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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

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE HOSPITAL OR ON HOSPICE: JoAnn Brown, Nino Odgers, and Dr. Charles C. White. Please keep all the sick and their caregivers in your prayers.

OUT OF RESPECT 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.



PRAYER BOOK: 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), Brett Bolton (Stateside), Joseph Byrd (Stateside), 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.

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES Mickey Davidson, and Ethel Pruitt. 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>PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH!</u> 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.

<u>ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE</u> will be Tuesday, December 18th at 6:30 PM

PRAYER GROUP: The Prayer Group will meet this Thursday, December 6th at 6:00 pm in the chapel.

<u>**HURRICANE MICHAEL:**</u> We will now begin collecting for the survivors of Hurricane Michael Please be generous.

WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT

Account	Income	Expense	Difference
Operations	3,261.25	2,585.92	675.33
Capital Imp.	55.00	79.90	(-24.90)
Approved BF	0.00	0.00	0.00

<u>CHRISTMAS FLOWERS</u>: Once again there were no lines to list family members on the back of the flower donation envelope. If you did not include the names please send in a list as soon as possible via the collection basket if you wish their names to appear in the bulletin.

STILL NEEDED! CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

We still need volunteers for the Holiday Masses. If you know which Mass you will be attending, please add your name to the list on the Choir Room door. The schedule for Christmas and New Year will be in next week's bulletin. (December 9)

SPIRIT'S ANNUAL FRUIT BASKET SALE is



underway. Baskets are once again only \$25. See any SPIRIT Youth to place your order. Last day to order is Sunday December 9th. Baskets will be available for pick up the weekend of December 15th &16th.

<u>DO YOU REMEMBER</u> the first year we had Springfest t-shirts? Do you have all of them? Let Father know or call the office.

MAGNETS The Knights will be handing out "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets in the St. Joseph Hall after Saturday and Sunday Masses until January 6, 2019 while supplies last. The Knights will be giving away the magnets for free, but donations are greatly appreciated.

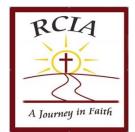
<u>1st Sunday of Advent</u>: Be on the watch! Allow God to lead you in the ways of truth and justice. How is God calling you to serve? (Jeremiah 33:14-16) Let us pray for our Church, that in this time of Advent, many women and men will be alert to God's call to service. (Vocation View is sponsored by Serra Club)

FAITH FORMATION Classes resume this Wednesday, December 5th.

<u>DONUTS AND DOCTRINE</u> will meet this Wednesday, December 5th in the St. Joseph Hall at 6:30 pm.

THE SUNDAY SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP will meet Sunday at 8 am.

<u>CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD</u> is held on Sunday mornings during the Liturgy of the Word at the 10:00 am Mass for children ages 3 - 7.



<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 get it done! Check

out our RCIA classes for adults considering joining the Catholic Church. Come and Learn. For more information, please call the church office. Weekly classes meet on Tuesday's and continue through April, 2019.

SOLEMINTY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Saturday December 8th, 2018

Vigil Mass Friday, Dec. 7th at 6:30 pm at St. Patrick – Saturday, Dec. 8th at 10:00 am at St. Stanislaus

This year, it falls on a Saturday, and <u>is</u> a day of obligation. We have two successive Mass obligations to fulfill Two obligations = two Masses. ■ We may fulfill our obligations by attending _any_ Mass within the time windows for which the obligations may be fulfilled. ■ The obligation for the Immaculate Conception may be fulfilled from Friday evening 12/7 up until 11:59pm on Saturday 12/8. ■ The obligation for Sunday may be fulfilled from Saturday evening 12/8 up until 11:59pm on Sunday 12/9. ■ To fulfill these <u>2</u> obligations you can go to Mass Friday night <u>and</u> Saturday night or Sunday morning. Or you can go Saturday night <u>and</u> Sunday morning. Or if you go to a wedding Mass on Saturday evening and then a regular Sunday Mass. As long as you go to 2 Masses.



SVDP MEETING: The next SVdP meeting will be Sunday December 9th after 10:00 am Mass. Please come and join us. By joining SVdP, you are carrying out the command of Jesus by helping the disadvantaged. All are welcome to join us.

December 2-First Sunday of Advent: As we begin Advent we are called to "wait" in joyful anticipation for the grace of Christmas to once again bless our lives. Wherever you live in our parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell. **Your gift to St. Vincent de Paul will help the poor celebrate the grace of God's love this Christmas.**

Current Needs List

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<u>VERY LOW</u> :	<u>LOW</u> :
Canned Green Beans	Spaghetti Sauces
Jellies	Canned Greens
Cooking Oil	Mac & Cheese
Canned Corn	Mayonnaise
Canned Green Peas	Mustard
Soup	
Corn Meal	
Canned fruit	

NOTE: The SVDP Food Pantry will always accept all Non-Perishable Food items that are in-date and not damaged.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 10567 will sponsor its annual Renewal of Wedding Vows program on Sunday, December 9 at the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick. All couples who have a milestone wedding anniversary (5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, etc.) are invited to participate. The program has been held every year since 2005. Bishop Joseph A. Durick Assembly 2399 will provide an Honor Guard during the ceremony and a reception will be held following the Mass. Parishioners from St. Patrick and St. Stanislaus can sign up to participate in the St. Patrick narthex or by contacting Knights of Columbus Family Director Larry Cannon at cannonL655@gmail.com.

MEETING: The Knights of Columbus will meet Thursday, December 6th at 7:00 pm. All Knights are urged to attend.

WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE: Knights of Columbus Council 10567 will once again be collecting coats and winter apparel during the month of December to donate to the Firehouse Shelter. We will be accepting coats for men, women and children. Please make sure the coats you donate are clean and in good condition. Bring them to the St. Joseph Hall and leave in the designated area.

SISTERS IN CHRIST † The St. Patrick Ladies Auxiliary extends a special invitation to all ladies to join us, as sisters in Christ, and to be a part of this special family of women as we work together to fulfill God's mission. Come visit with us on December 6 at 6:30. If you are not able to make it to all meetings please visit the church website under the Ladies Auxiliary homepage and see the meeting "Highlights" and find one that may interest you.

SISTERS IN CHRIST † The St. Patrick Ladies Auxiliary is creating a cookbook with some scrumptious recipes, memories, pictures or maybe a quote, tip or technique you have. We would like to ask all of you, the St. Patrick parishioners to share your favorite recipe or two, a quote or maybe a memory or picture while preparing this meal with us. In the vestibule you will find a Cookbook Form for you to complete. Please submit one form per recipe. You can submit your completed form via email to <u>mrsandymontgomery@gmail.com</u> tasha@reparrish.com. Or place them in the box labeled St. Patrick Ladies Auxiliary Cookbook Recipes in the St. Joseph Hall. If you have any questions please see Roxanne Montgomery or Tasha Parrish. Thank you for your support of your St. Patrick Ladies Auxiliary This cookbook that will be coming out in April 2019.



MUSIC MATTERS: Next choir rehearsal will be Sunday, December 9th at 8:30 am with Mass following at 10:00 am.



SHAWL MINISTRY: The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet this Monday, December 3rd at 6:30 pm. Interested in joining? Call Mary Evans.

PRAYER SHAWLS: If you know of someone who is sick or in the hospital in need of comfort and prayers please let us know. You can ask one of the members or call Mary Evans. We will ask you the person's name and try to get an item to you by the following weekend Mass. Keep in mind these items have been blessed and of course, should not be sold. Occasionally, we will have some available after the weekend Masses. Thank you

SERVICE DRIVE: The SPIRIT "Service Drive," is an opportunity that gives SPIRIT Youth the chance to help parishioners and other friends of SPIRIT with yard work, odd jobs, or other assistance in exchange for a donation to help offset SPIRIT functions. No work too big and no donation too small. If you have basic odd jobs you'd like help with, please contact Dale Blanchard to request help. Donations are requested at the end of the job.

<u>ATTENTION SPIRIT YOUTH</u>: we will once again participate in the Adamsville Christmas Parade on December 8th. We will fit for costumes and start the float decorating in the coming weeks

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!**

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH in Tuscaloosa is hosting its inaugural Spiritual Reflection Retreat on January 26, 2019, with our special guest speaker Dr. Ray Guarendi of EWTN's "Living Right with Dr. Ray". The retreat theme is "Spiritual Battle." Events for the day will include a welcome reception starting at 8:00 A.M., lecture from Dr. Ray with Q&A, lunch, breakout small group sessions, adoration and reconciliation, and Holy Mass closing the retreat at 5:30 P.M. The registration fee is \$20. To register, visit: www.bit.ly/hs2019retreat.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: The Catholic Women of the Diocese of Birmingham are sponsoring a Women's Conference on Saturday, December 8th, from 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM, at Our Lady of the Valley parish in Birmingham. The conference will begin with Mass at 8:30 AM (which fulfils your holy day obligation) and will conclude at around 2:30 PM. Our speakers will be: Leah Darrow, Kelly Nieto, and Johnnette Benkovic. Mom's bring your high school age and up daughters. Daughters bring your moms. The registration fee is \$20 and includes lunch. Seating is limited and filling up, so you need to register sooner rather than later. Go to: http://www.bhmcatholicwomen.com/events. html and click anywhere on the flyer to register.

The 4th ANNUAL SIMBANG GABI NOVENA 2018 at St. Paul Cathedral, 2120 3rd Avenue North, Birmingham AL 35203 is on December 14-22, 2018 At 7 Pm Except On Saturdays & Sunday Dec 15,16 & 22 At 10:00 Am". For Inquiries please email Gabriel Sapalaran (Director, Simbang Gabi 2017) at gsapalaran88@gmail.com.

FIRST CLASS RELIC WILL VISIT DIOCESE: The incorrupt heart of St. Jean Vianney will be visiting the Cathedral of Saint Paul on December 6, 2018. The Shrine of Ars, France, has made this major relic available for a national tour in the U.S. The relic will be received at 8:30am on December 6. The sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered starting at 11:15 and will lead up to Mass at 12:10pm. Solemn Vespers with Bishop Baker will begin at 5:15pm, and the relic will depart at 6:00pm. The Knights of Columbus is hosting this tour and welcomes this special opportunity to offer for veneration this relic of the patron of parish priests, whose holiness and integrity is a model for clergy and laity alike.

ANGEL TREE AND PENNIES FROM HEAVEN The Angel Tree begins this weekend. The Pink (for girls) and the blue (for boys) angels are for gifts for children whose parents can use help during this beautiful season. You are asked to buy the suggested gift or any age appropriate gift(s) and return the gifts unwrapped in a plastic bag with the angel attached no later than Sunday, December 9th. The Pennies from Heaven money and the Lavender Angels money are for gifts for shut-ins and for those in need during the holidays. Please put your monetary donation in the envelope and place the Lavender Angel in the collection basket. THANK YOU for your support of this ministry and for your generosity. All funds not used for the above will be used to help our parishioners in need throughout the year as well as those in our community.

COOKIES WITH SANTA – DECEMBER 16TH AFTER MASS

Santa is coming to St. Patrick!!! Join us after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, December 16th, to enjoy cookies with Santa and have your photo taken! There is no charge for this event.

2nd Collection

Weekly Mass Schedule

Capital	Saturday	12/01	4:00 pm	George "Tiny" Davidson - †
Improvement	Sunday	12/02	10:00 am	Mass for the People
	Monday	12/03	No Mass	
	Tuesday	12/04	9:00 am @ St. S	Stanislaus
	Wednesday	12/05	9:00 am	Josephine Vizzinia - †
	Thursday	12/06	9:00 am	Sammy Slatsky - †
	Friday	12/07	8:00 am @ St. S	Stanislaus
	Friday	12/07	6:30 pm	Mass for the People
	Saturday	12/08	10:00 am @ St. S	Stanislaus
School	Saturday	12/08	4:00 pm	Angela & Mike DeSantis - +
Subsidy	Sunday	12/09	10:00 am	Mass for the People



Weekly Events and Meetings

Sunday	Dec. 02 10:00 am The First Sunday of Advent - Mass		
	Children's Liturgy		
	8:30 am Choir		
	8:00 am Scripture study group		
Monday	Dec. 03 6:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry		
Tuesday	Dec. 04 6:00 pm R.C.I.A		
Wednesday	Dec. 05 9:00 am Mass		
	6:30 pm Faith Formation		
	6:30 pm Donuts & Doctrine		
Thursday	Dec, 06 9:00 am Mass		
-	6:00 pm Prayer Group		
Friday	Dec. 07 6:30 pm Vigil of the Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
Saturday	Dec. 08 4:00 pm Vigil of The Second Sunday in Advent – Mass		
Sunday	Dec. 09 10:00 am The Second Sunday in Advent - Mass		

Children's Liturgy Wedding Vow Renewal 8:00 am Scripture study group 11:15 am St. Vincent de Paul Meeting After Mass

Angel Tree Gifts Due

VISITS TO THE SICK 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.

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.

NEW CENSUS CARD PLEASE: If any of your information has changed, please take the time to fill out a new census card completely. 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 under the "Home phone/(S) email/Wife's Maiden Name" line.