# ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Reverend George Mathew, CMI
Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday, 10:00 to Noon, or by appointment

## Christmas Mass Schedule

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24**

Fourth Sunday of Advent | 9 am | LAKEVIEW Christmas Mass | 5 pm | PAISLEY Christmas Mass | 8 pm | LAKEVIEW

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 25**

Christmas Day The Nativity of the Lord 9 AM LAKEVIEW | 11:30 AM ADEL

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26**

Holy Mass followed by Adoration 5:15 PM | LAKEVIEW

#### **WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27 - 29**

Holy Mass at 12 pm Noon

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30** HOLY MASS AT 5 PM **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31** HOLY MASS AT 9 AM

Anniversary of the Ordination of Fr. George Mathew

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 1**

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God Holy Mass at 12 pm Noon (Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

## 9 DAYS FOR LIFE

#### **JANUARY 16-24**

Pray to protect human life! Join Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life! You can download the novena or get the daily prayers and reflections by email or text message.

Visit www.9DAYSOFLIFE.com

#### 2024 Offering Envelops & Calendar

Available at the back of St. Patrick Church Thank you to our 2024 Calendar anonymous donor

Diocesan Lenten Retreat: February 17-18, 2024

Registration Deadline: February 11, 2024

Location: Cascade View Retreat Center, Powell Butte, OR.

For more info & to register: DioceseofBaker.org



#### **Meeting Reminders**

Dec 27 | NO CLASS | Youth CCD Jan 7 | 10 am | Altar Society Jan 10 | 4 pm | Adult RE



#### LAKEVIEW | ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri 12 pm Tuesday 5:15 pm Saturday 5 pm Sunday 9 am

#### **PAISLEY | ST. JOHN CHURCH**

1st & 3rd Sunday 11:30 am Thursday Mass resumes after Winter

#### PLUSH | ST. THOMAS CHURCH 2nd Sunday 11:30 am

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#### ADEL | ST. RICHARD CHURCH 4th Sunday 11:30 am

ST. PATRICK HOLY DAYS

### 7 am & 6 pm

#### ST. PATRICK ADORATION

Tuesdays after Mass

#### **BENEDICTION AFTER MASS**

Final week of the month

#### **HOLY HOUR**

3rd Sunday, every other month

#### ST. PATRICK CONFESSION

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm or by appointment

#### **MINISTRIES**

**DECEMBER 23, 24 & 25** 

Lectors:

Saturday: Mary Bradbury Sunday 9 am: Shirin Sabin Sunday 8 pm: Janine Simms Monday: Charley Tracy

Sunday Counters: Charley Tracy & Marie Tucker

> Sunday Shut-ins: Nancy Crider

#### **MINISTRIES**

**DECEMBER 30 & 31** 

Altar Servers & Ushers: two needed at each Mass

Lectors:

Saturday: Shirin Sabin Sunday: Nema Lelis

Sunday Counters: Pam Amsbaugh & Nema Lelis

> Sunday Shut-ins: Josie Rez

#### **MINISTRIES**

JANUARY 6 & 7

Altar Servers & Ushers: two needed at each Mass

Lectors:

Saturday: Bill Albertson Sunday: Jose Villalobos

> Sunday Counters: Debora Miller

Sunday Shut-ins: Nancy Crider



Thank you to our generous donors!
We can't do it without you!
God Bless You!

Class resumes January 3, 2024. Volunteers always welcome.



Date	Offertory Rec'd	Weekly Need	Difference
26 - Nov	\$1,387	\$2,076	-\$689
3 - Dec	\$6,688	\$2,076	\$4,612
12 - Dec	\$1,346	\$2,076	-\$730
17 - Dec	\$5,185	\$2,076	\$3,109
2023 YTD	\$108,472	\$105,876	\$2,596

## UPDATE

The Parish needs your help!

Do you know anyone who has moved away?

Do you need to update your information?

Please submit name and address updates to:

saintpatrick1912@gmail.com

#### **PRAYER LIST**

† Carolyn Monaco † Marina Garcia † Shirley Berg † Cindy Lane † Sheila Holloway † Elena Moore † Jim & Charlene Huffstutter † Ernestine Herrera † Linda Pardue † Arlene Clark † Vic Barber † Helen Borges † Fr. Ray Hopp † Rufino Villalobos † Francisca Vargas † Vinis Harrington † Sharmaine King † James Kiely † Carl Tracy † Dave Kenney † Cece Montgomery † Diane Couden † Fr. Thomas Mughayappally OSH † Greg Albertson † Daniel Decker † Darwin Johnson † Dallas Angele † Paula Thomas † Elaine Russell † Jesus Guitron † Erika Sanchez † Ellie Barry † Bobbie Steninger † Jim Arsenault † Terri Carlon † Ken Milani † Cindy † Ann Tracy † Gary Dameron † Barb Albertson † Kay Peterson † Jay Farmen

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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

NEXT MEETING TBA

#### PARISH COUNCIL

NEXT MEETING TBA

ALTAR SOCIETY

NEXT MEETING

Jan 7 | After Mass | Rectory

#### **RELIGIOUS ED**

LAKEVIEW Wednesday 2:30-4:30 pm Parish Hall

Choir Practice
Tuesday 6:30 pm

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## 4 Weeks of Advent: The Candle and The Wreath

Advent is celebrated four consecutive weeks before Christmas. With the season of Advent, starts the lighting of different candles.

Traditionally, each of the five Advent candles have a deeper meaning which is depicted in the four weeks we celebrate this season of waiting, watching and expecting Jesus.

Here's the specific meaning of the four weeks of Advent, continuing with week four:





The 4th Sunday of Advent symbolizes Peace with the "ANGEL'S CANDLE" reminding us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men." (Purple Candle)

This is the last week of Advent. The fourth week of special significance PEACE is characterized by three purple candle bars and one pink candle. The fourth week of Advent reminds us of the glory of God, the owner of the universe. Together we rejoice in His coming. The fourth candle is called the Angel Candle that symbolizes happiness and joy to welcome the Savior.

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests." (Luke 2:14)

### White Candle or the Christ Candle

The fifth candle which is placed at the center of the wreath is called the "CHRIST CANDLE" which reminds us of Jesus who is at the center of the season. It is lit on Christmas Eve. Jesus alone is the reason why we celebrate Christmas. (White Candle) White is the color of Advent representing purity and light. Christ is the sinless, spotless, pure Savior. He is the light come into a dark and dying world. Also, those who receive Jesus Christ as Savior are washed of their sins and made whiter than snow.



The Christ Candle is the fifth Advent Candle, positioned in the center of the wreath. This Advent Candle's color is white. It is lit on Christmas Eve as a remembrance of Christ coming into the world.

#### The Wreath

The Advent wreath first appeared in Germany in 1839. Lutheran minister Johann Hinrich Wichern working at a mission for children created a wreath out of the wheel of a cart. He placed twenty small red candles and four large white candles inside the ring. The red candles were lit on weekdays and the four white candles were lit on Sundays.

The Advent wreath, which has German origins, is probably the most recognized Advent custom. It is a wreath made of evergreens that is bound to a circle of wire. The evergreens used for the wreath itself are a reminder of continuous life. The shaping of them into a circle reinforces that meaning.

The circle is also a sign of everlasting life as well as the eternity of God. It symbolizes the many years from Adam to Christ in which the world awaited its Redeemer; it also represents the years that we have awaited His second and final coming.

The wreath holds four equally spaced candles, the three purple ones lit on the penitential Sundays and a pink one for Gaudete, the joyful third Sunday in Advent. The seed pods, nuts and pine cones used to decorate the wreath are symbolic of resurrection, and fruits represent the nourishing fruitfulness of the Christian life.

Additional decorations, like holly and berries, are sometimes added. Their red color points ahead to Jesus' sacrifice and death on the cross, shedding his blood for our sins.

The laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering; pine, holly, and yew, immortality; and cedar, strength and healing. Holly also has a special Christian symbolism: The prickly leaves remind us of the crown of thorns, and one English legend tells of how the cross was made of holly.



## Fourth Sunday Advent Catechesis

- As the priest pours a drop of water into the chalice full of wine, he says the following prayer: "By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the **divinity** of Christ, Who humbled himself to share in our **humanity**."
- Once the drop of water hits the wine, the water and wine *cannot* be separated.
- The priest concludes the Presentation of the Gifts with the following prayer: "With humble spirit and contrite heart may **we** be accepted by you, O Lord, and may **our** sacrifice in your sight this day be pleasing to you, Lord God."
- Presentation of the Gifts: exercise of baptismal priesthood of the faithful.



**HAPPY NEW YEAR**