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**PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING
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The Season of Lent at St. Pat's

Ash Wednesday

Mass at 9:15 a.m.

Mass at 5:30 p.m. (Eng.)

Mass at 7:00 p.m. (Sp.)

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday

4:00 p.m. (English)

7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Confessions

**All Thursdays of Lent
starting after the 9:15**

Mass until All are Heard



OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
12:30 - 3:00 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

Monday - Friday
9:15 a.m. in English
7:00 p.m. in Spanish
Saturday Vigil Mass
4:00 p.m. in English
Sunday Masses
10:30 a.m. in English
12:00 p.m. in Spanish

HOLY DAY MASSES

Dates and times vary

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. or by appointment; seasonal services

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (KINDERGARDEN - 8TH GRADE)

Sunday Classes= 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Sunday Classes 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM / EL SACRAMENTO DE BAUTISMO

Please call the Parish Office for more information. English baptisms normally are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month at noon, Spanish Baptisms on the 3rd Saturday of the month at noon. / Por favor llame a la Parroquia para mas información. Normalmente, los bautismos están celebrando los tercer Sabado cada mes al mediodía.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY (MARRIAGE) / EL SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Please call the office before setting a date for your wedding. The diocese requires a six month preparation prior to the wedding. / Las parejas pueden llamar a la oficina antes de poner una fecha para su boda o de hacer otros compromisos. La Diócesis de requiera un tiempo de preparación de un mínimo de seis meses entre la boda.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK / (UNCIÓN) DE LOS ENFERMOS

Call the Office if you know of someone in need of the Sacrament. / Contacte la Parroquia si alguien en su familia necesita el Sacramento.

FUNERALS / FUNERALES

Contact the Parish Office before placing any obituary notices.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP / ASOCIACIÓN DE PARROQUIA

Registration Forms are located in the Parish Office or in Church. / Las formas de inscripción pueden ser encontrado en la oficina.

February 7-8, 2026: The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JAN 31 - FEB 1, 2026



Readings from this week's Mass can be found in #937 of the Journey songs Book

Monday (Presentation of the Lord) February 2

9:15 A.M. Communion Service

Tuesday (St. Blaise) February 3

9:15 A.M. Communion Service

Wednesday February 4

9:15 A.M. † Donald & Zaira Jankowski

Thursday (St. Agatha) February 5

9:15 A.M. † Frs. Dan Hessling & James Holup

Friday (St. Paul Miki & Comps.) February 6

9:15 A.M. † Greg & Sandra Gelino

7:00 P.M. † Jennifer Jankowski

Saturday February 7

4:00 P.M. The Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Sunday (5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME) February 8

10:30 A.M. † Rick Gall (Rademacher Family)

12:00 P.M. † Rosina Salituro

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February 1, 2026

D. & C. Bramer

February 8, 2026

L. & J. Meyer

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

January 17-18, 2026

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ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER If you know of someone who is sick and in need of the sacraments or wishes a visit at a care facility, please contact the parish office at ☎ (815) 685-1359.



ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER LINE:

Please call Janice Gelino at

☎ (815) 263-6342

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

This month, the Sanctuary Candle is being lit in memory of Marleen, Terry & Jerry.





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St. Anne Foundation - \$2,000,000

St. Patrick's Foundation - \$3,000,000

St. Anne's Building Generators - \$50,000

Paving of St. Pat's Church Parking Lot - \$100,000

St. Pat's Academy Gym Parking Lot - \$275,000

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: P. Anderson, N. Atkinson, R. Bailey, D. Barth, Beedle Family, J. Betourney D. Brown, M. Cárdenas, P. Caro, B & E. Coffman, S. Conner, M & D Cousin, M. Cronk, M. Cruz, A. Delaney, M. Dionne, J. Dobbins, E. Duke, D. Dunlap, G. Field, C. Fritz, A. Fuhrmann, R. Gall, Tony & Adrienne Gallinaro, J. Grill, R. Harper, K. Hensa, J. Hibbs, D. Hiller, C. Jones, L. Kane, R. Kazee, A. Kijewski, J. Kraus, L. Lee, L. Leranthe, E. Lopez, B. Love, J. Marcotte, W. Marten, J. McCracken, L. McNulty, L. Mercado, R & V Morse, C. Ortman, C. Piec, J. Prather, C. Provost, E. Provost, P. Reising, D. Roberts, M. Saldaña, A. Schaff, J. Schopf, A. Schmid, D. Schmied, K. Simpson, B. Siwicki, B. Spagnola, M. Tolbert, M. Tolmer, H. Tousignant, S. Trubach M. Velazquez, C. Vickery, M. Williams, Gary Witherell, M. Witherspoon, S. Young, J. L. Zagal, A. Zimmerman, M. & L. Zink and G. Zokal.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



Saturday, February 7 (Fr. Pete) 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: M. Porter

Lector: D. Surprenant

Ushers: K. Bukowski, R. Hess

D. Rademacher, S. Pansa

Altar Servers: A. Fuhrmann

Sunday, February 8 (Fr. Pete) 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: J. Meyer

Lector: L. Meyer

Ushers: M. Dionne, J. Riemenschneider

Altar Servers: Y. Aalia, J. & B. Miller,

P. & C. Bickel

Sunday, February 8 (Fr. Pete) 12:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: R. Andrade, E. Zagal

Lector: R. Dueñas, C. Dueñas

Ushers: N. Viveros, M. Arellano

P. González, F. Nelson, L. Flores

Altar Servers: I. Falcon, N. Meléndez

N. Padilla, T. Carmona



ST. PATRICK'S PEW & CHURCH DEDICATION PROGRAM



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NEWS & NOTES

FROM FR. PETE JANKOWSKI

Join Fr. Pete's mailing list at pjankowski@yahoo.com.

I wish to thank Frs. Tom Conde, Uriel Martinez, Matt Pratscher, Roy Horn and the Clerics of St. Viator for covering the Masses during my extended vacation away from the parish. When the Apostleship of the Sea asked me to serve as chaplain on the MS Oosterdam ship through South America and Antarctica, this proved to be a "once in a lifetime" opportunity for me to visit the only continent I have not encountered in my worldly journeys. This also gave me an extended time away from the parishes to get some well-needed rest.



The St. Pat's 31 Day Drawing has moved to March 2026. Tickets are \$20 each for 31 chances to win a total of \$10,000! The \$1,500 payout will be on St Patrick's Day. Call ☎ (815) 472-2864 for More Info or to Buy Your Tickets. Thank you for your support!



That Our Wounds Might Be Quickly Healed

ANN M. GARRIDO

Some years ago, I took a crash course in chaplaincy. Chaplains are often called on to accompany people through life's gloomier seasons—be it in a hospital, in a nursing home, in prison, or following a disaster. As you might imagine, our training involved sessions on how to best alleviate the isolation and despair many people experience in these places and situations. Pray with people? Invite them outside into nature? Make sure physical discomfort is mitigated? All of these are good practices, my chaplain supervisor emphasized, but research indicates that the quickest way to lift the heaviness many feel is to get them involved in alleviating the suffering of others.

I suspect neither Isaiah nor Jesus would have been surprised by this research. In today's first reading, Isaiah says that if we feed the hungry and give shelter to the homeless, if we clothe the naked and care for our family members in need, we will know what it means to have light in the midst of darkness, and our gloom will melt away as if under the noonday sun. Similarly, Jesus describes our good deeds as being like light, meant to be shared generously with others.

In recent years, we have seen an uptick in depression and anxiety, even among the young. We can be tempted to focus more inwardly on our own lives, our own griefs and shortcomings. Self-awareness is certainly a good trait to have! But, perhaps counterintuitively, today's readings remind us that our "wounds shall quickly be healed" more readily when we focus on the needs of others. ●



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Reflect

Why does helping another lift our own spirits?



*"Your light shall break
forth like the dawn,
and your wound shall
quickly be healed."*

ISAIAH 58:8

Dear Padre,

Are the readings at the beginning of Mass equal to the celebration of the Eucharist?

The Mass is celebrated in two major parts: the **Liturgy of the Word** and the **Liturgy of the Eucharist**. These parts complement each other in a balance of word and sacrament. In his 2004 apostolic letter *Mane Nobiscum Domine* (Stay With Us Lord), Pope St. John Paul II described these complementary elements. Using the story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus on the night of Easter Sunday, the Pope likened the two parts of the revised liturgy to these disciples' journey. First, Christ breaks open the word for them, preparing their hearts with an interpretation of the Scriptures. Then, they recognize Christ as they break bread.

The Liturgy of the Word, proclaimed and preached well, allows time for silence and reflection on the wisdom offered. It becomes the necessary overture for the celebration of thanks and praise and the gift of the sign and sacrament to follow. Parishes are called to take the Liturgy of the Word most seriously and to bring it to a new level of proclamation. Pope St. John Paul II admonished all involved, but especially preachers, to cherish the word and preach it so the depths of the mysteries celebrated may be recognized and received into the burning hearts of Christians. In this context, the Scripture readings are given a prominence they didn't have in the older Roman rite. ●



From The Eucharist: 50 Questions from the Pews by Fr. Richard Fragomeni, PhD (816994), © 2009 Liguori Publications

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

In a divided and troubled world, the Holy Spirit teaches us to walk together in unity. The earth will rest, justice will prevail, the poor will rejoice, and peace will return once we no longer act as predators but as pilgrims. No longer each of us for ourselves but walking alongside one another. Not greedily exploiting this world but cultivating it and protecting it.

HOMILY, ROME, JUNE 7, 2025

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday

February 9

Weekday

1 Kgs 8:1–7, 9–13

Mk 6:53–56

Tuesday

February 10

St. Scholastica, Virgin

1 Kgs 8:22–23,
27–30

Mk 7:1–13

Wednesday

February 11

Weekday

1 Kgs 10:1–10

Mk 7:14–23

Thursday

February 12

Weekday

1 Kgs 11:4–13

Mk 7:24–30

Friday

February 13

Weekday

1 Kgs 11:29–32;
12:19

Mk 7:31–37

Saturday

February 14

Sts. Cyril, Monk, and
Methodius, Bishop

1 Kgs 12:26–32;
13:33–34

Mk 8:1–10

Sunday

February 15

Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Sir 15:15–20

1 Cor 2:6–10

Mt 5:17–37

or 5:20–22a, 27–28,
33–34a, 37





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ST. ANNE'S PEW & CHURCH DEDICATION PROGRAM



The concept for our dedication program is simple - we are offering the opportunity to remember a loved one in a memorial dedicated for one of our church or chapel pews (\$2,500).

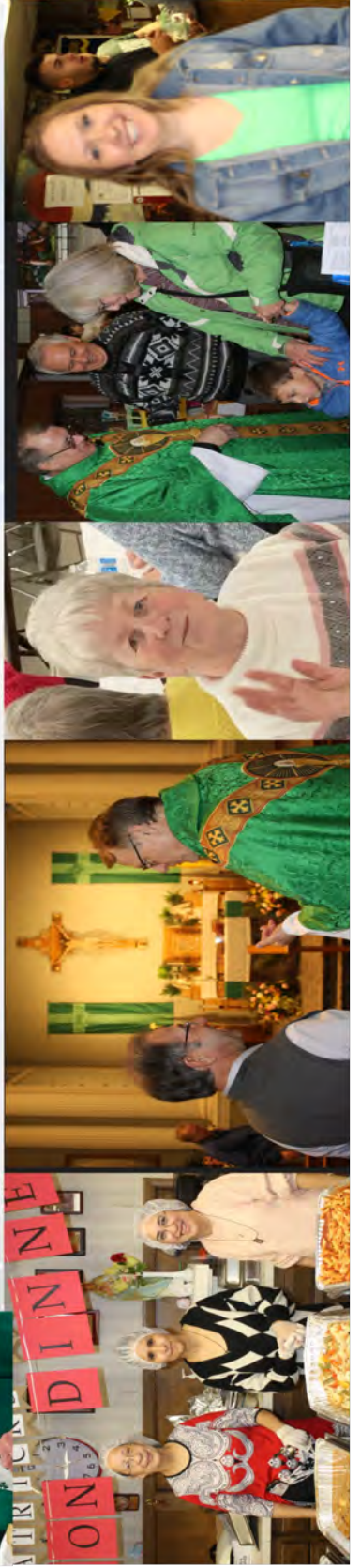
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Polka Mass & Appreciation Dinner

Saturday – February 14, 2026
4:00 Mass and Dinner & Entertainment After
St. Patrick's Catholic Church & Hall
119 N. Market Street
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RSVP Preferred but NOT Required
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Other Winter Activities at the Border Town Parishes...



**HARBOR
HOUSE**

As we show gratitude for the mothers and motherly figures in our lives, please consider supporting those who may be struggling with the new or unexpected calling to motherhood by supporting the Baby Bottle Campaign. All proceeds benefit Waterleaf Women's Center, which provides assistance for those facing unplanned pregnancy.

We will be collecting new slippers, slipper socks and stockings for women and children in January for those served by Harbor House. All sizes are needed. A warm pair of slippers or socks would be greatly appreciated during the cold winter months. Out of desperation, some arrive at Harbor House with just the clothes on their backs. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Our Annual Polka Mass & Appreciation Dinner at St. Patrick's Church on February 14, starting with the 4:00 Polka Mass and the Appreciation Dinner to follow in the basement. Thanks to Ray Koncar and his Polka Group for providing music for our Complementary Dinner. You can RSVP by calling the parish offices by February 8.

St. Patrick's Irish Mass & Dinner - On March 14, we will offer our Annual Bagpipe 4:00 p.m. Mass & Dinner, with Entertainment after Mass courtesy of the Galway Girls. Prices TBA. Come join us in supporting St. Patrick's Church and celebrating with good faith, friends... and Food! Corned Beef & Cabbage, Irish Stew and other surprises to come!!!



**At St. Anne on
February 20,
March 6 & March 20
At St. Patrick's Every
Friday from February 20
through March 27**

7-8 Febrero 2026: Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

MI PEQUEÑA LUZ

Cuando éramos niños cantábamos efusivamente la canción Mi pequeña luz (This Little Light shine). La letra de la canción, desde luego, está basada en el Evangelio de hoy, en este estamos llamados como discípulos a ser la sal y la luz del mundo. Los niños no tienen dificultad para compartir su fe; solo es cuando crecemos que preferimos esconder nuestra luz bajo un tazón porque nuestra cultura tiende a no enfatizar el discipulado. El mensaje en las lecturas de esta semana es claro: para poder dar gloria a Dios por medio del discipulado, debemos mostrar la luz de Cristo en nuestras palabras y obras. No es algo fácil para adultos inhibidos. A menudo podemos pensar en la sal y la luz en términos de lo que hacemos por los demás, pero puede ser tan importante como el no hacer nada, ya sea como enojarse con un desconocido en la carretera o decir una broma ofensiva.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

La primera santa americana fue Rosa de Lima, peruana de nacimiento. Murió en 1617 y fue canonizada en 1671, diez años después de la primera fundación inglesa en lo que hoy son Estados Unidos de América. Esta santa americana es acompañada por otros santos como san Felipe de Jesús (mexicano) canonizado en 1862 y Madre Francisca Cabrini (italoestadounidense y la primera santa de EE. UU.) canonizada en 1946.

LAS MISAS EN ESPAÑOL



7:00 p.m. por los Viernes

12:00 p.m. los Domingos



EL ROSARIO Y CATECESIS

Todos los Miércoles a las 6:30 p.m.

Oficialmente hay 60 santos y 77 beatos que nacieron o trabajaron en América. La mayoría de estos son 50 mexicanos, 33 brasileños, 12 canadienses, nueve estadounidenses, ocho colombianos, siete peruanos, tres argentinos y tres chilenos. Guatemala, Cuba, República Dominicana, Uruguay y Venezuela tienen un santo(a) cada uno. Estados Unidos y Canadá comparten siete mártires. La mayoría de los santos o santas del continente americano fueron beatificados o canonizados durante los últimos 100 años. Sólo ocho de ellos fueron canonizados durante los últimos ocho años.

No todos estos santos nacieron en América, pero si dedicaron su vida a evangelizarla. Estos 137 santos de la Iglesia universal son un testimonio de la obra del Espíritu Santo en el continente americano.

~ Fray Gilberto Cavazos Glz, OFM,
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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera Lectura - Cuando compartas tu pan con el hambriento, y sacies la necesidad del humillado, entonces brillará tu luz en las tinieblas (Is 58:7-10).

Salmo - El justo brilla como luz en las tinieblas (Salmo 112 [111]).

Segunda Lectura - He anunciado a ustedes el misterio de Cristo crucificado, a fin de que la fe de ustedes dependa del poder de Dios y no de la sabiduría de los hombres (1 Corintios 2:1-5).

Evangelio - Que su luz brille ante los hombres, para que, viendo sus buenas obras, den gloria a su Padre, que está en los Cielos (Mateo 5:13-16).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Re 8: 1-7, 9-13; Sal 132; Mc 6: 53-56

Martes: 1 Re 8: 22-23, 27-30; Sal 84 (83): 3-5, 10-11; Mc 7: 1-13

Miércoles: 1 Re 10: 1-10; Sal 37; Mc 7: 14-23

Jueves: 1 Re 11: 4-13; Sal 106; Mc 7: 24-30

Viernes: 1 Re 11: 29-32; 12: 19; Sal 81 (80): 10-11ab, 12-15; Mc 7: 31-37

Sábado: 1 Re 12: 26-32; 13: 33-34; Sal 106 (105): 6-7ab, 19-22; Mc 8: 1-10

Domingo: Sir 15: 15-20; Sal 119 (118): 1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2: 6-10; Mt 5: 17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]



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