

*Attendance in the church limited to 10 people total*

*Sign-up required before by contacting Father*

*Social Distancing will be followed*

## MISAS y ADORACION EN VIVO

*Asistencia a la iglesia limitada a 10 personas en total*

*Es necesario registrarse antes contactando al padre*

*Se seguirá la distancia social*

## MASSES // MISAS

**Saturday / Sabado** 5:00 pm in English

**Sunday / Domingo** 11:00 am, en Español

**Tuesday / Martes** 10:00 am, in English

**Wednesday / Miércoles** 6:30 pm, en Español

**Thursday / Jueves** 6:00 pm, in English

**Friday / Viernes** 10:00 am, en Español

## ADORATION

**Wednesday/ Miércoles** 5:30 pm

**Friday / Viernes** 6:00 pm

## CONFESSIONS

**Saturday / Sabado** 4:00 pm

*(Also available by individual appointment //*

*Por cita individual con el Padre Kiko)*

## PANDEMIC PRAYER

*Heavenly Father, You hear the cry of the poor.*

*The voices of the faithful in this Archdiocese of Portland join the chorus from around the world, imploring Your divine assistance in this difficult season.*

*We entrust our families, schools and parishes to Your loving mercy.*

*Heal the sick: console the anxious;*

*Be our guide in every decision—big and small, so that we may give glory to Your name at all times.*

*Grant us a spirit of tenderness and patience, that we may become witnesses to Your great love in this valley of tears.*

*Increase in us a hunger for Your Son's Real Presence as we strive to be truly present to one another.*

*Raise up men and women of courage in this Archdiocese who will serve as instruments of Your mercy.*

*Let us not be overwhelmed by fear or sorrow, but rather overcome by hope in Your divine majesty.*

*You are Lord over all!*

*Your ways are mysterious and marvelous!*

*Your plans are beyond our understanding, but You hold us in the palm of Your hand.*

*Awaken in us a deep trust in Your divine providence, so that we may move forward in confidence and serenity.*

*We turn to Mary, our loving Mother, whose own heart has been pierced by our lament.*

*May we find comfort and protection in her Immaculate Heart, and may she lead us to Jesus, in whose friendship we find our everlasting home.*

*Amen.*

## STAY HOME AND PRAY

## QUÉDATE EN CASAY ORAR



### FROM THE OFFICE OF ARCHBISHOP SAMPLE ABOUT THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:



Obviously, the Confirmation schedule has been and will continue to be disrupted. All of the scheduled April Confirmations are cancelled. It may also happen that the scheduled May Confirmations will need to be cancelled as well (and it is during this month that most of the Confirmations are celebrated). It will not be possible to reschedule these Confirmations later in the year with a bishop as celebrant, especially as the number of cancelled Confirmations grows. We will handle this in the following way. As the date for a scheduled Confirmation comes and goes without being able to be celebrated, I will grant the faculty to the pastor of the parish to confirm his candidates at a later date when this becomes possible. I had originally thought Pentecost Sunday would be a great day to do this, but that may be unlikely, given the social distancing requirements that may still be in place. I will also schedule at a date later in the year, when larger social gatherings are again possible, regional Confirmations for those parishes which would still like to have a bishop confer the Sacrament. At these celebrations, more than one parish may join together. Depending on space limitations and demand, it may also be necessary to schedule more than one local regional celebration on the same day. I will also do some Confirmations at the Cathedral at a later date. I will schedule these regional Confirmations as soon as I am able and can be secure that the dates will hold.

+ *Alexander Sample*



### PRAYER REQUESTS:

- ◆ Angie Amos' daughter-in-law, Jenny: Pancreatic cancer treatment
- ◆ Hermie Collier's sister, Marcella: Recovery from CoVid virus
- ◆ Mary Jane Pollard's son-in-law, Paul: Continued recovery from surgery & dialysis
- ◆ Adan Campos: Hopeful MRI results
- ◆ Kathy & Rich Graham's son, DJ: Protection from CoVid

*Prayer requests can be submitted through the parish website ([www.stpatrickindependence.org](http://www.stpatrickindependence.org)) or by calling Chris Block at 503-623-2864.*

*Las solicitudes de oración pueden enviarse a través del sitio web de la parroquia ([www.stpatrickindependence.org](http://www.stpatrickindependence.org)) o llamando a Chris Block al 503-623-2864.*

### ABOUT THE CELEBRATION OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The Archbishop has asked each parish to handle its own scheduling of First Holy Communion. Soon Father Kiko will meet with parish leaders soon to determine a schedule for First Communion Masses, based on Oregon's social distancing guidelines and the desires of the families involved to celebrate the occasion. It is possible that these Masses may be delayed until the fall.

*If you have a student who is to receive their First Communion this year, Father would welcome your thoughts on scheduling. Please call or email him.*



### ACERCA DE LA CELEBRACIÓN DE LA PRIMERA COMUNIÓN SANTA

El Arzobispo ha pedido a cada parroquia que maneje su propia programación de la Primera Comunión. Pronto el Padre Kiko se reunirá con los líderes de la parroquia pronto para determinar un horario para las Misas de la Primera Comunión, basado en las pautas de distanciamiento social de Oregon y los deseos de las familias involucradas para celebrar la ocasión. Es posible que estas Misas se retrasen hasta la caída.

*Si tiene un estudiante que recibirá su Primera Comunión este año, el Padre agradecería sus pensamientos sobre la programación. Por favor llame o envíe un correo electrónico.*

### RECORDATORIO SOBRE APOYO

Sin nuestras colecciones semanales normales, el presupuesto de la parroquia se verá afectado. Recuerde que aún puede enviar sus contribuciones por correo a la Iglesia o contribuir en línea en el sitio web de la Iglesia de San Patricio.

[www.stpatrickindependence.org/contributions](http://www.stpatrickindependence.org/contributions)

### REMINDER ABOUT SUPPORT

Without our normal weekly collections, the parish budget will be strained. Remember you can still mail your contributions to the Church or contribute on-line on the St. Patrick Church website.

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## WEEKLY MESSAGE ON THE READINGS FOR 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Today's Liturgy of the Word assimilates various Theophanic concepts into a simpler, yet precise, revelation of who Christ was, is and continues to be. The complexity of the Divine Nature and the Human Nature of Jesus has been greatly discussed from the very beginning of the Church. Yet, last Sunday's Gospel directs all Christians to delve into Scripture for their answer. The Scripture heard today reveals not only the complexity of God and Jesus' relationship to Him but also Jesus' relationship to mankind. In this revelation of the Divine, the uniqueness and complexity of this relationship unveils the totality of God's love and of His very Being. To convey this theophanic relation for finite minds, today's Liturgy of the Word concludes with the well-known image of Jesus – the Good Shepherd.

In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, the transformed and emboldened Peter proclaims Jesus the Christ as the Messiah to Israel. Through this proclamation, the trinitarian nature of God is revealed. Peter irrevocably states that God has manifested Jesus as Lord (another term for the Divine) and Christ, the Anointed One. In the same breath, he refers to the gift of the Holy Spirit that Christians receive in baptism which unites them with Jesus. Thus, this first reading reveals the unlocking of the One God's nature with the arrival of Jesus. It is through this gift of Christ, the Word, that the early Christians begin to understand God's entire redemptive plan and Covenant. It is in this plan and Covenant that God, Himself, expresses His desire to give of Himself. This freely given gift of pure love despite our rebellion reveals His perfect nature.

The continual revelation of Jesus continues in the First Letter of Saint Peter. In this selection, Peter explains the Divine Plan and the Covenant that expects the type of behavior by Christians that was modeled by Jesus. The total love of Jesus and God for His people is revealed. Peter indicates that this love, *Agape*, is a selfless love. A love through which the lover, God, is willing to sacrifice all for His beloved who are like sheep. This comparison is very telling because the



audience is well aware of the helplessness of sheep who are easily distracted and lost. Peter's audience knows sheep and they know that sheep depend on the shepherd for everything. This uniquely created relationship creates, for lack of a better word, a symbiosis that elevates the dependent mankind to a new height through perfection achieved only through agape love.

John's Gospel concludes the Liturgy of the Word with Jesus' confrontation with Israel's spiritual rulers and guides. In this account, Jesus reveals how they are failing in their duties. Due to their failure, God has sent him to be both "gate" and "Shepherd" to the lost. The failure of the Temple in its role is due to the political corruption and spiritual abdication of those in power. They have fallen into the same trap that Adam and Eve did – pride, pleasure, and power. Jesus explains that he has been sent to liberate the oppressed, heal the sick and bring them back to their God. Christ clearly indicates that he is the New Moses who will lead the people into the New Promised Land. This journey can only take place through him, the Gate, and with him, The Good Shepherd. The road is difficult but he will "carry" the injured on his shoulders.

As is apparent, today's liturgy shows the gradual growth in comprehension of the nature of the Trinitarian God. Just as Jesus had explained and revealed the relationship of Scripture to Himself on the road to Emmaus, he continues to unveil the Divine to His Church through the Holy Spirit. This Theophanic Revelation is important because it shows God's desire to tend and embrace His creation. Using the Sacred Mysteries and the other Sacraments, God has insured the Presence of the Good Shepherd until the Second Coming. It is our opportunity to listen and to partake of the Divine. We have the opportunity to enter through the "Gate" and be guided and carried by the "Good Shepherd" – if only we listen.

*Deacon Rob*

Jesus, I Trust in You