

MASS INTENTIONS: Feb. 20th - Feb. 28th

Sat. 5pm James Herron Family
 Sun. 7:30am The People of St. Patrick Parish
 9am †Sheila Miller (Dr. Steve Miller)
 Mon. 8am †Fr. Jerry Beat
 Tue. 5:30pm Cyrus Santangelo
 Wed. 8am †Fonzy Robertson (Paul Forbes)
 Thur. 8am Fathers Day Novena
 Fri. 8am †Janell Carson (Jerry & Sylvia McKinney)



NEXT WEEKEND'S INTENTIONS

Sat. 5 pm †Higinio, Cipriana & Catalina Munoz (Tony Munoz)
 Sun. 7:30am †Robert "Bob" Greenough (Mary Greenough)
 9am For the People of St. Patrick Parish

THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK'S:

Mon Feb 22	Mass	8:00am
Tue Feb 23	Mass	5:30pm
Wed Feb 24	Mass	8:00am
	PSR	5:30pm
	CYM	7:00pm
Thur Feb 25	Mass	8:00am
Fri Feb 26	Day of Penance: abstinence from Meat. Prayer and works of mercy	
	Reading of Sacred Scripture for an Outpouring of God's mercy and The Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and Strength upon the church.	
	Mass	8:00am
	Stations of the Cross	5:30pm
Sat Feb 27	Confession	3:30pm
	Mass	5:00pm
Sun Feb 28	Mass	7:30am
	Mass	9:00am

Paschal candle
 The most prominent candle in the Church, this is a thick, tall candle with a cross of five points and often decorated with other symbols and the year. This candle is blessed and lighted first during the Holy Saturday celebration and then used throughout the year during the Easter Mass and Baptisms. The smaller candles used at baptism are lit off of this Paschal candle as a symbol of how sharing of light doesn't diminish the light but creates more and brighter light. The light also removes the darkness of sin and death.

The word "Catholic" was first used by Ignatius of Antioch around the year A.D. 110. It is from the Greek word "katholikos", which means "toward the whole." Ignatius was suggesting that the Church is a gift offered by Christ to all people. Factretriever

WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH
Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9am to 3:30pm
Closed Holy Days and Holidays.

Next Week Ministries - Feb. 27th & Feb. 28th

Lector:
 Feb. 27th - 5pm Julia Bradbury
 Feb 28th - 7:30am Erin Snider
 - 9am Stephanie Reitemeier

Greeter:
 Feb 27th - 5pm Terry & Sherri Dunlay
 Feb 28th- 7:30am Derek & Stephanie Dwyer
 - 9am Rob & Ellie Montee

Church set-up Crew.

Church Set-Up can be completed after basketball practices are done on Friday evening or on Saturday before 2:00 PM. Please call John Schibi at (620) 820-1331 for any questions or if you would like to sign-up on a crew.

Date: Saturday Crew

Feb. 27th Clay Snider / Robert Barger / John Keene / Peter Kendrick
 Mar. 6th Luke Schibi / Joey Alexander / Paul Yanez / Jerrod Stanford
 Mar. 13th Paul Schibi / Vincent Schibi / Bryan Schibi / Daniel Schibi
 Mar. 20th Frank Chandler / Ryan Chandler / Mark Mall / Erin Snider

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TOTAL CONTRIBUTION:	\$8,190.00	\$465,512.07
BUDGET:	\$17,500.00	\$577,500.00
OVERAGE/SHORTAGE:	(\$9310.00)	(\$111,987.93)

Did you know?

Catholic and Candles - Color and substance
 The candles we use during the liturgy are white (bleached) beeswax. The color is white to symbolize purity and virginity. The candles are made of beeswax to symbolize how the worker bees are the ones who go out and bring back the nectar that feeds the hive and creates the wax and the queen and drone bees are the ones who reproduce. It is St. Jerome who proposed the idea of the worker bees that symbolize Mary giving flesh to Christ and the wick is like the soul of Jesus that burns for us. epicpew

The name of February comes from the Latin word "februum" which means purification.

The Observance of Lent dates back to the 4th century. Catholics started the tradition of Lent around the year 325, during the Council of Nicea.

The name "Lent" comes from the Old English word "lencten" meaning spring. It refers to the lengthening of the days as spring draws near.

Why do priests wear purple during Lent?

Purple: Worn during the Advent and Lent seasons, purple reflects sorrow and suffering. Sorrow as the faithful await the arrival of the Savior and suffering to mark Jesus Christ's 40 days in the desert (Lent). The color also came to symbolize wealth, power and royalty.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

February 21, 2021 — First Sunday of Lent

Today's readings remind us why we partake in this 40-day Lenten journey — to prepare our hearts for the resurrection of Christ on Easter.

St. Peter reminds us in our Second Reading of the blessings we receive from Christ's passion, death and resurrection — "Christ suffered for sins once... that he might lead you to God." And again, "[Baptism] is... an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

In order to more readily receive the blessings from Christ's passion, death and resurrection, we too are called endure 40 days "in the desert." In our Gospel, Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert where He was tempted by Satan. Jesus was called to face trials and to confront evil. During this time, He committed to intense prayer and fasting. It was not necessary for Jesus to go into the desert so that He might be purified, but rather, to endure temptations of man for our sake. He was fully man, and experience temptations just like us, yet responded to them perfectly, never falling into sin.

We should strive to fully participate in this Lenten season by mirroring Jesus, the model steward by Whom we are called to imitate. Through our time in the desert, we will confront evil by weeding out the roots of sin in our lives through fasting. And we will be sustained and nourished in the desert by prayer.

Let us strive to purify our hearts so that we might be ready to receive the glorious gift of Christ and partake in the riches that pour forth from this Gift.



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Quadragesima Sunday

Quadragesima Sunday (also known as Invocabit Sunday or Invocavit Sunday) is the first Sunday in Lent, occurring after Ash Wednesday. The term Quadragesima is derived from the Latin word for "fortieth", as there are exactly forty days from Quadragesima Sunday until Good Friday. - wikipedia

Thank you... To those who braved the harsh winds, extreme cold and snow, shoveling the sidewalks before Mass, shoveling snow in front of the Rectory, and then clearing the parking lots, We are extremely grateful. Elaine

Please Pray for: The return of our fallen away Catholics
 Eternal Rest Grant Unto Her Oh Lord, Emma Beachner, sister-n-law to Corky and Alice Beachner. Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Her, May She Rest in Peace.

Safe Haven Sunday

Dear brothers and sisters,

As a consequence of COVID, we have seen massive spikes in porn use, kids are online more now than ever, and parents have not taken the precautionary steps to protect them from explicit sites, images, and videos. COVID has not only brought the world a contagious and debilitating virus; it has also brought isolation and loneliness for families worldwide. With this loneliness, despair, and anxiety, pornography use is on the rise. Therefore, even though it's difficult to reach families due to shutdowns and closings, we must nevertheless make an effort. Many of you already know of the Safe Haven Sunday initiative from the last two years which has allowed us to pass on to the faithful information that can be used to protect their homes and tips to have key conversations with young children. This third year of implementation for Safe Haven Sunday, we will once again observe it during the first Sunday of Lent, weekend Masses on Feb 20-21. This year we want to focus on the 7-day Safe Digital Challenge by **TEXTING "SECURE" TO 66866** which will immediately help everyone, particularly parents learn how to set up tools like Google Safe Search, YouTube Safety mode, iOS restrictions, etc. Finally, if you'd like to order booklets, the Office of Marriage and Family Life has copies of Safe Haven Sunday booklets in English and Spanish. Contact Jake Samour at (316) 685-5240 and he will be glad to assist you. It is my hope that the resources provided to you on Safe Haven Sunday will both encourage and teach all individuals and families dealing with the effects of pornography that loving support is available. It's worth battling pornography for wholeness and purity for your home and the future of everyone in our diocese.

Faithfully in Christ, Most Reverend Carl A. Kemme
 Bishop of Wichita, Kansas

The Ark as an Image of Christ and His Church

St Augustine explains that the story of Noah and the Ark is both historical and more-than-historical. The community on Noah's Ark, he says, is the Church "on pilgrimage in this world", an image taken up by the Second Vatican Council. Its members are saved by wood — not a boat but a cross on which our Lenten Lord hangs. The door of the ark is the hole in Christ's side made by a soldier's spear as He died upon the cross. When that door was opened, water and blood flowed out (Jn 19:35), the sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist through which Christians are initiated and a new humanity grows. Through forty days and nights of rain (Gen 7:12, 24; 8:3) — the first Lent — Noah and companions were kept safe, as the ark of the Church secures us today against the floods and storms of life. St. Augustine further noted how even the very ratio of the dimensions of the ark to each other suggest a human body, the Body of Christ. The dimensions of the ark were 300 by 50 by 30 cubits. St. Augustine writes, "For even its very dimensions, in length, breadth, and height, represent the human body in which the Lord came...For the length of the human body, from the crown of the head to the sole of the foot, is six times its breadth from side to side, and ten times its depth or thickness, measuring from back to front." So the ark is a vessel with the dimensions of the human body which saved a family from destruction, and the Church, the Body of Christ, which saves us from eternal destruction.

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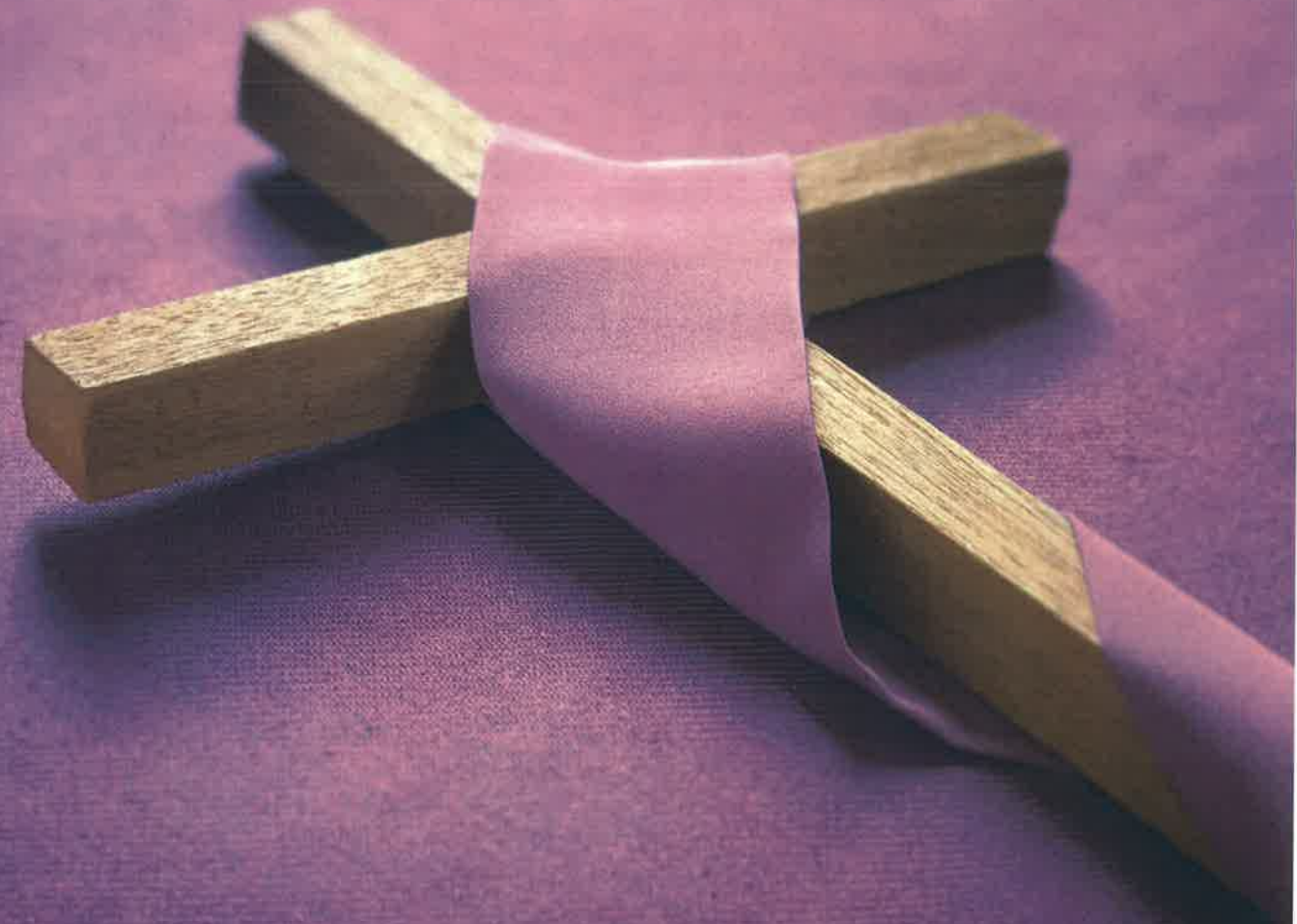
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M-F: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
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Vigil Mass: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am & 9:00am

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