

# P A L M S U N D A Y

## *Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church*

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### **KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS \***

**Meets the second Tuesday of the month**

### **ALTAR SOCIETY**

**Meets the second Monday of the month,  
September through May only**

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm**

**Sunday Masses: 8:00 am and 11:30 am**

**Sunday Mass: 9:45 am at our Mission,  
St. Patrick Catholic Church in Walters**

**Daily Masses: Monday-Saturday 7:30 am**

**Check Mass Schedule for any changes.**

### **CONFESSIONS**

**Saturday: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm**

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

**Parents should call for an appointment at  
least three months prior to the desired date  
of Baptism. Parents must be registered  
parishioners. Please call the parish office  
for more information.**

### **MARRIAGE**

**At least six months preparation time is  
required and one party must be registered  
in the parish. Please call the parish office  
to begin this preparation.**

### **THRIFT SHOP \* (580) 581-1309**

**Currently Open Mondays and Wednesdays  
Only, From 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**

### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, COURT ST. JUDE \***

**Jolene Schonchin (580) 583-7556**

**Meets the third Saturday of the month**

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY \*** **(580) 355-7837**

**Meets the first and third Tuesday of the  
month**



## Letter From Our Pastor, Fr. John Paul Lewis

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

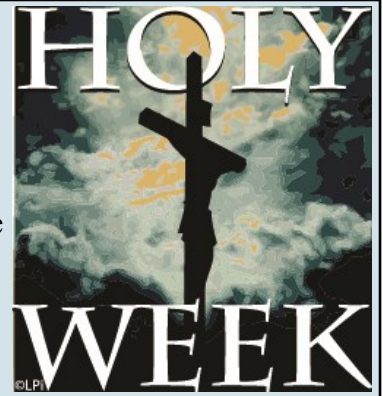
It's hard to believe that Lent is already coming to an end, and in just one short week, we will be celebrating Easter Sunday. It seems like we just began with Ash Wednesday, and in the midst of the busyness of this last month, Lent has flown by. Maybe Lent was a blessed time for you; the Lord blessed you with abundant fruit, brought you closer to him, and gave you strength to grow in holiness over the last several weeks. Perhaps that was not the case. Maybe you struggled to pray, constantly found yourself doing the things you gave up, or perhaps even fell into sin more and more as Lent dragged on. We've been in the desert, and sometimes it feels like it.

As we begin Holy Week, I just want to give you a piece of encouragement. It doesn't matter how good or bad your Lent has been, the Lord still is there, waiting to pour out his abundant grace on you. This last week of Lent is an opportunity to be drawn even more deeply into the Passion of Christ, so we can share more fully in the joy of His Resurrection. Make a little bit more time for prayer this week. Come to the church for the Triduum Liturgies on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. The liturgies this week are very intentionally meant to draw us into the events of this week, the Central Week of the Paschal Mystery of Christ.

This week is the most important of the Church's entire Liturgical Year. Let us enter into it well, so that we may be drawn by the Lord into His Passion, Death, and Resurrection in our own lives.

In Christ,

Fr. John Paul



### **HOLY THURSDAY, April 6<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 PM - St. Patrick, Walters

7:00 PM - Blessed Sacrament

### **GOOD FRIDAY, April 7<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 PM - St. Patrick, Walters

7:00 PM - Blessed Sacrament

### **EASTER VIGIL, Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 PM - 10:00 PM - Blessed Sacrament

### **EASTER SUNDAY, April 9<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 AM - Blessed Sacrament

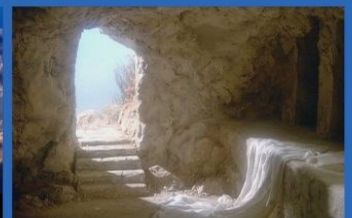
9:45 AM - St. Patrick, Walters

11:30 AM - Blessed Sacrament

## Parish Office Closed



Good Friday



Easter Monday

**April 7<sup>th</sup>**

**April 10<sup>th</sup>**



The Thrift Shop will be **closed** on **April 3<sup>rd</sup>** and **5<sup>th</sup>**, but will reopen on April 10<sup>th</sup> with their spring and summer merchandise.



Stations of the Cross are **Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm.**

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A FAMILY OF

*Faith*



Wednesday, **April 5<sup>th</sup>** is  
Parents Night. Parents meet in  
the Parish Hall and children  
meet in their classroom.

## YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group, 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade, is meeting  
on **April 5<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm  
in the St. Mary Building.

PRISON  
MINISTRY



### PRISON MINISTRIES OUTREACH

On **Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**

Blessed Sacrament Parishioners will provide a meal to  
the offenders of Lawton's Pre-Release Center. The  
meal is served at Aldersgate United Methodist Church  
at **6:00 pm**. Volunteers are needed to bring prepared  
salads, vegetables and desserts. Charles Benke at  
(580)353-5011 and leave a message if you can help.

Altar Society



The Altar Society is having a  
meeting on **April 10<sup>th</sup>** from  
6:00 pm-8:00 pm in the Parish  
Hall. All ladies in the parish  
are invited to attend.

## LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

The Story of Salvation

A free 12-week in-person Continuing Adult Faith  
Formation Parish Group Study presented online live from  
FOCUS by internationally known Scripture  
teachers Curtis Martin and Edward Sri on  
**Monday evenings 7 pm - 7:55 pm**  
**January 23 - April 10, 2023.** We will meet in the Parish  
Hall. You can also watch (or rewatch) the  
recording after each session whenever it suits your  
schedule. To watch on your own register as an  
individual at <https://focusequip.org/lentenstudy2023/>.

### JOIN FLOCKNOTE



Want to stay up to date on  
parish events: Text **Lawton** to  
**84576** to sign up for Flocknote  
and bulletins,  
updates and announcements.

## GOOD FRIDAY

SUPPORT  
CHRISTIANS  
IN THE  
HOLY LAND  
NOW

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the  
Pontifical Good Friday collection, which helps  
Christians in the Holy Land. Through the  
Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in  
solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a  
witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in  
parishes and schools, maintaining Christian  
shrines and caring for refugees. The Good Friday  
Collection has also become necessary in meeting  
the basic needs of the People of God still living in  
this Land where the Church was born.

Join with Catholics around the world in  
solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. For  
more go to [myfranciscan.org/good-friday/](http://myfranciscan.org/good-friday/).

SUPPORT

### THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION



The Catholic Relief Services Collection provides  
food to the hungry, supports displaced refugees,  
and brings Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable  
people here and abroad. This collection helps six  
Catholic agencies to provide relief and support  
for struggling communities and to work for  
peace and reconciliation among our marginal-  
ized brothers and sisters here and around the  
world. Please prayerfully consider how you can  
support the collection. Learn more about the  
collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).  
The Catholic Relief Services Collection is  
**April 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, Easter Sunday.**

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# Welcome

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US

If you are new to our parish please ask an usher for a registration form or go to [lawtoncatholic.com](http://lawtoncatholic.com) to register online.

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

**April 3** Carmen Carroll, Maria Dunkle, Caroline Franco, David Hastings, Samuel Malosh and Destin Walker

**April 4** Alyssa Bourque, Sandra Gonzales, David Madigan and Jose A. Rodriguez

**April 5** Kenneth Blaschke, John Caldwell, Julian Ibarra and Gabriella Strait

**April 6** Liliana Garcia, Kurt Lichtenstein and Piper Moors

**April 7** Larry Immenschuh, Ludolph Lorentino, Joseph Okonek and Lamarr Simington

**April 8** Asia Brisby, Nita Eveland, David Faust, Karla Weaver and Donald Wilson

**April 9** Jose Alvarez, Jacob Griner, Lauren Hickman and Vanecia Sablan

## THANK YOU

for your generosity

### Our Weekend Mass Offerings March 18 and 19, 2023

General Fund—Envelopes and Cash	\$5,708.00
Easter Flowers	\$285.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$1,804.95
General Fund Online Giving(464646)	\$2,391.54
Parish Improvement Fund Online Giving	\$198.63

Second Collection Next Week:  
Good Friday and Easter Sunday

**We want to extend our deepest thanks  
for your continued support.  
Your generous contributions  
help sustain our Parish.**

### St. Patrick Catholic Church in Walters Weekend Mass Attendance and Offerings

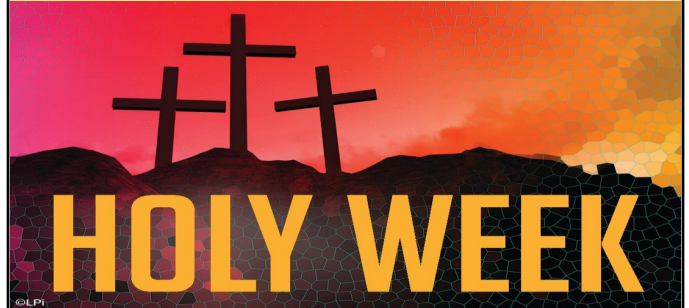
#### Sunday, March 19, 2023

Operating Fund	\$541.00
Attendance	30

APRIL 2, 2023

## WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

We are glad you are here today!



### Monday, April 3

**7:30 am—Daily Mass** (For the Intentions of Joed Morris by His Friends)

Thrift Shop is closed

7:00 pm—Lenten Bible Study in Parish Hall

### Tuesday, April 4

**7:30 am—Daily Mass** (+Albert H. Kauanui Jr.)

6:00 pm—Choir Practice

6:30 pm—St. Vincent de Paul meeting in Parish Hall

### Wednesday, April 5

**7:30 am—Daily Mass** (+Ron and +Marie Scheirer by Florence Hergenrether)

Thrift Shop is closed

6:30 pm—Family Faith Formation and Youth Group

### Thursday, April 6, Holy Thursday

**6:00 pm—St. Patrick** (For an increase in vocations to the priesthood)

**7:00 pm**—(For the deceased priests and religious of Blessed Sacrament and St. Patrick)

### Friday, April 7, Good Friday

**3:00 pm—Stations of the Cross  
Blessed Sacrament**

**6:00 pm—Good Friday Liturgy  
St. Patrick, Walters**

**7:00 pm—Good Friday Liturgy  
Blessed Sacrament**

### Saturday, April 8, Easter Vigil

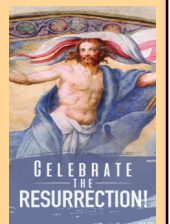
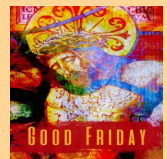
**8:30 pm—Blessed Sacrament**  
(For the Newly Received into the Church)

### Sunday, April 9, Easter Sunday

**8:00 am—Mass** (+Peggy Kauanui by Sammy Morris)

**9:45 am—Mass at St. Patrick in Walters**  
(For the People of the Parish)

**11:30 am—Bilingual Mass** (For a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence)



### Mass Attendance March 18 and 19, 2023

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm had 132 in attendance.  
Sunday Morning at 8:00 am had 141 in attendance.  
Sunday Morning at 11:30 am had 178 in attendance.  
Total Attendance 451