

# St. Patrick Parish

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## **EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION**

**Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday 8:00 a.m.**

**10:30 a.m.**

## **WEEKDAY MASS**

**Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 8:00 A.M.**

**BAPTISM:** Parents are asked to call the Parish Office to arrange for instructions and Baptismal date.

**MARRIAGE:** Couples planning marriage should contact the Pastor at least one year in advance. Participation in a Marriage Preparation Program is expected.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday at 4:00 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

**HOME & HOSPITAL VISITATION:** Please notify us if you know of someone who would like to receive Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick, and/or a visit.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Welcome! We hope that you will become an active part of our parish family. Please introduce yourselves after Mass or stop by the Parish Center to register.

**PRAYER REQUEST LINE:** Call with your requests.

508- 886-2206 Paula Stidsen or [PaulaStidsen@gmail.com](mailto:PaulaStidsen@gmail.com)

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Rutland, MA

## St. Patrick Stewardship Prayer

Gracious God,

We thank you for the unique gifts you have given us to foster your kingdom here on earth.

Inspire us to examine our values, always placing you at the center of our lives.

Open our hearts to realize we are blessed and called to share our gifts with others.

Help us to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent and our treasure to connect, serve and impact the world.

AMEN



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**Papal Weekly Tweets**

There is no love without works of charity.  
Service towards our brothers and sisters  
springs from heart that loves.



**Mass Intentions**

Families requesting a Mass are asked to  
bring up the gifts at the offertory. Please stop in the  
sacristy to let us know you are at Mass.

**Weekly Schedule**

**Fr. Jim Kerrigan  
Parish Center**

**Sunday  
May 20**

**Monday  
May 21**

**Tuesday  
May 22**

Scripture Study & Faith Sharing  
After 8:00 am Mass  
  
Dismas Farm  
Group A Team 2 5:30 p.m.

**Wednesday  
May 23**

**Thursday  
May 24**

**Friday  
May 25**

**Saturday  
May 26**

Food Pantry Distribution  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
Church Basement

**CONFIRMATION MEETING**

There will be a Confirmation meeting on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> after the 10:30 Mass in the lower level of the Fr. Jim Kerrigan Parish Center. Any students who have completed two years of high school religious education as well as other requirements and wish to be considered as candidates are expected to attend the meeting with at least one parent.

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

Any student who is attending a Catholic high school and will be in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade next fall is invited to be considered as a candidate for the fall Confirmation. You are expected to attend the meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup> with at least one parent.

**WEEKDAY MASS**  
**MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AT 8:00 A.M.**  
\* PERSON IS LIVING

**Saturday, May 19**

**5:00 p.m.** Barbara Quiry  
Requested by Bill & Lucille

**Sunday, May 20**

**8:00 a.m.** James "Jimmy" Dunn  
Month's Mind Mass Requested by Jo-Ann & Kaite

**10:30 a.m.** Irena Zaleski  
Requested by The family of Julian & Maria Votruba

**Monday, May 21**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Tuesday, May 22**

**8:00 a.m.** People of St. Patrick

**Wednesday, May 23**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Saturday, May 26**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, May 27**

**8:00 a.m.**  
**10:30 a.m.** Wojciech Wojtyto & Zofia Wojtyto  
Constantina Silvestris  
Requested by the Silvestris Family

**TABERNACLE LAMP**



**James "Jimmy" Dunn**

**May 20, 2018— May 26, 2018**

**May 6, 2018 Weekly Collection**

|                                |           |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Higher Utilities               | \$        | 160.00          |
| Mother's Day                   | \$        | 188.00          |
| Ascension                      | \$        | 451.00          |
| Weekly                         | \$        | 3,693.00        |
| <b>Total Weekly Collection</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b>4,492.00</b> |

Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

What if I told you that a young women who only lived until the age of 24, living in a cloister in France would become one of the biggest and most well-known Saints of the Church? You'd probably laugh, and yet when we speak of St. Therese of Lisieux, we speak someone who did just that.

But how? How did St. Therese become so well known if she only lived a quarter century and passed in a convent? She didn't travel the world, nor was she on television (in her time in the late 1800's, the elevator was the new invention of the time). No, but that didn't stop God from using her for a greater purpose. "The only book of hers, published after her death, was a brief edited version of her journal called "Story of a Soul." (Collections of her letters and restored versions of her journals have been published recently.) But within 28 years of her death, the public demand was so great that she was canonized." (Catholic.org)

Born in France in the 1870's, Therese had a way about her that was a bit spoiled. "Therese tells us that she wanted to be good but that she had an odd way of going about. This spoiled little Queen of her father's wouldn't do housework. She thought if she made the beds she was doing a great favor... Every time Therese even imagined that someone was criticizing her or didn't appreciate her, she burst into tears. Then she would cry because she had cried! Any inner wall she built to contain her wild emotions crumpled immediately before the tiniest comment." (Catholic.org)

Through her growth in prayer, which she developed during a childhood illness that nearly took her life and continued to grow throughout her short life, she was granted a gift where her concern for herself became a truly deep concern for others. This moment she would refer to as her conversion.

Her entry into religious life is detailed in her autobiography with all its ups and downs. Among her many observations was the need of trust to draw close to God to become a saint. "We live in an age of inventions. We need no longer climb laboriously up flights of stairs; in well-to-do houses there are lifts [elevators]. And I was determined to find a lift to carry me to Jesus, for I was far too small to climb the steep stairs of perfection"(Catholic.org). This way of Trust, her 'little way' as it is called, has inspired millions around the world since the publication of 'Story of a Soul'. Before her death in 1897 from Tuberculosis, "her one dream as the work she would do after her death, helping those on earth. 'I will return,' she said. 'My heaven will be spent on earth.'" (Catholic.org)

St. Therese, pray for us.

God Bless,

Fr. Jim

***Thank You***

The Mission Trip Group and the Steubenville East Group heartily thank all those who donated to defray the cost of their trips. We welcome you all as Companions in Service and look forward to showing pictures and telling you about our trips. Even if you did not fill out a form, we hope you will come and learn about our expeditions when we return. Please continue praying for us.

Anyone still wishing to help may do so by placing the donation in an envelope labeled – Mission Trip/ Steubenville East.

Thank you again.

***BEER, BRATS, AND BLESSINGS  
SAVE THE DATE  
June 2, 2018  
Limited Ticket Sales  
\$25 Adults \$7 Children***

Thank You to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2018 Partners in Charity Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the pew. Or visit [www.partners-charity.net](http://www.partners-charity.net) to do it online.

Thank you!

## ***Thank You***

***The Knights of Columbus Council #16001  
of St. Patrick's would like to Thank  
Fr. Jim Boland and parishioners of  
St. Patrick's for their very generous support of  
the Problem Pregnancy, Mother's Day Rose  
Campaign. Together we raised \$1200!***

***The proceeds going to Problem Pregnancy far  
exceeded our highest expectations. The  
financial generosity by parishioners and their  
respect for life shows that Catholic principles  
are alive and well in our parish.***

### **VISITATION HOUSE: BABY BOTTLE DRIVE**

The St Patrick's Knights of Columbus Council are requesting that the Visitation House Baby Bottles are returned by Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup>. Baskets will be by the front & back doors for drop-off. Thanks to all who participated in this year's annual drive.

## **Rutland Food Pantry Distributions**

### **May**

Saturday, May 26, 2018 9:00—11:00 a.m.

### **June**

Thursday, June 14, 2018 6:00—7:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 23, 2018 9:00—11:00 a.m.

### **Food Pantry Wish List**

- **Hamburger Helper**
- **Boxed/Canned Potatoes**
- **Large Cans/Jars Spaghetti Sauce**
- **Pasta**
- **Cookies - Crackers – Snacks**
- **Cereal (all kinds)**
- **Coffee/Tea**
- **Juice**
- **Canned Pasta**
- **Low Salt/Sugar Free/Gluten Free items**

NOTE: Please do not leave household items, electronics or toys at St. Patrick's.

We do not have the space to store these items or to offer these items.

We are accepting any SPRING & SUMMER clothing in clean, good condition

We gladly accept food that HAS NOT EXPIRED—  
as we cannot give out anything that has expired.

Thank you for your continued support of this vital ministry.

## **Star of Bethlehem**

Due to the hard situations and the interruption of the tourist trade that is currently happening with Christian families in Bethlehem, the place of Jesus' birth, Maysoon Khair will be at St. Patrick's on the weekend of **May 19 & 20**, representing The School of Joy for slow learning children and over a hundred Christian families who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand carved olive wood religious articles.

After all masses there will be a display of these hand carved items such as nativity scenes, crucifix, rosaries, last supper and many other beautiful religious statues in the Church's basement hall

Please consider supporting this project to keep the children and the Christians present in the Holy Land of Jesus' birth.

## **PARISH YARD/PLANT SALE:**

We are still in need of help for our yard/plant sale, which will be held on June 16th with a rain date of June 17th. In order to make this happen though, we need volunteers to help out. We will be in need of plants, so as you are cleaning out your gardens, perhaps you could pot up some perennials for the sale. We will also be relying on parishioner's to donate items for the sale. We had an overwhelming response last year (THANK YOU!) And raised well over \$3,000.00 for the parish. This year we will not be able to take books (except children's), electronics, heavy furniture or clothing. Drop off for goods will be Friday afternoon/night (more details to follow). In order to make this happen though, we need volunteers, so if you could spare some time on Friday the 15th to sort out goods or Saturday the 16th, please email Donna at [donnaevans0407@gmail.com](mailto:donnaevans0407@gmail.com), or call 774-364-1400. If you have any questions, please feel free to call. Once again, thank you for your anticipated help to make this happen!

## **Online Giving:**

Thank you to those who have continued to donate on line using our new provider and to those who have recently signed on. The benefit of online giving to the parish is enormous. One benefit is that it provides a consistent source of revenue to the parish. If you manage your bills online, you know you like the convenience of giving to the parish on line. It is safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. You can even view your giving history and pledge progress at any time, just by logging in. Please visit our website at [www.stpatricksrutland.org](http://www.stpatricksrutland.org) or visit us on Facebook to get started or to access your existing account.

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