Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday, 4:00 pm 🛠 Sunday, 10:00 am

Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 am First Friday, 10:00am Holy Days of Obligation, 12:00 Noon and 6:30 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm or by appointment

PRAYFOROURPARISHIONERSINTHEHOSPITALORONHOSPICE:NinoOdgers.Pleasekeep all the sick and their caregivers in yourprayers.

<u>OUT OF RESPECT</u> for the privacy of our parishioners, names of those who are in the hospital are not listed in the bulletin without prior approval by the individual or an immediate family member if the individual is unable to speak for themselves.



<u>PRAYER BOOK:</u> The prayer book in the narthex is available for all prayer requests. Please pray daily for these requests.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS: Especially our families, friends and loved ones who are currently in active military service: Carlos Aguirre (Stateside) Darren Armentrout (Stateside), Darryl Balcom (Stateside), Jeremy Barton (Stateside), Joseph Byrd (Stateside), Matthew Cavender (Stateside), Melissa Dooley (England) Andy Easter (Afghanistan) Jaren Garton (Deployed) Brian Gibson (Iraq), Heath Gober (Iraq), Michael Anthony Grinston (Stateside), Andrew Hays (At Sea) Samantha Higgins (Stateside), Scott Jones (Stateside), Daniel Jordan (Stateside) Jenny Malone (Stateside), David Miller (Stateside), Richard Parvin (Qatar), Joey Serio (Iraq), Ben Perry (Qatar), and John Toombs (Afghanistan) . Please keep all of our brave men and women in your prayers. If you know of any parishioner who should be added to or removed from this list, please contact the office.

PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH! We would love to have you as a registered member of St. Patrick. If you would like to join our parish, please pick up a Census Card in the narthex, fill it out and put it in the collection basket.

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES Mickey Davidson. Please keep these, all the homebound, and their caregivers in your prayers. If you know of any parishioner who should be added to or removed from this list, please contact the office.

<u>**PRAYER VIGIL**</u> for migrants and refugees September 27^{th} 7pm – 12 am at St. Paul Cathedral. See the bulletin board for more information.

WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT

8/22/2019 - 9/4/2019

| Account | Income | Expense | Diff. |
|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Operations | 10,584.25 | 9,167.25 | 1,417.00 |
| Capital Imp. | 2,585.25 | 221.39 | 2,363.86 |
| Approved BF | 150.00 | 0.00 | 150.00 |

EVERYONE NEEDS A NEW CENSUS CARD!

Every family must have a family card and each member a member card. This is a new form and must be completed even if you just filled out a card 2 weeks ago. If you have any questions please call the office. **NOTE:** If you check Gift Bearer please indicate Saturday or Sunday. If you would like to help with the Angel Tree Ministry please write it in. Also under Emergency Phone please indicate name and relationship of person just below the phone number.

<u>CLEAN OUT FOR CHRIST: NOTICE</u>- Due to the overwhelming response, we will take donations until Sunday, September 15 only for this sale. IF you have any large furniture or appliances, please contact Margaret Pender to arrange delivery to the gym.

HELP NEEDED: We have been offered the contents of a house and mobile home in the Adamsville area for our yard sale. Help is needed on Saturday, September 14 to help move items to the gym. If you can help please contact Margaret at e mail <u>M.pender@ymail.com</u>

<u>CATHOLIC CHARITIES DRIVE:</u> Pledge Sunday will be September 22, 2019. Our parish goal is \$23,500.00. When you receive your pledge cards, please prayerfully consider our pledge amount. You may mail your cards directly to the dioceses in the provided envelope that will come with your card. If everyone participates we will reach our goal.

WE NEED BAGS! Can you help? The Prayer Shawl Ministry is in need of paper gift type bags with handles size 10" W X 13" H. Do you have bags you can donate or do you have a connection with a paper bag supplier that might donate or greatly reduce their slightly imperfect bags? It is OK if there is advertisement on them. If you can help support the ministry with this request we would be very grateful. Please see Mary Evans or any member of the ministry. Please leave donated bags in the St. Joseph Hall. <u>23rd Sunday of the Year</u>: You have one precious life to give. How do you choose to offer it to God? Are you willing to accept the challenges of discipleship? (Luke 14:25-33) Let us pray for spiritual companions, that they may depend on the Holy Spirit as quide. (Vocation View is sponsored by Serra Club)

Growing in Faith

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IN 2020 - The students who attended grades/levels 6 and 7 **this past year**, as well as any 9 - 12 graders who have not been confirmed are eligible to begin Confirmation preparation. It is anticipated that the students be confirmed while Father Vernon is Pastor of St. Patrick. Parents/ Guardians of students (grades 7 - 12) who are interested in being confirmed at this time are asked to contact Janet Rubino.

FAITH FORMATION Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the FLC classrooms, below the gym level. The doors into the gym level will be locked at 6:30 pm so all must enter through the classrooms after that time.

<u>2019 - 2020 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORMS</u> are available in the narthex and on the website. We have not increased the registration fee but ask <u>\$25 per child</u> if you are able. The fee assists in the cost of the textbooks and supplies. Classes begin September 4th so please complete a registration form for **each child** who will attend (including High School students) and return form to the church with fee. Thank you.

<u>CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD</u> resumes September 8th during the 10:00 am Mass. This is for children ages 3 through 2nd grades. No registration is necessary for CL attendance.

<u>**RCIA**</u>: Considering joining the Catholic Church? Catholic but never confirmed? Need to make your First Communion? Want to be baptized? Let us help you! Check out our RCIA classes for adults considering joining the Catholic Church. Come and Learn. For more information, please call the church office.

RCIA -Begins this Tuesday, Sep 10 at 6:00 pm in St. Joseph hall

RENEWAL OF WEDDING VOWS – Knights of Columbus Council 10567 Renewal of Wedding Vows is Sunday, September 15 at the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick. The program is open to all at St. Patrick and St. Stanislaus. Sign up in the narthex or contact Larry Cannon at 205-497-2500. A reception will follow the Mass.

<u>THANK YOU!</u> Knights of Columbus Council 10567 would like to thank everyone who supported our 18th Annual Jerome C. Bradley Dinner Dance. The Dinner Dance was, once again, a huge success and everyone had a great time. Photos are available at saintpatrickcc.com/dinnerdance.

SHAWL MINISTRY: The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet this Monday, September 9th. If you know of someone who is sick or in the hospital in need of comfort and prayers please let us know. Interested in joining? Call Mary Evans.

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP: We would like to ask you to keep all the people who have received items from the ministry in your prayers. We have been active since 2011 and are still going strong. Lately we have been hit hard with "young" people in need of prayers as well as many parishioners. Please see the bulletin board for more information.



<u>MUSIC MATTERS</u>: September Choir rehearsals will be at 9:00 am on September 15th with Mass following the rehearsal.

CATHOLIC SINGLES: The 19th National Catholic Singles Conference - October 25th-27th at The Diocese of Nashville Catholic Pastoral Center. Space is limited! Enter promo code **NASH19** for a \$20 discount. To register visit <u>www.NationalCatholicSingles.com</u>.

<u>A PILGRIMAGE THROUGH EUROPE</u> with Father Jerabek. August 3-12, 2020. See the Passion Paly in Oberammergau, Bavaria and visit Prague, Czech Republic, Munich, Fussen and Altotting Germany, and Salzburg Austria. \$2,900.0 pp includes everything except daily lunch. Round trip airfares from Atlanta will be available in November, 2019 for approximately \$1,200.00 pp. There are only 20 more seats available. For more information or to sign up contact tour coordinator Joseph Long at <u>jlong@prorome.com</u>.

<u>THE 3RD ANNUAL BERNARD BLUES AND BBQ ARTS AND MUSIC FESTIVALS</u> on the grounds of St. Bernard Cullman, AL will be September 14-15, 2019 – Blues musicians on Saturday and Sunday. Lawn chairs are welcome. There will a drawing for more than \$10,000 in cash prizes. Ticket donations are \$5 or 6 for \$25. Admission donation of \$5 is requested at the gate. Children 5 and under are free. Parking is FREE! No pets please. Ave Maria Grotto is open the entire weekend for a discounted rate of only \$3 per person.

<u>BBQ COMPETITION!</u> Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School will be hosting a BBQ competition, on Saturday, September 7 from 1 pm to 5 pm at Cahaba Brewing Co., Advance tickets \$15, day of \$20. Ticket include samples, and there will be food trucks and live entertainment at the event. All proceeds will benefit the school's Nutrition Fund. You can purchase tickets at https://bbqbrew2019.swell.gives/

BIBLE SERIES PROGRAM: This is an open invitation to attend our Bible Series Program at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Bessemer on Saturday September 14, 2019 @ 2:00 pm. Father Paul Asih, M. S. P.

<u>THEOLOGY OF THE BODY</u> retreat for young adults 18-35 September 21st in Hanceville. See the bulletin board for more information.



SVdP 2ND COLLECTION NEXT Weekend 09/14 & 09/15: Next Sunday the 2nd collection will be to support your SVdP. For our fiscal year that began on 10/01 thru 09/03 your generous contributions have help us to distribute 115 sets of groceries (valued at \$12,650) and we have spent \$17,564 for utilities

and rent. We are so blessed for the Parishioners of St. Patrick's and St. Stanislaus. Whenever we send out a request for something in need, you always come thru. Keep in mind that there are persons sitting next to in Church on Sunday, that are in need. Please be as generous as your means will allow, by helping us continue this needed ministry. Please keep in your prayers, those less fortunate that need help, as well as the members of SVdP that volunteer their time to this ministry. Thank you and God Bless.

SVDP MEETING: The next SVdP meeting will be Sunday September 8th after the 10AM Mass. All are welcome to join us

<u>OUT</u>

Canned Greens Cereals Canned Green Peas Corn Meal Flour Cooking Oil Ketchup, Mayo, Mustard, Jelly **SHOP AT AMAZONSMILE:** Amazon will donate a portion of any online purchase to SVdP. Simply click the icon on the SVdP page on St. Patrick website to place your order. Donations will be computed by AMAZON and automatically transferred to our account.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time In today's Gospel, Jesus lays out the demands of following him, the great cost of discipleship. The Mission Statement of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul states: "Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice...the Society makes no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ." Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

2nd Collection

Weekly Mass Schedule

| School Subsidy | Saturday | 09/07 | 4:00 pm | Paul Hofer + |
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| 5 | 🔷 Sunday | 09/08 | 10:00 am | Mass for the People |
| | Monday | 09/09 | No Mass | |
| | Tuesday | 09/10 | No Mass | |
| | Wednesday | 09/11 | 9:00 am | Margie Lee + |
| | Thursday | 09/12 | 12:00 Noon | Josephine Vizzinia + |
| | Friday | 09/13 | 9:00 am @ St. Stanislaus | |
| St. Vincent de Paul | Saturday | 09/14 | 4:00 pm | Rose Taylor + |
| | Sunday | 09/15 | 10:00 am | Mass for the People |



Weekly Events and Meetings

| Sunday | Sept. 08 | 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 10:00 am Mass |
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| - | - | St. Vincent de Paul meeting | 11:30 am |
| Monday | Sept. 09 | Prayer Shawl Ministry | 6:30 pm |
| Tuesday | Sept. 10 | RCIA | 6:00 pm |
| Wednesday | Sept. 11 | Mass | 9:00 am |
| - | - | Faith Formation | 6:30 pm |
| Thursday | Sept. 12 | Mass | 12:00 Noon |
| Friday | Sept. 13 | | |
| Saturday | Sept. 14 | 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 4:00 pm Vigil Mass |
| Sunday | Sept. 15 | 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 10:00 am Mass |
| - | - | Choir | 9:00 am |
| | | Wedding Vow Renewal | |
| | | Last day to donate to the yard sale | |

DAILY MASS MINISTRY: Volunteers are needed to be Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers during Daily Mass. If you would like to serve please check in at the office 15 minutes before Mass begins.

LOST AND FOUND: There are several articles in lost and found. Please call the Church Office for assistance.

<u>NEW CENSUS CARD PLEASE</u>: If <u>any</u> of your information has changed, please take the time to fill out a new census card <u>completely</u>. Not sure? Fill one out anyway and don't forget to mark your choices on the privacy line. That is, let us know if we may share your address and phone information with your fellow parishioners. This line is located on the Family Information portion under City / State / Zip

<u>VISITS TO THE SICK</u> If you are ill and in need of the Sacraments and would like a visit from Fr. Vernon, he has asked that you (or an immediate family member if you are too ill) contact him through the church office. The surest way of getting the message to Father is by speaking to him personally during office hours or calling the church office and leaving a message either on the answering machine or with a member of the office staff.

THE IMPORTANCE OF CANS! Thank you for your contribution of aluminum cans to benefit our youth programs at the church. Please remember to rinse your cans after use and do not crush them in any way so that they will fit into our can crusher properly. Finally, please deposit cans in the receptacle in the corner of the upper parking lot ensuring that they are placed in bags that are tied so that the cans do not fall out when retrieved by our volunteers. We appreciate everyone's cooperation and continue to **SAVE THOSE CANS**!

Reflection for the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time- September 8, 2019

In the Gospel for this Sunday, Jesus tells us that our priority as Christians is to follow him. He cautions us that this journey is not always easy. It will require sacrifice, perseverance and at times rejection. Jesus wants us to know that while following him is difficult, it is worth it.

We all come to follow Jesus, with all our struggles and the history of our past. We come to Jesus imperfect. He calls us as we are and asks us to remain faithful to what God has told us and walk in faith to where he leads us. He says, "Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple." The only tie that helps us follow Jesus is the cross.

What price are we willing to pay to follow Jesus? The danger is that if we are overly worried and concerned about the cost of following Jesus, we might never set out on this path in the first place. It will cost us everything. An African-American hymn says, "the road is rough and the going gets tough and the hills are hard to climb. I started out a long time ago. There is no doubt in my mind. I've decided to make Jesus my choice."

We all started on this journey at our baptism. The reward is priceless; the fullness of life which begins here and now and which we will inherit fully in the life to come. We begin this journey being a follower of Jesus in faith. Now, built on our faith and deeper relationship with him, we have now become his disciples.

The reading from the Book of Wisdom tells us that we are given the gift of wisdom and the Holy Spirit to guide and lead us on our journey. The challenge, then, is not to look at the cost, but to keep our eyes on Jesus who is walking with us showing us the way. In faith and hope, we are called to take up our cross and follow Jesus wherever he leads us.

John Bell's hymn "The Summons" calls us to reflect deeper on Jesus' call to us all: "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me? Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?"

