

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**LIGHT**  
CAME INTO  
THE WORLD.

— JOHN 3:19 —

**ST. PATRICK CHURCH & SHRINE**

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024**

# HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC... OR WANT TO STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH

Want to know more about the gifts of God, His Grace & Mercy, present in the church,  
Maybe sacraments are for you? Classes 9:50am on Sundays during CCD

## RCIA

(859) 356-5151

<https://stpat.church/Spiritual-Formation/RCIA-Program/RCIA-Information-Request>

**All adults are welcome to join us!!!**



March 11th to  
March 17th,  
2024

Mon	7:35 AM	Repose of Tom Cottingham
Tue	7:35 AM	Repose of Iona & Paul Wyatt
Wed	7:35 AM	In Thanksgiving for Answered Prayers
	7:00 PM	Repose of Shirley Hartig Richardson
Fri	7:35 AM	Repose of Mike Reynolds Repose of Mason Neises
	4:30 PM	Repose of Dolores Koester Repose of Jack Wagner
Sun	8:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish Repose of Robert L. Carneal
	11:00 AM	Repose of Pal & Betty Schadler Repose of Barbara Hughes

**Pray For:**  
Jeremy Hurm, Bill Gebauer, Sandy Johnson, Carneal Family, Viola Cleo Bradshaw  
**Repose of:** Lois Grove



### Contact Us

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### Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses	
Saturday	4:30 PM
Sunday	8:30 AM
	11:00 AM
Holy Day Mass schedule see inside bulletin	
Daily Masses	
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 7:35 AM	
Wednesday (Evening Only) 7:00 PM	
First Saturday Month every month 8am	

## Sacraments

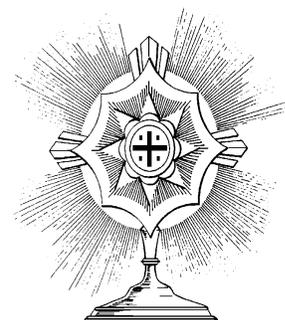
**Baptism** For more information, please visit the parish website. Baptism classes are generally held at 10am on the first Saturday of every month. Please call the office to register for class or register through the parish website.

**Eucharist, Confirmation, & Sacrament of the Sick**  
Contact the parish office.

**Reconciliation** Every Saturday 12-1 pm or contact Fr. Jeff anytime for an appointment.

**Holy Orders** Contact Father Conor Kunath at (859) 392-1566.

**Matrimony** You must contact the parish at least six months in advance to the desired date. Please complete a Wedding Registration form to schedule a wedding. It is a good idea to confirm the date with the parish first before reserving a reception hall as that date may not be available. For more information, please visit the parish website.



**Adoration Chapel**  
Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Jesus is waiting for You.

### St. Patrick Primary School

Phone: (859) 344-7040

**Website:** <http://stpat.school/>

**Facebook:** StPatrickTMSchool

**Communications:** For more info or schedule a tour text the keyword **stpatschool** to the number **84576** & select **Enrollment Info Request** or:  
<https://stpatricktm.flocknote.com/signup/81184>

## Parish Ministries

### Fr. Jeff & Spiritual Direction

Fr. Jeff will be available in the church at certain times for Spiritual Direction. In the case of youth, please bring another person along. If you have a time scheduled, please feel free to come to the church. He is available for about 20-30 minutes per person. However, he will make himself available for longer if needed. Spiritual Direction is a way to help an individual discern how the spirit is leading the person. The role of a spiritual director is not to direct attention to oneself, rather it is to help the directed focus on Christ and sort out confusion or obstacles. Confession is also available during these times. Please contact Fr. Jeff if you would like to schedule a time to meet with him contact the parish office.

### Sick & Homebound

If you know of someone in our parish that is: in the hospital, nursing home, sick and/or is homebound, or is in need of the sacrament of the anointing of the sick, please notify us by calling the parish office or email the secretary. Due to privacy laws we are no longer automatically notified unless someone tells us. Please help us serve our fellow brothers and sisters in the parish that are in need of this ministry. Your help in serving them is welcomed and greatly appreciated!

*Thank you and Christ's Peace,  
Fr. Jeff*

### VIRTUS & Volunteering

#### Safe Environment Requirements

**All** volunteers and coaches must be VIRTUS compliant before they may participate.

The first step is to contact the parish office.

#### Compliance

1. Fill out parish application form.
2. Register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org), sign up for & attend a class and submit a background check.
3. Background check cleared.
4. Read the bulletins within 30 days of the first Sunday each month.

For more information visit the diocesan website:

<https://covdio.org/safe-environment/how-do-i-start/>

**Grief Support Group— Come and be comforted.** A group for the bereaved, meets at 9:00am in the parish hall, the second Saturday of the month. Each session explores mourning through scripture, prayer, reflection, activities, and faith sharing. All materials and refreshments are provided.

**Ladies Altar Society** meets 7pm every 4th Tuesday each month in the Parish Hall.

**Liturgical Ministry Volunteers—**More volunteers are needed: Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC), Lector, Server & Usher. **All volunteers 18 & over must be VIRTUS compliant.** Choose specific time frames, request a sub for your scheduled position. <http://www.rotundasoftware.com/no-dl/ministry/knock?enroll=1> or call office.

**Martha's Ministry** -Baby on the way? Loved one sick and in the hospital? Making Meals Meeting Needs is here to help make things a little easier with a meal or two for you and your family. Please contact the office if you would like to help.

**New Men's Group Meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at 6:30pm in the Mercy Risen Center** (building across street with blue cross). Sign up for group notifications: <https://stpatricktm.flocknote.com/signup/94586>.

**Parish Nurse Ministry** -blood pressure screenings offered the first weekend of each month. Call the office or contact Judy Schneider if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

**Project Rachel—God's Greatest Desire is to Forgive** if you have ever had an abortion experience, the Catholic Church wants to reach out to you and offer healing and reconciliation through Project Rachel, a confidential ministry for women and men. For more information, please call our Project Rachel confidential telephone number at: (859) 392-1547.



Our donations for February will go to:

**Be Concerned**  
for the month of March please.

They are asking for cleaning items, dog & cat food, canned goods, baby items, personal hygiene items and toilet paper.

Please say this prayer when assembling your donation then come place it on the shelf by elevator in the upstairs hallway.

### A Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Thank you Lord, for making my life free of serious want. Protect those in need with food this day. Give me a chance to nourish the poor through my compassion. Help me to see the hungry and never turn away. We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*





**Stewardship** Thank you for your almsgiving, as we have much to do for further development of ministries and maintenance here!

Offertory Program Pledge Amount:	<b>\$ 7,068.00</b>
<b>TOTAL REGULAR OFFERTORY</b>	<b>\$8,334.68</b>
<b>TOTAL BUILDING FUND</b>	<b>\$2,200.70</b>
Maintenance & Repair	(Now included in Building Fund)
Loan Balance as of 3/1/24	\$324,100.35
<b>Parish School Development/Assistance</b>	<b>\$00.00</b>

NOTE FROM FINANCE OFFICE: Offerings given may not be reflected in this weeks totals depending on bank processing.

**St. Patrick 2023 DPAA Update as of December 31, 2023**

Parish Goal	\$60,300.00
Pledges Received	\$66,396.00
*Actual Amount Collected	\$60,011.64

*Thank you!*



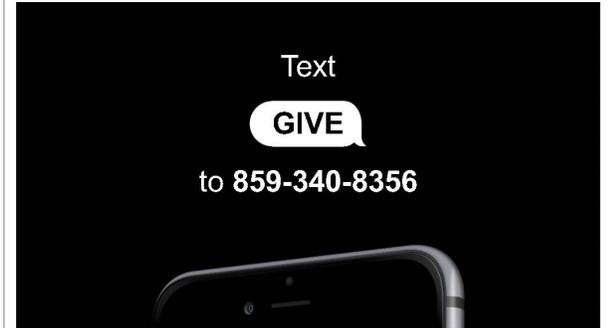
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**Securely make a gift by texting**

You'll be asked to register if it's your first time.



Don't forget to save our giving number in your phone! You can always text EDIT to update your information, set up a recurring gift, and check the status of a gift.

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**CCD REGISTRATION IS OPEN**  
**CCD 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

(Preschool Age 4—8th Grade)

In Person & Homeschool Classes Available

**CLASS SCHEDULE:**

Every Sunday | 9:45 AM – 10:45 AM

To register or get more information visit our website:

<https://stpat.church/>

Contact Mallory Hamilton: [hamiltonm@stpat.church](mailto:hamiltonm@stpat.church)

or phone: 859-356-5151.

**St. Patrick Primary School TM**

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN PRESCHOOL - 5th GRADE**  
**2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**

Enrollment for all day Kindergarten thru 5th Grade is open to everyone. We welcome enrollment to all children regardless of race, religious affiliation, national origin or sex. Preschool Student Enrollment: There is a registration fee of \$100.00 due at the time of enrollment for all students, and we require a copy of your child's birth certificate, social security card, and current immunization record. Your enrollment is not complete until we receive these three forms and your registration fee. **Not Ready to Enroll... But Would Like to Request More Information:** [nunnelleyp@stpat.school](mailto:nunnelleyp@stpat.school)  
**For tuition assistance and more information** or if you are interested in a tour, contact us at [nunnelleyp@stpat.school](mailto:nunnelleyp@stpat.school) or call (859) 344-7040.

**For More Information Visit Our Website:** <http://stpat.school/>



A special virtue based education is included to help build good character and bring out the image of God in each child

**LOW TUITION COST**

**2024-25 Tuition Kindergarten - 5th Grade:** \$4,000/  
 student Pay in full or minimum monthly payments (required for 10 months)

## *Parish News & Local Events*

**CCD NEWS**— Saturday, March 16th: 9am to 12:30pm— 2nd Grade Bread Party. At least one parent/guardian must attend. Lunch will be provided. The whole family is invited for lunch.

Sunday, March 31st— NO Class— all grades— Happy Easter.

**Easter Flower Donation**— Easter Flower donations in memory of a loved one can be made in the following ways:

-You received an envelope marked Easter Flowers in your budget envelopes. Place your contribution (any amount) in the envelope and fill out the outside of the envelope with the names of your family members you wish to remember or write a family name.

-You can use a regular envelope and place your contribution (any amount) in the envelope along with your loved ones or family names on a piece of paper and write Altar Society on the outside.

Either can be dropped into the collection basket.

**For the names to be listed in the bulletin, the deadline is 3pm on Sunday, March 24th.**



**Bereavement Committee**— Please prayerfully consider volunteering some time to serve on this amazing committee. There are many pieces to helping those who have lost a loved one. What a beautiful time to serve the Lord by serving others at this delicate time. The hope is to get enough volunteers to be able to rotate the time to be “available” to help. Would you like to know more? Please call or email Christy at the parish office. 859-356-5151 and parishoffice@stpat.church

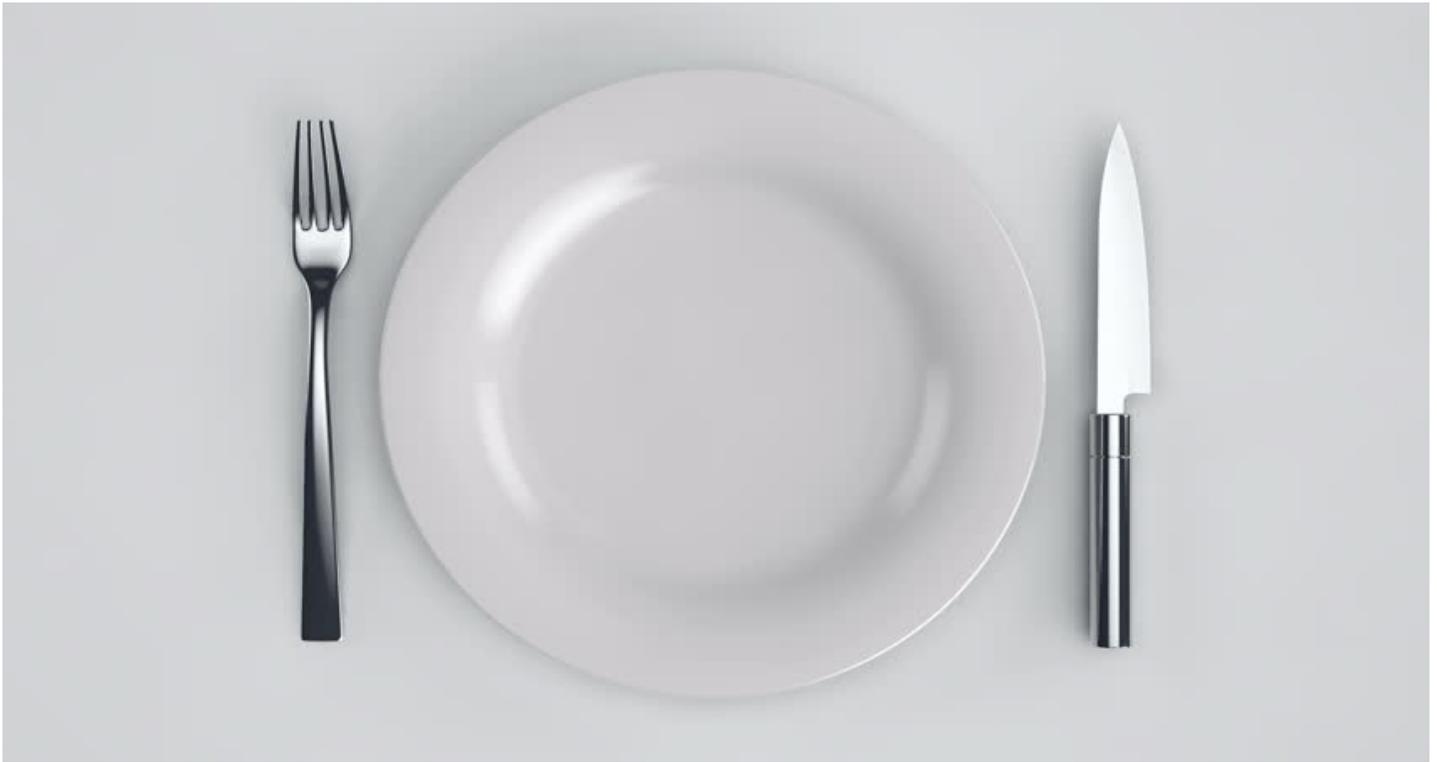
You will be amazed at the graces that come back to you.

**HCHS Mulch & Pine Straw Sale** -Holy Cross High School is having its 26th Annual Mulch Sale, selling 3 colors of mulch in 2 cubic foot bags for \$4.95 per bag and Pine Straw for \$9.75 per bale, which are approximately 12” x 12” x 23”. All prices include FREE DELIVERY and sales tax. HCHS students will deliver mulch to your home, business or rental property anywhere in Kenton, Boone and Campbell Counties and will put it anywhere on your property, starting March 30th and continuing for at least 4 weeks. All proceeds benefit Holy Cross High School. Go to [www.hcmulch.com](http://www.hcmulch.com) or call (859) 392-8999.

**Want to be a Cursillta? Weekends forming now!!** - Cursillo is a short course in Christianity. To try to explain a Cursillo to someone who has never experienced it is difficult and somewhat mystifying. The reason behind the mystery is God! No one can fully explain how God touches each person in His special and unique way.

**Women’s Spring— April 4th—7th**

**For more information see the Diocese of Covington Cursillo on the internet or call parishioner Sandy Leen at 859-620-3215**



## **Seder Meal**

**Thursday, March 28th at 6pm**

If your family last name begins with A-G, please bring a Salad to share

If your family last name begins with H- Q, please bring a Dessert to share

If your family last name begins with R- Z, please bring a Vegetable to share

**Please RSVP today!**

**We need to know your family name, number of adults and children 12 and younger.**

**Call the office 859-356-5151**

**Email: [parishoffice@stpat.church](mailto:parishoffice@stpat.church)**



**Reservations must be in by 1pm on Sunday 3/24.**

# **Parish Lenten Retreat 2024**

**(Family Friendly)**

**All are welcome!**

**Saturday, March 23rd**

**Parish Hall**

**11am to 4pm**

**Lunch included, no registration cost**

**Reservations are greatly appreciated and due  
before 5pm, Wednesday, March 20th**

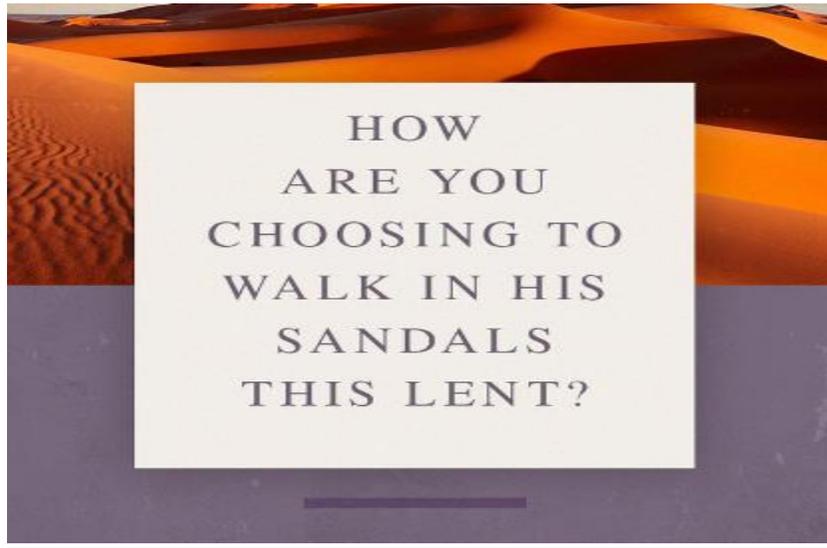
It is for any one in the parish, young adults, young parents, widows, men, women, fathers, mothers, grandparents.

For those who want to experience a personal relationship with the Lord and encounter His Heart.



# UPDATED as of March 8th, 2024

## 2024 St. Patrick Parish and Shrine Lenten Opportunities



**Parish- 33-week Consecration to the Eucharist-** description to be given during Mass.

**Tuesday Mornings** - Biblical Walk with Mary- Small group discussions and scripture revealing the extraordinary pilgrimage that reveals Mary's unique role in God's kingdom and our lives. Tuesdays, February 13th thru April 2nd. 9:30am to 11am in the Mercy Risen Center. For registration call or email the parish office. \$30 Fee. 859-356-5151

**Tuesday Evenings-** Connect Self Love and Love of Neighbor with Love of God- Led by Fr. Jeff. To sign up, please call or email the parish office. No Fee. (859-356-5151 or [parishoffice@stpat.church](mailto:parishoffice@stpat.church)) February 13th thru March 19th, in church. 7pm.

**Wednesday Evening 7pm Masses during Lent-** Joy and Challenge of Scriptures and Highlights from Bible Studies.

**The Divine Mercy Choir Concert-** Free. Full information is in the bulletin. Thursday, March 21st at 7pm in church.

**Friday- Parish Fish Fry-** please come and enjoy some delicious fish and yummy sides and desserts. Drive Thru (4:30pm to 7:15pm) or Dine In (4:30pm to 7:30pm) Menu available in the bulletin or on the web page. February 16th thru March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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**Confessions on Saturday-** (not just during Lent) 12 noon. Also, by appointment, contact Fr. Jeff.

**Sundays-** Stations of the Cross- Self led. Available after every Mass inside church or at the outdoor stations.

**Parish Retreat-** Some parishioners will share their faith stories, more information to come. Saturday, March 23rd

**Men's Prayer Group-** (not just during Lent) Second and Fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30pm in the Mercy Risen Center.

**Grief Support Group-** (not just during Lent) Saturday, March 9th. Meetings on the Second Saturday of the month at 9am in the parish hall. See the bulletin for more information.

**Adoration Chapel-** (not just during Lent.) Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Jesus is waiting for you.

(Bulletins are also available on our web page.)

## **Holy Week Schedule**

**Reflections by Seminarian Josh Heskamp-** Weekday Masses during Holy Week, Holy Thursday Mass, and Good Friday Services.

**Palm Sunday** – At 4:30pm Mass on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 8:30am and 11am Masses on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Parish Penance Service-**Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2pm to 4pm in church.

**Chrism Mass-** Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm. At the Cathedral.

**No 7pm Mass on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**Holy Thursday-** Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Seder Meal at 6pm, more info to come. Mass and washing of the feet at 7:15pm.

**Good Friday-** Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Services will be held at 12 noon and 7pm.

**Easter Vigil-** Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. Mass begins at 8:30pm (no 4:30pm Mass that day)

**Easter Sunday-** Mass at 8:30am and 11am on Sunday, March 31st- He is risen!

# **St. Patrick Parish– 33 Weeks to Eucharistic Glory**

## **March 10th-Week Four**

### **Lesson**

A purposeful pilgrim sets aside the distractions of this world and is resolutely determined to journey to Heaven.

### **Virtue of the day**

Determination: The virtue of determination allows us to focus on a task and see it through to completion. Just keep moving in the direction of your goal or destination. Determination is taking the next step, no matter how small that step may be.

### **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

Jesus,

I believe that You are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Every day I long for more of You.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot receive You sacramentally at this moment, I invite You to come and dwell in my heart.

May this spiritual communion increase my desire for the Eucharist.

You are the healer of my soul.

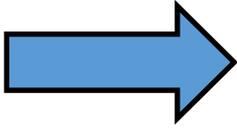
Take the blindness from my eyes, the deafness from my ears, the darkness from my mind, and the hardness from my heart.

Fill me with the grace, wisdom, and courage to do Your will in all things.

My Lord and my God, draw me close to You, nearer than ever before.

Amen.

**Mark Your Calendar!**



FROM THE SHRINE OF DIVINE MERCY IN VILNIUS  
**THE DIVINE MERCY CHOR**  
S I N G S  
**THE MUSIC OF SAINT FAUSTINA**  
LIVE IN CONCERT AT  
**ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
3285 MILLS RD, TAYLOR MILL, KY 41015  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024, 7:00 PM**

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE**  
7:00 WELCOME  
7:10 CONCERT  
8:45 Q&A  
9:00 PRAYER & DISMISSAL

FIRST CLASS RELICS OF ST. FAUSTINA AND BL. FATHER MICHAEL SOPKO WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR VENERATION AS WELL AS A STUNNING FULL-SIZE FRAMED REPLICA OF THE ORIGINAL IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY. THIS EVENT WILL BE UNFORGETTABLE!



MORE INFO HERE



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**LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF  
FASTING & ABSTINENCE**

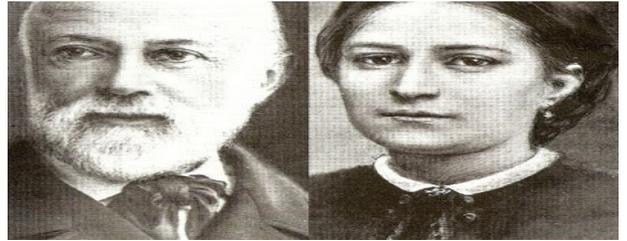
Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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**Fr. Jeff would like to share with you the text of the presentation that Linda Connelly gave at St. Patrick on February 24th & 25th. (Thank you Linda!)**



## **Saints Louis and Zelig Martin**

Saints Louis and Zelig Martin are the first married couple to be canonized saints together by the Catholic Church. Louis and Zelig each sought to join religious orders, but were prevented from realizing these dreams. Instead, Louis became a watchmaker and Zelig, a successful lace maker.

The two of them first met by chance one evening as they passed each other on a bridge in Alencon, France. On seeing Louis, Zelig heard an interior voice say to her, "This is he whom I have prepared for you." They courted just three months before being married on July 12, 1858.

For the first ten months of their marriage they chose to imitate Mary and Joseph and were celibate, but Zelig's confessor encouraged her that God wanted them to raise up many children for Him. She gave birth to a total of nine children, but four of them died very young. Zelig suffered depression as a result of the loss of her precious children, but she put her faith in God that they would be reunited in heaven someday.

Louis eventually quit making watches and helped Zelig manage their lace making business out of their home. They employed fifteen local women which they treated like members of their own family. The Martins prioritized faith and family in their every day lives, practicing Catholicism with great piety and reverence. They attended daily Mass, faithfully received Holy Communion on First Fridays, had daily family prayer and reached out to those in need. No matter how busy the lace making business made them, the Martins refused to work on Sundays. Louis and Zelig went out of their way to ensure that sick persons received the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and that dying persons received Last Rites, which includes confession and Viaticum, a dying person's last Holy Communion.

Sadly, when their youngest daughter, Therese, was only four years old, Zelig died of breast cancer. Brokenhearted at their loss, Louis and his five daughters moved to Liseaux, France so they could be closer to family and the much needed help in raising the girls. One by one, the Martin girls joined religious orders. Despite his loneliness, Louis said, "It is a great honor for me that the Good Lord desires to take all of my children, if I had anything better, I would not hesitate to offer it to him."

The youngest of Louis and Zelig's daughters is the great saint we all know as The Little Flower, Saint Therese of Liseaux. At the age of 15, St. Therese would be joining the Carmelite order, Louis joyfully exclaimed, "Let us go before the Blessed Sacrament and thank God for all the graces He has granted us, and the honor He has paid me in choosing His Spouses from my household."

In 1891, St. Louis Martin suffered a couple of strokes causing partial paralysis and dementia. He spent three years in a mental hospital before being sent home to die at the age of 71. Saints Louis and Zelig Martin lived an ordinary life in which they prioritized God and family. Despite their many sufferings, they remained firm in their faith and became great models for all married couples. God's faithfulness to Louis and Zelig made it possible for their five daughters to join religious orders. Therese, is one of our most well known saints and a Doctor of the Church. Her sister, Leonie Martin, is also a candidate for sainthood.

In 1971, Pope Pius VI decided to do something unique in the Church and united the causes for sainthood of Louis and Zelig Martin. In 2015, Pope Francis canonized Saints Louis and Zelig Martin, the first married couple to be canonized together. Their Feast Day is celebrated on July 12th, the date of their wedding.

Saints Louis and Zelig Martin, patrons of illness, marriage, parenting and widowers, pray for us!

## St. Patrick TM 2024 Fish Fry Menu

Dine-In 4:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. Drive-Thru 4:30 P.M.- 7:15 P.M.

Fridays during Lent -February 16- March 22

### Dinners \$ 13

Regular Fish / Spicy Fish / 8 pc Shrimp Basket

2pc Cod / Salmon

And Your Choice of 2 Sides

Cole Slaw / French Fries /Onion Rings

Green Beans/Mac-N-Cheese

(5) Hushpuppies/ Baked Potato/Red Beans-n-Rice

Ala Carte \$ 7

Regular Fish Sandwich / Spicy Fish Sandwich

2pc. Cod Sandwich/ Salmon Sandwich / 8 pc. Shrimp Basket

Whole Pizza \$ 12

Pizza by the Slice \$ 3

5 Golden Brown Cheese Sticks \$ 5.00

Extra Sides \$ 3

Cole Slaw / French Fries / Onion Rings / Green Beans / 5 Hushpuppies/

Mac-N-Cheese/Red Beans-N-Rice / Baked Potato

**We are in need of volunteers of all ages to help with prep work on Thursdays and work anytime on Fridays from 9:30am to 11:00pm. Contact Pamela Nunnelley at [nunnelley@stpat.school](mailto:nunnelley@stpat.school) or 859-991-0866 for more information. Thank you for your consideration, we have a great group of workers and would love you to have your join us. Many hands make the job easier!**

You can also help by sending in desserts, homemade or store bought (nothing that needs to be refrigerated please.) You can leave them in the kitchen on Sundays after CCD, on Thursdays afternoons or all day on Friday. (You can also drop them off in the parish office on Fridays from 9am to 5pm, on your way to visit the Adoration Chapel)

We look forward to seeing you and serving you, God Bless!

**NEW!**

**One Piece Cod Dinner \$11**

**Additional Side: Corn**

**1 piece Cod Sandwich \$5**

**Grilled Cheese Sandwich \$3**



## DIOCESAN NEWS AND INFORMATION

### **Safe Environment Information**

All volunteers at church, school, or parish events, **must be** VIRTUS compliant before they may participate. Please contact the Safe Environment Office with any questions or concerns.



**VIRTUS Online:** Please visit the following website to learn more about VIRTUS: [VIRTUS@ Online \(virtusonline.org\)](http://VIRTUS@Online) Note: To access your existing VIRTUS account: [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org), enter your user id and password. If your account is suspended contact your primary location where you volunteer or are employed. Your primary location contact information is found under your Contact Tab.

### **Pastoral Services**

#### **Ministry for Separated or Divorced**

New Beginnings is an 8-week program that provides the opportunity to heal and move forward despite a complicated situation. Led by facilitators who have been through their own personal losses, this program invites participants to move toward their own new beginnings. **To register for Next session, which begins on March 19th, Registration is required. Visit <https://covdio.org/newbeginnings-2/> or call (859) 392-1592.**

**Marriage Encounter:** Visit the Worldwide Marriage Encounter website for upcoming weekends. Register online at <https://wwme.org/> or call (513) 251-1940.

**Retrouvaille:** For couples in troubled marriages, Retrouvaille is a program of healing and renewal consisting of one weekend and six follow-up sessions over the course of three months. Contact information: [www.cincyretrouvaille.org](http://www.cincyretrouvaille.org) or (513) 456-5413. **Our next weekend will be January 5, 6, and 7, 2024.**

#### **Catholic Charities**

**Never. Lose. Hope. Do you have family or a friend in jail or prison? Are you looking for a safe, welcoming community where you will be accepted without judgement?** Join us the **3rd Tuesday of every month from 6:30-7:30pm** for a free support group. All are Welcome! Come to Catholic Charities, 3629 Church Street, Covington, KY 41015. For more information contact Dave Capella at [dcapella@covingtoncharities.org](mailto:dcapella@covingtoncharities.org) or 581-8974 ext 117.

**Foreclosure/Delinquency Housing Counseling:** There are many options to homeowners. Become informed. Groups and individual sessions available. For more information call Catholic Charities at 859-581-8974.

**Parish Kitchen-** Pickett's Corner will repair and distribute bicycles to those in need in the area. Bicycles will help folks get to their jobs. Volunteers are needed at Parish Kitchen during lunchtime (11:30am-1:30pm) to repair bikes. Volunteers are also needed to collect and repair bikes at their home for the Parish Kitchen. Please

### **Upcoming VIRTUS Trainings**

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Thursday, March 19th, 2024. 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Thursday, March 19th, 2024. 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

Qualified, actively-practicing Roman Catholics are invited to apply for the position of Diocese of Covington Chancery Office Secretary. The position requires a motivated self-starter with a love for the Church, an interest in service, and a true understanding of the importance of confidentiality. Key requirements include experience and comfort with using Microsoft 365 software; helpful and pleasant communications skills regardless of the medium; and exceptional attention to detail. Interested candidates may send a letter of interest along with a comprehensive resume, including compensation history and at least five appropriate references with email contact information, by email or fax to Stephen Kopyay, SPHR, [skopyay@covdio.org](mailto:skopyay@covdio.org), fax 859/392-1589.

#### **International Needs Collection March 9th & 10th—**

During the weekend of March 9 & 10, the International Mission Needs Collection will be conducted to help our suffering brother and sisters throughout the world. Your one gift is divided among five mission organizations: Catholic Relief Services, The Churches in Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, Christians in the Holy Land, and the Pontifical Mission Aid Societies.

**Pontifical Good Friday Collection—** Pope Francis has asked us to support this collection which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population.

**St. Joseph Adoption Novena -** Please type in the link below on your computer for resources for the St. Joseph Adoption Novena.

<https://www.respectlife.org/adoption-novena-resources>



***Swing into Spring takes place Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 7-11 PM at the SETEC Ballroom in Erlanger, KY. There will be live and silent auctions, multiple raffles, "Dinner by the Bite," and an open bar! We hope you will be able to join us for this fun and exciting evening. To make a reservation, visit <https://dcch24.givesmart.com> to register online or call 859-331-2040, extension 8555.***

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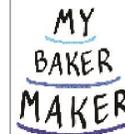
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