# St. Patrick Parish

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#### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

The deadline for items to be placed in the bulletin is Wednesday at 12 Noon.

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### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Wednesday 9am-4pm

Closed Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays



#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday	
Weekdays	

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturdays—4:15 pm to 4:45 pm Sundays—8:45 am to 9:15 am

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Normally celebrated on Sunday and are encouraged at a Sunday Eucharist. Baptism preparation is required.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made one year in advance. Marriage preparation is required.

#### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

A family member must notify the parish office if a parishioner is hospitalized or confined to home. Eucharist is brought to the homebound on the third Sunday of each month.

## **Masses For The Week**

Saturday, February 24: Vigil: Second Sunday in Lent

5:00pm— Ron Kodel—Joe and Mary Jo Farone

Sunday, February 25: Second Sunday in Lent 9:30am—Rita Seybert—Helen Maley

Tuesday, February 27: Saint Gregory of Narek 9:00am—Dorothy Wimer—Peggy

Wednesday, February 28: Lenten Weekday 9:00am—Louise Tribley—Family

**Thursday, February 29: Lenten Weekday** 9:00am—Mary Anne Shay—Ted and Kitty Miller

Friday, March 1: Lenten Weekday 9:00am—Living and Deceased Members of St. Patrick

Saturday, March 2: Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent

5:00pm—Fr. William Maloney—Dan and Anne Harmon

Sunday March 3: Third Sunday of Lent 9:30am—Anniversary of Steve Sheakley— Donna and Boys

February 25, 2024 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent - Year B Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13; Psalm 116:10, 15 -19 Romans 8:31-34; Mark 9:2-10

#### THE BELOVED SON

Our Lenten season began with the account of Satan testing Jesus in the wilderness. This Sunday, we continue with another tale of testing. In the First Reading, we hear how God tested Abraham's obedience in a covenant ordeal. He told Abraham to build an altar and to offer up his "beloved son," Isaac, as a sacrifice on a mountain (Gen 22:1-2). It is a test of faith that Abraham passed because he believed God would keep His promise to give Abraham descendants from his beloved son, Isaac (Gen 17:19). Abraham had faith that God would resurrect his son from death to keep His promise (Heb 11:17-19).

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In the Responsorial Psalm, the psalmist expresses confidence that God watches over the lives of the righteous. Their deaths are a matter of significance because they are precious to God, who accepts their deaths as a sacrificial offering. In the response, we confess our faith in God to raise us up from physical death as we sing: "I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living."

In the Second Reading, Saint Paul assures us that God is on our side. He writes that God did not spare His Son but offered up Jesus as a sacrifice on the Cross to save humanity from sin and death. Saint Paul gives us the promise that the elect will emerge victorious from all the attacks and sufferings in life. God who acquits His chosen of their sins through His beloved Son. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we died with Christ to be raised with Him to a new spiritual life and with the hope of reaching Heaven in death and a bodily resurrection at the end of time.

In the Gospel Reading, God calls Jesus His "beloved Son" on the mountain of the Transfiguration miracle in the same way that Isaac was Abraham's "beloved son" in Genesis 22:2. The difference is that God spared Abraham's beloved son, but He did not spare His "beloved Son," who died as a sacrifice on the altar of the Cross for the sins of humanity.

The Church has always read Abraham's story of testing and faith in offering his beloved son Isaac on an altar as foreshadowing how God, like Abraham, did not withhold His beloved Son from the altar of the Cross. Jesus died for all the beloved sons and daughters in the human family as a sign of God's love for the world. Jesus is the true Son that Abraham rejoiced to see (Jn 8:56; Mt 1:1). He is the beloved Son of God sent to suffer and die in atonement for our sins (Is 53:3) so that we might be strengthened in our tests of faith on our journey to eternal salvation. Jesus' sacrificial death, Resurrection, and Ascension give us the hope of reaching Heaven and the blessing of union with the Most Holy Trinity at the end of our life's journey.

(Taken from Agape Bible Study.com)



# Liturgical Ministers for March 2,3

Mass Time	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
<u>Lector</u>	Chris H.	Scott A.
<u>EMoC</u>	Karen T.	Peggy W.
Cross Bearer Book Holder	Cheryl P.	Joey O. Theresa M.

## Stewardship of Treasure

	Feb 10,11	Year-To-Date
Adult Offertory Children Offertory Loose	\$2,901.75	\$95,436.75
	<u>\$62.00</u>	<u>\$3,838.19</u>
<b>Total</b> Budget	<b>\$2,963.75 \$3,600.00</b>	<b>\$99,274.94</b> \$118,800.00
Difference	\$-636.25	\$-19,525.06

Ash Wednesday \$21.00



To sign up for online giving, please use the QR code on the bulletin board or contact Barb in the office on Monday evenings.

<b>Upcoming Events</b>		
Feb 28	Stations of the Cross-6:00pm	
March 1	Fish Dinner-4:00pm—6:30pm	
March 3	Choir Practice—8:30am	



The Sanctuary Candle will burn from February 23 through March 7 In Loving Memory of Steve Sheakley Love Donna

A Minister Schedule for Special Masses will be available for sign up in the Narthex this weekend. Please consider volunteering.

## Sunshine Corner

Obviously, I'm not trying to win the approval of people, but of God. If pleasing people were my goal, I would not be Christ's servant. —Galatians 1:10

# **Faith Formation News**

For Preschool through Grade 5: Faith Formation will meet this Sunday, February 25.

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Prep. Classes will **NOT** meet this Sunday February 25.

**In the event** that Faith Formation class must be cancelled due to inclement weather, the cancellation will be posted on WPXI (Channel 11 News) and on WPXI.com.

Choir practice will take place every Sunday between February 18 and Easter at 8:30am.



WILL BE SERVED EVERY FRIDAY **THROUGH MARCH 22** 4:00pm—6:30pm TTERED FISH HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE MENU, BREADED AND BAKED AS WELL WILL BE SERVED!!

Along with: Baked Potato, French fries, or Mac and Cheese Cole Slaw, dessert, bread and beverage. Cost: \$15.00 Adult, \$8.00 Children (ages 3-10) Ages 2 and under Free

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## DESIGNER PURSE PARTY !!!!



The purse party this year will be May 19, 2024 Tickets are on sale Now!! \$30.00 per ticket. These make a great Easter or Mother's Day gifts!! Please see Jan Bishop or Donna Sheakley for your ticket !!! More details to follow.



#### THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD

-With Dave Vanvickle Wednesday, February 28 St. Wendelin Hall—6:30pm

Join us for dinner from the Nature of Fire food truck and a talk by Dave VanVickle—all are welcome and everything is free!

Presented by St. Clare & St. Francis Parishes with Nature of Fire



## St. Patrick Parish Bible Study

On six Mondays, beginning March 4 and ending April 8 (six weeks). 6:00pm

**Opening your Heart:** The starting Point will take you on an exciting journey to form a personal relationship with Christ and help you find answers to life's biggest questions through the context of the Catholic Faith.

—If you would like to participate, please contact the office by leaving a voicemail at 724-526-5079 or emailing Barb at bboltz@dioceseofgreesnburg.org by Monday, February 26, to ensure materials will be available for the first class.