

TODAY

Today is Wednesday, March 31, the 90th day of 2021. There are 275 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

- In **1931**, Notre Dame college football coach Knute Rockne, 43, was killed in the crash of a TWA plane in Bazaar, Kansas.
- In **1814**, Paris was occupied by a coalition of Russian, Prussian and Austrian forces; the surrender of the French capital forced the abdication of Emperor Napoleon.
- In **1917**, the United States took formal possession of the Virgin Islands from Denmark.
- In **1933**, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Emergency Conservation Work Act, which created the Civilian Conservation Corps.
- In **1943**, "Oklahoma!" the first musical play by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II, opened on Broadway.
- In **1968**, at the conclusion of a nationally broadcast address on Vietnam, President Lyndon B. Johnson stunned listeners by declaring, "I shall not seek, and I will not accept, the nomination of my party for another term as your President."
- In **1976**, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that Karen Ann Quinlan, a young woman in a persistent vegetative state, could be disconnected from her respirator. (Quinlan, who remained unconscious, died in 1985.)
- In **1995**, Mexican-American singer Selena Quintanilla-Perez, 23, was shot to death in Corpus Christi, Texas, by the founder of her fan club, Yolanda Saldivar.
- In **2005**, Terri Schiavo, 41, died at a hospice in Pinellas Park, Florida, 13 days after her feeding tube was removed in a wrenching right-to-die court fight.
- In **2009**, Benjamin Netanyahu took office as Israel's new prime minister after the Knesset approved his government.
- In **2019**, rapper Nipsey Hussle was fatally shot outside the clothing store he had founded to help rebuild his troubled South Los Angeles neighborhood; he was 33.
- Ten years ago:** Moammar Gadhafi struck a defiant stance after two high-profile defections from his regime, saying the Western leaders who had decimated his military with airstrikes should resign immediately — not him.
- Five years ago:** A 34-year-old Illinois man fatally shot a Virginia state trooper at a busy bus terminal in Richmond before being killed by other troopers.
- One year ago:** Britain's Prince Harry and his wife Meghan officially stepped down from duties as members of the royal family.
- Today's Birthdays:** Actor William Daniels is 94. Actor Richard Chamberlain is 87. Musician Herb Alpert is 86. Actor Christopher Walken is 78. Comedian Gabe Kaplan is 77. Rock musician Mick Ralphs (Bad Company; Mott the Hoople) is 77. Former Vice President Al Gore is 74. Author David Eisenhower is 73. Actor Rhea Perlman is 73. Actor Robbie Coltrane is 71. Rock musician Angus Young (AC/DC) is 66. Actor Marc McClure is 64. Actor Ewan McGregor is 50. Actor Erica Tazel is 46. Actor Judi Shekoni is 43. Rapper Tony Yayo is 43. Actor Kate Micucci is 41. Actor Melissa Ordway is 38. Jazz musician Christian Scott is 38. Actor Jessica Szohr is 36.

— The Associated Press

LOCAL, STATE & REGION

FBI enlisted Proud Boys leader to inform on antifa, says defense attorney

Associated Press

FBI agents recruited a Proud Boys leader to provide them with information about antifa networks months before he was charged with storming the U.S. Capitol with other members of the far-right extremist group, a defense attorney says.

Proud Boys "thought leader" and organizer Joseph Biggs agreed to provide the FBI with information about anti-fascist activists in Florida and elsewhere after an agent contacted him in late July 2020 and arranged to meet at a restaurant, Biggs' lawyer, J. Daniel Hull, wrote Monday in a court filing.

The two agents who met with Biggs wanted to know what he was "seeing on the ground," Hull said. Over the next few weeks, Biggs answered an agent's follow-up questions in a series of phone calls.

"They spoke often," added Hull, who is petitioning a judge to keep Biggs out of jail pending trial.

Biggs also received "cautionary" phone calls from FBI agents and routinely spoke with local and federal law enforcement officials in Portland about rallies he was planning there in 2019 and 2020, according to Hull.

FBI Director Christopher Wray has said there was no evidence that antifa was to blame for the Jan. 6 violence. But that hasn't stopped some on the right from making the claims.

The FBI would not comment on why agents were meeting with Biggs or why the bureau was trying to solicit information about antifa through the Proud Boys.



Noah Berger; Carolyn Kaster/AP file

ABOVE: Joseph Biggs, center right in green hat, marches with members of the Proud Boys and other right-wing demonstrators during a 2019 rally he organized in Portland
LEFT: Biggs walks toward the U.S. Capitol in Washington Jan. 6 in support of then-President Donald Trump. Biggs' lawyer, J. Daniel Hull, wrote Monday in a court filing that Biggs agreed to provide the FBI with information about antifa networks in Florida and elsewhere after an agent contacted him in late July 2020.



Biggs, 37, of Ormond Beach, Florida, wouldn't be the first Proud Boys informant. The group's chairman and top leader, Enrique Tarrio, previously worked undercover and cooperated with investigators after he was accused

of fraud in 2012, court documents show.

Eric Ward, executive director of the Portland-based Western States Center, which tracks hate groups, said it was "deeply concerning" to learn that Biggs had worked with the FBI, particularly because law enforcement has "frequently maintained inappropriately close

relations with far-right groups." The Proud Boys actively promoted violence and street brawling at the rallies in Portland, he said, and Biggs "called for violence in the streets."

"Law enforcement has no credible reason for working with someone like Biggs," Ward wrote in an email.

Biggs and three other Proud Boys leaders were indicted March 10 on charges that they planned and carried out a coordinated attack on the Capitol on Jan. 6 to stop Congress from certifying President Joe Biden's electoral victory. At least 20 others in the group have been charged in federal court with offenses related to the riots out of about 350 people charged so far in the deadly riot.

The disclosures are reminiscent of an earlier collaboration between law enforcement and a right-wing group in Portland during repeated clashes between left- and right-wing demonstrators. The far-right group Patriot Prayer staged multiple rallies and marches in the liberal city, drawing out hundreds of residents to oppose its message in standoffs that sometimes ended in violence.

In 2019, Portland opened an internal investigation after more than 11,500 text messages between Patriot Prayer founder Joey Gibson and Police Lt. Jeff Niya became public. Niya was cleared in the investigation, but the episode led to training and changes in the way liaison officers communicate with groups before and during planned protests.

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Maundy-Thursdays Interactive Zoom Service April 1st - online @ 7PM contact for Zoom link	Easter Scavenger Hunt April 3rd - 11AM to 3PM outside @ church
Self-guided Labyrinth Prayer Walk April 2nd - all day outside @ church	Easter Sunday Virtual Worship Service April 4th - online @ 10AM TV @ 11AM
Online Ecumenical Good Friday Service April 2nd - online @ 7PM www.bendfp.org	Easter Drive-Thru Centsability Offering to Feed the Hungry April 4th - 12PM to 1PM church parking lot

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Holy Thursday April 1
7 pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday April 2
12:10 pm Stations of the Cross
7 pm Service

Holy Saturday April 3
8 pm Easter Vigil Service

Easter Sunday April 4
Masses: 8 and 10 in English
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St. Edward the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

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Holy Thursday, April 1
Mass of the Lord's Supper • 7:00 PM

Good Friday, April 2
Stations of the Cross • 6:30 PM
Celebration of the Lord's Passion • 7:00 PM

Easter Vigil, April 3
Mass • 8:30 PM

Easter Sunday, April 4
Mass • 9:00 & 11:00 AM

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Easter Sunday

Online worship service on YouTube (7:45am) and Facebook (9:00am)
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Easter Schedule 2021

Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish
541-536-3571

Holy Thursday, April 1
6:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Holy Redeemer Church, La Pine

Good Friday, April 2
Stations of the Cross - 12 Noon
6:00 pm Veneration of the Cross
Holy Redeemer Church, La Pine

Easter Vigil, April 3
8:00 pm Vigil Mass
Holy Trinity Church, Sunriver

11:00 pm Vigil Mass
Holy Redeemer Church, La Pine

Easter Sunday Masses, April 4
8:00 am Holy Trinity, Sunriver
10:00 am Holy Redeemer, La Pine
12:30 pm Our Lady of the Snows, Gilchrist
3:30 pm Holy Family, Christmas Valley

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2021 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday – March 28
Normal Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday – April 1
7:00 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual), 27th Street Church

Good Friday – April 2
12:00-3:00 p.m. - Devotions at the Historic Church
2:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross, 27th Street Church
7:00 p.m. - Passion of our Lord (Bilingual), 27th Street Church

Holy Saturday – April 3
8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil (Bilingual), 27th Street Church

Easter Sunday* – April 4
Masses at 27th Street Church - 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)
Mass at the Historic Church: 10:30 a.m.

*Reservations are required for ALL Easter Sunday Masses
Livestream: stfrancisbend.org (except Mass at Historic Church)

Main Church: 2450 NE 27th Street -
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Easter Worship Times
8AM - 9AM - 10:30AM - 12PM - 6PM

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