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SAINT PATRICK PARISH PRAYER

Loving God, as a parish community, nourished by your Word and Eucharist,

we ask you to grant us wisdom, courage and generosity so that we might:

- welcome others without prejudice;
- embrace works of charity and justice;
- lift the burdens of the needy;
- and show reverence for one another and for all creation.

Make our parish a beacon of hope and a sign of peace in our valley as we continue to praise you with our voices and the witness of our lives.

To you, O God, be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

ST. PATRICK, PRAY FOR US.



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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are entering the month of May and we are be-



ginning the Third Week of the Easter season. May is usually a very busy month as spring is in full bloom and we celebrate First Communions, Mother's Day, Graduations from college and high school, and Memorial Day. This May might be a bit busier with the beginning

of the Conclave to elect our new pope, and the changes with priests being reassigned and parishes being reconfigured. We have two months until many priests will move and new connections between parishes begin.

Knowing what will be in eight weeks, we can begin to acknowledge and celebrate a few things, especially in this month of May. There are children from our parishes celebrating their First Holy Communion. This Sunday two children will make their First Communion at St. Patrick parish. The first communicants of St. Angela Merici parish will make their First Communion on Sunday, May 18th. We have a group of young people from our parishes who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Columba Cathedral this Wednesday, May 7th at 7:00 pm. Please keep our children and young people in your prayers as they celebrate these important moments on their journey of faith.

The same day our young people will be sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, the cardinals of the Church will gather in Rome to begin the conclave to elect our new Holy Father. May we pray that the Holy Spirit will guide and inspire the electors, that they will be open to the Spirit and mindful of the needs of God's people throughout the world. May you continue to celebrate the joy of this Easter season. May you also have hope as we continue to observe this Jubilee Year as Pilgrims of Hope.

> Your brother in Christ, Fr. Tom

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

Please pray for our students, especially those receiving sacraments this month.

- May 4 First Communion at St. Patrick 11:00 am
- May 7 Confirmation Mass at St. Columba 7:00 pm
- May 11 Full Family Formation (no in-person classes)
- May 18 First Communion at St. Angela Merici 9:00 am

There will be a community wide celebration for our First Communicants and Confirmation students on May 18 after Mass. ALL parishioners are welcome to attend!

And don't forget to make sure Vacation Bible School June 16-20, 2025, 9am-12pm is on your calendar! Grab a registration form and *if you are interested in volunteering to help, be in touch with Beth Jones ASAP to make sure you have the proper clearances.* Only adults who have been properly background checked will be allowed to volunteer per diocesan guidelines and those checks take time so don't delay! WE NEED YOU! It is a Fruits of the Spirit VBS and there is lots of fantastic fruity fun planned. You don't want to miss it!

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MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Join us Sunday, May 11 in the social hall following the 11am Mass for a Mother's Day Breakfast sponsored by The Parish Life Committee. Tickets are \$5 per person; children 3 – 8 are \$3. FREE tickets for all ladies. Menu includes French toast, eggs, sausage links, fruit, coffee and juice. Tickets are available after Mass or at the rectory.

FIRST STEP FOR CHANGE

One way to support the Catholic Church's pro-life, pro-family position is to participate in *First Step for Change*, a campaign sponsored by Catholic Charities to assist low-income pregnant women and families with food, formula, clothing, diapers, and other items essential to a child's health, safety and wellbeing. Pick up a **FIRST STEP PACKET**, learn about the program, prayerfully consider a gift, and return your envelopes to our parish by June 30. Support the Gospel of Life by reaching out to parents, children and families who need a helping hand. Online giving is also available at www.ccdoy.org.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 4, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 4 Third Sunday of Easter 11:00am Dick Davis

Monday, May 5 8:30am Phyllis Buckner

Wednesday, May 7 8:30am Mass at St. Angela Merici

Friday, May 9 8:00am Mass at Christ the Good Shepherd

Sunday, May 11 Fourth Sunday of Easter 11:00am Christina Guzzo

Monday, May 12 8:30am Elaine Welsh

The Sanctuary Candle burns May 3 thru May 9 in memory of Rita Sabella from John & Roberta Manzoian.

SEMINARIAN COLLECTION

The Seminarian Collection will take place May 11, 2025 to assist with costs of their tuition, room, board, books, and with stipends for their summer ministry in parishes.

During the year, they assist at diocesan events, speak at parishes and schools, and are involved in private tutoring in Spanish to help them in their ministry assignments. Your donations will also be used to cover these costs.

Thank you all for your continued prayers and support of seminarians and please continue to pray for an increase of all vocations.

For your convenience, an envelope was included in your April packet. PLEASE BE GENEROUS IN SUPPORT OF OUR FUTURE PRIESTS!

Stewardship at St. Patrick	
Regular (59 envelopes)	\$2,455.00
Visitor	194.00
Electronic Giving (26)	968.00
Weekly Budget Amount	8,700.00
Difference	- 4,403.00
Novena	49.00
Preservation	150.00
Attendance at Mass: 176	
Thank you for your continued generosity!	

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FIRST COMMUNION

Two young people received their First Communion today. Please keep the following First Communicants and their families in your prayers:

> Cylina Lively Selena Parkhurst

CONFIRMATION

Please keep our Confirmation candidate, Adam AbuQaduorah, in your prayers as he prepares to be confirmed on Wednesday, May 7 at St. Columba Cathedral.

FIRST FRIDAY

The First Friday Club Luncheon & Speaker Series will be held on Thursday, June 5 from 11:30am - 1:00pm at Avion on the Water. Sr. Judy Dohner, HM, Haitian Migrant Ministry, will be the speaker. Her program is "They Are Our Teachers: The Values People Who Are Poor Can Teach Us." The cost to attend is \$15. Call the rectory to reserve your seat.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Sometimes it is not easy to recognize Jesus in our midst. Maybe we are too preoccupied with our ever-increasing "To Do" list. Perhaps busy family schedules distract us or worries cloud our thoughts. Even those who consider themselves very close to our Lord can be blinded to His presence.

His disciples in today's Gospel didn't know who Jesus was at first. But, just as realization dawned on them who the "stranger" was after catching an abundance of fish, we can eventually come to know Christ through actions. The old song, "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" comes to mind. We may not *see Jesus as we go about our day, but we can know His love through service and the kindness of others.*

And we can share this life-changing love with others through our support of the **Annual Diocesan Appeal**. Please consider making a gift to the appeal today so that more may feel Jesus at work in their lives.