

“Catholics Returning Home”

A six week process that is aimed at helping non-practicing Catholics consider the possibility of returning as active members of the church.

This is a support group that uses a nonjudgmental approach, and allows participants the opportunity to openly share their feelings about the church. Some discussion topics include the Mass, Vatican II, Reconciliation, and the Creed. Begins on **Wednesday, April 14th** at 7:00 p.m. upstairs in Room #4 of the Parish Center.

Consider asking someone who has been away from the church to attend. You may attend with them if you wish.

Please call the Parish Office (335-2833 ext. 131) to register in advance or just show up at the first meeting.

Fish Fry Dinners & 50/50 Drawing

February 26, March 5 and 12

5:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the Undercroft
Adults: \$9.00 Seniors: \$6.00
Children ages 6 – 12: \$5.00
Under 6 – Free

This delicious “All-You-Can-Eat Fish” Dinner includes fries, choice of Cole slaw or Applesauce, dinner roll and Homemade dessert. Peanut butter and jelly will be available.

Hosted by the St. Patrick Men’s Softball Team

Regular Mass Schedule:

Saturday – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – 7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays (4 – 4:30 p.m.) in Church or by appointment, please call the Parish Office. Last opportunity to receive the sacrament before Holy Week will be Noon on Thursday, April 1st by appointment.

Holy Week Schedule

March 28 – Palm Sunday

Regular Mass times

April 1 – Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord’s Supper

April 2 - Good Friday

Noon Seven Last Words
2:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. Passion of the Lord

April 3 – Holy Saturday

9:00 a.m. Prayer Service
8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

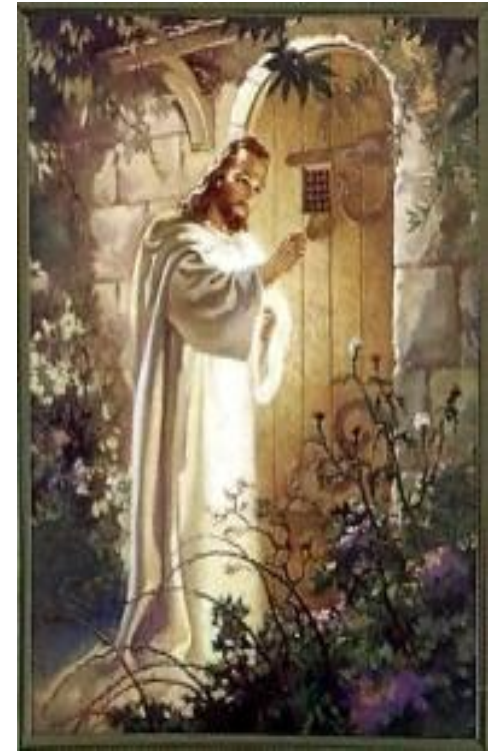
April 4 – Easter Sunday

7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Mass

“Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking: if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you and you with me.”

Rev. 3: 20-21

*“Open the Door &
Let Jesus In”*



**Lent & Easter Season
2010 Schedule**

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Lent is a wonderful time of year!

Full of expectation and hope on the journey to Easter, this season invites us into deeper relationship with the Gospel stories, with Christ, and with our families, friends and parish community.

St. Patrick Parish recognizes that Lent is also an opportunity for spiritual growth. Many opportunities are available to deepen and make the experience of this holy season more profound.

Please take time to look over this flyer and pray for what God is calling you to do this Lent to help enrich your spiritual life and relationship with Jesus.

Fast and Abstinence:

Ash Wednesday (Feb. 17) and Good Friday (April 2) are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. Smaller quantities of food may be taken at two other meals.

The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholic 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholic from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (canons 97 & 1252).

Ash Wednesday – February 17th

Mass & Distribution of Ashes:

7:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 7:00 p.m.

Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service

Church of the Brethren at 7:00 p.m.

Compassionate Communication Program:

Saturday, February 13th

(see enclosure for detailed information)

Salt & Light Series:

Thursdays evening's beginning on

February 18th.

(see enclosure for detailed information)

Parish Lenten Program:

“The Power of the Eucharist”

Sunday, March 7th in the Parish Center

10: 45 a.m. (after the 9:30 a.m. Mass)

Keynote Speaker: Susan Conroy

Topic: *“God is with Us”*

* Listen to a variety of people whose ages & challenges in life are vastly different; yet the Eucharist is a powerful gift they all have in common. Come hear their stories!

* Break out sessions.

* Refreshments will be available.

Childcare will be provided only for those in first grade or younger. Children in second grade and older should attend the program with their families.

S.E.A. Programs:

(Sunday Enrichment for Adults)

March 14th at 5:00 p.m. in the Undercroft

Video presentation:

“The Eucharist” Do You Really Believe?

This documentary is an educational and evangelical instrument to acquaint people with this most important sacrament.

March 21st at 5:00 p.m. in the Undercroft

Video presentation:

“What Catholics Really Believe”

Discussion on the Eucharist.

A light meal will be served each evening.

Teen & Young Adult Contemporary Communal Penance Service:

Tuesday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Gym. (Oriented to this age group, though anyone may attend.)

Parish Traditional Communal Penance Service:

Monday, March 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

~ ~ **More Opportunities** ~ ~

Daily Meditations for Lent

“The Word Among Us”

Pick up your free copy in the back of church.

Rice Bowls

To enter into the spirit of giving for those in need, pick up a bowl in the back of church.

Lenten Angel

Pray for another while someone is praying for you! Forms are in the back of church.

Small Christian Communities

A way to be “church” to each other. If you are interested in hosting or being a part of a small Christian Community. The Threshold Bible Study on *“The Eucharist”* will be used. Please call the parish office.

Lunch with the Lord & the Pastor

Facilitated by Fr. Jim Duell. Bring a sack lunch and share scripture reflections on Wednesdays at Noon in the undercroft beginning **February 24th**.

Stations of the Cross - Fridays in Church

February 19 & 26 2:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

March 5 & 12 2:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

March 19 1:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

March 26 2:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

