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Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 5:00 pm
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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 25
10:30 am  |  jo-Ann M. Feeney
Tuesday, December 26
8:00 am  |  Jeanne Barry
Wednesday, December 27
8:00 am  |  The Peter Moriarty Family
Thursday, December 28
8:00 am  |  Sister Eileen McLaughlin
Friday, December 29
8:00 am  |  Joyce Morris
Saturday, December 30
4:30 pm  |  Felicia Riccio
Sunday, December 31
8:30 am  |  Marjorie Morrill
10:30 pm  |  Christopher Wilkinson

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Dear Friends,

Merry Christmas!

On behalf of our Parish Staff, Leadership, Parishioners and myself, we extend our love and ask for God’s blessings on everyone. We give thanks to God for every one of you.

Years ago, San Antonio, Texas had severe flooding that caused a lot of damage. Parishioners from there told me of a Rudy's BBQ place that in the midst of the flooding and despite the high water level, people still waited in a long line for the food. The watermark on the walls remained there letting people see how high the water was as people waited. I thought that people in line felt it was worth it to have their hunger satisfied by the good food, even with the barrier of the flooding.

At Christmas, we will gather together for food with family and friends for a good meal. We are here gathered at God’s table for the meal of thanksgiving with God and each other. Do we hunger for God? Are we willing to overcome obstacles to eat the heavenly meal?

Jesus was born in Bethlehem, which means “house of bread.” Jesus is laid in a manger, a place where the animals eat. The child Jesus will call himself “the living bread come down from heaven.” Jesus tells us to take and eat, take and drink. All these signs of Christmas remind us that only God can satisfy the real hunger in each of us. A hunger to be loved, to be accepted, to be included, to have meaning in life.

This Christmas season is an invitation to everyone to remember that despite a flood of distractions and reasons not to eat at the table of the Lord, it might be a wonderful sign to have our hunger satisfied by God himself. Eucharist means giving thanks and our body language and mindset at the table is to give thanks to God for all we have and all that is still left to do in our lives.

We welcome everyone this Christmas and we even go further by saying, you belong at the table of the Lord.

Come let us eat often the food that God provides for all his people.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Eric

Fr. Eric Tellez, Pastor
Our Pillars

We hope that everyone will find these principles alive at St. Patrick. These five foundational areas, or pillars, are emphasized in all we do at St. Patrick.

LITURGY
We are committed to celebrating the sacraments well. The Second Vatican Council documents on liturgy clearly speak of full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgy, not mere spectatorship.

HOSPITALITY
We are challenged by our faith in Christ to acknowledge the presence of the person; to be inclusive in our attitude toward every person, and to be aware of the dignity of every person.

SOCIAL JUSTICE
We reach out in relationship with those we assist. This can then lead to systemic change and “right” justice. With God as the priority in our lives, concern for our neighbor’s lack of basic needs is our mission. However, our response should not simply be one of charity. Our parish commits both energy and resources to bring about justice in response to what the Church teaches for Gospel living.

FORMATION
We are formed and shaped in the image of Jesus Christ. From the smallest child, to preschool, elementary, middle school, or high school youth, up to the most mature adult, formation is to be first and foremost the transformation of one’s heart and mind to know Jesus Christ and live in that relationship. It is through this journey that we can learn the doctrine of our Catholic faith.

STEWARDSHIP
We are stewards, and as Christians we realize that what we have does not belong to us, but to God. Eighty times in the New Testament the word “steward” or “stewardship” is used; a reminder for us to be careful stewards of all that we have been given. This way of life needs to be the core of what we claim to be.
In this season of giving, we have a gift for you! Our Source + Summit Gratitude Journal is more than pages; it’s an invitation to journey together in faith and community.

Each week, discover simple prompts crafted to deepen your gratitude and create meaningful connections. You’ll also find a collection of prayer resources to help guide you.

We’re excited to use this journal to help us on our journey of becoming a more thankful and connected community.

Pick up your copy after our Christmas Masses. Wishing you a Christmas season filled with love, joy, and meaningful moments!
In the next few pages, you will find the music for our Christmas liturgies. We encourage everyone to full, active, and conscious participation as we celebrate the joy of the incarnation and the love of God for each of us.

GATHERING SONG

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

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O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant
Come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold him, Born the King of angels

O come, let us adore Him! O come, let us adore Him!
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

OPTIONAL REFRAIN
Jesus has come, born to bring peace, Savior for all, Lord of my heart
Jesus has come, born to bring peace, Savior for all, Lord of my heart.

Sing choirs of angels. Sing in exultation
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above
Glory to God. Glory in the highest.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning
Jesus to Thee be all glory given,
Word of the Father now in flesh appearing

CHRISTMAS GLORIA

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Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

We praise You, we bless You, we adore You.
We glorify You, we give You thanks for Your great glory
Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, Have mercy on us.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father.

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS, OFFERING & COMMUNION

We thank you for your stewardship. Please place both your regular Sunday offering as well as your Christmas offering in the baskets as they pass. If you would like to give online, you can scan the QR Code below.

AWAY IN A MANGER [used at 2:00, 4:00 & 7:00 pm]
Arr. Dan Galbraith © 2006

Away in a manger no crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes
I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky
And stay by my cradle ‘till morning is nigh

Silent night, oh, holy night. Silent night, oh, holy night.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care
And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM (GLORY OF CHRISTMAS)
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O little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight

And the glory of Christmas is our hope beyond compare
And the glory of Christmas is our mission and our prayer

O holy Child of Bethlehem descend to us we pray
Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today
We hear the Christmas angels, the great glad tidings tell
O come to us abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel

THE FIRST NOEL
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The first Noel, the angel did say, was to certain poor shepherds
In fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter’s night that was so deep

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel.
Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the East beyond them far
And to the earth it gave great light and so it continued both day and night

And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far
To seek for a king was their intent and to follow the star wherever it went

SILENT NIGHT (EMMANUEL)
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Silent night, holy night. All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon virgin Mother and Child. Holy Infant so tender and mild.
Sleep in heavenly peace. Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night. Shepherds quake at the sight.
Christ, the Savior is born! Christ, the Savior is born!

O come, O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive hearts that fall
Bring peace on earth and love’s good will for everyone
For You so loved the world You gave
Your life for us to heal and save
We see the echoes of Your grace for everyone

Silent night, holy night. Son of God, love’s pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth. Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth!

ON A SILENT NIGHT, AWAY IN A MANGER [used in the Church]
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On a silent night, away in a manger.
On a holy night, I ask you to stay, close by me forever and love me I pray.
Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!

My Christmas HOPE is...
that all shelter dogs will get adopted into loving homes.

- Scott Fitzgerald
**CHRISTMAS SONG OF PRAISE**

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Your birth brings us salvation. Your birth brings us salvation.
Your birth brings us salvation, Christ the Lord.

O come let us adore Him. O come let us adore Him.
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

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**SENDING FORTH SONGS**

**JOY TO THE WORLD**


Joy to the world! The Lord is come; Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room, and heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Savior reigns; Let us our songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness, and wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love, and wonders, and wonders of His love.

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**LIVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS**

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I'm gonna live a merry Christmas,
I'm gonna live a merry Christmas,
I'm gonna live a merry Christmas, all year long.

I'm gonna live to love, love to give, give my life away.
I'm gonna live to love, love to give, give my life away.

I'm gonna tell it on the mountain, Joy to the world is in my heart.
Ev'ry day I'm gonna shout it. Oh, how great You are.
Oh how great You are.

So like the angels I'll keep singing and like the shepherds shout the news.
Lay my treasures down before You 'cause the story isn't through.
The story isn't through.

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**POSTLUDE**

**FELIZ NAVIDAD**

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Feliz navidad, Feliz navidad. Feliz navidad, prospero año y felicidad.
I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas, I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas.
I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas from the bottom of my heart!

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**Our favorite Christmas song is...**

Silent Night.
- Mary Permoda & Marsha Klag

**Our favorite Christmas song is...**

Mary, did you know?
- Diane Kar & Laura Whitney

**My favorite Christmas song is...**

Bambino (Dear baby Jesus).
- Rosemary Protocollo

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What brings me JOY at Christmas...

Spending time with family and friends.
- Torri Winn

The joy it brings out in people.
- Connie Jada

Thinking of creative ways to love up my ten grandchildren! No buying gifts anymore - just individual creative experiences with them.
- Mary Permoda

Witnessing the gift of GIVING.
- Rosemary Protocollo

Opening our hearts to others.
- Laurie Coffman

When my children come home and we spend quality time together.
- Mary Sanicola

Christmas Meal Blessing

Come, Lord our God, and surround our feast day table as we delight in this joyous season of Christmas.

Our joy comes from You. That joy that flooded the hearts of the shepherds, the angels, the wise men, the hosts of heaven, and Mary and Joseph is the joy that fills our hearts with rejoicing.

Help us to remember that Christmas is not about the gifts, or a Christmas tree. Today we celebrate your Son becoming human to reveal that, we too, are Your sons and daughters.

May we remember all our brothers and sisters. We lift up the less fortunate, those suffering from illness, and those struggling to find joy.

Help us radiate the Light of Christ, every day, and in all that we do and in all that we say.

We give thanks for this food and we give thanks for this joyful holiday when we can celebrate our Savior and His love for us all.

Amen.
Hey kids....

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THANK YOU in advance for your generosity and steadfast financial support of our parish family!