

**MASS INTENTIONS: Feb. 3rd - Feb.11th**

Sat 5:00pm †Lorestine Hemberger (Lynn Robertson Family)

Sun 7:30am †Arley Journot (Bill & Denise Sears)

9:00am For the People of St. Patrick Parish

Tue 5:30pm \*†Mike Bogner (Kristin Bradbury Family)

Wed 8:00am \*Carilyn Bernd (John & Sonja Schibi Family)

Thur 8:00am \*†Ed & Gertrude McKinney (Marilyn Ray)

Fri 8:00am \*†Corky Beachner (John & Sonja Schibi)

**\*While away, Fr. Curtis will offer his daily Mass for these intentions.**

**NEXT WEEKEND'S INTENTIONS**

Sat 5:00pm Suzi Kuffler (Kathi Bussinger)

Sun 7:30am Aspen R. Nash (Family)

9:00am For the People of St. Patrick Parish

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK'S:**

<b>Tue Feb 6th</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	5:30pm
<b>Wed Feb.7th</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	8:00am
	PSR	5:30pm
	EDGE	6:00pm
<b>Thur Feb.8th</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	8:00am
<b>Fri Feb.9th</b>	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.	
	<b>No Mass</b>	8:00am
Sat Feb.10th	Confession	3:30pm
	Vigil Mass	5:00pm
Sun Feb.11th	Mass	7:30am
	Mass	9:00am

**Choir**

The choir will be meeting to practice on Wednesdays at 6:00 in the choir loft for Easter Masses. This is the perfect time to join if you have been considering it, we would love to have some new members! (We will not meet on Ash Wednesday or February 28th First Confessions).

**Diocese Pilgrimage to Poland**

Join Bishop Carl A. Kemme and the Diocese of Wichita on our Pilgrimage to Poland.

**Deadline March 1, 2024**

**More Information**

- Private bus transportation from Wichita to Chicago • Economy class air fare from Chicago to Poland and return to Wichita
- Website: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WhyRQwp7lGcGMx9J9dIV8H0wIWsG38Y/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WhyRQwp7lGcGMx9J9dIV8H0wIWsG38Y/view?usp=drive_link)

**Welcome to St. Patrick Catholic Church**  
**Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 8am to 3:30pm**

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH**

**01-28-2024 NEEDED:**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION: \$12,167.00 \$17,500.00**

**NEXT WEEK MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Sat: Feb. 10th 5:00pm Mass  
Servers: Tanner Nolting  
Lector: Jane Blackburn  
Greeters /Gifts Terry & Sherry Dunlay Family

Sun: Feb. 11th 7:30am Mass  
Servers: Raphael Aita / Chandler Bastian  
Lector: Jeff Perez  
Greeters/Gifts Aaron & Terri Saye & Carl & Sheryl Johnson

Sun: Feb. 11th 9:00am Mass  
Servers: Atticus Wilhoft / Jr. Mall  
Lector: Rick Goodyear  
Greeters /Gifts Mark & Fatima Mall Family

**The Adoration Chapel**

**is needing someone to cover Thursday: 1am to 2am**  
**Remember, you can share this hour with others and rotate weeks. Please call the Parish office @ 620-421-6762.**

**General Cepeda - Mission Trip**

Families and individuals are invited to join the weeklong diocesan mission trip to GENERAL CEPEDA, MEXICO, APRIL 27 – MAY 4, 2024.

COST: Starting at \$900. Ask about family rates and available discounts. Includes housing, meals, transportation on the ground (except Abbeville location), and related ministry fees. Our Group Code is: **INV-1788** \* Does not include transportation to/from the mission location, alms, COVID testing as required by location, or souvenirs/gifts

Serve the poor and proclaim the Gospel in a foreign nation or at our home base in Louisiana. You will serve alongside full-time missionaries living in the host country. Your mission will be centered around prayer, praise, and bringing the love of Christ to the poor through service and sharing the Good News.

Join us for this incredible opportunity to live the Gospel and encounter Jesus in the mission field for 1-2 weeks! See God do real things in your life and the lives of the poor.

Website: <https://www.familymissionscompany.com/mtr-home/>

**St. Patrick Church in Parsons. Lenten Parish Mission**

Fr. John Broussard, CPM of the Fathers of Mercy will be presenting a parish mission here at St. Patrick, **Sunday, February 18th-21st**, entitled *Keeping the Faith—Living without Hypocrisy*. Topics will include: humility, obtaining and maintaining our peace, forgiveness, Eucharist, and living the faith in our daily lives. Each evening will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm, followed by the conference, and then concluding with Benediction at 8pm. Additionally, there will be an opportunity to go to the Sacrament of Confession each evening, either prior to or after the conference.

**This mission is open to anyone, so please feel free to invite people from other parishes to attend.**

**Advance Stewardship Reflection**  
**Feb. 4, 2024**  
**Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Our readings today remind us that Christ came to serve. Jesus' entire life was focused on others. He came to fulfill His Father's mission — the salvation of mankind. He labored for this mission by becoming the humblest of servants.

In today's Gospel, Simon says to Jesus, "Everyone is looking for you." Jesus did not seek after the praise. Rather, He responded by saying, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also." Jesus was already looking to whom He could serve next.

As Christian stewards, we are also called to be humble servants who labor for our Father's mission. We should strive to imitate the Perfect Steward, Who was constantly aware of the needs of those around Him and put His gifts to good use. For us, this begins right here in our home, parish, and community. We are called to live each moment in awareness of our Father's mission and in gratitude for all He has given us.

Jesus tells us that the way to be attentive is through prayer. Before Jesus made the decision to go to the nearby villages to preach, He first went off to pray. It is through prayer that Jesus could hear what His Father was asking of Him. We, too, are called to spend time in daily prayer — we will then become aware of the opportunities to serve the Lord.

Let us commit to finding some quiet time this week to pray. Let us ask the Lord — how can I serve You better throughout my days? And let us pray, 'Make me humble, Lord.'

**February 2024 Prayer List:**

Owen Ragsdale, Rob Westhoff, Carilyn Bernd, Mandy Venegas, Raef Stanford, Bristel & Reagan Bernd, April & Natalie Stanton, Janie Schibi, Caleb Fent, Lorie Nutter, Dave Turk, Tim & Chris Hurley, Rita Schauf, Kris Vitt, Nicon Nordquist, Jim Vitt, Jerry & Sylvia McKinney, Kyle Yockey, Carl Yockey, Mark Avery, Steve Minor, Mary Brooks, Lois Lubbers, Donna George, JoAnn George LaForge, Dr. Gary Yarbrough & Diane Yarbrough, Betty Duling, James Flaming

**Pilgrimage to visit Sr. Wilhelmina leaves from SEK on April 25**

A bus pilgrimage to visit Sr. Wilhelmina Lancaster (whose body is incorrupt) in Gower, Missouri, will leave from Southeast Kansas on Thursday, April 25. **The bus will pick up pilgrims at two sites: the southeast corner of Walmart in Parsons at 8:15 a.m.; and at the intersection of U.S. highways 400 and 69 at 9 a.m.** The cost is \$60 per person. Participants should bring money for lunch at a Golden Corral in Kansas City, snacks on the wayhome, and a tip for the bus driver.

The registration deadline is April 1. To register visit [SoutheastKsSrWilhelmina.eventbrite.com](https://SoutheastKsSrWilhelmina.eventbrite.com) or mail a check to the Catholic Diocese of Wichita and mail it before April 1 to the Office of Marriage and Family, 424 N. Broadway, Wichita KS 67202

**Congratulations**

*To our very own Anna Schibi, receiving the St. Philippine Duchesne Outstanding New Teacher Award.*

*Your dedication to education is truly commendable.*

Please Pray for: Eternal Rest Grant Unto him Oh Lord, Mark Avery, husband to Kathy, Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Him May He Rest in Peace.

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him Oh Lord, Jerry Purcell, husband to Judy and brother-n-law to Bill Feess. Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Him, May He Rest in Peace,

As our Parish mission draws closer, I would like to encourage everyone to begin praying this prayer for the success of the mission.

**Parish Mission Prayer**

O Good and Gracious God, we praise You for Your infinite Wisdom, Goodness, and Love, and we thank You for the blessing of a Parish Mission. Grant, we pray, O Lord, that this Parish Mission will be a means for many souls to draw closer to You. Mercifully bestow upon Your sons and daughters profound healing, greater appreciation for the beauty of Your Divine Truth, and a burning desire to love You more and more. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

**Amen.**

**Cardinal Van Thuan's Prayerful Endurance**

As coadjutor Archbishop of Saigon, Vietnam, he was arrested on August 15, 1975, soon after South Vietnam fell to the Communist regime. He spent the next 13 years in prison, moving between forced residences, reorientation camps, and nine years of solitary confinement.

As a prisoner, he not only maintained his faith and his sanity, but he also secretly wrote and distributed three books, converted a series of prison guards, and gave millions of Catholics in Vietnam something to hope for. How did he do it? How did he find the strength, the love, the power? By being a man of prayer. For months at a time he was confined to a prison cell too short to stand up in and too narrow to lie down fully extended in. It had no windows and the only ventilation was a rusty, centipede-infested drain in the floor. At times the cell was so stifling that he had to put his face against the drain to breathe, in spite of the crawling vermin. Throughout his ordeal, prayer was his light and his strength. His prayer became very simple. He would just repeat short phrases from the Bible over and over again. Some of his favorites were:

*Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. I am the servant of the Lord. Lord, what do you want me to do? Lord, You know everything, You know that I love You. He would feed his soul on these inspired words, mulling them over, letting them sink in, using them to make sense out of his sufferings, letting God speak to him through them. He explained later: "I who am weak and mediocre, I love these short prayers... The more I repeat them, the more I am penetrated by them. I am close to You, Lord." Prayer was his lifeline, as it was for Christ, and as it should be for us.*

Back porch conversations of Fr. Labenz & Fr. Chris

"Porch Time with the Padres" was inspired by the almost nightly leisurely back porch conversations of the Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church priests. You'll hear what you would hear on our back porch - conversations about the faith and the experiences of the priesthood, the voice of an occasional visitor, laughter, and a good story or two! New episodes release on Fridays around 3pm. Find online at [OLLsmc.org/porch-time](https://OLLsmc.org/porch-time) or search "Porch Time with the Padres" on Spotify or Apple Podcasts.

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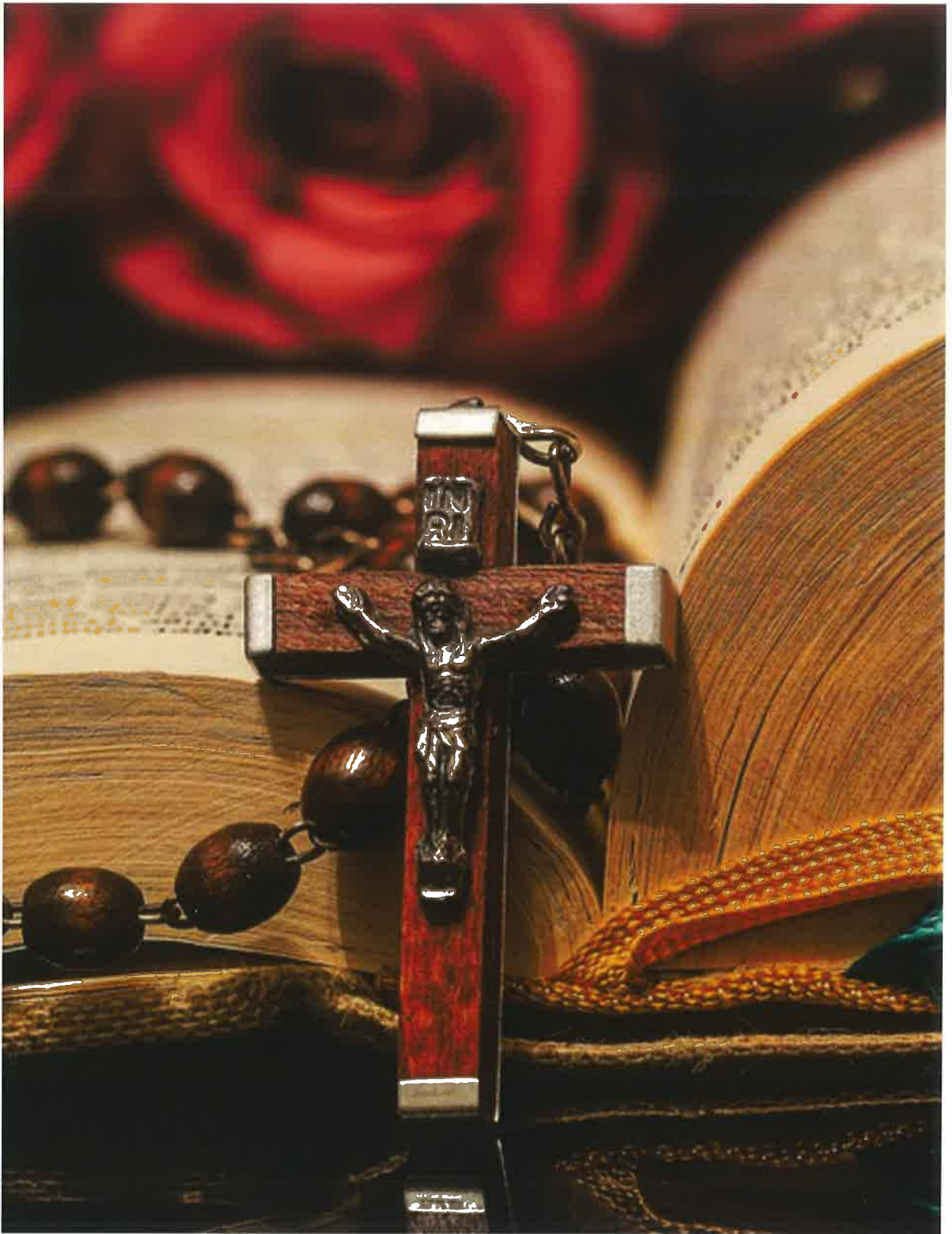
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