

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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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
Thursday after 6:30 pm Holy Hour

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March 17, 2024
Pastor, Rev. Raymond K. Ackerman
5th Sunday of Lent

The Scrutinies of the Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults Celebrated on the
3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent

Mother Church leads the Elect by means of the Scrutinies to consider start contrasts: thirst and water (the First Scrutiny with the Samaritan woman); blindness and sight (the Second Scrutiny with the Man Born Blind). The account of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead (John 11: 1-45) forms the Third and Final Scrutiny, as our Lord enters the ultimate contrast: from death, he calls forth life.

Our Lord comes to Bethany, near Jerusalem, knowing that his presence there and the miracle he works will lead soon to his own Passion and Death. St. Thomas, ever a realist, says to the others: "Let us also go, that we may die with him" (John 11:16)

The scene is filled with emotion. When Jesus, the one who came to give us life in abundance, encounters death, he is deeply disturbed and greatly troubled. For four long days, Lazarus had lain in the earth—four days, which in the Jewish understanding meant that he has decayed beyond recognition, fully overcome by the power of death. And yet, the one who proclaims to Martha "I am the resurrection and the life," is not restrained by the decay of death. "Lazarus, come out!"

At the Great Easter Vigil, the Elect will be led in spirit to the Stational Church of St. John Lateran. The baptismal font attached to the magnificent Basilica is shaped like a tomb. Through this Third Scrutiny, the Elect begin their final journey toward the font. There, they will "die with him;" there also they will embrace new life in the risen Christ. May we all, who accompany our brothers and sisters on this journey, renew our faith in the Son of God, who embraced our death, in order, by the power of his Resurrection, to bring us new and eternal life.

from: St. John Cantius Church (cantius.org)



There are no Religious
Education Classes or
Bible Study this week.



**CAMERON CATHOLICS
NEW LOCATION**

CAMERON STUDENTS PLEASE JOIN US
FOR BIBLE STUDY MONDAY NIGHTS
AT THE MCMAHON CENTENNIAL
COMPLEX (MCC) ON CAMPUS
BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M.



Frascati Society
MARCH 7TH & 21ST
MARCH 7TH: THE SONG OF
BERNADETTE (MOVIE) @ BLESSED
SACRAMENT 6-8 PM
MARCH 21ST: BLESSED SACRAMENT
6-8



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Deacon Bob Quinnett
Email: DeaconBob@lawtoncatholic.com

CAMERON CATHOLICS

Billy Gonsler Campus Minister
Email: youthdirector@lawtoncatholic.com

ALTAR SOCIETY

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

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

Meets the third Saturday of the month

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Meets the second Tuesday of the month at
6:30 in the St. Mary Cafeteria

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.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Choir rehearsals are the 1st, 3rd and 4th Tuesday
From September - May at 6:00 pm in the Church

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Director: Alicia Brierton
Email: re@lawtoncatholic.com

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Director: Alicia Brierton
Email: safe@lawtoncatholic.com

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

(580) 355-7837(Help Line)
Meets the first and third Tuesday of the
month at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall

THRIFT SHOP

(580) 581-1309
Currently Open Mondays and Wednesdays
from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

YOUTH DIRECTOR

Director: Billy Gonsler
Email: youthdirector@lawtoncatholic.com

March Special Collections

The Black and Indian Mission

The Black and Indian Mission supports various Diocesan
Communities throughout the US by helping to spread the
Good News of Jesus and responding to pressing issues
within African and Native American communities.

The Catholic Home Mission

The Catholic Home Mission supports pastoral
programs within financially challenged dioceses
and eparchies in the US in order to strengthen the
Church.

You can make a donation at
Archokc.org/special





HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY VIGIL, Saturday, March 23rd

5:00 PM Vigil - Blessed Sacrament

PALM SUNDAY, March 24th

8:00 AM - Blessed Sacrament

Begin in Marian Garden with Procession

9:45 AM - St. Patrick, Walters

11:30 AM - Blessed Sacrament

**HOLY TRIDUUM/EASTER
HOLY THURSDAY, March 28th**

6:00 PM - St. Patrick, Walters

7:00 PM - Blessed Sacrament

GOOD FRIDAY, March 29th

6:00 PM - St. Patrick, Walters

7:00 PM - Blessed Sacrament

EASTER VIGIL, Saturday, March 30th

8:30 PM - Blessed Sacrament

EASTER SUNDAY, March 31st

8:00 AM - Blessed Sacrament

9:45 AM - St. Patrick, Walters

11:30 AM - Blessed Sacrament

*Pancake
Breakfast*



The Knights of Columbus are having their monthly Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, **March 17th from 9:00 am until 11:00 am** in the St. Mary's Cafeteria.

The menu includes pancakes, bacon, sausage, French toast, breakfast burritos, eggs, hashbrown, biscuits, gravy, Tang and coffee. Everyone is invited. Cost is a donation.



St. Patrick Catholic Church,
Walters
**Seder Meal—March 26th
at 6:00 pm**

St. Patrick parishioners are hosting a Seder Meal for \$10.00 per family for specialty Seder foods. Participants are also asked to bring a dish to share. For more information call Mary Ann at 580-875-3720.

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

For information please contact

Deacon Bob (580) 583-0271, deaconbob@lawtoncatholic.com

Come join us at 3 PM on Sunday in the Parish Hall.



Blessed Sacrament has Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent. They begin at 6:00 pm.



MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Calling all men! Start your day with prayer. The Men's Prayer Group meets every Saturday morning from 8:00 am until 9:00 am in the St. Mary Building, enter through the cafeteria entrance.

The prayer group is for men of all ages who want to deepen their relationship with God. God invites us into a relationship with

Him that is both personal and communal. He speaks to us through His Son, Jesus Christ, the Word-made-flesh. All are welcome. No RSVP necessary. Come when you can and invite a friend, your father, uncle, cousin or neighbor.

25¢

The Thrift Shop 25¢

The Thrift Shop 25¢ Sale begins on Saturday, March 16th at 8:00 am until 3:00 pm. The sale continues March 18th and 20th from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.



Catholic Daughters of the Americas meeting is March 16th at 10:00 am in Blessed Sacrament's Parish Hall.

For information contact Jolene Schonchin at 580-583-2649.



Rosary...Join in praying the rosary, every Wednesday, at 6:30 pm in the church. Rosario...Todos están invitados a rezar el rosario, cada miércoles a las 6:30 pm en la iglesia.

JOIN FLOCKNOTE

Join our online messaging. Text **Lawton** to **84576** to sign up for Flocknote and keep informed with bulletins, announcements, volunteer opportunities and upcoming events.



If you would like to make contributions online, simply scan this QR Code with your smartphone camera. This code will take you directly to our contribution website. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



"Save Time and Donate Online!"

WeShare is an easy and convenient way to save time and support our church. If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit www.lawtoncatholic.com and click the "Give Now" tab.

WELCOME

Welcome, we are glad you are here today!
If you are new to our parish, please ask
an usher for a registration form or go to
lawtoncatholic.com to register online.

March BIRTHDAYS

March 18 Enrique Hernandez, Gabrielle Hollis
and Valerie Rivera

March 19 Jacob Arrington, Sandra Brisby,
Emily Ferrero, Elena Galaviz, Maria Luevano,
Chi Pham and Catherine Scotto

March 20 Isabella Fertig, Karina Galaviz,
Sylvia Immenschuh, Michael Morris and
Ramiro Murillo

March 21 Michael Gonzalez,
Alexander Levinson and Raul Mendez

March 22 Paola Gonzalez-Peña, Beth Huffer,
Charity Polichetti and Peter Skulski

March 23 Joanne Heggen and Clifford Vigil

March 24 Reimer Ong, Lydia Palma,
Patrika Renschen and Trevin Shelton

Thank You!

Our Weekend Mass Offerings March 2 and 3, 2024

General Fund—Envelopes and Cash	\$6,271.25
Parish Improvement Fund	\$2,487.86
Easter Flowers	\$1,136.00
General Fund Online Giving(464646)	\$1,735.21
Parish Improvement Fund Online Giving	\$37.85

No Special Collection Next Week.

Next Special Collections:

Holy Thursday, Good Friday (Holy Land),
Easter Sunday (Catholic Relief Services)

**With grateful hearts, we thank you for your
generosity, as it helps sustain our parish.**

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

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Operating Fund \$1,275.00

Building Fund \$100.00

Attendance 35

Thank You!

MARCH 17, 2024 WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH



Monday, March 18

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Lolita F. Bamba by Her Family)

10:00 am—Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

7:00 pm—Cameron Catholic at Cameron University

Tuesday, March 19

7:30 am—Daily Mass (Sarah Garcia by Keith and
Mary Smith)

6:00 pm—Choir Practice

6:00 pm—St. Vincent de Paul meeting in Parish Hall

Wednesday, March 20

7:30 am —Daily Mass (+Karl and +Gertrud Schiemer
by Rosie Arnett)

10:00 am—Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

6:15 pm—NO Religious Education and Bible Study

6:30 pm—Rosary in Church

Thursday, March 21

7:30 am—Daily Mass (Intentions of Patricia Bread by
Dean Bread)

6:00 pm—Young Adults meeting in Parish Hall

6:30 pm— Holy Hour, followed by confessions

Friday, March 22

7:30 am—Daily Mass (Intentions of Santa Dela Rosa
by the Singao Family)

6:00 pm—Stations of the Cross

6:00 pm—Cameron Catholics

Saturday, March 23

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Alfred and +Erica Schiemer by
Rosie Arnett)

3:00 pm—Confessions in the Church until 4:30 pm

5:00 pm—Vigil Mass (+Bruce Huffer by Kerry and Beth
Huffer)

Sunday, March 24

8:00 am— Mass (For the People of the Parish)

9:45 am—Mass at St. Patrick in Walters
(For the conversion of hearts)

11:30 am—Bilingual Mass

(+Herman Schiemer by Rosie Arnett)

3:00 pm—Christian Initiation of Adults in Parish Hall

Mass Attendance March 2 and 3, 2024

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm had 132 in attendance

Sunday Morning at 8:00 am had 160 in attendance

Sunday Morning at 11:30 am had 182 in attendance

Total Attendance 474