

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

34 AMHERST STREET
MILFORD, NH 03055



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.

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.

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.

Parish Office: 673-1311

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Faith Formation: 673-4797

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PASTORAL STAFF

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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).

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 19, 2018

AUGUST 20-26, 2018

- MON. - 8/20** – St. Bernard
7:30AM - All Souls
- TUES. - 8/21** - St. Pius X
7:30AM - **NO MASS**
- WED. - 8/22** - Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:30PM - Intentions of the Mark Momenee family by Mr. & Mrs. David Momenee
- THURS. - 8/23** - St. Rose of Lima
7:30AM - Florida Audet by the family
- FRI. - 8/24** - St. Bartholomew
7:30AM - Ken & Lorraine Lorden by Jane Provins
- SAT. - 8/25** - Vigil of the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM - Laurette Ouellette by Joanne Ouellette and Judith Pfeifer by her husband, Mel
- SUN. - 8/26** - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00AM - Members of the Parish
8:45AM - Sebastiano Crisafulli by the family
10:45AM - Luke & Laurette Coté by their daughter, Ida

Readings: 9/26/2018

Jos: 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b
 Eph: 5:21-32
 Jn: 6:60-69



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples celebrating an anniversary of **5, 25, or 50 years**, to attend the **Fall Wedding Anniversary Mass**. Couples are encouraged to invite select family members to share in the joyous occasion. This celebration will be held on **Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 2:00 p.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester**. To register, please contact your parish office **by September 18, 2018**. You will then receive an invitation to this special celebration. Couples celebrating other significant anniversaries will be asked to register next year for a spring celebration. To all married couples celebrating 5, 25, or 50 years, congratulations, and we look forward to seeing you at this fall's Wedding Anniversary Mass!

AUGUST 20-26

- Mon: 6:00PM—Confirmation Summer Classes - SPC
 Tues: 6:00PM—Confirmation Summer Classes—SPC
 Wed: 6:00PM—Confirmation Summer Classes –SPC
 6:05PM—Women's prayer Group—SPC
 Sat: 7:30AM—Men's Prayer Group—SPC
 9:00AM—Confirmation Retreat—SPC
3:00PM—Reconciliation—
4:00PM—Mass in the Church Hall
 Sun: **MASSES IN THE CHURCH HALL UNTIL SEPTEMBER**

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: August 12, 2018

Parish Offering	Prior Year	This Year
From(135) Envelopes		\$4,401
Loose Offerings		\$2,684
Total Sunday	\$7,484	\$7,085
Ongoing:		\$3,358

PROPAGATION OF FAITH APPEAL

Join in the worldwide mission of Jesus... Next weekend we are invited to take part in our Church's worldwide mission by special "prayer and sacrifice" through the Propagation of Faith Appeal.

This year, the missionary priest from the Philippines Rev. Joey B. Manaran of the Disciples of Mary will be sharing his missionary experience among the young people in the Philippines. We would like to invite you to take part in his mission apostolate through your prayers and donations. What an opportunity you will have next weekend to respond to our baptismal call to take part in our Church's missionary challenge... and to receive the full graces of the Eucharist offered for us by this missionary priest.

Please be as generous as possible.



2018-19 Religious Education Forms

Registrations for Faith Formation for 2018-19 are available at the office, and on the back tables in the church hall. Please fill one out and return it with the registration fee. **The price this year (\$75./one; \$150/two or more .** Remember that these are your children whom we love and care for. Please consider Teaching, Co-Teaching, or Assisting in the classroom. We will provide you with a workshop, materials, guidance and support throughout the school year. Continuing Faith Formation is one of the promises made at the Baptism of a child.

Confirmation Summer Classes

Dates: August 20,21,and 22 from 6 to 8pm

Place: Grades 4-5 in rm. 201 in the Center
Grades 6-7-8 in rm. 301-302 in the Center

For more information contact:
Faith Formation at 673-4797 or
re@saintpatrickmilfordnh.org



Sunday, September 16, 2018
from 1-5pm
at Keyes Field

Registrations are available in the Church Hall or in the office. Deadline to register is September 8, 2018. The filled out registration can be put in the collection basket or returned to the office.

FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHING BARN NEEDS

Canned Ham, Canned Meats, Side Dishes (seasoned pasta mix, hamburger helper, etc.), Ravioli & Beefaroni. **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 sleepwear.



PART TIME CHURCH CUSTODIAN WANTED SEPTEMBER, 2018

St. Patrick Church, Milford NH is seeking a reliable and responsible (PART-TIME)

Church Custodian (15 hours a week) whose general task will be to keep our Church, Church Hall and Office Complex clean. The custodian will assist with setting up rooms for religious education classes and parish meetings. Beyond the general cleaning of the campus buildings, the successful candidate will be required to perform minor repairs, have some experience in interior painting, to respond to and see to repair calls: electrical, plumbing, heating/air-conditioning; to keep a running inventory of all cleaning supplies; and to submit purchasing requests when supplies get low. Skills desired: high school diploma or equivalent; High degree of self-motivation and initiative; reliable and able to work occasionally on weekends; Strong verbal and written communication skills; Ability to lift objects up to 50 pounds. Salary: \$14.00 per hour. **Please send resume and references: Diane Bergeron - St. Patrick Church 34 Amherst Street Milford, NH 03055. Interviews will begin immediately. Questions; Call Diane 603-673-1311**



Please remember in your prayers:

Connor Sillowy, Tina Gaidmore, Eva, Carolyn Hassett, Lyn, Bettina Mace, Vera Rasmussen, Karen Jarest, Marie Roccio, Donatella Fugaza, Thomas Burkardt, Ben & Anne Marie Yorio, Christina Ferguson, Donald Labonte, William, JoAnn & John, Gus Dreher, Dorothy Calogero, Doris Fay, Tiffany Brown, Thomas Martel, Raymond Coté, Irene Dion, Eugene Callahan, Andrea, Frank Albano & his father, 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, John, Mike Paxton, Isabelle Miller, 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, 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.

Discourse part 2: The bread I will give is my flesh for the world's life

During Ordinary time the Lectionary readings present stories and teachings from Jesus' everyday ministry. This week's readings ask RCIA participants and the believing community to consider the meaning of Jesus' self-gift for the life of the world.

John's gospel presents the *second part* of Jesus' "bread of life" *discourse*. In a series of questions and responses, Jesus introduced the discourse's main ideas. This week's final question shapes the discourse's second part.

Jesus tells the synagogue assembly: "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Those opposed to Jesus' revelation begin to fight with each other. They frame their objections as a final question.

How can this man give us his flesh to eat? Jesus' opponents continue to misunderstand the promise Jesus offers, focusing on only the physical implications of his promise. Jesus speaks to the synagogue crowd during the Passover feast, which commemorates both God's gifts of *Torah* and *manna*. In Jewish thought, both Torah and manna provide nourishment. "Eating" manna nourishes the *body*; "eating" (studying and practicing) Torah feeds a Jew's *spiritual life*. To this point, Jesus has described himself as *manna/bread from heaven*, whose *teachings* from the Father provide a new and greater *spiritual life*. Jesus now reveals that in the near future he will give *his flesh* to give life to the whole world. He will give his flesh in two ways:

Through the cross. Jesus will give himself as a *physical sacrifice* to redeem the world. In Jewish sacrificial practice, the one offering sacrifice separated the victim's blood from its flesh. When Jesus speaks about his "flesh" and "blood" separately, he indicates his *physical death as a sacrifice*. The Word became flesh to bring life to the world (Jn 1:3-4).

Through the Eucharist. After his physical death and resurrection, Jesus will give himself in a new way so that disciples may *remain in a living relationship* with Jesus and the Father. This new relationship is Jesus' *continuing presence* with his believing community. In addition, his glorified flesh and blood give disciples *eternal life* and a *share in Jesus' resurrection* (Jn 6:54).

Today's readings challenge RCIA participants and the believing community to look beyond the physical signs of God's care and to come to a deeper understanding of the incarnation, cross, and resurrection. The first reading warns us to pursue divine Wisdom, because folly leads to spiritual death. In the gospel, Jesus sums up his mission: *to bring the entire world to eternal life*. His transformative death brings eternal life to the world's doorstep, but it is Jesus' Eucharistic gift that brings eternal life and Jesus' abiding presence to disciples who totally absorb ("eat") God's revelation. Do we seek deeper Wisdom in our busy lives? Can we ignore the meaning of the incarnation and cross? What does Eucharist really mean to us?

Terence Sherlock

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



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

I was speaking with young seminarian this summer. He told me about one of his favorite parts of seminary —waking up early in the morning to go to chapel and place the Blessed Sacrament in the monstrance for an hour of adoration. From his time meditating in front of the body of Christ, he developed his own prayer for adoration and receiving Eucharist: “Jesus, I want to be you.” What a request! That we, in all our human frailty, might approach the Creator of the universe, truly present in the bread and wine of the Eucharist, and beg to not just be like him, or to draw close to him, but to actually **become** him. When we process forward for Communion and hear the words spoken, “the body of Christ” and “the blood of Christ,” our “Amen” signifies not only our belief that the bread and wine have in fact been transformed into the sacred flesh of Jesus, but also that this is who we are called to be, the body of Christ alive and active in our world.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells the gathered crowds, “Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.” Throughout the Gospel of John, remaining in Jesus is perhaps the most important duty of a disciple. Later in the Gospel, Jesus will use the word “remain” 12 times in 17 verses in the parable of the true vine (John 15:1-17). Often, we might think that it is our actions that should be the focus of the spiritual life, and yet within this parable, Jesus gives the commandment to “remain” twice as many times as he mentions bearing fruit on the vine. Remaining is the starting point and the only way to carry out our mission as disciples — to bring the love of Christ to the broken places of our world.

If the request, “Jesus, I want to be you,” requires a certain amount of audacity on the part of the believer, we could say it also requires an equal amount of courage. Our identity as Christ’s body and blood is not a status symbol or a conveyor of power, instead it marks us for a life of servanthood and radical self-gift to others. Our Lord is the “living bread that came down from heaven” who desires to be our food and drink. This is the humility that we are called to emulate: to seek to be nourishment for others instead of worrying about satisfying our own hungers for recognition or material possessions. If Jesus’ call for us to be bread that is broken and wine that is poured out seems nearly impossible, we can take courage that he does not ask us to do it on our own. At the altar, we encounter the bread of life, Jesus, the risen one, who desires to feed us with himself. In hope and trust, we pray “**Jesus, I want to be you,**” and then say “**Amen**” to who we truly are.

Fr. Dennis