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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday through Thursday: 8:30 am - 8:00 pm
Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

LITURGY:
Weekend Mass: Saturday 4:30 pm and Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 5:00 pm
Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00 am
Holy Days: 8:00 am, 12:05 pm and 5:30 pm

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Anointing of the Sick or Communion to the Sick: To request either sacrament, call the Parish Office.

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Dear Friends,

Parishes are always looking for really good speakers for the Lenten season. I have invited Becky Eldredge to join us as a speaker for Lent. Becky was with us in early 2020 right before the beginning of the pandemic. A lot has happened since those days, and I think Becky has so much to share with us. Becky is from Louisiana and is an Ignatian-trained spiritual director and speaker, overseeing retreats, and is the author of two books on spirituality. Some parishioners may remember her great talks with us and the great response and attendance. You can find out more about Becky on her website beckyeldredge.com.

Becky speaks to many people across the country, so she has learned what people are dealing with, their struggles, and learning to bring their families along with them. How do we reconnect with our spiritual lives that have changed so much since 2020? For a good number of people, there is a need to get over the hump that is keeping us from engaging, sharing, and witnessing our faith in community. I have asked Becky to break open how one might learn to navigate through these new times.

Becky will be speaking to the Women’s Breakfast Group on Saturday, March 16 beginning at 8:30 am. Becky will also speak at all the Masses the weekend of March 16-17. There will be two talks on Monday, March 18 at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. Everyone is invited to attend her talks on Monday. Mark your calendars for those dates and more information will be shared as the time comes closer.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Eric
Lent: Making the Journey Through the Desert Together

At the beginning of Lent Pope Francis offered a message to all of us; rather than fasting from sweets or soda, Pope Francis challenges us to fast from indifference. It is up to us to recognize the need and suffering of the person next to us. The lenten pillars of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving are meant to remind us of God's deep love for us so that we may share that love with others. Pope Francis shares, "If our celebration of Lent is to be concrete, the first step is to desire to open our eyes to reality. When the Lord calls out to Moses from the burning bush, he immediately shows that he is a God who sees and, above all, hears. Today too, the cry of so many of our oppressed brothers and sisters rises to heaven. Let us ask ourselves: Do we hear that cry? Does it trouble us? Does it move us? All too many things keep us apart from each other, denying the fraternity that, from the beginning, binds us to one another." This encompasses what the spirit of synodality is all about; journeying together as a people of God.

Pope Francis tells us "Lent is also a time of communitarian decisions, of decisions, small and large, that are countercurrent. Decisions capable of altering the daily lives of individuals and entire neighborhoods, such as the ways we acquire goods, care for creation, and strive to include those who go unseen or are looked down upon." He invites every Christian community to do just this: to offer its members moments set aside to rethink their lifestyles, times to examine their presence in society and the contribution they make to its betterment. This is why the spirit of synodality needs to be intertwined with our lenten journey.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who participated in our Spring Parish Listening Sessions last week. The process of synodality is an ongoing endeavor meant to help guide us to listening to one another and the Holy Spirit in order to find a path forward that addresses the current issues facing the Church. We live in a world full of constant noise and distractions. Imagine how much better the world would be if everyone did a little more listening. Love of God and love of neighbor are two sides of the same coin.

Here at St. Patrick let us all commit to being more attentive to listening to our neighbor, and strive to make God's love known to others.
Stewardship

Social media is great at getting people fired up. Anyone can post almost anything and elicit a response, regardless of whether the content of the post is true.

Jesus often had the same extreme effect on people, the irony being these extreme reactions were always in response to truth. With just a few words, Jesus could send the Pharisees reeling and put Sadducees on the defense. This week’s gospel is a great example of the power that Christ wielded. He was not afraid to cause a stir. Social media would have loved Jesus, except for one small fact: he always spoke truth.

People might not have known, believed, or appreciated Jesus’s truth at the time (many still don’t), but soon after Jesus cleared the Temple, they came face-to-face with a bloody cross (that is, the destroyed temple) and the empty tomb (which meant the new temple, Jesus’s resurrected body, had been built). Jesus proved his words to be truth. Time only solidified the truth.

We hear in the second reading that both the Gentiles and the Jews struggled to come to grips with Christ’s Crucifixion and Resurrection. It went against human understanding and earthly laws. Precisely, it went against human wisdom. Likewise, some of the commandments - though not in violation of human wisdom - currently went against human tendency and popular opinion. Popular opinion is always more appealing than unpopular truth. Popular opinion can get you elected; unpopular truth gets you crucified.

God’s Word in the commandments in God’s living Word, Jesus Christ, lead to “everlasting life,” as the psalm reminds us. Whether in the time of Moses or in the time of Jesus, the world seeks truth, and those committed to truth will eventually hear his voice.

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6:00 pm
outside the church
throughout Lent.
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St. Patrick Men’s Club helps staff the concession stands and you can help at the Spring Training games.

You do not need to be a member of the Men’s Club to participate in the fundraiser.
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FOR MORE INFO
CONTACT ROGER LOYSON
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or mensclub@stpatcc.org
St. Patrick Women’s Fellowship Ministry

Women’s Prayer Breakfast
Saturday, March 16

8:30 am Mass in the Church
9:30 - 11:30 am Breakfast/Speaker
in Fenlon Hospitality Center

Please Register Here:

Please join us as we gather for Mass and then listen to Becky Eldredge speak on “Seeing God’s Vision with Eyes of H.O.P.E.” Becky is an Ignatian-trained spiritual director, retreat facilitator and author. Becky has over 20 years of ministry experience to help others make room for God and invite them to grow deeper in their walk with Christ.

Donations are appreciated.
Social Justice

NATIONAL WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH
We celebrate National Women’s History Month from March 1 - March 31. Originally, this month of recognition started out as only a one day observance in 1978 called Women’s History Day organized by educators in a school district in Sonoma, CA. It was created to bring more awareness of women’s contributions to society.

This movement caught attention across the United States and in 1980 the National Women’s History Alliance advocated to have the observance run a week long instead of one day. This was supported by then President Jimmy Carter who issued a proclamation for the week of March 8 every year. He said in part when referring to the history of our nation, “Too often women were unsung and their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength, and love of the women who built America were as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well.”

In 1987, this observance and recognition was approved by Congress to be celebrated annually for the whole month of March. Every year there is a designated theme. The theme for 2024 is “Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.” According to the National Women’s History Alliance, this year’s theme “recognizes the example of women who are committed to embracing everyone and excluding no one in our common quest for freedom and opportunity. They know that people change with the help of families, teachers and friends, and that young people in particular need to learn the value of hearing from different voices with different points of view as they grow up.”

The month of March will highlight Women’s History Month and acknowledge the movement of equity, diversity, and inclusion for women.

To learn more about the 2024 theme from the National Women’s History Alliance, go to: nationalwomenshistoryalliance.org/2024-whm-theme/.

Mass Readings

Third Sunday of Lent
First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25
Gospel Reading: John 2:13-25

Next Sunday:
Fourth Sunday of Lent
First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23
Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10
Gospel Reading: John 3:14-21

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 4
8:00 am †Rose Seferin

Tuesday, March 5
8:00 am †Fred Stanton

Wednesday, March 6
8:00 am †Vaughn Speer

Thursday, March 7
8:00 am †Valentin R. Yanez

Friday, March 8
8:00 am For the people

Saturday, March 9
4:30 pm †Harry Reiman

Sunday, March 10
8:30 am †Angelo Fratantoni
10:30 am †Mary Lou Barba
5:00 pm †Shirley Mulligan

If you would like a specific Mass Intention offered for someone, living or deceased, please come to the Parish Office to schedule one.

The Just Coffee ministry will be selling the Cafe Justo brand coffee next weekend on March 9 & 10. You are invited to stop by the table in the Narthex.

Selling this Cafe Justo coffee product supports the farmers cooperative in Mexico and provides their workers with livable wages and job opportunities, ultimately keeping families together on their own land. This is a faith in action ministry at St. Patrick that addresses immigration, trade imbalances, and poverty in third world countries. All workers and families receive healthcare and pensions, and profits are reinvested in their communities.
Nurses Corner

Do you know how to prevent colorectal cancer? 
Take the CDC’s quick quiz!

Can getting screened for colorectal cancer help you prevent the disease? True/False 

True — Screening helps find precancerous polyps (abnormal growths) in the colon and rectum so they can be removed before they turn into cancer. Screening also helps find colorectal cancer early, when treatment works best.

If you don’t have any symptoms, it means you don’t have colorectal cancer. True/False 

False — Colorectal polyps and colorectal cancer don’t always cause symptoms, especially early on. But screening can find polyps and colorectal cancer even before symptoms appear.

People at average risk should start screening at what age? 
40 45 50 60

45 — Your risk of getting colorectal cancer increases as you get older. Most adults should start getting screened regularly at age 45. However, you may need to be tested earlier or more often than other people if you have inflammatory bowel disease, a personal or family history of colorectal cancer or colorectal polyps. If you think any of these things is true for you, ask your doctor when and how often you should be tested.

At what age can most people stop getting screened for colorectal cancer? 60 65 70 75 80

75 — Regular screening is recommended for adults ages 45 to 75 who are at average risk, if you are between 76 and 85, talk to your doctor about screening.

The only screening test for colorectal cancer is colonoscopy. True/False 

False — Adults at average risk have several types of screening test options for colorectal cancer, including some that can be done at home. Learn about all of the screening test options and talk to your doctor about which is right for you. The best test is the one you do!

Which of these are symptoms of colorectal cancer? 
• Blood in or on your stool (bowel movement) 
• Abdominal aches, pains or cramps that don’t go away 
• Weight loss that you do not know why 
• All of the above

All of the above — If you have any of these symptoms, talk to your doctor. The only way to know what is causing them is to see your doctor.

CARE and 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 – 8:00 pm. For more information please contact Gloria Yuurralde 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 Jenny Jetson at 602-920-1671 or Therese Mexico 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.

Annulement 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@stpcc.org.

Grief Support Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. GriefShare is a special weekly Monday or Tuesday seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Please contact Kathleen Trilk at ktrilk@stpcc.org.

Benefits Assistance Program Assistance with Medicare and other health insurance benefits available for seniors, the disabled and caregivers. For information, please call Connie Jada 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. Please contact Peg Bohnert at thenextchapter@stpcc.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: email l.boman@namivalleyofthesun.org or web: namivalleyofthesun.org

Hope Exists Is a confidential, no cost support group for parents and families suffering from the effects of a loved one’s addiction. We offer educational topics from the recovery community and a network of support that goes beyond just the meeting. We meet Sat. 10-11:30 am at St. Patrick’s House of Mercy building E. For more information call 480-998-3843 or email hopeexists@stpcc.org.
Come, Fill the WELL

with Paul Hillebrand & Friends
Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30 pm in the Church.

If you are like me, we live most of our lives running on empty and hardly ever do something nice for ourselves. Come and join us on Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30 pm to Fill your Well!! This is a chance to recharge, reflect and be renewed in your faith. There will be songs to sing, silence to sit in, stories and scripture to be inspired by! Come and join us...You deserve a full tank of refreshing calm and hope to face the coming weeks ahead!!! Bring a friend...See you Soon!

ST. PATRICK MEN’S CLUB
INVITES ALL MEMBERS AND NEW MEMBERS TO THEIR MONTHLY MEETING AND DINNER
Wednesday, March 6
6:00 pm
FENLON HOSPITALITY CENTER

Advanced Theological Studies with Fr. André

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 18 at 9:00 am in Fenlon Hospitality Center.

Future dates are...
• April 22
• May 20
• June 17

Come Celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Radio Family Rosary

Plan to attend the Radio Family Rosary Benefit Dinner
Saturday, March 9
St. Paul’s Social Hall, 330 W. Coral Gables,
starting at 5:15 pm,
with Rosary and special address from Bishop Emeritus Thomas J. Olmsted, honored guest,
followed by catered dinner by Sharko's.

Evening includes: Entertainment, silent and oral auctions and keynote speaker, Fr. Kurt Perera. Gigantic Catholic Book Sale begins at 8:00 am on Saturday, March 9. Call 602-944-6811 for info and reservations.
Back by popular demand...GARAGE PARTY NIGHT! Join us as we enjoy some fellowship and fun in our Youth Garage. Drop-off and pick-up in the church area as normal. See you then!

Our upcoming ROCK45 schedule:
March 4 - Garage Party!
March 11 - OFF (Spring Break)
March 18 - The Holiest of All Weeks!
March 25 & April 1 - OFF

ROCK45 is open to all 4th and 5th graders! For more information contact Diane Kar, 480-998-3843 ext. 209 or dkar@stpatcc.org.

EDGE had a fantastic night last week. It was so good to be together. This week will continue our semester on the corporal works of mercy. Not sure what that means? Come join us and find out! All middle schoolers are welcome on Monday in Fenlon Hospitality Center from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Life Teen - This year we are learning to be quitters! We will quit comparing ourselves to others, quit procrastinating, quit blaming. Do you have anything you cannot wait to quit?

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If you still need to pick-up your materials, please reach out to Diane Kar (dkar@stpatcc.org 480-998-3843 ext. 209) and I'd be happy to make that happen.

Family Faith Formation is our at home catechetical program, where we support parents with enriching materials to bring faith alive in the home. Questions? Please contact Diane Kar.

Contact: Carol LoPorto at cloporto@stpatcc.org.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word is looking for caring adults who can help facilitate the program during Sunday Mass times. No prior knowledge is needed and training is provided. Please contact Yasmine Rodriguez (yrodriguez@stpatcc.org) at the parish office if you would like to find out more about CLOW.

Young Disciples is a program for potty-trained preschool aged youth, 3-5 years old to encounter the gospel through story, puppets, drama and song. Contact: Yasmine Rodriguez at yrodriguez@stpatcc.org.