

First Sunday of Lent, February 26, 2012



# SAINT PATRICK CHURCH IGLESIA DE SAN PATRICIO

4330 St. Patrick Drive • Iowa City, Iowa 52240

## Cycles of Faith ...

With Easter coming so late this year much of the natural world in the country has already begun to come back to life. The seasonal death that began in the northern hemisphere back in September is already well on its way to reversal as we enter more deeply into spring. The grip of winter's cold is being broken as bud break begins to overtake trees and vines and bulbs push up their leaves and buds through the thawing earth. The seasons come and go with such regularity, that we have no doubt about their inevitable cycle. Life renews itself in its persistent return as is readily seen in the sprouting seeds that only came to be through the death of the parent plant.

Human death is not met with such easy renewal. Christianity's belief in a personal soul does not harbor a belief in reincarnation. One physical birth and one spiritual birth (baptism) is enough for us. But we do believe in the resurrection of the dead and the power of God to restore life. The raising of Lazarus is a concrete manifestation of the power of God to save. Lazarus, who was in the tomb for four days, is called forth by Jesus. And Jesus tells the onlookers to unbind Lazarus and let him go.

The Gospel today reflects all the grief and pathos that the death of a loved one can engender in the human heart. The death of Lazarus touched not only Martha and Mary and the people of Bethany. Jesus himself was moved with sadness. But as he indicates to Martha, everyone who believes in him will never die, for he is the resurrection and the life. Yes, we will experience physical death, and we will not return as easily as the cycle of the seasons. But that cycle does remind us that life is persistent. And our faith tells us that life will win out, even over death.



## Parish Office

Phone ..... (319) 337-2856  
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Hours..... Mon.-Fri. 8:00 am-12:00 noon  
& 1:00-4:00 pm

**Visit Saint Patrick's Webpage!**  
**¡Visite el sitio de red de San Patricio!**  
[www.stpatsic.com](http://www.stpatsic.com)

## Parish Staff / Personal parroquial

Pastor. Very Rev. Rudolph T. Juárez, EV, JCL  
Father's residence..... (319) 930-0890  
*(To be used after office hours.)*  
Parish Council President..... Ted Pacha  
Office Manager .....Lila Scott  
Director of Music .....Trevor Loes  
Youth Ministry Director..... Shelly Conlon  
Events Coordinator.....Cheryl Schropp  
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High School ..... (319) 338-5436  
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Rel. Ed. Office ..... (319) 351-7638  
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## Sunday Mass Schedule / Horario De Misas Dominicales

Saturday/Sábado (Vigil/Vigilia) . 4:30 pm  
Sunday/Domingo.... 7:30 am, 10:00 am,  
12:00 pm (Español)

## Daily Mass Schedule (City-Wide) / Horario De Misas Diarias (En La Ciudad)

St. Wenceslaus..... Mon.-Sat. 7:00 am  
St. Patrick.....Tues.-Fri. 8:30 am  
St. Thomas More .....Tues.-Fri. 9:00 am  
St. Mary's ..... Mon.-Fri. 12:10 pm  
Newman Center ..... Mon.-Fri. 5:15 pm

## Confessions/confesiones

Saturday 3:00 pm-4:00 pm. Todos los  
sábados de 3:00 pm a 4:00 pm

## ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH on the Web [www.stpatsic.com](http://www.stpatsic.com)—NEW & IMPROVED!

Our state-of-the-art website is up and running!  
After a great deal of work by the parish staff,  
our webmaster Rick Ney, and with the  
assistance of Solutio ([www.solutiosoftware.com](http://www.solutiosoftware.com)),  
we are proud to announce the launch of our new site.

It's our hope that this great piece of communication will  
become a highly reliable source of information and news.  
We plan to have weekly podcasts of homilies, a calendar with  
current events and happenings, a Regina link and an overall  
more updated presence on the world wide web.

**Thank you to all who made this endeavor a reality!**



## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena /

### Novena a Nuestra Senora del Perpetuo Socorro

Tuesdays following the 8:30 am Mass.  
Los Martes después de la Misa de 8:30 am.

### The Rosary

The Rosary is said prior to Daily Mass at 8:10 am, Tuesday through Friday. Please join us.

### First Saturday Mass

First Saturday of each month at 8:30 am. **March 3rd**

### Adoration and Holy Hour

First Friday of each month after 8:30 am Mass. **March 2nd**

### Perpetual Adoration Chapel / Capilla de Adoracion Perpetual

For more information contact Janet Strand at 338-1863.

### Gift Bearers

If you would like to bring up the Gifts at Offertory, please contact an Usher before Mass begins.

### Sacrament of Baptism/ Sacramento del Bautismo

Parents must be registered and active members of the parish. Parents are required to attend one instructional session, ideally before the child is born. Call the parish office to register for the next class on **Mar. 10th @ 3:30pm**.

Los padres deben ser miembros activos de la parroquia y asistir a las pláticas bautismales. Para mayor informes, favor de comunicarse a la oficina. **Mar. 10th @ 3:30pm**.

### Sacramento del Matrimonio

Comuníquese a la oficina parroquial para mayor información. Please contact the parish one year prior to your marriage.

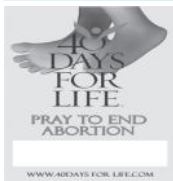
### Bulletin Deadline / Fecha límite para el boletín

Submit articles in writing/email by 9:00 am Monday.  
Entregar artículos por escrito antes de las 9:00 am los días lunes.

### Welcome Newcomers to Saint Patrick's! / Bienvenido A San Patricio!

Parish registration gatherings are held after the 7:30, 10am and 12pm Masses on **March 4th** in the Social Hall, or use the easy on-line form.

¡Bienvenido a san Patricio! Puede registrarse después de Misa en la parte trasera de la Iglesia o llenar la forma en línea.



## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

### Pray to End Abortion

Emma Goldman Clinic

227 N. Dubuque Street, Iowa City

The vigil begins February 22 & ends April 1.  
A minimum of 2 volunteers are needed to fill  
1-hour time slots throughout the prayer  
campaign. Vigil hours are:

**Mondays 9am-1pm, Tuesdays 1-5pm,  
Wednesdays 9am-1pm, Thursdays 3-7pm,  
Fridays 8am-12pm, Saturdays 9am-1pm.**

**Contact [judee-albert@jcrtl.org](mailto:judee-albert@jcrtl.org) or 319.354.4061**

## Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Tue. 2/28</b>	8:30 am	Lenore O'Conner
<b>Wed. 2/29</b>	8:30 am	Lavon Wisor
<b>Thu. 3/01</b>	8:30 am	Carol Bedford
<b>Fri. 3/02</b>	8:30 am	Helen Billick
<b>Sat. 3/03</b>	8:30 am	Tom Dohrer
	4:30 pm	For the Parish
<b>Sun. 3/04</b>	7:30 am	Donna Davis
	10:00 am	Anna Khaah Tran & Dominique Lap Tran
	12:00 pm	

## What's Scheduled This Week

**Sun. Feb 26th:** Mass, RCIA Class, First Communion Class, Children's Lit, M Petersen-Gym, Rocket Volleyball-Gym

**Mon. Feb 27th:** T Welter-Gym, T Brandt-Gym, Diocesan Justice & Peace Advocacay Team Meeting, Wedding Assistant Training, D Sharpless-Gym, M Brandt-Gym

**Tue. Feb 28th:** Rosary, Daily Mass, Needle Workers, Rocket Volleyball-Gym, Choir Practice, Habitat for Humanity Team Stay

**Wed. Feb 29th:** Habitat for Humanity Team Stay, Rosary, Daily Mass, Awakening Faith Morning Session, Awakening Faith Evening Session, ISPY HS Youth Group

**Thurs. Mar 1st:** Rosary, Daily Mass,

**Fri. Mar 2nd:** Rosary, Daily Mass, Stations of the Cross, Sacred Heart Followers

**Sat. Mar 3rd:** First Saturday Mass, KC Meeting, Fr. Rudy Meeting in Social Hall, Spanish First Communion Class, Confessions, Stations of the Cross, Mass

**Sun. Mar 4th:** Mass, RCIA, Registration, Lent Coffee Gathering, First Communion Class, Young Children & Elementary Children's Liturgy.



## Liturgical Roles

### Altar Servers for 3/03-04

4:30 pm Schotts, Keating, Romans  
7:30 am Lynch, Ruppenkamp, Green  
10:00 am Rapp, Meyer, Hill, Hill, Rublaitus

### Lectors for 3/03-04

4:30 pm M Hart  
7:30 am C McFerren  
10:00 am J Molony

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for 3/03-04

4:30 pm T Streb, L Alt-Farmer, F Dolezal, M Frantz  
S Gough, A Hilgendorf, K Hill  
7:30 am L Weber, B Bedford, L Bednarz, E Bracken  
R Bracken, D Corpman, R Craig  
10:00 am P Brandt, R Bullington, PJ Conlon, S Conlon  
P Damiano, J Dickens, T Dickens, B Doyle  
C Feller

### Sacristans for month of March

4:30 pm S Ruxton  
7:30 am Stauffer Family  
10:00 am B Scott

### Ushers for month of March

4:30 pm J Goody, DGoody, W Wunder, GFinger, N Ball,  
M Callahan, C Peters, B Bowman  
7:30 am A Lombard, A AGremm, N Gremm, S Beyers, B  
Schuchert, C Schuchert, B Wisor, J Page  
10:00 am J & D Young, J Whetstine, D Shannon,  
GShannon, B Shapcott, T Gillham Fam, T Schutt,  
G Pacha, P Gantz

## News & Notes

### Young Adult Catholics (Y.A.C.) Group

This new group for young adults aged 18-35 meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at 7:30pm in the Zaga Room. Please join us on Monday, Feb. 20th!

### Baptism Class & Reminder

Parent baptism classes are held bimonthly in the social hall at 3:30pm the 2nd Saturday. The next one is on Mar. 10th. Just a reminder that during Lent there are no BAPTISMS performed from Ash Wednesday until Easter Vigil.

### Parenting Pointers

February 29th is LEAP Day. According to historical lore, this was a date that women could propose marriage. It can be instructive to experience walking in another's shoes. Consider trading places (or chores) with someone in your family for a day. Some jobs may not be done perfectly. Laugh about it. You can survive one day on PBJ sandwiches.

## Kids Sharing the Gospel

Instead of telling people he was the Savior, Jesus showed them. By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus sent a message loud and clear. Jesus was the Savior they had all been waiting for. He was filled with God's love and power, and many people believed in him.

### Prayer

Thank you for showing me that you are my Savior, Jesus.

### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Lazarus wrapped up like a mummy, walking to Jesus.

### Mission for the Week

Write the words, "God can do anything" on a piece of paper. Read it every morning.

### Youth Lenten Books

Please pick up a "Little Purple Book" for your Lenten devotional reading. Make this book your companion for Lent. You can take this book with you anywhere.

### Lenten Rules

**FASTING:** On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those that are 18-59 are allowed only one full meal. Two smaller meals are allowed as needed, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

**ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT:** Those who are 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

### Rice Bowl Operation

You may make a one time offering to the Rice Bowl Operation either online at [StPatsC.WeShareOnline.org](http://StPatsC.WeShareOnline.org) or by saving throughout Lent and putting it in an envelope and marking it for Rice Bowl Operation.

## Youth Ministry

### YOUTH GROUP INFO

**ISPY (aka High School Youth Group)** meets each Wednesday in the Zaga from 7:30-9pm. We have a great group of kids coming and each week we play some games, snack, support, laugh, share and dig a little deeper into the faith. It's an open, accepting group and we'd love to see YOU!

### Mark Your Calendars!

Vacation Bible School is returning June 11-15! This year's theme is Sonrise National Park and it's better than ever! Registration will begin in April.

### Children's Liturgy

This ministry is for youngsters age 4 years old—1st grade. They are dismissed at the beginning of Liturgy of the Word and return to Mass during Liturgy of the Eucharist.

**Mar 4:** (L) K Terrell (H) B Clark, Y Koch, A Hicks

**Mar 11:** NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY—SPRING BREAK!

The 3rd-5th grade Children's Liturgy program is growing by leaps and bounds! More and more youth are joining Lisa Henkhaus as she takes them to the Zaga and talks about the Gospel. Because of the growth, we are in need of adults to help supervise the kids during this Liturgy. If you can help even one Sunday, that would be great! During Lent, Lisa would like to offer this each week. Please contact Shelly Conlon, [shelly@stpatsic.com](mailto:shelly@stpatsic.com) if you can assist us with this ministry!

### Noah's Nursery (Birth-3 years of age)

**Mar 4:** H Feller, R Hoffman, A Stumpf

**Mar 11:**

### FIRST COMMUNION INFORMATION:

Class is held today from 10-11:15am in the Social Hall. The next class will be Sunday, Mar. 4th. First Communion will be held at 10am Mass on Sunday, April 29th.

Please pray for the 41 youth preparing to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist!

### CONFIRMATION

**Group A** meets again on Wednesday, Mar. 21.

**Group B** meets again on Wednesday, Mar. 28.

### Jr. Hi Youth Rally

Are you a 6th, 7th, or 8th grader? The Jr. High Youth Rally is Sunday, Mar. 25th at Regina High School right here in Iowa City. This is an amazing opportunity to dig a little deeper in your faith while hanging out with your friends! Our own high school youth group leaders will be leading some AWESOME breakouts. Come check it out! Registration forms are in the Narthex, on our website or contact Shelly Conlon, [shelly@stpatsic.com](mailto:shelly@stpatsic.com)

### A BIG Round of Applause and Many Thanks!

The Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast fundraiser was a HUGE success! Thanks to the parish families who supported us so generously by joining us for breakfast and celebrating the last hurrah before Lent begins! Youth Ministry received \$1,200 to fund group activities!

Many thanks to the youth and parents who participated in set-up, preparing food, serving, and clean-up activities in order to make this a successful event. *Shelly Conlon*

## What's Happening

### Awakening Faith Sessions—Join us!

Our Lenten series of reflection sessions began on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd with groups meeting at 9:30-11am or at 6:30-8pm in the Parlor. Please feel free to join us here at St. Patrick or attend any of the city-wide groups whose time is most convenient for you! Information on the kios.



### Regina Presents... "The Music Man"

The Regina HS Drama Department will present this famous musical at the new & exciting Coralville Center for the Performing Arts! **Join us at 7pm on**

**Thursday-Saturday, March 1-3 and 2pm on Sunday, Mar. 4.**

This year's show features a great set, full pit orchestra, professional costuming, and amazingly talented Regina elementary, junior high, and high school students! Tickets are \$15.00 plus tax for premium seating, \$10.00 plus tax for adults and \$7.00 plus tax for students (must present a student ID) and seniors (ages 55+). Tickets are available at the Coralville Center for the Performing Arts box office (319-248-9370) and online at <http://www.coralvillearts.org> (a small fee applies to tickets purchased online).

### The Force of Fidelity: Men's Conference

Members of KC Councils #14385 & #14481 are coordinating the one-day event on Saturday, Mar. 24, at St. Patrick Church. The Lenten conference features speakers Fr. Troy Richmond and Fr. Michael Phillips, with Michael Cumbie as guest speaker. Father Rudy Juárez is emcee of the retreat which begins at 7am with Mass and Bishop Amos. More information on bulletin board!

### Dental Ministry

A local mission group is looking for dentists to join them in their annual medical mission trip to help the rural poor of El Salvador. The date is set for March 24-30th. For more information contact Tony Bedard at 319.361.8671 or email him: [tony.bedard@frontiercoop.com](mailto:tony.bedard@frontiercoop.com)

### Our Sincere Sympathy

Please pray for the families of **William "Bill" Byers** and **Margaret Pacha**, whose funerals were last week. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

### Regina Lenten Fish Frys

Every Friday through March 30th at the Regina Cafeteria. (No food served on Good Friday!). Serving delicious meals for \$10: Fresh catfish and butterflied shrimp, baked cod and grilled salmon with all the sides of baked potato, coleslaw, applesauce, beets, roll/butter, pudding, milk & coffee from 5-8pm. Kids' Meals of cheese pizza or mac 'n cheese plus French fries for \$6. Carry-out available—call 338-5436!

### 2011 Tax Statements available by Email!

If you would like to receive your 2011 tax statement by email, please contact me at [lila@stpatsic.com](mailto:lila@stpatsic.com). THANK YOU!

### Marriage Preparation Weekends:

**April 28-29:** Williamsburg, St. Mary  
**August 11-12:** Mt. Pleasant, St. Alphonsus

Registration is \$125/couple and the form is located at:  
[www.davenportdiocese.org](http://www.davenportdiocese.org) (Faith Formation Office > Marriage Preparation)

## What's Happening

### RCIA: Rite of Sending/Election

This Sunday we celebrate the Rite of Sending, formally asking the Church of Davenport to accept our catechumens as member of the Elect—those chosen by God for baptism—and to pray for our candidates' continued growth in the Spirit. We will then journey to Davenport to celebrate the Rite of Election (of the catechumens) and the Rite of Recognition (of the candidates) with our Bishop.

### GET YOUR GREEN TICKET TODAY!

This year you'll need a **FREE** Green Ticket to attend the annual St. Patrick Party. They are available in the office and after Masses on Mar 3/4 and Mar 9/10.

**Mark your calendars** to attend our annual parish party on SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH! After 4:30 Mass you can follow the shamrocks and St. Patrick himself to the social hall and enjoy your delicious potluck food along with corned beef/cabbage (of course!). Drinks and table service provided. Win a pot o'gold or be nominate you or someone you love to be chosen as Irish King or Queen, or Lil Leprechaun or Princess. Pot o'gold chances and nomination forms available after Masses on Mar 3/4 and Mar 9/10 in the Narthex. See you then!.



### ↓ Check out Kiosk for fun things to do!

### ↓ Internship for CCHD

Applications will be accepted until Feb. 29th. Are you Catholic? Interested in fighting poverty? Then consider being an intern for Catholic Campaign for Human Development. This is for the 2012-13 school year. Must be Catholic-Spanish speaking preferred but not necessary. Intern must be able to attend the June CCHD training. Apply at: [www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sacchdinternship.htm](http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sacchdinternship.htm). See Flyer on Kiosk and bulletin board.

### Retreats & Workshops...

Humility of Mary Center-Davenport, Benet House Retreat Center-Rock Island, IL and at Shalom Retreat Center, Dubuque offers many reflective activities. See Kiosk for details.

### 2012 Iowa Faith Formation Conference

Fr. Ronald Rolheiser will be the speaker on Saturday, April 14, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Hiawatha, 9am-3:30pm. "Living the Ups and Downs of our Faith: Dark Nights and Doubt, A failure of Faith or a Failure of Imagination?" Registration flier on Kiosk.

### Correction for Newsletter

The orange and white envelopes are for Utilities, heating, ac, etc. The Purple and white are for debt reduction on the building fund. We would like to encourage you to use these envelopes for a portion of your contributions as we are able to share in a greater percentage of those contributions.

# Stewardship

## Catholic Messenger

The *Catholic Messenger* is our diocesan newspaper which keeps us current on world events from a Catholic perspective as well as national, local and diocesan news. The parish is assessed the \$28 fee for each family. Please pay the subscription fee and keep informed!

## Daily Mass

Daily Mass is held every Tuesday-Friday in the Day Chapel at 8:30am. This is preceded by the Rosary at 8:10am and Novena on Tuesday following Mass. During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be recited on Fridays following Mass.

## Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Contact Janet Strand, 338-1863, if you wish to be placed on the schedule. We still have some hours to fill! **Sundays-8am, 9am; Mondays-11am, 3pm; Tuesdays-7am, 9am; Wednesdays-10am, 11am; Thursdays-1am, 2am, 3am, 5pm; Saturdays 1am, 2am, 2pm, and 7pm.** Thanks to those who have come forward!



## Reflections

This past summer a notebook was left in the Chapel for those to write in. We publish comments as space allows.

### August 2011

Jesus is as real here in the Holy Eucharist as when he walked on earth—as when he walked on the waters! Pray “Jesus, I believe, Help my unbelief!” Miracles happen today! If enough people believe this and how Jesus here truly helps and comforts us, the church would be overflowing. Come, Lord Jesus, help us. **..Anonymous**

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## Time, Talent and Treas\$ure

### Church Support: (February 18/19)

Envelopes.....	\$7884.00
Children.....	\$2.00
Offertory.....	\$3907.00
Additional Appeals.....	\$600.00

**Thank you for your gift of time, talent and treasure.**

**Needed each week: \$14,558.00**

### 2011 Annual Diocesan Appeal:

Assessed.....	\$88,147.00
Pledged to date.....	\$91,352.00

All pledges will be sent directly to the Diocese this year. You may still put your envelope in the collection basket and we will mail it for you. **The Diocese will mail you a tax statement for the 2011-12 pledge. It is NOT included on our statement.**

## Contribution envelopes...

The Finance Council has decided that ALL parishioners would receive contribution envelopes, even those on EFT. This is so that all parishioners could contribute to the special occasions and Holy Days. Also, by using the orange/white envelopes for Ordinary Church Repairs & AC, St Patrick's would be able to share in a greater percentage of those contributions. We would like to encourage you to use these envelopes for a portion of your contributions to help us reduce our deficit for the year.

## SCRIP

Stop by the SCRIP table after Mass to see how many local businesses participate! You may be surprised how SCRIP can help you in your daily living and in your travels! Support our parish at the same time!