

# 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.*

## **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 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas & Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, Mary, Mother of God).

**Parish Office: 673-1311**

**Fax: 673-3687**

**Faith Formation: 673-4797**

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## **PASTORAL STAFF**

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*Mark your  
calendar!*

**Offices will be closed December 24, 25 & 26.**

**No 7:30am Mass on Monday and No 5:30pm Mass on Wednesday.**



## **MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE HOLYDAYS!**

### **The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas**

**December 24, 2018 (Monday—Christmas Eve) 4:00 PM; 7:00 PM; 9:30 PM**

**December 25, 2018 (Tuesday - Christmas Morning) 10:00 AM**

### **The Blessed Virgin Mary - The Mother of God**

**December 31, 2018 (Monday—New Year's eve ) 5:30PM**

**January 1, 2019 (Tuesday - New Year's Day) 10:00 AM**

## Fourth Sunday of Advent—December 23, 2018

### DECEMBER 24-30, 2018

**MON. - 12/24 - Late Advent Weekday(Christmas Eve)**

**7:30AM — NO MASS**

**4:00PM** (Church) - George M. Emrich by the family

**4:00PM** (C/H) - Rene Leger by his wife, Dolores

**7:00PM**—William Jordon by Mr. & Mrs. Brian Lester & Brandon Kluz

**9:30PM**—Dot & Francis Lorden by Jane Provins

**TUES. - 12/25- The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)**

**10:00AM** - Members of the Parish

**WED. - 12/26 - St. Stephen**

**5:30PM** - NO MASS

**THURS. - 12/27- St. John**

**7:30AM** - Mary Clare Milan by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Donnelly

**FRI. - 12/28 - The Holy Innocents**

**7:30AM** - Intentions of David & Eileen Wasielewski on their 50th wedding anniversary by Mr. & Mrs. David Momenee

**SAT—12/29- Vigil of the Holy Family**

**4:00PM** - Brandon Kluz by Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Guthrie

**SUN. - 12/30- Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**

**7:00AM** - David Chamberlain by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Donnelly

**8:45AM** - Members of the Parish

**10:45AM** - Richard Mace by his wife & children 2nd anniversary



**DEC 24-30, 2018**

Mon, Tues & Wed: **OFFICES CLOSED**

Thurs: Blood Pressure Screening after morning Mass

Sat: 7:30AM—Men's Prayer Group—SPC

3:00PM—Reconciliation— Church

Sun: Coffee & Donut after all Masses

Noon—Choir Rehearsal—Church

### Readings: 12/30/2018

1 Sm: 1:20-22, 24-28

1 Jn: 3:1-2, 21-24

Lk: 2:41-52



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the deceased members of the Coté & Caveney families by Ida Caveney.

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 29-30

4:00PM **Altar Servers:** Andrea & John MacFarlane  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dianne H., Bernie K., Pauline N.

**Lector:** Karen N.

**Greeters:** Paul D., Bert D., Gary M. Dianne H.

7:00AM **Altar Servers:** Kathy S.  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Amy & Jerry G., John O.  
**Lector:** Michael C.

**Greeters:** Skip G., John M., Joe Z.

8:45AM **Altar Servers:** Ron C.  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Diane B., Jude L., Sr. Juanita  
**Lector:** Joe R.

**Greeters:** Steve S., The Bells, Jude L.

10:45AM **Altar Servers:** Ron C.  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Tony V., Bridie C., Henry A.  
**Lector:** Michelle V.

**Greeters:** Mark H., Mary L., MaryGrace D.

### 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: December 16, 2018

Parish Offering	Prior Year	This Year
From(187) Envelopes		\$6,030
Loose Offerings		\$3,245
<b>Total Sunday</b>	<b>\$9,209</b>	<b>\$9,275</b>

**Facilities/Repairs: \$2,668**

# Faith Formation Ministry



## Faith Formation Classes Grades 1-5 from 4:30-5:30PM

**CLASSES WILL RESUME IN JANUARY**

## Grades 6-12 from 6-7:30PM

The Pageant will be on January 6th after the 8:45am Mass in the Church Hall. If you want your child(ren) to be in this.

The rehearsals are:

Tuesday, Dec 18—6-7pm

Friday, Dec 28—6-7pm

Sunday, Dec 30—1-2pm

Saturday, Jan 5—5-6pm

To sign-up email Jude Lorman at [judelorman@gmail.com](mailto:judelorman@gmail.com)

## NON-TRIVIAL PURSUITS

– a weekly challenge from your Faith Formation team (12/23/18)

How do the circumstances of Jesus' birth (as recorded in Luke 2) symbolize His identity as the Bread of Life? find) the other six?



## Answer to Last Week Question:

The "O Antiphons" invoke Jesus under seven Old Testament titles or images: Wisdom, Ruler of Israel, Root (or branch) of Jesse, Key of David, Radiant Dawn, King of Nations, and Emmanuel.



Canned Fruit, Flour, Sugar, Boxed Mixes & Baking Supplies, Coffee & Tea, Juice, Granola & fruit

**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.**

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 24-25

4:00PM

**Church**

**Altar Servers:** Timothy B., Jerry Guthrie

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Brian & Karen N., Michelle V., Amy G., Joanne O.

**Lector:** Scott B.

**Greeters:** Sue P., Diane B., Steve S.

**C/H**

**Altar Servers:** John M., Stiles C.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jeanne D., Patti H., Sally W.

**Lector:** Andrea M.

**Greeters:** Gary M. Patti H.

7:00PM

**Altar Servers:** Jacob H.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Henry A., Bernie K., Diane B.

**Lector:** Suzanne P.

**Greeters:** Gary M., \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

9:30PM

**Altar Servers:** Ron C.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Pauline N., Laura D., John O.

**Lector:** Will M.

**Greeters:** Pauline N., Paul B., Gary M.

10:00AM

**Altar Servers:** Kathy S.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jude L., Kathie N., Joyce N.

**Lector:** MaryGrace D.

**Greeters:** Mark H., Jude L. \_\_\_\_\_





**Please remember in your prayers:**

Wendy Boucher, Mary Ann Hower, Jean Duffy, Ronald & Jean Rood, James Lyons family, Kathy Knowlton, Ron Lockwood, Connor Sillowy, 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, Tiffany Brown, Raymond Coté, Irene Dion, Eugene Callahan, Andrea, Sophia Lamarche, Janice, Brundage family, Genie Stone, Coralee Smart, 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 De-necker, Helen R., Claudette Blais, Kim Beebe, Anne Ronsov, Jack Long, Beth Powers, Scott Dickin-son, 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 How-er, Jeff MacMartin, Margaret Nelson, Mindy Kane, Linda Lewis, Susan Yorio, Richard Copeland, Wayne Cormier, Robert Merley, Jeffrey Bryant, Crystal Heaney, Leah Stigliano, Philip McPhee, Wil-liam 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.

**The fulfillment of all things**

On the fourth and final Advent Sunday, the prophecy-and-fulfillment readings prepare the believing community to greet God-made-flesh.

Luke's gospel tells the story of Mary's visit to Elizabeth, in which many promises are fulfilled, and new prophecies are spoken. This passage is filled with Semitisms that imitate the sound and rhythm of Hebrew scripture.

**Leaping for joy.** John the Baptist "leaping" in Elizabeth's womb *fulfills* the angel's promise to Zechariah that his son "will be filled with the Spirit, even in his mother's womb" (Lk 1 15). That is, the Spirit inspires John to *recognize* Jesus as the messiah.

**Mary, Jesus, and disciples.** Just as the Spirit fills and inspires John, the Spirit also fills and inspires Elizabeth. First, Elizabeth says Mary is "blessed." Elizabeth uses the same "blessed" word that Hebrew scripture uses to describe the Jewish heroines Jael (Judg 5:24) and Judith (Jud 13:18). Like Mary, Jael and Judith were commissioned by God to help Israel. Elizabeth *foretells* Mary's special role in *God's saving plan*. Next, Elizabeth *reveals* that Mary is pregnant with God's son ("the mother of my Lord"), *fulfilling* Gabriel's promise to Mary in Lk 1:32. Finally, Elizabeth "blesses" *Mary's faith* ("you who believed") as a disciple. Luke, using the same word that introduces the beatitudes (Lk 6:20-22), *foretells* this blessing for Mary and for *all future disciples* who believe what the Lord speaks.

Like Advent itself, today's readings *look back* to the prophecies and promises of a messiah and *look forward* to Jesus' coming in history. John's words of preparation and *metanoia* (change of mind/heart) continue to echo throughout the liturgical year. Our discipleship work of *turning away from self and turning towards God* is never complete. In the final days of Advent, the readings remind us of what God has fulfilled and what remains to be done. What is the Spirit inspiring us to recognize? What is our prophetic mission? What blessings fulfill our future?

---Terence Sherlock

Read the full reflection and subscribe at: [LectionaryInContext.WordPress.com](http://LectionaryInContext.WordPress.com)



**Dear Friends: I**

**wish you a Christmas**

**full of faith, hope, and love.**

**Faith: Trust that the baby Jesus in  
the manger is Immanuel: God with us.**

**Hope: The sure, certain, and joyful hope  
of everlasting life, reunited and at peace with  
God and all who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Love: The warmth, the affection, and the kindness  
which God has always meant for us to receive from one**

**another.**

**Merry**

**Christmas**

**and my**

**Blessings!**

**Fr. Dennis**