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Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00 am

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Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 pm

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# First Down with Fr. Eric



Dear Friends,

When someone attends Mass at St. Patrick, one notices when the announcements are done at Mass. Some parishes do announcements traditionally at the end of Mass, others might do them right before the Mass begins.

So I have asked myself this question, what are the announcements and what do they try to accomplish?

In the time of Jesus, there was a posture that a disciple might have, staff in hand, ready to take the message out to the world. The word "Mass" means to "be sent." When one leaves the grounds at St. Patrick, one can read the sign that says to go and "live the

Mass." All these words remind us of the response to what we heard at each Mass. So when we gather, we hear the Word of God proclaimed, and it is broken open by the homily, so the announcements are shared when everyone is fully present right in the middle of Mass. It makes so much sense then to ask the question, what are we to do? Go and live the Mass!

The announcements are done right after the homily. All are present, there is a call to form community which cares for each person, makes others feel they belong. Other messages are helping people in the greater community. Churches/Parishes that serve people outside their walls are places of life. Not my sole opinion, but many studies on churches state this. So at St. Patrick, one hears the Word of God, hears it presented in an inviting way, then one is told these are some of the ways to live out our discipleship.

One last point is every parish has people who leave early, it is just a fact of life. They might never hear any announcements with very little chance to be moved to serve others in some community way. That is why when everyone hears the announcements, everyone has a chance to say "yes" to serving and living discipleship.

As Paul Harvey used to say, "and now you know the rest of the story." Good Day.

Peace in Christ.

Fr. Eric

#### **Lent Confession Schedule** We invite parishioners to view our Lenten Penance Prayer Service on YouTube. Confessions every Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 pm Wednesday March 22 6:00 - 7:30 pm 2 priests Monday March 27 12:00 - 2:00 pm 1 priest Wednesday March 29 6:00 - 7:30 pm 2 priests Monday April 3 6:00 - 8:00 pm 8 priests LAST Wednesday **April 5** 6:00 - 7:30 pm 1 priest **PPORTUNIT**

#### Christian Disciples in Mission Living Beyond Sunday

BY MARY PERMODA,
Director of Pastoral Activities



#### Christian Disciples in Mission from St. Patrick Catholic Community!!!!

It was a great day for the Hike. A bit chilly at the start, but nice by the end. We had 60 registered hikers and collected \$6,737 in donations/registrations for St. Joseph the Worker. We won the trophy for "Super Squad" the 9th year in a row!! Way to go St. Pat's!











We had a great response to the request for Tutors! Thank you for putting the needs of our children in your heart!











Name Tag Sunday hosts have many new faces! Thank you to the many new families who are sharing radical St. Patrick hospitality!!! Thank you Gina Accola for your leadership in this effort as the Committee Chair for the service component of GPS!





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#### Stewardship

The story of the healing of the man born blind invites us to consider the importance of sight, both physical and spiritual. The blind man is given physical sight, but he is also granted spiritual insight about the person of Jesus. Through Baptism, we are called to walk as children of the light, to live in full knowledge of who Jesus is for us.

When infants are baptized, parents, with the help of the godparents, assume responsibility for raising the child as a follower of Jesus. The process of maturation in the faith is much like the example found in the story of the man born blind. The man is cured of his blindness, a symbol of his sin. Each time he meets someone after the healing, the man comes to a deeper awareness of who Jesus is. In a similar way, we who are baptized continue to mature in faith as our relationship with and knowledge about Jesus grows.

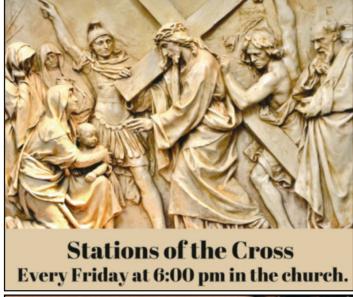
Have you grown in your faith this Lenten season? If you have, "GREAT!" Continue down your path of growth, relationship and knowledge. If your first answer is "not so much," know you are not alone. We are all bombarded with so much stimulation that it is easy for us to miss what is right in front of our eyes.

This Sunday's Gospel reminds us that Jesus helps us see what is truly important in life. Our God allows us to "reset" and start again/now. He is merciful and gracious and loves you for who you are and where you are in your faith journey! Consider taking time to get to know Jesus today. No matter where you are on your path take a moment this week and reflect on what you find most important in your life. Do you make time for that important (fill in the blank) in your busy life? What can you do to refocus the rest of Lent? How can you grow closer to Jesus?

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# HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

## PALM SUNDAY | SUNDAY, APRIL 2

Regular Weekend Schedule - All are encouraged to wear red

#### RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Monday, April 3 - Church & Classrooms 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Wednesday, April 5 - Matthew & Luke Classrooms 6:00 - 8:00 pm

## **HOLY THURSDAY | THURSDAY, APRIL 6**

7:00 pm Liturgy - In-person & Livestreamed

### GOOD FRIDAY | FRIDAY, APRIL 7

12:00 pm - Family Stations of the Cross - In-person and Livestreamed

1:00 - 3:00 pm - Quiet Prayer & Meditation

7:00 pm Liturgy - In-person & Livestreamed

# **HOLY SATURDAY | SATURDAY, APRIL 8**

11:00 am - Easter Basket Blessing (Outside)

7:00 pm Easter Vigil Liturgy - In-person & Livestreamed

#### **EASTER SUNDAY | SUNDAY, APRIL 9**

8:30 am - Church and Fenlon Hospitality Center

10:30 am - Church (Livestreamed) and Fenlon Hospitality Center

12:30 pm - Church







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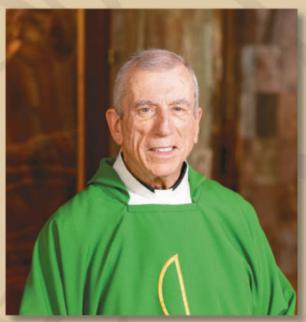






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One reads in the Hebrew Scriptures, the Book of Ecclesiastes, chapter 3, verses 1 and 7: "There is a season for everything, a time for every occupation under heaven. A time for speaking and a time for keeping silent."

During the past almost thirteen years, there have been many times I have spoken at St. Patrick Catholic Community - usually at liturgies, but also in non liturgical presentations. These have been wonderful, fruitful years. The Bible has been my "textbook" of choice. I am grateful for the affection and encouragement offered by many parishioners. It is my hope that not a few have come to a better understanding of Sacred Scripture.

Now the time has come to keep silent and to take my leave of this extraordinary faith community. My heartfelt gratitude to Father Eric for inviting me to be a part of the parish Pastoral Team, to the dedicated and supportive women and men of the parish administration, and to all who have welcomed me into their thinking and their loving.

The 4:30 pm Mass on Saturday, April 22 will be my last Mass at our church.



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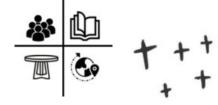
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# Christ in Our Neighborhood

March 26, 2023

#### Prayer

#### Father,

help us to be like Christ your Son,

who loved the world and died for our salvation. Inspire us by His love, guide us by His example, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Commentary

#### 1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

As we approach the season of Easter, we take time this weekend to reflect on the promise of immortality.

The Prophet Ezekiel presents an awesome picture of graves opening up and the dead rising from them.

The promise is for a restored Israel where all people will "Know God." We read:

"I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus shall you KNOW that I am the Lord."

As Christians, we speak of a new Israel (a new Jerusalem) which is heaven. Heaven is more than a place. Instead, it is a state of being - of being one with God. To "Know God" is to be one with God.

True life - even before we die and are raised to heaven - is to know and live with God. As Christians, we live when we live for God!

#### Ouestion

How am I living with God now? How am I living for God now?

#### Commentary

#### 2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-11

A question from an old Catholic Catechism goes like this:

Q: Why did God make you?

5th Sunday

of

Lent

A: God made me to know Him, to love Him, and to serve

Him in this world, and to be happy with

Him for ever in heaven.

This is our purpose! We live to live for God. In fact, if we don't live for God, then we don't live. Our life has no purpose here or in the world hereafter.

If we are honest, we know that we can fall short in our desire to live for God.

Thankfully, as St. Paul reminds us in our Second Reading, we have the Holy Spirit who lives for God in us.

The Holy Spirit is God and the Spirit finds a dwelling place in us making it possible for us to live for God. St. Paul writes:

"Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him."

Thankfully, this Spirit has been planted within us to live for God - to know Him, love Him, to serve Him, and to be happy with Him for ever in heaven.

#### Question

How has the Spirit of Christ moved me to know, love, and serve God?

The commentaries over these 6 weeks of Lent are presented by Bishop John Dolan of the Diocese of **Phoenix**.

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Commentary

#### Gospel: John 11:1-45

Our Gospel today invites us to be restored to God in Christ.

Lazarus, the brother of Martha and Mary, is resuscitated

from death. The resuscitated life of Lazarus is symbolic for a restored life with God.

It is Christ who gives us the Spirit of life and restores us so that we can live - live for God!

Christ gives us this restored life here and now; not just on the last day! He says to Martha:

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."

Now, in this story, Lazarus is resuscitated. Resuscitation is not resurrection. Eventually, Lazarus would die and be raised from the dead. However, this Gospel story today is a foretaste of the real Resurrection account of Jesus on Easter.

One day, we will all be raised from the dead and, if we live for God, we will be raised to Eternal Life. However, this does require that we respond to the Spirit of life within us who calls us to live for God here and now.

God chooses to restore us to life. Our life only has meaning if we live for God!

#### Question

Martha was asked by Jesus if she believed. How do I express my belief that Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life?

#### This Week's Task

In Lent, we have an opportunity to be restored to life in Christ through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This is a perfect way to prepare for Easter and renew our Baptismal commitment to Christ, the Spring of living water, who washes away our sins.

#### Group Prayer

In preparation for Reconciliation before Easter, the leader invites the group to make a brief examination of conscience in silence. Then, the leader invites the community to say the Confiteor:

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do; and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The leader invites the gathering to pray the psalm for the 5th Sunday of Lent.

Psalm 23

"I have

come to believe

that you are

the Christ.

the Son

of God,"

#### Psalm

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication.

R:With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

If you, O LORD, mark iniquities, LORD, who can stand? But with you is forgiveness, that you may be revered.

R: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

I trust in the LORD; my soul trusts in his word. More than sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the LORD.

R:With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

For with the LORD is kindness and with him is plenteous redemption; And he will redeem Israel from all their iniquities.

R: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Conclude with an OUR FATHER

#### **Social Justice**

#### General Jeannie (Flynn) Leavitt, United States Air Force

Breaking through established societal gender barriers is something that can be a challenge, especially for a female entering into a job position historically



dominated by males. Jeannie Leavitt is one woman who not only attempted to break through these gender



barriers, she also embraced the aspect of breaking sound barriers by becoming the first United States Air Force female fighter pilot when she stepped into a F-15E Strike Eagle in 1993. She then went on to become the first

woman to command a USAF combat fighter wing. She is now General Jeannie Leavitt.

Born in St Louis, Missouri in 1967, Jeannie (Flynn) Leavitt learned a lot about the USAF from her father who was also a member of this branch of military service. She attended Catholic schools before moving on to the University of Texas where she studied and received a BS in Aerospace Engineering before moving onto Stanford University for her Masters in Aeronautics and Astronautics. She began her formal undergraduate flight training in 1992 in the Air Force and in 1993 she began her formal combat training to become a fighter pilot.

Jeannie has a long list of accomplishments, including the highly prestigious title of principal military assistant to

the Secretary of Defense in Washington, DC in 2014. She also completed over 300 combat flight hours in Afghanistan and Iraq. In 2016, she became the first woman to take control of the 57th Wing at Nellis Air Force



Base and was promoted to **Brigadier General. Between** 2002-2010, Jeannie earned three more masters degrees: a Masters in Business Administration from Auburn University, Masters of Military Operations of Art and Science, and a Masters in National Security Strategy.

She has proven herself to be an inspiring leader for many women who seek to contribute their skills and talents to the wider world. In her personal life, General Leavitt is married to a retired Air Force Colonel Craig Leavitt and they have two children. She has been with the USAF for 30+ years.

#### **Daily Mass Readings For Your Personal Reflections**

Monday 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

 Tuesday
 Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12
 John 5:1-3a, 5-16

 Wednesday
 Isaiah 49:8-15
 John 5:17-30

 Thursday
 Exodus 32:7-14
 John 5:31-47

Friday Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22

John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10 Luke 1:26-38

#### **Come Prepared for Sunday Mass**

Reading and praying the Sunday readings starting on Monday and reflecting on them during the week is a great way to come hear the scripture readings proclaimed at Sunday Liturgy. Here are the readings and reflections for next week

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT Ezekiel 37:12-14 Romans 8:8-11 John 11:1-45

**First Reading:** God will open the graves and restore the people of Israel.

Second Reading: The Spirit of God dwells in you.

**Gospel Reading:** Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.

You can pray the Daily and Sunday Readings via our website: **stpatcc.org**.

#### **Weekday Masses**

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am

#### **Masses for the Week**

Mar. 20	8:00 am	廿Joan Carstens
Mar. 21	8:00 am	Mark Curtin
Mar. 22	8:00 am	<sup></sup> Monsignor Albert Clody
Mar. 23	8:00 am	Bryan Curtin
Mar. 24	8:00 am	For the people
Mar. 25	4:30 pm	<sup>†</sup> Milagro Chawen
Mar. 26	8:30 am	$^{f t}$ Andrew Claude Thompson
	10:30 am	ᡥFlorita Campbell
	5:00 pm	廿Linda Rezny

#### **Nurses Corner**



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- 4. Have a relaxing routine before bedtime. Take a bubble bath, read, or listen to quiet music.
- 5. Keep the bedroom at a cool, comfortable temperature.
- 6. Avoid alcohol, caffeine, spicy and fried foods right before bedtime.
- 7. Exercise regularly.

\*sph.umich.edu/pursuit/2020posts/why-sleep-is-soimportant-to-your-health.html

#### **CARE & SUPPORT AT ST. PATRICK**

**Cancer Support** This support group is for those dealing with the effects of cancer in their lives and their families' lives. Group meets virtually the first Wednesday of the month, September to May, 7:00 - 7:30 pm. For more information please contact Gloria Yturralde at 602-370-7042.

**Divorced/Separated** The "Catholic Divorce Survival Guide" is a twelve part program of sharing, comfort, and healing for divorced or separated people. It is a journey of learning, reflection, and prayer. All are welcome. This course is offered in the spring and fall. For more information contact Benny Jetson at 602-920-1671 or Therese Mexas at 480-278-3805.

**Family, Personal Support** Catholic Charities Counselor available Mondays from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. For an appointment call 602-749-4405. Fees based on sliding scale.

**Annulment Support**—A group of annulment ministers help people navigate the system of annulments in the Phoenix Diocese. For an appointment call 480-264-4319.

**Prayer Support** Small Christian Communities is a support for people who have a desire to pray with others in a supportive community. For prayer requests email to **weprayforyou@stpatcc.org**.

**Grief Support** Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one GriefShare is a special weekly Monday seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Sessions started in September. Please contact Sandy Meyers at **griefsupport@stpatcc.org**.

**Benefits Assistance Program** Assistance with Medicare and other health insurance benefits available for seniors, the disabled and caregivers. For information, please call Megan Popa at 480-998-3843 ext. 138.

**The Next Chapter** A group for men and women further along on their grief journey to address the ongoing needs after the loss of a loved one through spiritual, educational and social activities. Meeting start date was Tuesday, September 13. Please contact Peg Bohnert at **thenextchapter@stpatcc.org**.

**NAMI Family Support Group** - This group is a free, confidential and safe place, open to family members, partners and friends of individuals living with a mental illness in order to support each other. Group meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 6:00-7:30 pm in the House of Mercy/Pope Francis Room. Questions: namimaricopa@gmail.com.



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**EDGE** is a Catholic youth ministry program for 6th, 7th and 8th graders. EDGE meets Mondays during the school year from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Fenlon Hospitality Center. All middle school youth are welcome!

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We are excited to resume ROCK45 this Monday, March 20! We will continue along with our theme of KNOWING IESUS and dive into the many miracles Jesus performed while here on earth. We have heard about these miracles, the fish and the loaves, the healing of the leper, etc. and now we will see, thanks



to video clips from The Chosen, how this might have looked. ROCK45 will continue to meet in Fenlon Hospitality Center during the Season of Lent.

ROCK45 is open to all 4th and 5th graders who like to have fun all in the name of Jesus! Come check us out on Monday nights from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. For more information, please contact Diane Kar, 480-998-3843 ext. 209 or dkar@stpatcc.org.

#### **EDGE**

After taking last week off for Spring Break, we're excited to resume this Monday, March 20, from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the church classrooms. The night will be spent continuing to discuss Jesus' life!

Remember to sign up for our Spring Lock-In April 22-23! Registration can be found at stpatcc.org/registration/lockin23.

All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are welcome to join us on Monday nights from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Please contact the EDGE Coordinator, Thomas Bestul, at tbestul@stpatcc.org if you have any questions!

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#### **LIFE TEEN**

Life Teen meets tonight! We are so excited to gather in our Fenlon Hospitality Center as we break open our Lenten Series. As always, Life Teen meets following our 5:00 pm Youth Mass. Dinner is always served. We still have a few spots available for Life Teen Summer Camp called Camp Golden State, happening July 16-21. Find out more on splifeteen.org.

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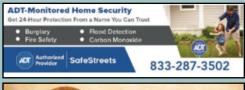
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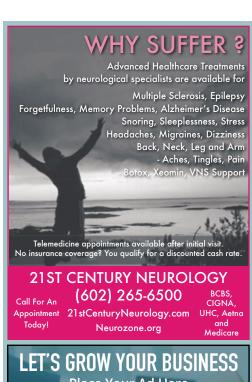
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