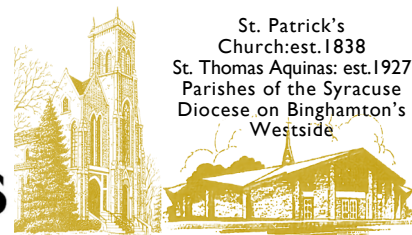


The Linked
Roman Catholic
Communities of

St. Patrick's & St. Thomas Aquinas



Easter Sunday

March 31, 2024



Alleluia!

"He is not here;
He has risen,
just as He said." Matthew 28:6

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

4:00pm St. Thomas Aquinas
5:15pm St. Patrick's

Sunday

9:00am St. Patrick's
11:00am St. Thomas Aquinas
4:00pm St. Patrick's

Mon-Fri

7:00am St. Patrick's
10:00am St. Thomas Aquinas

Saturday Morning

8:00am St. Patrick's

Adoration Chapel at St. Patrick's

Mon-Sun 7:30am-9:00pm

Please contact Parish office to register.

Open Church at St. Thomas Aquinas

Thursdays 10:30am-5:15pm, between masses

Reconciliation

Saturdays 11:30am St. Patrick's
3:00pm St. Thomas Aquinas

Other times by appointment, please call the Rectory

Daily Rosary

25 minutes before the start of mass

First Friday Devotional Prayers

First Friday devotional prayers are offered
after the 10am daily mass

First Saturday Devotions

First Saturday devotion following the
8am Mass at St. Patrick's

*Rosary, short talk, Consecration & Confessions,
with the Mount St. Francis Hermitage Friars*

More information about the St. Thomas Aquinas double jubilee Plenary Indulgence is in the bulletin, special booklet available at the church.

St. Patrick's Church | 9 Leroy St. Binghamton NY 13905 | 607-722-1060 | stpatrick@sta-sp.org
St. Thomas Aquinas | Aquinas St. Binghamton, NY 13905 | 607-797-4015 | stthomas@sta-sp.org

Visit us on the web at: www.sta-sp.org

Live-stream at: <https://www.youtube.com/@sta-sp> or search on YouTube **St. Patrick's & Thomas Aquinas, Binghamton**
10am Monday—Friday & 11am Sunday's from St. Thomas Aquinas; First Sunday of each month—4:00 pm from St. Patrick's

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES – BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

STEWARDSHIP

MARCH 31, 2024

Saturday, March 30 **Holy Saturday**

STA 10:00am Morning Prayer
STA 11:00am Easter Basket Blessing
STA 8:00pm Easter Vigil

Sunday, March 31 **Easter Sunday**

SP 9:00am For the People of St. Patrick's
STA 11:00am Parishioners of St. Thomas Aquinas
SP 4:00pm For the People of St. Patrick's

Monday, April 1

SP 7:00am Paul and Theresa Chu req. Daughter Ann
STA 10:00am Rita E. Clark req. Family

Tuesday, April 2

SP 7:00am Sandra Garufy req. Tom & Molly Kane
STA 10:00am Rose Wood req. James Rose

Bridgewater 2:00 pm

Wednesday, April 3

SP 7:00am 30 Day, Joseph Nicholas Fitzpatrick req. Family
STA 10:00am The deceased members of the Mras & Hudcovich Families req. Margaret Halan

Thursday, April 4

SP 7:00am Catherine and Robert McDevitt
STA 10:00am Kenneth & JoAnn McKenna req. Phyllis Canny

Susquehanna 2:00pm

Friday, April 5

First Friday

SP 7:00am Mary Christine Worch req. Carolyn Scoville & family
STA 10:00am Sebastian (Buster) Fiacco req. Mr. & Mrs. D.J.Lane

Saturday, April 6

First Saturday

SP 8:00am Patrick L. Ruffo req. David & Mary Ellen Nemeč
STA 4:00pm Sarah Shine req. Bob & Chris Gavazzi
SP 5:15pm Sandra Myers req. Michelle Blasch

Sunday, April 7

Divine Mercy

SP 9:00am Helen Monaco req. Tom & Molly Kane
STA 11:00am Joseph Sullivan req. Gloria & Family
SP 2:30pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour
SP 4:00pm Living Intention for Ruth and Daniel Fitzpatrick req. Andrea and Edward Niemiec

Starting April 7th we will begin initiate the offertory procession whereby where parishioners can bring up the gifts. We will reach out to families with the Mass intention. We will appreciate your willingness to serve.

Liturgical Ministries– opportunity to express love for the Holy Eucharist & Community Greeters, Ushers, Lectors, Sanctuary Helpers Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist Altar Servers, both youth and adult Music Ministry

Training provided. Please call or email the parish office with your interest. You may serve at either or both parishes.

St. Patrick's: 722-1060 or stpatrick@sta-sp.org
St. Thomas: 797-4015 or stthomas@sta-sp.org

Stewardship Thought

Alleluia! Christ is risen and is victorious over sin and death! We are good stewards of our faith if, like St. Paul, we share this good news whenever and wherever we can.

Offertory of March 17th	St. Patrick	St. Thomas
Envelopes:	\$ 3,414.00	\$ 2,736.00
Loose:	\$ 553.00	\$ 624.00
Online:	\$ 1,379.00	\$ 1,925.00
Total:	\$ 5,346.00	\$ 5,285.00

Don't forget to bring in your Rice Bowls; your Lenten almsgiving to Catholic Relief Services

Please know that you may place your envelope in whatever parish Mass you attend and it will be matched with your proper parish.

Have you considered giving your gift to your parish online? Hit the "Online Giving" button on the parish website: [Joint Parish website: www.sta-sp.org](http://www.sta-sp.org)

Mass Intention offering is \$15.00 and Sanctuary Lamp Intention suggested offering is \$5.00.

Please call or stop by the parish office to schedule.

Family Perspective

That first Easter morning was confusing. Jesus was missing and Mary Magdalene, Peter and John "did not know" what to do. In family life there are confusing moments when "we don't know" what to do. Like the apostles we are Easter people when we believe and trust in each other even when all seems lost.

Let us remember and pray for all the faithful departed who died recently, especially May their souls and the souls of all of our faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



*The sanctuary lamp at St. Patrick's burns for: **A Blessed Easter Season for All** and at St. Thomas burns for: **In Thanksgiving & Special Intentions***

O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine!

Pastoral Care is available for Homebound, Hospital and Nursing Home Visitation

Please inform the rectory if you have someone in the hospital or Nursing Home who would like a visit by our Pastoral Care Staff. Also, please let us know if you or someone you love is homebound so we can make contact. We are also happy to mail a copy of the bulletin upon request. If you would like to help, please call the parish office.

ST. PATRICK'S & ST. THOMAS CALENDAR; PCA EVENTS

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES – BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

MARCH 31, 2024

The Week Ahead

Monday, Apr 1

Parish Offices are closed

Tuesday—Friday, Apr 1-5

Outreach Ministries 10am—12:30 pm SCM Convent

Sandwich Ministry 11am—12:30pm at SP Hall (rear)

Wednesday and Friday— Apr 3 and 5

CHOW Pantry 11am—1 pm SP gym entry; closed 4/1

Wednesday, Apr 3

Wednesday Morning Bible Study 10:30am STA

Friday, Apr 5

First Friday Devotions, STA after the 10am Mass

Saturday, Apr 6

First Saturday Devotions SP beginning with the

8am Mass followed by talk, rosary and confessions

Sunday, Apr 7th Divine Mercy Sunday

Divine Mercy Holy Hour 2:30pm Holy Hour SP



Tandem Heart Devotion

First Friday Devotion- Friday, April 5 at STA
After the 10:00am Mass

First Saturday Devotion-Saturday, April 6 at SP
8am Mass then talk, Rosary & Confessions.

The devotion to the Sacred Heart is an offering of reparation for the indignities Christ suffered and continues to suffer all the while He continues to offer His Most Sacred Heart full of His love and mercy.

The Devotion to the Immaculate Heart representing Mary's continuing work of calling all and bringing them to her Son. Together they comprise the tandem hearts of love and mercy, God who is love and mercy itself and Mary, Mother of God; always leading souls to her son our Lord.



The Sacrament of Confirmation

will be celebrated Saturday, April 27th
at St. Patrick's 5:15pm Mass.

Come Holy Spirit Come!

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion

will be celebrated Sunday, May 5th
at St. Thomas Aquinas 11am Mass

**O Sacrament Most Holy,
O Sacrament Divine**

All praise & all thanksgiving be every moment Thine!



The Ordination of Joseph P Ryan & John Brusa III to the Transitional Diaconate, a step closer to priesthood

by Bishop Douglas J Lucia

10:00am Sat., May 18th St. Patrick's Church



The Divine Mercy Novena & Divine Mercy Sunday

Jesus asked that the Feast of Divine Mercy, known today as Divine Mercy Sunday, be preceded by a Novena to The Divine Mercy. A Novena, which begins on Good Friday, is nine days of prayer in preparation for a feast. In the case of the Novena to The Divine Mercy, we pray the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy each day for a specific intention. **Our Lord told St. Faustina, "I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw ... strength and refreshment and whatever grace they need in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (Diary, 1209).** Divine Mercy Sunday & Novena Pamphlets are available at church entrances. For more information please visit <https://www.shrineofdivinemeracy.org>. Divine Mercy Sunday is always the Second Sunday of the Easter Season this year, April 7th.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

2:30pm—3:30pm Sunday, April 7th
St. Patrick's Church

A beautiful hour to contemplate & honor our Lord as Divine Mercy. Join us for Adoration, readings & the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. The Vatican greatly encourages the faithful to make use of the devotion of Divine Mercy. From the USCCB, Cathedrals and parishes throughout the country are encouraged to join together in prayer and adoration seeking God's mercy for ourselves and for our nation for offenses against life, marriage, and religious liberty. The service will be live streamed and posted for later viewing and devotion.



SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES – BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

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Plenary Indulgence during time of Eucharistic Revival & Jubilee celebration of St. Thomas Aquinas

One may make pilgrimage to a church or oratory under the patronage of St. Thomas Aquinas to obtain this indulgence. By making a visit during this special double jubilee period, continuing now through January 28th 2025. One may obtain a plenary indulgence each day for their own soul or for a soul in purgatory under the three usual conditions:

Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, an offering prayers for the pope's intentions **Or** by making pilgrimage/visit to St. Thomas Aquinas church and spend a considerable amount of time in prayer concluding with the Lords Prayer, The Creed and Invocation to the Blessed Mother and St. Thomas Aquinas.

Open Church with Eucharistic Adoration available on Thursday's 10:30am—4:30pm in the side chapel at St. Thomas Aquinas.

Fisherman's Club Continues!

For college-age and young adult men who are thinking about the priesthood; FC is about fraternity among young adult Catholic men and assist them in the discernment of their vocation. The next meeting is:

Tuesday, April 9th at 6:30pm

Christ the King Retreat House in Syracuse.

Meetings begin with Mass at 6:30pm and conclude with dinner and time for fellowship and conversation and end at 8:30pm. **Contact: vocations@syrdio.org**

Prayers for Seminarians

Let us pray for vocations and our seminarians. This week especially for Joseph Ryan. He is in Theology III, and resides at St. Mary's Seminary.

Contact Fr. Jason Hage
315-470-1468
 vocations@syrdio.org



Attention All Current & Potential Volunteers:

We are dedicated to providing a safe environment for all God's children, especially vulnerable persons. All employees and regular volunteers are required to take the Safe Environment trainings. All parents are welcome and encouraged to take the training which is provided for free.

Safe Environment Recommendation:

Parents, it is best to accompany your child to public rooms, even ones in familiar locations.

Initial Training

1pm Tue, April 9th Catholic Charities, Binghamton

10am Tue, April 16th St. Francis of Assisi, Binghamton

Recertification Training

10am Sat, May 4th St. Thomas Aquinas, Binghamton

Pre-registration is a must for all sessions!

The complete schedule of training sessions and registration:

<https://syrusediocese.org/safe-environment/>

FMI: Contact Safe Environment Program 315.470.1421 or email at: safeenvironment@syrdio.org

The Mass: Structure and Meaning

Over the next several weeks we will take a special feature look at the parts of the Mass as offered by the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops); In hopes to increase our love and appreciation for the Holy Sacrifice of our Lord.

Liturgy of the Word continued...

In the celebration of the Mass, the function of proclaiming the readings is by tradition not presidential but ministerial and always from the ambo. The first and second readings by a reader, aka a lector but the Gospel by the Deacon or in absence of a Deacon another priest. If no suitable others are present then the Priest Celebrant should proclaim the Word & Gospel.



Come let us adore Him!

Adoration Chapel - Hours for the Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration Chapel are as follows: **7:30am—9pm every day of the week.**

All those who wish to come and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament should register with the parish office. Please contact St. Patrick's by phone 722-1060 / email: stpatrick@sta-sp.org.

St. Patrick's 'Prayer Chain' - St. Patrick's Prayer Chain Members would be pleased to pray for your intentions or to welcome you as a prayer warrior. Contact Patricia Glazier at muzzzyg@stny.rr.com or 607-722-6036 or call the rectory.

St. Thomas Aquinas 'Prayer Network' - We are privileged to pray for your need. To send in your prayer request or to join our prayer network, please email prayer@sta-sp.org

Please pray for the sick, for God's peace and healing touch...

Violet App, Helen Asbury, Olivia Behanick, Linda Bosch, Pam Campbell, Mary Louise Campos, Judy Chandanais, Nick Chianese, Noralynn Collins, Carol Ann Conrad, Ellen Cook, Susan Corner, Daniel Correll, Jacob Devries, Dc. Les Distin, Julia Dwyer, Samuel Edwards, Trish Ervay, Maria Evans, Patrick Fallin, Anita Finch, Karen Flynn, Eugenia Margarita Cubillan Florez, Brian Ford, Michele Gibling, Matt Grasgruber, Caroline Hall, Pat Harnan, Fisher Harris, Debbie Hogan, Sharon Jakowski, Xavier Lake, James Lee, Tim Leonard, Peter M. Jared Mace, Christina McBrayer, Christine McCane-Gonyean, Michael McCormick, Ted McKenna, Hedy Martin, Stephanie Merenda, Donna Mooney, Goretti Mugambwa, Joseph Munson, Boniface Owino, Carolyn Pappas, Connor Peck, Kathleen Powers, Jeanette Raffa, Gabriele Reo, Lois Rutter, Jan Schiavone, Harry Silberberg, Teresa Slavetsky, Sally Starkweather, Sara Marie, Margaret Steinmetz, Logan Stirr, Terry Telfer, Elizabeth Vannoy, Dina Velasquez, Dr. Dan Walsh, Matt Walsh, Jennifer Wasser, Patrick Weathersby, Yutain Jack Wang, Joe & Betty Zdimal.

New names are bolded when added to the list.

To add or remove a person's name, please call the parish office. Names will be listed for 30 days.

FAITH FORMATION ~ A LIFE LONG JOURNEY

ST. PATRICK'S & ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES -BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

MARCH 31, 2024

Looking at the Faith Formation calendar...

All classes are from 10:10am – 11:10am; @ SP school with early dismissal for 11am Mass attendees

March- Month of St. Joseph

31st No Classes **Peace and Easter blessings!**

April- Month of the Holy Eucharist

7th FF Classes **Divine Mercy Sunday**

14th FF Classes

21st FF Classes

28th FF Classes

Don't forget CYO Open Gym after classes on the Sunday's with faith formation classes!

The Parents Café

Offering assortment of coffee, teas and hot chocolate. Open during the faith formation class times. Corner room just inside the faith formation office. All parents and guardians are welcome!

Formation for Ministry Online Program Information Session

Sunday, April 21st 1pm

St. Vincent Blessed Sacrament in Vestal

"Lay persons who devote themselves permanently or temporarily to some special service of the Church are obliged to acquire the appropriate formation which is required to fulfill their function properly...Inadequate and faulty formation harms rather than helps the mission of the Church." (Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord, pp. 33, 34).

Our baptism calls us to serve others in the Church and the Formation for Ministry Program prepares candidates to hear, discern and accept that call. The two-year Formation for Ministry program prepares adults of mature faith to assist pastors to serve the needs of the church. It also serves as the first two years of preparation for the permanent diaconate.

The Formation for Ministry program provides education, ministerial training, field experience, and spiritual preparation for adult Catholics leading to certification and commissioning by the diocesan bishop in a specialized area of ministry. The program prepares candidates to assist pastors to serve the needs of a parish or pastoral care area. The program also serves as the first two years of deacon formation. Formation for Ministry also offers learning opportunities for adult Catholics who seek to learn more about their faith for their own personal enrichment.

FMI about Adult Faith Formation, call the FFM office 315.470.1479 or formationforministrysy.org

ALL 7, 8, & 9TH GRADERS ARE INVITED TO

AREA WIDE TEEN GATHERING

EVENT LOCATION:
OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
701 W. MAIN ST.
ENDICOTT, NY

JESUS SAID: "I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD. A GOOD SHEPHERD LAYS DOWN HIS LIFE FOR THE SHEEP". JOHN 10: 11

SPEAKER
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FAITH ACTIVITIES
LIFETEEN MASS

APRIL 21, 2024
1 - 5 P.M.

REGISTER BY 4.15.2024

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FOR INFORMATION CONTACT YOUR PARISH CATECHETICAL LEADER

CSBC
Catholic Schools of Broome County

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
607-231-4149

OR VISIT
www.csbscsaints.org

You Belong Here

Designer Purse Bingo Thursday, April 25th Fundraiser to benefit the SCC Senior Class

Advance admission \$40 pp or \$50 pp at the door.
Doors open 5:30pm; Bingo held in Seton Cafeteria.

Admission includes 10 Games of Bingo to Win a Variety of Designer Purses & Door Prizes, beverages will be provided. There will be a Bake Sale as well as 50/50 Raffle. Bring your own bingo dauber. For advance purchase visit <https://csbscsaints.org/bingo/> by April 21st. All are welcome.

Please call the parish office with your Sacramental needs:

Baptisms: Parents should inform the parish of the birth of the child and to make arrangement for Baptism. Through the gift of our Baptism we begin to live a new life with God by becoming members of the Church, the Body of Christ.

RCIA or RCIC: Interested in becoming Catholic? Interested in having your children make their Sacraments? For inquiries regarding Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or for Children, please call the parish office.

Marriage: Couples should call the parish secretary at least six months in advance. The celebration of marriage is also a liturgical act, appropriately held in a public liturgy at church. Catholics are urged to celebrate their marriage within the Eucharistic Liturgy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. PATRICK'S & ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISHES, BINGHAMTON, NY

MARCH 31, 2024

In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer. The Holy Father encourages us to highlight the importance of both communal and individual prayer this year.



Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with .

May the grace of the jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Project Rachel Ministry - Post-abortion Healing Day of Hope & Healing for Women, April 20th

Do you carry an abortion (or maybe more than one) deep in your heart? Do you feel that God could never forgive you? Do you feel you can't forgive yourself? Join us for a Day of Hope and Healing on Saturday April 20th, hosted by Project Rachel Ministry. For more information or to register, Contact **Project Rachel** at **855-364-0076** or hopeandhealing@syrdio.org. All calls and emails are confidential.

Broome County Catholic Charities needed items:

Kid friendly items for weekend food bags: small fruit, jello, pudding cups, cereals, juices, cheese and crackers, mac and cheeses, pasta meals. Personal care items: sample/travel/hotel size shampoo and body wash for unhoused people, any personal care items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, feminine hygiene, soap. Infant formula, including Enfamil Gentlease Diapers, especially size 7; Other: can openers...

Are you hurting in your marriage?

If your marriage has grown cold and distant; if you are thinking of separation or divorce, or if you are already separated or divorced but want to try again, then the Retrouvaille Program can help you. For more information call: 1-800-470-2230 or visit <http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org>

The Binghamton Ladies of Charity Scholarship will award three \$1,000 scholarships

For high school seniors who plan to pursue a service oriented career which specifically has the potential to make a difference in someone's life. The scholarship is based on academic achievement, financial need, and service to school, church, and community. See your high school guidance department for an application. **Deadline is April 17th.**

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Go to: [FORMED.org/signup](https://www.formed.org/signup)

Click: Sign up as a parishioner Enter: Zip code 13905

Select: St. Thomas Aquinas Register: Name & email

Check : E-mail & click to begin

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Hope Appeal 2023- Our parish pledges/goals:

\$32,830 of \$32,749 goal or 100.01% for SP

\$81 over goal and being returned to for SP!

\$42,828 of \$28,707 goal or 149% for STA

Every dollar above goal is returned to the parish;

\$14,121 for STA! Thank you for your gift!

LEADERSHIP & STAFF

CLERGY & RELIGIOUS

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Rev. Msgr. John P Putano

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Stephen Ogaro

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STA Rev. Paul Machira, Rev. Thomas Macauley, OP

Deacons

Rev. Mr. Les Distin, emeritus

Rev. Mr. Adeolu Ademoyo

Pastoral Associates

Sr. Mary Jane Atheino, LSOSF

Religious In Residence

SP Daughters of Divine Love

STA Little Sisters of St. Francis

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STA Kevin McKeown & Sue Roessner

Finance Council Chairs

SP John Burtis, STA Vincent Pasquale

Parish Pastoral Council Chairs

SP Sarah Campbell, STA

STAFF

Music Ministry- Organist/Musician

SP James Apicella, Andre Toussaint

STA Angel DeLap

Music Ministry- Music Directors

SP Hilary Rozek, STA Steven Nanni

Music Ministry- Cantors

SP Hilary Rozek, Kassandra Profera, Gavin Rice

STA Steven Nanni

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STA Mickey Carbo, Kathy Strong,

Joint Coordinator of Family & Children's Ministry

Peg Gaska

Faith Formation Associate

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SP Jim Foley, Jim Brown,

STA David Blaine, Alexander Wixsom

Joint Rectory Caretaker

Mary Peck

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