

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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MISSION STATEMENT

St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church is a welcoming community in a traditional and Eucharistic setting focused on prayer, service, and life-long faith formation on the values and teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9-12 and 1-5 p.m.
Friday: 9-12 and 1-4 p.m.

Pastoral Council Members

Peter Arnoldy, Chris Conard,
MaryGrace Duncan, Jerry Guthrie,
Teresa McGinley, Jude Lorman,
Will McGrath, Irene Prunier, Tony Varga.

Prayer Line call

Diane or Patti at 673-1311.

SACRAMENTS:

Baptisms: We rejoice with parents at the birth of a new child. Parents are encouraged to initiate preparation for baptism prior to the child's birth. Call the Parish Office at 673-1311 for information and pre-baptism instruction.

Marriage: Weddings are a special time of joy and promise for a bride and a groom. Engaged couples are invited to contact the pastor personally (preferably 6-12 months) prior to the desired wedding date to begin their preparation. Couples should not make any commitment with a reception venue prior to the 1st meeting with the pastor.

Reconciliation: Individual confessions are held every Saturday from 3:00-3:45 P.M. in the reconciliation room at St. Patrick Church or during the week by personal appointment with the pastor.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you are anticipating surgery or experiencing health issues and would like to be strengthened with the Church's sacrament of healing and hope, please contact the pastor personally to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick.

Parish Office: 673-1311

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday: 4:00 P.M.

Sunday: 7:00 A.M.; 8:45 A.M.; 10:45 A.M.
(Choir).

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, Thursday & Friday 7:30 A.M.

Wednesday 5:30 P.M. Mass, unless otherwise indicated.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION: 7:30 A.M. & 5:30 P.M. (Except Dec 25th, Christmas & Jan 1st, Mary, Mother of God).

4th Sunday of Easter—April 22, 2018

APRIL 23-29, 2018

- MON. - 4/23** - Ss. George & Adalbert
7:30AM - All Souls
- TUES. - 4/24** - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
7:30AM - NO MASS
- WED. - 4/25** - St. Mark
5:30PM - All Souls
- THURS. - 4/26** - Easter Weekday
7:30AM - *Edna Hug by Mr. & Mrs. David Momenee*
- FRI. - 4/27** - Easter weekday
7:30AM - All Souls
- SAT. - 4/28** - Vigil of the 5th Sunday of Easter
4:00PM - In celebration of Loretta Aveni's 100th birthday by John Milan
- SUN. - 4/29** - 5th Sunday of Easter
7:00AM - Beverly Kocak by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Farmer
8:45AM - Sylvain Lacroix by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Caruso and Deceased members of the Dudley family by Mr. & Mrs. Steve Dudley
10:45AM - Members of the parish

APRIL 23-29, 2018

- Mon: 4:30PM— **NO** Faith Formation Classes
 6:30PM—Social Committee mtg.— SPC
- Tues: 4:30 & 6:30PM— **NO** Faith Formation Classes
 7:00PM—Cribbage—C/H
- Wed: 6:05PM—Women's Prayer Group—C/H
 7:00PM— RCIA—SPC
- Sat: 7:30AM—Men's Prayer Group—SPC
 3:00PM—Reconciliation
 5:30PM—Knights of Columbus BBQ—C/H
- Sun: Coffee & Donuts—C/H
 8:35- 10:35—Faith Formation Classes— SPC
 Noon—Choir Rehearsal—Church

Readings: 1/29/2018

- Acts: 9:26-31
 1 Jn: 3:18-24
 Jn: 15:1-8

CROP WALK

Please consider being a walker in the 29th Annual Souhegan Valley CROP Walk for Hunger on Sunday, May 20th. The Walk is a community-wide interfaith expression of our concern for the world's hungry, here and throughout the world. The Walk raises money through the pledges of the walker sponsors. You can walk and sponsor yourself! The Walk begins here at St. Patrick Church at 2pm. Registration starts at 1pm. Make it a family outing! Walk with a friend! 25% is to be divided between SHARE and the OPEN CUPBOARD PANTRY in Wilton. Contact Gene Heighton at cptgene@comcast.net for more info.



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Our Parish Community depends upon the participation of all our parishioners so that we may continue the mission of our parish and pay our expenses. The total weekly operating expense in our current budget totals 8,000.00 per week. Your regular weekly contribution to meet the budget is greatly appreciated.

WEEKEND OF: April 15, 2018

Parish Offering	Prior Year	This Year
From(206) Envelopes		\$4,898
Loose Offerings		\$1,978
Total Sunday	\$7,195	\$6,876



The Knights of Columbus are hosting the third annual chicken barbeque for Catholic education scholarships on Saturday, April 28th at 5:30 PM in the church hall. Tickets are available at the parish office between 9-12 and 1-5 PM Monday through Thursday and after masses April 21-22. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 4-12 (half chicken breast), and free for those under 4. Seating is limited to 80. Tickets must be purchased in advance (no later than 4/24) so that adequate food will be available.

Faith formation

CLASSES LAST 1 HOUR:

April 29 Grades K-1 @ 8:35 or 10:35am

April 30 Grades 3 thru 8 @ 4:30pm

April 17 Grades 3-8 @ 4:30 or 6:30pm

NO CLASSES April 22, 23, 24



FIRST COMMUNION NEWS

From now until the students receive 1st Communion, all 2nd grade will be attending Mass with their parent(s) followed by a 15 minutes class in the Parish Center with their teachers.

1st Communion Retreat: Saturday, May 5 @ 8:30AM.

1st Communion: Saturday, May 12 @ 11:00AM
Child(ren) & parent(s) need to be in the C/H by 10:00AM



We are still collecting these for the school system. If you do not have children in the school system and you buy products with this emblem on them could you please save them and bring them to the office and we will give them to the school and they will be redeemed for supplies. Thank you.



to those whom received Confirmation on April 20, 2018

*Dylan Alger
Brianna Arnoldy
Holden Bertoncini
Timothy Bilik
Valerie Brault
Ashleigh Brewster
Karissa Bryant
Mykaela Cederbert
Abigail Conard
Quinn Connors
Brett Daniel
Faith DiStefano
Amber Gregoire*

*Emma Halloran
Cora Holtshouser
Grace Kelly
Jaya LaBour
Sophia Leston
Christian Liamos
Katherine Lorden
Owen Loughran
Aidan Maguire
Courtney McAuley
Connor McCann
Heather McGinley*

*David Meleedy
Nicole O'Rourke
Victoria Rezzarday
James Rolanti
Maggie Sekella
Nicholas Sloan
Kobe Tocci
Monina Tosi
Gavin Urda
Susan Wason
Alexander Wheelock
Joseph Zuber*

Give blood

Every 2 seconds someone
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Blood Drive

Saint Patrick Church Church Basement 34 Amherst Street Milford, NH 03055

Monday, April 30, 2018 from 11:00AM to 4:00PM

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment.



FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHING BARN NEEDS

Pancake Mix & Syrup, Condiments, Cooking Sauces & Seasonings, Cooking Oil, Jelly, Cold Cereal. **Can be dropped off at the SHARE office or in the Church Hall.** Thank you for your donations. **The clothing barn is in need of children's bathing suits and beach towels.**



Prayers
FOR HEALTH

Please remember in your prayers those who have asked for our prayers:

Gus Dreher, Beverly Balfour, Dorothy Calogero, Doris Fay, Tiffany Brown, Thomas Martel, Raymond Coté, Irene Dion, Eugene Callahan, Andrea, Frank Albano & his father, Joanne Pcolar, Sophia Lamarche, Janice, Brundage family, Genie Stone, Coralee Smart, Camille Long, Marie, Frances, Arlene, Georgian, Jeanne, Sue, Dennis Creedon, Paul Golch, John Foss, Rob Erickson, Jenny Ciotti, Maureen Corron, Dan Nelson, Denise Bergeron, Alice Creighton, Liz Richer, Luke LaVallee, MaryAnn Molinari, John, Mike Paxton, Isabelle Miller, Bettina Mace, Joanne Coughlin, Marc Belanger, Alice Denecker, Helen R., Claudette Blais, Kim Beebe, Anne Ronsov, Jack Long, Beth Powers, Scott Dickinson, Nenad Opijac, Jack Daniels, John Knott, Joseph Koprek, Bobby Holland, Lillie & Damien, Ronald Aveni, Benjamin Smith, Patti Patenaude, Jeffrey Yorio, Lisa Yorio, Blanche Belanger, Cheryl Williams, Ken Hower, Jeff MacMartin, Margaret Nelson, Mindy Kane, Linda Lewis, Susan Yorio, Richard Copeland, Wayne Cormier, Robert Merley, Jeffrey Bryant, Crystal Heaney, Leah Stigliano, Philip McPhee, William Thompson, Sammy Tinaglia, Ed Gartland, Joseph Sherlock, John Sullivan, Alice & Lloyd Eskins, Mary & Dick Almy, Steven Perez, Elda Paduano, Meaghan Pezze, and for the men and women who are serving our country.

Please call the parish office when someone can be taken off the prayer list.

Shepherds, true and false

The Easter season readings ask us, the believing community, to examine the meaning of the resurrection. This week the readings focus on authority and relationships.

In John's gospel, Jesus reveals himself as the Good Shepherd. Jesus continues the teachings he started in Jn 9, criticizing the Jewish leaders who do not act on their God-given responsibilities to care for God's people. Jesus repeats twice that *he is the good shepherd*. Each time, he describes different and unique aspects of his shepherding:

The good shepherd contrasted with the hireling (Jn 10:11-13). Jesus contrasts the Good Shepherd's *actions* with the hired hand's behavior. The Greek verb μέλω (MEHL-oh) means "to care (for)" or "to be concerned about," and denotes a *relationship* between two people. The good shepherd's concern for the sheep means that he will give his life for them; the hired worker worries only about himself and preserving his life.

The good shepherd's relationship with the sheep and the Father (Jn 10: 14-18). Jesus now shifts from others' relationship with the sheep to *his own relationship* with the sheep, a relationship rooted in *knowing* each sheep. The Greek verb γινώσκω (gih-NOH-skoh) means "to know," "to recognize," and "to comprehend," suggesting an *intimate, personal relationship*. The relationship between the shepherd and sheep is a further expression of the preexisting relationship between the Father and the Son. The knowledge and oneness that the Father and Son share leads logically to the shepherd laying down his life for the sheep.

Jesus' resurrection has many meanings and many implications. The Easter season lasts six weeks to give us time to reflect on this cosmos-changing event. This week's readings invite us to consider relationships and authority. Some believe that authority alone makes them leaders. Jesus tells us that relationship must precede leadership. Authority without relationship allows leaders to save themselves without concern for the people they lead. The true or good shepherd has a relationship first, based on knowing what each person needs, connected to the Father's love. Are we happy with unconcerned leaders? Or do we want the care and concern only the authentic shepherd offers? Can we hear the true shepherd's voice calling us by name?

Terence Sherlock

Read the full reflection and subscribe at: LectionaryInContext.WordPress.com



CHURCH RENNOVATION PROJECT ANNOUNCED

On Friday afternoon, April 13, 2018, we received permission from Bishop Peter Libasci to move forward with a major interior renovation of the Church. The project will include: Remove the asbestos tiles and replace the floor of the nave and narthex; Restored original wooden floor in the sanctuary as it originally was 100 years ago; Replace the floor of the choir loft. While the pews are out of the Church, it was also decided to clean and to repair the plaster and to repaint the interior of the church. **The estimated time for completion of the whole project is approximately 15 weeks!**

The approved contractor for the project is CHAPMAN CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN of Manchester. **The contracted cost for the whole of this project is \$322,000.00. Yes, we do have the funds in our Central Fund Savings Account to pay for the entire project. But this will deplete our savings by 85%.**

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? We need to complete our annual celebrations of Confirmation (April 20) and First Communion in May. The wedding season begins here late in September. So, the contractor must accomplish the project between the end of May and September 15th! This is also the time of the year when we have the lowest attendance at Sunday Masses – summer vacation time and all. So, this seems to be the appropriate time to tackle such a large and lengthy project. **SO WE MOVE TO THE PARISH HALL FOR THE SUMMER (WHICH IS NOW CENTRALLY AIR CONDITIONED).** All weekday and Sunday Masses, Confessions and Baptisms will take place in the parish hall. Funerals will be celebrated at St. John Neumann or Our Lady of Mercy in Merrimack – depending on availability.

We will notify you of the **DATE CERTAIN** for the move to the parish hall. Please pray for the success of the project! Any questions can be directed to **Fr. Dennis.**



Our deepest sympathies and prayers are extended to family and friends of:

Rose & Joseph Marino and Viola Stebbins

MASS INTENTIONS

Having a Mass celebrated for someone is a very special gift. Many people have a Mass said when a friend or a loved one passes on. But a Mass can be celebrated for the intention of someone living as a birthday present, an anniversary. Stop by the office to make arrangements.



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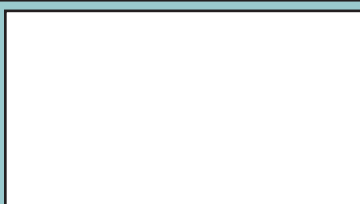
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