



## Our Lady of Guadalupe & St. Patrick's Parishes Spreading the Gospel on the South Side of Milwaukee

# March

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### Message from Seminarian Ryan Ackmann

Do the last 12 months seem like a blur to you? They certainly do to me. The Stay-at-Home order and other precautions of COVID-19 began two weeks into Lent last year. Nearly a year later, we have returned to the season of Lent and find our lives significantly altered, each in its own way. In some respects, the entirety of the pandemic can be considered one long Lent. We've been called to pray for the steps required to exit this pandemic, fast from social gatherings, and give of ourselves in new and various ways for the good of public health. The Church celebrates Lent each year as a reminder of the larger cycle of struggles that life brings. Lent is followed, however, by the joyful season of Easter, in which we celebrate the Resurrection and hope of eternal life. Just when hope seems the darkest, our Savior gives meaning and significance to all our worldly crosses through his Resurrection. We see signs of Easter hope emerging, and when that day comes, the Church will be there to rejoice with us, just as we rejoice with her each year on Easter Sunday.



Ryan Ackman, a seminarian of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, was assigned to Guadalupe/St Patrick's as his "teaching parishes" in June 2019. As part of his training for the priesthood, Ryan serves our community as cantor, lector, and live-streamer at masses, co-teacher of the 1st year Confirmation class, and as participant in the Young Catholic Leaders group created last year. Ryan graduated from Marquette University High School and the University of Notre Dame.

### Wednesday, March 3

#### Spiritual Formation for Adults

"The Gift of Sunday": A talk to be given in 18 different churches in the Archdiocese

[Locations](#)

### Friday, March 5

Eucharistic Adoration and 1st Friday Mass



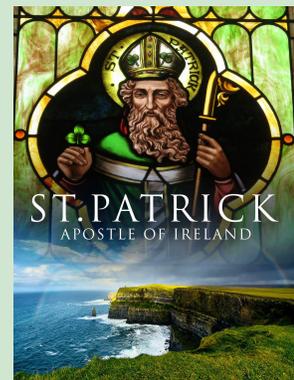
at St. Patrick's at 5 p.m.

The tradition of 1st Fridays is connected to the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to the intentions of the pope.

Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

**Wednesday, March 17**

Come celebrate the patronal feast of St. Patrick's Parish!  
Bilingual Mass at 6 p.m.



**Friday, March 19**

**The Solemnity of St. Joseph**



St Joseph is the patron saint of artisans, wood workers, fathers, and foster care parents.

Mass in Spanish at Our Lady of Guadalupe at 6 p.m.

Invite your relatives in other states and outside the U.S. to join via our live-stream available at [www.guadalupe-stpatrick.com](http://www.guadalupe-stpatrick.com)

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**Wednesday, March 24**

**Friday, March 26**

## "12 Hours of Reconciliation"



Confessions at the Basilica of St Josephat from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

## The Stations of the Cross (Via Crucis)



Traditional Lenten devotion,  
recalling the superhuman  
sacrifices which Jesus made  
for us on Good Friday  
We will alternate between English  
and Spanish from one Station  
to the next.  
7 p.m. at St. Patrick's

## Holy Week Update: No Easter Vigil this year



The Saturday Easter Vigil is intended for the initiation of catechumens (persons older than 7 who are not baptized). This year the sister parishes do not have catechumens. Therefore, the Vigil will not be held this year. Instead, an additional Spanish-speaking Mass will be added at Our Lady of Guadalupe on Easter Sunday at 10 a.m. (and on Palm Sunday as well).

## Lenten almsgiving boxes

The following three organizations will receive 50% of the total amount of our almsgiving:

**Repairers of the Breach** ([repairers.org](http://repairers.org))

Drop-in center for the homeless on the North Side

**Smile Train** ([smiletrain.org](http://smiletrain.org))

Surgeries to repair cleft palate in children

**Women's Care Center**  
([womenscarecenter.org](http://womenscarecenter.org))

Emotional and material support to pregnant women on the South and East Sides

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