



St. Patrick Co-Cathedral Parish Newsletter– September 2020

Mass: Sunday 10:30am, Saturday 5:00pm, Wednesday 12:10pm
Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00pm-4:00pm

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WE CAN DO THIS TOGETHER!

Following the mandates of the Diocese and CDC guidelines, this time is an opportunity to bridge the St. Patrick faith community into the new “normal.” Complacency would make it easy to skip or fudge on guidelines. Slowing the spread of Covid falls heavily on our shoulders.

As much as none of us like following what may seem constraints on our personal freedom, each of us is tasked with the responsibility of protecting ourselves as well as each other. Following basically simple but necessary mandates can go a long way toward that goal.

We thank you for your support and understanding during this time. We are respecting the Christ in each other by practicing social distancing, wearing a mask that covers our nose and mouth as well as sanitizing our hands when coming to St. Patrick’s.

Our ushers assist in seating folks in order to maximize seating in our traditional church setting while still adhering to CDC and USCCB guidelines.

We anxiously await the time when daily positive cases in Yellowstone County are in the single digits and when we can safely ask the assembly to once again, join their voices in song. While we can’t gather together as we usually would, it is important we pray for one another and the parish during this time. Uniting in prayer even when we can’t unite in person can help build us into a stronger community of believers.

~ Father Bob and Staff

Parish Updates & Announcements:

- It is not too late to register your family for our Religious Education/ SPY program! Contact Valerie at 406-208-3642 or register online at: www.stpatrickcocathedral.org/youth-spy
- **Flocknote is a great tool for us to help keep you up to date on what is happening, and of any changes in our schedule as time goes on and circumstances change.**
- To join us on Flocknote, text **cocathedral** to **84576** or join on our website: <https://stpatrickcocathedral.flocknote.com/>
- We are excited to announce that our parish has access to Bishop Barron’s Word on Fire video content. Thanks to Flocknote, we will send you short videos with engaging questions to draw deeper into the Faith. In addition, all of our parishioners have access to the video library through Flocknote.



Opportunities to Serve and Make a Difference at St. Patrick Co-Cathedral:

Hospitality: Calling energetic, prayerful men and women to serve as ushers and greeters at our Masses. For more information call the Parish Office 259-3389.

Front Desk Reception: Position open from 8:30-12:00 pm for people persons willing to attend the front parish office desk (i.e. answering phone calls, admitting guests etc.). Call the Parish Office at 259-3389, if interested.

Some day we will look back on this moment and it will forever remind us to never take the little things for granted. It will remind us to hug with all our hearts, to pause to appreciate holding someone’s hand, and to live in the moments that we are surrounded by others.

Laura Jones

