

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Mass 6:30 p.m.

(Rosary 6:10 p.m.)

Adoration/Confessions

7:10 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Benediction 8:00 p.m.

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BAPTISM

Please call the parish office three months prior to your child's baptismal date to schedule pre-baptismal instructions.

MATRIMONY

Please contact the Parish House at least six months in advance to schedule your wedding preparation and celebration.

March 22, 2026
Fifth Sunday in Lent

Mass Intention is for Joan McClintock



A Lenten Pause That Refreshes Your Spirit

Lent is more than half over. We encourage you to pause and consider one way in which you might respond to Jesus' infinite Love, poured out on the Way of the Cross. Our beautiful 6th Station tells a story. A holy woman, named Veronica, meets Jesus on the Way of the Cross. His face is caked with blood and sweat. She notices his extreme pain. And immediately responds – in love. Veronica uses her own veil to gently wipe the wounded face of Jesus. In the midst of violence and hatred, she steps out - in courageous love. Jesus responds by imprinting an image of His Holy Face on her cloth. How do I respond to human suffering and need? Do I, like Veronica, step out in kindness to those whom I meet along life's way?

Prayer: O Jesus, help me to see your sacred image in others, to recognize their hurts, to stop and join them on their life's journey. Show me how to wipe their faces, serve their needs and heal their wounds. Remind me of St. Mother Teresa's "Gospel in 5 words"—*You did it to Me.*

FEASTDAY CELEBRATION

Our parish's patronal feast of St. Patrick was a memorable celebration! The beautiful, solemn Liturgy and Fr Jeff's insightful homily about what it really means to be a Catholic Parish, started the day off right. The chili cook-off featured 12 delicious entries and a wonderful variety of desserts, while the children's shamrock coloring contest offered fun and gift certificates to Kewpee for winners, Jameson, Michael and Jillian Goeke. A heartfelt "Thank You" to Erica Aller and her many generous helpers for decorating, cooking, serving, setting-up and cleaning-up the basement. ***Congratulations*** to Amy Kahle, this year's first place cook-off winner, and the two who tied for second place, Diane Goecke and Alan Wynn!

BEST WISHES TO OUR NEWEST PARISHIONER

Congratulations to Olivia Catherine Wynn, daughter of Alan and Marie Wynn, who will be baptized today immediately after Holy Mass. We remember the Wynns in our prayers and also Olivia's godparents Nathan Heitkamp and Jamie Conner. We support them in their sacred responsibility of raising our newly Baptized, Olivia Catherine, as a faithful member of the Catholic Church.

PRAYER LABS FOR OUR THREE PARISHES

All sessions will take place in Landeck, St. John the Baptist Church. St. Patrick's parishioners are asked to prioritize the Saturday morning sessions at 10:00 a.m. because of our own *Soup and Stations* on Tuesdays. Each "Lab" will be offered twice each week.

Prayer Lab – Week 5: The Liturgy of the Hours with Kathleen Wreede

Tuesday, March 24 at 6pm in Landeck and Saturday, March 28 at 10am in Landeck

Prayer Lab – Week 6: The Holy Rosary with Jimmy McDermott

Tuesday, March 31 at 6 pm

**Last Weekend's Gifts
March 15, 2026**

Total Offering: \$ 1,649.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 1,357.00
 Loose Offering: \$ 148.00
 PSR: \$ 14.00
 Initial Offering: \$ 20.00
 Catholic Relief: \$ 110.00

Thank You!

Mass Intentions:

Sunday, March 22nd 10:30 am Joan McClintock
 Wednesday, March 25th 6:30 pm Garna Richeson
 Sunday, March 29th 10:30 am Gene Lenhart
 Frank Lenhart
 Margaret Lenhart Fischer
 Wednesday, April 1st 6:30 pm Bob, Rose Mary
 & Jamie Bargmann

SOUP AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Tuesday's Lenten Supper of homemade soup is at 5:00 pm. followed by Stations at 6:00 p.m. Our PSR students and teachers are leading the stations this week. Join us!

PSR Request: We are in need of tissues for our PSR class rooms. If you are able to donate a few boxes, it would be very much appreciated. They can be placed in the basket at the entrance of church. Thank you!

Landeck Forester Pulled Pork Dinner

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 3:30 – 7 pm

\$10.00 (Carry Out Only)

BBQ Pulled Pork, Baked Potato,
 Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Dinner Roll,
 Pickle and Cookie

Ministry Schedule

Fifth Sunday in Lent March 22nd ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass		Palm Sunday March 29th ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass	
Commentator	Elisha Wiss	Commentator	Bev Wisher
Reader	Scott Brown	Reader	Sharon Keeran
Communion Distributors	Alan Wynk Marie Wynk Mary Ellen Lenhart Choir: Ericka Aller	Communion Distributors	Colleen Richmond Bill Wisher Kathy Goecke Choir: Jim Bowersock
Servers	Lillee Seibert Sophia Seibert Angel Seibert	Servers	Luke Butorac Noah Stewart Cooper Bowersock
Money Counters	Dave & Jamie Butorac Ann Bonito	Money Counters	Dave & Jamie Butorac Ann Bonito
Mass Set-Up	Bill Wisher	Mass Set-Up	Don Wiechart

The Sacred Triduum of Holy Week

An Invitation to Good Friday

Dear Friends,

Good Friday. A day of suffering and death for our Lord. A day of intense prayer and penance for the Lord's followers. Though the season of Lent concluded before the celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday is also a day of fasting and abstinence. It is the only day of the year when Mass is not celebrated anywhere in the world. Actually, according to an ancient practice of the Church, the Church does not celebrate the Sacraments at all this day, except for Penance and the Anointing of the Sick. On Good Friday, the primary liturgy is the "Passion Service."

The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion unfolds in three parts: The Liturgy of the Word, The Adoration of the Holy Cross, and Holy Communion (using hosts consecrated at the Mass of the Lord's Supper the night before). The liturgy begins amidst the heaviness of silence. The Gospel of the Passion is proclaimed and solemn intercessions are offered for the Church and the World. Since the tabernacle in the Church is empty, and the altar is stripped bare, the Cross represents the presence of Christ on Good Friday. The Cross is brought into the church solemnly and venerated by everyone present—often with a kiss, sometimes with a touch, or genuflection, or a profound bow.

Those present also receive Holy Communion from hosts that were consecrated on Holy Thursday. This is a simple moment of communion with the Lord. We receive his Body in Holy Communion on the day that he offered his Body on the Cross for our salvation. Quickly, things come to an end and we are left in silence again. No closing hymn. No blessing. We are left feeling uneasy. This is a day unlike any other.

Join us for the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at **3:00 pm**. If you cannot participate in the Passion Liturgy, the Stations of the Cross are fittingly prayed, publicly or privately, on Good Friday as well. We'll offer communal Stations at **2:30 pm** in the Church, but there are guides located near the first Station for you to pray privately at any time.

While the world of Good Friday seems lost and without hope, things are about to change. Next week, we'll talk about the Mass *par excellence*: The Easter Vigil!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Jeff

Holy Week Service Schedule

Holy Thursday 7:30 (Adoration until midnight)

Good Friday Lord's Passion 3:00 p.m. Stations at 2:30

Easter Vigil 8:30 pm

Easter Sunday 10:30 am (no Landeck 5:30 pm Mass that day)