



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

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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 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.

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

JULY 6-12, 2020

MON - 7/6- St. Maria Goretti— Mass Intention: All Souls

TUES - 7/7-Weekday— NO MASS

WED - 7/8-Weekday—Mass Intention: Claire Silviano by the family

THURS - 7/9 - St. Augustine Zhao Rong - Mass Intention: George Whelton by the breakfast group

FRI - 7/10- Weekday - Mass Intention: Special intentions by Jane Provins

SAT - 7/11- Vigil of the 15th 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: All Souls

SUN—7/12- 15h Sunday in Ordinary time —

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

Mass Intentions - 8:00 AM—Arthur Hart by the family

10:30AM—Luke Caveney by his mother, Ida



Please remember in your prayers:

Bill & Kevin Duffy, Joyce Nelson, Tiffany Brown, Jeanne Jacques, the Staff & Residents of Crestwood Nursing Home, Dr. Ray Roberge, Brendan Zubricki, Rita LaJeunesse, Alison Caado, John Coleman, Leo Ouellette, Bruce Gade, Dorothy Gates, Eleanor Botelho, Rita Rose, Connie Gonzalves, Richard Paul, Laura, Skip, Betty, Ken Jalbert, Bill Loscocco, 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

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 28, 2020

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Discipleship: invitation to the lowly and little ones

During Ordinary time the Lectionary presents stories and teachings from Jesus' everyday ministry. This week's readings overturn our assumptions and expectations about power and humility.

Matthew's gospel is from the section that describes the questioning of and opposition to Jesus and his teaching. Today's two sayings are about the significance of Jesus' teachings.

A revelation. In the first saying, God hides the *revelation of the kingdom* from the "wise and learned" (the Pharisees) because they *cannot or will not* see the significance of Jesus' deeds and the presence of God's kingdom in his ministry. They *reject* Jesus. On the other hand, despite the "little ones" low social standing and lack of expertise in religious matters, these "infants" (disciples) hear and recognize Jesus' importance. *God reveals the kingdom to them.*

An invitation. In the second saying, Jesus *invites all* who are not yet disciples to become his disciples. He calls the uncommitted to leave the "heavy burdens" of the Pharisee teachers and follow Jesus, whose "burden is light." Judaism used the image of a yoke to describe the *work of learning and following the Torah's 613 laws*. Jesus emphasizes the easiness of his yoke and lightness of his burden because it requires only the disciple's *personal relationship with the meek and humble Jesus*. This relationship brings a disciple rest *now*, not at some future point.

This week's readings ask us to think about our attraction to power and our rejection of humility. Zechariah rejoices in a humble king who seeks peace. Jesus reveals God's kingdom, hidden from powerful, and invites the lowly and burdened. Maybe our ideas about who and what is powerful are upside-down. Do we believe a humble messiah can bring God's kingdom without dominating others? Can we choose the easy yoke of Jesus' personal relationship and reject the burden of powerful people's rules and requirements? Can we accept Jesus' promise of rest?

---Terence Sherlock

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

NON-TRIVIAL PURSUITS

Weekly challenge from your Faith Formation Team (7/5/2020)

This month as we celebrate our nation's birthday, we'll look at some of our American-born saints. But first, a review: St. Paul uses the word "saints" or "holy ones" to refer to all the baptized, living or dead. From the earliest days of the church, martyrs were honored by the Church, and by the 3rd century people who had been witnesses for the faith were also honored as "Confessors." Since the middle ages, the process of declaring someone a saint has become more formalized. Can you list the five "steps" in the process?

Answer to last week's question (6/28/2020)

Jonathan and Michal were children of King Saul. When the Saul's jealousy of David led him to try to kill him, on separate occasions Jonathan and Michal each helped David from Saul.

Has your contact information changed?
Have you dropped your land line?
Have your phone numbers or email address changed?
Please call the office at 673-1311 to update your information.

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.

Saints Peter and Paul

Listen: Saint Paul by Pope Benedict XVI

Watch: Saint Peter

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.

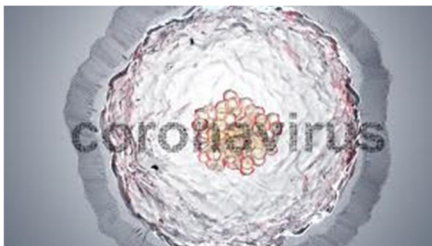
MASS INTENTIONS

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.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Registrations are available at the office, at the entrance of the Church, in the Church Hall and on our website: saintpatrickmilfordnh.org

**Visit our website at:
saintpatrickmilfordnh.org
for more information and
events regarding the
Coronavirus**

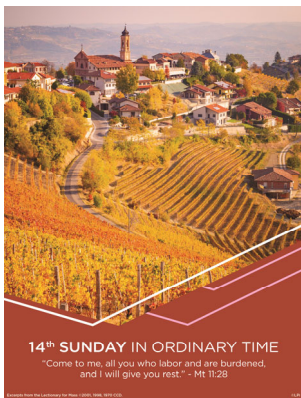


Congratulations are extended to

Christopher & Kristen Kraus who had their son, Hunter James baptized on June 13, 2020

Tyler & Claire Pare who had their daughter, Hensley Eileen baptized on June 27, 2020

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)



14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

As we journey with Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew, we encounter him teaching, preaching, praying, and praising. In today's gospel, he seems to do all at once! The passage (which is the same gospel passage that was read at the feast of the Sacred Heart not long ago) opens with Jesus addressing God as "Father, Lord of Heaven and Earth." In some ways this prefigures the language later creeds will use and that we proclaim in the Nicene Creed when we say, "One God, Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth." The phrase "heaven and earth" may also call to mind the opening verse of Genesis, though there the first term is plural: "heavens and earth." The phrase is used to mean all of creation. The Father is the Lord of all creation. It is his handiwork and there is nothing that stands apart from it that is not under his dominion.

The relationship between the Father and Son is intimate and dynamic. Jesus beckons the disciples into this relationship with the invitation "come to me." The term "yoke" that follows would have conjured up the image of Mosaic Law. Of course, a yoke is a type of wooden harness, bar, or frame used to keep oxen (or cattle) driving in the same direction, at the urging of a master. Wisdom is sometimes referred to as a yoke (Sirach 51:26), as is the law, but not in a negative way. In the New Testament, Jesus' ways are also referred to as a yoke.

Jesus tells his disciples that he himself is the yoke, meek and humble of heart. The rest he promises comes from emulating his ways, his attitudes, his dispositions, and his general way of being in the world. The disciple is yoked to Jesus, and the disciple finds this to be a lightness in his or her way of being. The yoke is not burdening or overbearing.

When we are followers of Jesus, when we take on his attitudes, our lives will not be burdened but filled with joy or, as Pope Francis might refer to it, the joy of the gospel.

Bearing a yoke would not seem to be an enjoyable experience. But Jesus gives us this image in today's gospel reading and nearly subverts it. The yoke of Jesus, the one who is meek and humble of heart, is itself easy; the burden is light. This seems to be a different image than "take up your cross and follow me." In today's gospel, we learn that when we are true disciples of Christ, we conform to the person himself. So conformed, we find any burden not to be a burden at all.

To live the paschal mystery with Christ is to live with the knowledge that we are his. He has already won the victory. Secure in this relationship with him, we need only act as he would in the world, as another Christ to serve the needs of those around us. Any setback or death we experience will find new life due to the same Christ we serve. This is good news, and a spiritually rewarding way to live the paschal mystery.

Fr. Dennis