

## HOLY MASSES

at Our Lady of the Skies Chapel

Saturday, March 13 at 5:00 PM *for Members of the Catholic Guild*

Sunday, March 14 at 1:00 PM

Tuesday, March 16 at 12:15 PM

Wednesday, March 17 at 12:15 PM - Saint Patrick's Day

Thursday, March 18 at 12:15 PM

Friday, March 19 at 12:15 PM - Feast of St. Joseph - *Mass for Marie Baas*

Saturday, March 20 at 5:00 PM *In Honor of Our Lady of the Skies*

Sunday, March 21 at 1:00 PM *for James Duffy*

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the following sick:

Sue McCormick

Louise Cirillo

Lindsey Jefferies

Linda Cavello

Mike O'Sullivan

Maureen Ramazzotti

Anthony DiBenedetto

Yolan DePhillips

Maureen Devine

Walter McNally

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the following deceased:

Giovanni Quigley

Frank Davino

Lemuel Hadley

Linda Brown

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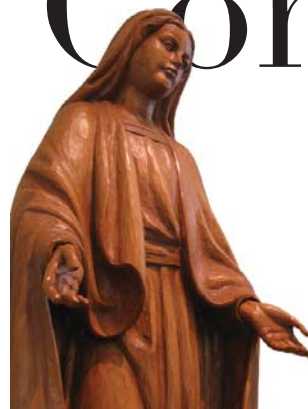
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MARCH 14, 2010 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 17:

## Saint Patrick's Day



**S**T. PATRICK, Apostle of Ireland, was born at Kilpatrick, near Dumbarton, in Scotland, in the year 387; died at Saul, Downpatrick, Ireland, 17 March, 461.

Patrick was ordained a bishop, and was sent to take the Gospel to Ireland. He arrived in Ireland March 25, 433, at Slane. One legend says that he met a chieftain of one of the tribes, who tried to kill Patrick. He converted Dichu (the chieftain) after he was unable to move his arm until he became friendly to Patrick.

Patrick began preaching the Gospel throughout Ireland, converting many. He and his disciples preached and converted thousands and began building churches all over the country. Kings, their families, and entire kingdoms converted to Christianity when hearing Patrick's message.

St. Patrick is a patron of Nigeria; apostle and patron of Ireland.

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Chapel Hours  
6 AM-10 PM

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# THE word

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So to them Jesus addressed this parable:

"A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.'

So the father divided the property between them.

After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation.

When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any.

Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger.

I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers.'"

So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion.

He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.'

Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean.

The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.'

He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'"

LUKE 15:1-3, 11-32

## something to sit with before the take off

### Superior Husks

Man, the prodigal, is meant to use the hardships in the calmest life to make him turn away from futilities and struggle to reach his Father's House. But the world, with its psychologists and its sociologists and its advertising men and its "how to..." books, is continually badgering the prodigal to tarry and consider the merits of really superior husks. "Never mind about going Home," they say, "stay here and live modern; relax; get the most out of life; travel; collect annuities; enjoy electronic gadgets; have fun make friends and influence people; get degrees; manage corporations; blow a horn; put anti-smell on yourself; oil your hair; drink beer; borrow money; meet the press; get things done; increase your personal efficiency; answer the \$64,000 question." Thus is prodigal man exhorted to forget the bread of his father's table.

"GUILD NEWS", March 1958

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### St. Joseph, Husband of Mary

Joseph was the foster father of Jesus. One can say that Jesus learned how to be a man from Joseph's example. The Gospel gives little information about him, save that he lived in Nazareth, went to Bethlehem, and lived in exile in Egypt. We know that he was a just man who protected Mary from disgrace after she was found to be pregnant with Jesus. Catholic tradition describes him as dying in the arms of

Jesus and Mary.

Having a Saint Joseph's table is a Sicilian tradition, a traditional show of hospitality whereby a table is set in a way similar to a shrine with flowers, candles, and statue of Saint Joseph. Bread, pastries, and other food placed on it are blessed, and a large portion of it is given to the poor. It is a celebration that combines feasting and food for the poor.

In iconography, Saint Joseph is often pictured as a member of the Holy Family, holding Christ, the tools of his carpenter trade, or budding lily stalk or staff. Saint Joseph, represented with his son Jesus in a woodworking context, is thought to prefigure the wood of the cross and the Crucifixion of Jesus. Consider two magnificent works of art, which depict the angel telling Joseph to flee with his family. They are both called "The Dream of St. Joseph," one by George de la Tour (1640), and the other by Rembrandt.

