



# Prince of Peace Faith Formation Newsletter

March 2022

## SAINT PATRICK MARCH 17

### CALENDAR

Date	Topic	Saint
March 2	Ash Wednesday All classes will attend Ash Services	
March 9	The Last Supper	St. Joseph
March 16	NO CLASS SPRING BREAK	
March 23	Passion and Death of Jesus	St. Patrick
March 26	First Communion Retreat For 2 <sup>nd</sup> graders 9 am – 12pm	Church basement
March 30	Stations of the Cross Parents are welcome to join	St. Sebastian

PATRICK WAS BORN TO A ROMAN FAMILY IN BRITAIN. WHEN HE WAS STILL YOUNG HE WAS KIDNAPPED AND TAKEN TO IRELAND.

HE WAS SOLD AS A SLAVE. WHILE LOOKING AFTER ANIMALS IN THE FIELDS HE HAD PLENTY OF TIME TO PRAY.  
Our Father who art in Heaven...

AFTER SEVERAL YEARS HE ESCAPED AND WENT BACK TO ENGLAND.  
Thank God!

HE STUDIED, BECAME A PRIEST, AND THEN WAS MADE A BISHOP.

THEN HE RETURNED TO IRELAND.  
And thank God again!

HE TAUGHT THE PEOPLE OF IRELAND, WHO WERE ALL PAGANS, ABOUT GOD.  
The shamrock is like the one God in three persons.

Have you tried to poison him yet?

THE PAGAN LEADERS WHO DID NOT WANT PATRICK TO TEACH ABOUT GOD TRIED TO GET RID OF HIM BUT HE STAYED.

SAINT PATRICK DIED IN IRELAND IN 461. BY THE TIME HE DIED ALMOST ALL OF IRELAND HAD CONVERTED TO CHRISTIANITY. SOON MISSIONARIES WERE GOING OUT FROM IRELAND TO BRING THE FAITH TO PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD! PRAY THAT YOU WILL LOVE GOD AND BE ZEALOUS LIKE SAINT PATRICK!

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### Words to Know

**Transubstantiation** – the changing of bread and wine into the body and blood of Jesus. He is wholly present (Body, blood, soul, and divinity) in the Host and chalice

**Consecration** – the most importance part of the Mass. The changing of the bread and wine into the body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ through the actions and words of the priest.

**Sacrifice** – to completely give up something we would rather keep for the love of God or neighbor

**Eucharist** – one of the seven sacraments, instituted by Christ at the Last Supper. The true Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ under the appearance of bread and wine.

**Redeem** – to buy back; to buy someone their freedom. In this case Jesus redeemed us from sin and bought our freedom to gain eternal life in Heaven.

### History of the Stations of the Cross

The Way of the Cross has its origins with the Blessed Mother. It is said that she, who pondered all the mysteries of Christ in her heart, retraced the steps of her Son's Passion and the significant events that happened along the way, keeping in her memory, and for the memory of the Church, the sacred path on which the Son of God trod to accomplish our redemption.

Later in her life, when she was no longer living near Jerusalem, it is said that Mary continued this devotional practice by creating a similar outdoor path near her home with stone markers, along which she would walk, pray, and meditate on those things that happened to her Son on his Sorrowful Way.

For centuries, pilgrims to the Holy Land have walked the steps of Our Lord's Passion in Jerusalem, with "stops" along the way to pray and venerate near the places where a significant event is believed to have occurred.


This devotional walk, known as the Stations of the Cross, became one of the most popular and useful ways for the devout to meditate on Christ's Passion.

### Prayer of the Month

*Please recite daily with your children!*

#### Hail Holy Queen

Hail, Holy Queen, mother of mercy our life our sweetness and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, your eyes and mercy toward us; after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. Pray for us, O holy mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen



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# Totus Tuus

Register your students here: 

[www.gidiocese.org/totus-tuus](http://www.gidiocese.org/totus-tuus)

Coming to our Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

The poster features several photos of children and adults smiling, a group of children in a field, and the Totus Tuus logo which depicts a blue figure on a white horse in front of a yellow dome. A yellow arrow points to the QR code.



**WE ARE EXCITED TO HAVE TOTUS TUUS HERE AT PRINCE OF PEACE THE WEEK OF JUNE 19-24**

Please plan to join us this summer for a fun and energetic week. College students and seminarians come to us in a team of four to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to students currently in grades 1-12. Each day is full of learning, prayer, music, games, and fun!

Registration opens April 1, 2022. Please be watching for more information.