

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



Mass Schedule

Saturday vigil-- 5:00 p.m.

Sunday — 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Holy Days — 6:00 p.m.

Confessions

4:00 p.m. Saturday,
and before all Masses
Tuesdays 6-7 p.m.

Pastor
Rev. Christopher Liguori

Parochial Vicar
Rev. Joseph Kuhlman

Permanent Deacon
Deacon David Belanger

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The Epiphany Of The Lord ~ January 4, 2026

Marian pilgrim statue

Our travel size statue of Mary is available for individuals or families to take home for a week– and to pray for our parish, our nation, for peace, and to receive the graces of having the statue in your home. Please see Father Liguori for the calendar for availability.

Epiphany Blessing

The Church has a custom of blessing homes (as well as proclaiming the date of Easter) on the Feast of the Epiphany and the week following. Family and friends gather to ask God's blessing on their homes and those who live in or visit the home. It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrows.

One way of doing this is to use chalk blessed during the Epiphany liturgy and write above the home's entryway, 20 + C + M + B + 26 The letters C, M, B have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross and 2025 is the year.

Instructions for Blessing the Home

Using the blessed chalk mark the lintel of your front door (or front porch step) as follows:

20 + C + M + B + 26 while saying:

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and fifteen years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.

Then offer the following prayer:

Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and for ever. Amen.

"Chalking the door" is a way to celebrate and physically mark the occasion of the Epiphany and God's blessing of our lives and home. With time the chalk will fade. It is a reminder to let the meaning of the written symbols sink into the depths of our heart and be manifest in our words and actions.

How does our parish attract inquirers each year who consider becoming Catholic?

The short answer is you! When any parish has many inquirers year after year, it is the fruit of the Holy Spirit as parish members open their hearts to welcome others. Members of a welcoming and evangelizing community take seriously their call to share the Divine message of salvation. It happens in parish families, in the workplace, in gatherings with friends and neighbors, and in daily contacts. Give thanks to God as he continuously strengthens each of us who seek to do his will in offering a gentle, humble, and clear welcome to the Catholic faith. "*Go out into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.*" (Mark 16:15)

The Blessed Sacrament is Exposed every Tuesday evening from 6-7pm for your quiet prayer time. Confessions available.

Visit FROMED.org to watch videos, read articles about the Catholic faith. The parish has a subscription. Parish code: 86a4eb


To enroll in online giving, go to our website: <http://www.stpatrickjacksonville.org>
Click on "Church" then, Click on "Online giving" in the upper right-hand corner.



Website



Online Giving

 **Sacrificial Giving – December 20-21.**
 Offertory \$ 7,912.25
 Online Giving \$ 2,880.67
Monthly loan payment: \$24,983.51
Remember St Patrick In Your Will

Today, on this celebration of the Epiphany of our Lord, a common theme emerges in the Scripture passages from Isaiah, St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, and St. Matthew's Gospel. Jesus, our Lord and Savior, through the Church, welcomes all people to the faith — not just a few chosen ones. In a spirit of evangelization and hospitality, do we invite and welcome any and all who seek faith in Christ's truth? Do we ourselves discover this truth through Eucharistic worship, evangelization, OCIA, and faith formation programs, including Bible studies, to learn of God's abundant gifts?

Come Join the St Patrick's Council of Catholic Women after the 10 am mass this Sunday for their Epiphany program in the Parish Hall, as we celebrate the visit of the Magi to the baby Jesus



Saint John Neumann
PRAY FOR US

Feast Day January 5
Father of the American Parochial School System



January 4th - The Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton commemorates her as the first native-born U.S. Saint and foundress of the American Sisters of Charity. Her life is celebrated for her work in establishing the first Catholic school in the United States, caring for the poor, and her spiritual journey from Episcopalianism to Catholicism after being widowed. She is honored through prayers, reflection, and acts of service to the poor, especially those who are homeless.

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www.stpatrickjacksonville.org/church/

Parish Ministries - Organization Contact Information

Baptism - CCD - Religious Education Classes

Cathy Taylor, DRE - cataylor@addressplus.net
 Religious Ed Class Sundays 11:15 am to 12:15 pm

Bible Study

Tuesdays 7 PM Parish Hall
 Gerald Lamb - apologistforlife@gmail.com

CCW - Council of Catholic Women

Yolonda Rivera - villalba0459@aol.com
 First Sundays Sept - June 1 pm/Rosary 1:30 pm/Meeting

Divine Mercy Cenacle

Tuesdays 10:30 - Noon Irene Haywood - 904 307-3997

Fidelis / Fraternus

Wednesdays 6:15 to 8:15 pm
info@fidelisstppatrick.com - fraternusstppatrick@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Council 5407

www.kofc5407.org 1st Thursday Parish Hall 7PM
contactus@kofc5407.org or join@kofc5407.org

Legion Of Mary

Fridays after 8 AM mass
 Contact Dorathy doraegbule@gmail.com (240) 919-1255

Moms Group

Emily Peterson - stpatrickmoms@gmail.com

Order of Christian Initiation Of Adults (OCIA)

Deacon David Belanger - david1625@yahoo.com 904 763-3340

Respect Life

Helen Schultz - hschultz63@icloud.com

Young at Hearts

Becky Morris 904 480-2892 rebecca.morris.st.pat.w.c@gmail.com

01/03/26 Saturday

10 AM Father Christopher Liguori
 By Terri Johnson
 5 PM ✠ Jerry McDonald Sr - Deceased
 By Terri Johnson

01/04/26 Sunday

8 AM Pro Populo
 10 AM ✠ Jose L Sanchez Soto - Deceased
 By Jose & Iris Sanchez

01/05/26 Monday

8 AM Father Joseph Kuhlman
 By Terri Johnson

01/06/26 Tuesday

8 AM Sharon Frazier
 By Virgil Brenner

01/07/26 Wednesday

8 AM Russell Ingram
 By Julie Ingram

01/09/26 Friday

8 AM Nicholas Jones
 By Russell & Julie Ingram



Blessed Sacrament Altar Candles

In Memory of Bob Linton by Della Linton
Dedicated January 1 - June 30

Weekly Red Sanctuary Candle

To reserve please contact Robert at the church office
rwillie@spcsjax.org Suggested donation \$20 weekly



Mass Intentions: Suggested Donation is \$10 per mass. Mass Intention forms may be found on the church lobby literature board or at www.stpatrickjacksonville.org/church/contact/forms/. **PLEASE DO NOT PAY ONLINE** until you have confirmation your mass is scheduled. Contact Robert in the church office, (904) 768-2593, Ext. 104 or rwillie@spcsjax.org. Requests will be scheduled in the order they are received.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Call Father Liguori if someone is seriously ill or in danger of death. (904) 768-2593 Ext. 101

Sacrament of Marriage Contact a priest at least 8-12 months in advance before you arrange your wedding date.

Sacrament of Baptism Parents are expected to attend a Baptism preparation class. To schedule a Baptism preparation class contact Cathy Taylor, email: cataylor@addressplus.net For further information or to schedule a Baptism date, Contact Robert in the parish office: (904) 768-2593 Ext 104, email rwillie@spcsjax.org

The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner. To Report Abuse, call the police or the Department of Children and Families at (800) 962-2873. or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 208-6979 or email inquiries@dosaf.com. To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org