

## Saint Patrick Catholic Church

34 AMHERST STREET, MILFORD, NH 03055

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-Noon

### 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.*

**Parish Office: 673-1311 Fax: 673-3687**

**Faith Formation: 673-4797**

**Website: [saintpatrickmilfordnh.org](http://saintpatrickmilfordnh.org)**

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#### **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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**Prayer Line call: Diane or Patti**

### **MASS TIMES**

**SATURDAY: 4:00PM**

**SUNDAY: 8:00AM & 10:30AM**

### **CONFESSION:**

**SATURDAY: 3:00-3:45PM**

**FACE MASKS REQUIRED**

**SOCIAL DISTANCING PRACTICED**

### **Welcome!**

We are delighted to welcome each and every one who has come to worship with us. Our parish is here to assist all who wish to know God more deeply.

**THE CHURCH WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR PRAYER & ADORATION**

**Monday-Friday from 9am—5pm**

**Saturday from 9am—3pm**

**Sunday: 11:30am—5pm**

**JUNE 22-28, 2020**

**MON - 6/22— Ss. Paulinus of Nola, John Fisher, Thomas More— Mass Intention: ——**

**TUES - 6/23—Weekday— NO MASS**

**WED - 6/24— Nativity of St. John the Baptist—Mass Intention: Terri Treacy by Jane Provins**

**THURS - 6/25 - Weekday - Mass Intention: ——**

**FRI - 6/26— Weekday - Mass Intention: ——**

**SAT - 6/27- Vigil of the 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time— *The Church will be open from 9-3pm.***

***MASS will be celebrated at 4pm with a limit of 50 people***

***Mass Intention: Gary Post by Gary McCartney***

**SUN—6/28 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary time —**

***MASS will be celebrated at 8AM and 10:30AM with a limit of 50 people***

***Mass Intentions - 8:00 AM—Julia Zund by her husband, Josef 10:30AM—Members of the Parish***

***ALL WEEKDAY MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED BY Fr. Dennis in private.***



**Please remember in your prayers:**

Joyce Nelson, Tiffany Brown, Jeanne Jacques, the Staff & Residents of Crestwood Nursing Home, Dr. Ray Roberge, Brendan Zubricki, Rita LaJeunesse, Alison Caiado, John Coleman, Leo Ouellette, Bruce Gade, Dorothy Gates, Eleanor Botelho, Rita Rose, Connie Gonzalves, Richard, Paul, Laura, Skip, Betty, Ken Jalbert, Bill Loscocco, Maureen Yergeau, Stephen Swallow, Pamela Wood, Sean, Jonathan Niquette, Janine Hartwell, Hope Kelly, Rick Corron, Patricia Barrett, Cameron Conley, Lexz Bragdom, Timothy Russell, Maureen Belair, Marty, Leo Barriault, Nancy Moro, Mary Ann Hower, Connor Silloway, Eva, Carolyn Hassett, Lyn, Bettina Mace, Thomas Burkardt, Ben, Anne Marie, Jeffrey, Lisa, Susan Yorio, Donald Labonte, William, JoAnn & John, Gus Dreher, Irene Dion, Eugene Callahan, Andrea, Sophia Lamarche, Brundage family, Genie Stone, Coralee Smart, Marie, Frances, Arlene, Georgian, Jeanne, Sue, Dennis Creedon, Paul Golch, John Foss, Rob Erickson, Dan Nelson, Liz Richer, Luke LaVallee, John, Mike Paxton, Isabelle Miller, Marc Belanger, Helen R., Claudette Blais, Kim Beebe, Anne Ronsov, Jack Long, Scott Dickinson, Jack Daniels, John Knott, Joseph Koprek, Lillie & Damien, Benjamin Smith, Patti Patenaude, Cheryl Williams, Ken Hower, Jeff MacMartin, Mindy Kane, Linda Lewis, Richard Copeland, Wayne Cormier, Robert Merley, Jeffrey Bryant, Crystal Heaney, Leah Stigliano, Philip McPhee, William Thompson, Sammy Tinaglia, Joseph Sherlock, John Sullivan, Alice & Lloyd Eskins, 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.***

Your weekly donation can be dropped off in the mail slot near the glass door.

or

E-giving is available to all parishioners. This is a safe and easy way to give to the parish.

Go to our website [saintpatrickmilfordnh.org](http://saintpatrickmilfordnh.org)

under NEWS & EVENTS and scroll to “giving” then follow the instructions.

This is very helpful for parishioners who want to give on a regular basis regular basis.



**Weekend of June 14, 2020**

**\$5,935**

**Facilities Repair: \$600**

**GIVE+ONLINE**



The sanctuary lamp will burn this week in memory of the deceased members of the Côté & Caveney families by Ida Caveney

**MASS INTENTIONS**

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated during the week or on the weekend for a particular intention for a person living or dead, please call the office to schedule. 673-1311.

## God's charge to prophets and disciples

During Ordinary time the Lectionary presents stories and teachings from Jesus' everyday ministry. This week's readings invite us to think about discipleship's requirements.

Matthew's gospel is from Jesus' missionary discourse to the Twelve. Jesus describes the mission and requirements that his disciples must fulfill.

**Continue the mission.** Jesus charges his disciples to continue his mission of bringing God's word to the people. Disciples must make known Jesus' teachings, which he has shared only with his small team. They must proclaim his message publically ("speak in the light," "shout from the rooftops"). Like Jesus, they will face opposition.

**Do not fear.** In the gospel pericope, Jesus tells disciples three times not "to fear" or "be afraid" of proclaiming his message, or of persecutors, or that God will abandon them.

**Trust in God's care.** Jesus assures disciples that God knows them personally and their work ("you are worth more than many sparrows"). Jesus promises to acknowledge (the Greek text means literally "be of one mind with") before his Father those who proclaim his message despite persecution.

This week's readings ask us to think about what our discipleship means. Jeremiah knows that speaking God's truth to earthly power means rejection, but God will remain with him. Jesus charges his disciples with continuing to make the Father's love known, despite the threat of persecution. Where do we stand in our discipleship? Do we proclaim God's love for all in our every word and action, or does fear for our own reputation silence us? Do we trust completely in God's care, or hedge our bet by avoiding witness? What does our witness say about our discipleship?

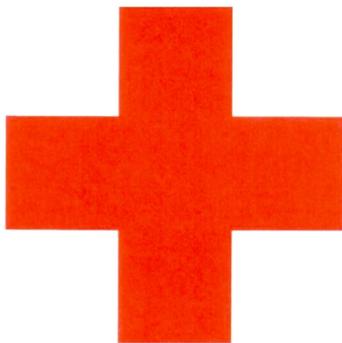
---Terence Sherlock

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### **Blood Drive** **Saint Patrick Church**

34 Amherst Street  
Milford, NH 03055

**Friday, June 26, 2020**  
**1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: stpatrick to schedule an appointment.



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## **NON-TRIVIAL PURSUITS**

### **Weekly challenge from your Faith Formation Team (6-21-2020)**

Since all those who are saved by grace are saints, all parents pray that their children will become saints. The Church recognizes many sibling-saints. Match these famous saints with their siblings:

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|-------------|----------------|
| a) Benedict | 1) Céline      |
| b) Winebald | 2) Lazarus     |
| c) Jacinta  | 3) Scholastica |
| d) Thérèse  | 4) Francisco   |
| e) Martha   | 5) Walburga    |

### **Answer to last week's question (6/14/2020)**

Joshua and Caleb were two of the twelve spies Moses sent into Canaan to prepare for the Israelite conquest. They were the only two who believed that the Lord would grant them victory.

Lot was the son of Abraham's deceased brother Haran.

## **To register for FORMED – A gift for you**

Go to FORMED.org – sign up Click on “I belong to a parish or organization”  
Enter 03055 and choose St. Patrick Church 34 Amherst St. Enter your name and the email you will be using  
For questions please call the Faith Formation office at 673-4707.

The pick of the week

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Read: Redemptorist Mater by Saint Pope John Paul II

Study: The Bible and the Virgin Mary – The Promised Mother

Saint John the Baptist

Watch: Reborn

Watch: Ready Reasons – Is Baptism Necessary for Salvation?

## **Pope Francis' Prayer for Spiritual Communion:**

*My Jesus,  
I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen!*

## **NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS ONLY**

Toothbrushes & paste, Deodorants, Shampoo & Conditioner, Bar Soap, Feminine Hygiene Products, Diapers, Wipes  
**These items can be dropped off at the SHARE office. PLEASE CALL FIRST: 673-9898.** Thank you for your donations.



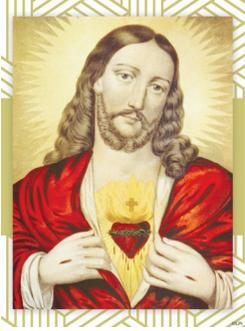
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## **God isn't just any father. God is “the best Father”:**

- He is the most ancient (Daniel 7:9).
- He is perfect (Matthew 5:48).
- He is the wisest (Romans 16:27).
- He is the most loving (Zephaniah 3:17; 1 John 4:16).
- He has unsearchable riches (Ephesians 3:8).
- He can reform his children (Acts 9:11).
- He never dies (1 Timothy 6:16; Revelation 1:8).

## JUNE 19, 2020 – FEAST OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS



This Friday, we celebrate the feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus which commemorates the mercy of God, often represented graphically by the image of a heart. And artistically this is no mere Valentine’s Day heart, but a true human heart sometimes accompanied by thorns. This feast goes back centuries, to the time of St. Bernard of Clairveaux (1090–1153). In today’s age, besides the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we also celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday (the Sunday after Easter), which was instituted under Pope St. John Paul II. So, there are a number of opportunities for us to celebrate God’s mercy, itself a favorite theme of Pope Francis.

The gospel reading for this feast is from Matthew, which begins with a prayer of Jesus to the Father. This prayer reflects “high Christology” of the sort that feels like it could be in the Gospel of John. But we are reminded that such high Christology is not restricted to that gospel alone. Matthew, too, gives us profound reflections (on the lips of Jesus) on the unique and intimate relationship that the Father and the Son have with one another.

Jesus praises the Father because he has hidden “these things from the wise and the learned.” Instead, the revelation has been given to the “little ones,” the poor, lowly, and outcast.

We might recall that the message of Jesus appealed to those who were on the outskirts of society and religious life. In a world where these “little ones” were kept away from power, wealth, privilege, and status by systemic oppression, Jesus proclaims that the structure has been (or will be) overturned. The wise and the learned now fail to understand. The “little ones” receive a revelation that has been hidden. Is it no wonder that Jesus found his end on a cross?

The mercy of God is revealed in the preaching and the person of Jesus. In the concluding lines of the gospel reading, Jesus encourages those who labor and are burdened to come to him. The lowest classes of society will find refuge in him. Their burden will be light, their yoke easy with him. The unjust systems of the world that keep the “little ones” oppressed, laboring, and burdened will be overturned by the mercy of God. This is good news! But for those who benefit from the system and keep the “little ones” oppressed, Jesus’ words are anything but welcome.

On this feast day when we celebrate God’s mercy, it is good to remind ourselves of the power of Jesus’ message when it was first preached. This was a message of good news to those who had been locked out from the benefits of society: laborers who were cheated wages, slaves who by definition did not enjoy freedom, and those burdened by the affairs of others. Jesus chose to side with those who were the “little ones” rather than with the powerful. As disciples of Jesus, we must heed this call too. We are to champion those who are cheated and denied the benefits of society. When we place our lot with the “little ones” and accompany them on their way, our eyes will be exposed to the mercy of God. It’s often said that Jesus came to comfort the afflicted rather than comfort the already comfortable. Who are those afflicted in our own time and day? Let us, as followers of Jesus, accompany them. In so doing, we will be living the paschal mystery.

Fr. Dennis