

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.

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 at 673-1311.

Parish Office: 673-1311

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Faith Formation: 673-4797

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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).

Pentecost Sunday—May 20, 2018



MAY 21-27, 2018

<u>MAY 21-27, 2018</u>	
MON. - 5/21	- <u>St. Christopher Magallanes</u>
7:30AM	- The intentions of Carolyn Momenee on her birthday
TUES. - 5/22	- <u>St. Rita of Cascia</u>
7:30AM	- NO MASS
WED. - 5/23	- <u>Weekday</u>
5:30PM	- Kathy Blaney by Kathleen Joyce-Page
THURS. - 5/24	- <u>Weekday</u>
7:30AM	- <i>Francis Cassidy by Mr. & Mrs. Bob Petrella</i>
FRI. - 5/25	- <u>Ss. Bede the Venerable, Gregory VII. & Mary Magdaleine de Pazzi</u>
7:30AM	- Mary & Bill Lenz by Mr. & Mrs. David Momenee
SAT. - 5/26	- <u>Vigil of the Most Holy Trinity</u>
4:00PM	- In honor of Loretta Aveni by Mr. & Mrs. David Momenee and Claire Stephan by Mr. & Mrs. Bob Petrella
SUN. - 5/27	- <u>Most Holy Trinity</u>
7:00AM	- Members of the parish
8:45AM	- Intentions of the family of Mr. & Mrs. Eric Laurendeau by Mr. & Mrs. David Momenee
10:45AM	- Luke Caveney by his mother, Ida and Tess Lischkge by her sister, Vesta Philbrick

Mon: 4:30PM—Adults Class with Fr. Dennis—C/H
 Tues: 7:00PM—Cribbage—C/H
 Wed: 6:05PM—Women’s Prayer Group—C/H
 Thur: 6:00PM—Pastoral Council—SPC
 Sat: 7:30AM—Men’s Prayer Group—SPC
 3:00PM—Reconciliation—Church Hall
 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: May 13, 2018

Parish Offering	Prior Year	This Year
From(165) Envelopes		\$5,193
Loose Offerings		\$2,290
Total Sunday	\$6,180	\$7,483

Catholic Communications: \$1,364

Readings: 5/27/2018

Dt: 4:32-34, 39-40
 Rom: 8:14-17
 Mt: 28:16-20



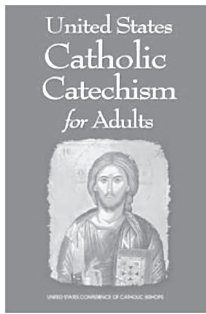
The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of Richard Sharkey by Hope Kelly.

MEMORIAL DAY

On Memorial Day, May 28, 2018 at 8:30am, a Mass will be celebrated at the cemetery (**weather permitting**). Bring your own chair and bug spray.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED

ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL



THE US CATHOLIC CATECHISM FOR ADULTS offered by Fr. Dennis will be on May 21st in the Church Hall from 4:30-6:00PM.



2018-19 Religious Education Forms

Registrations for Faith Formation for 2018-19 are available on the website, at the office, in the vestibule of the church and in the church hall. Please fill one out and return it with the registration fee.

Confirmation Summer Classes

Dates: August 20,21,and 22

Time: 6pm to 8pm

Place: Grades 3-4-5 in rm. 201 in the Parish Center

Grades 6-7-8 in rm. 301-302 in the Parish Center

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

Blessing on your First Holy Communion

Tristan Albano

Paige Bernier

Andrew Chorma

Thomas Flynn

Olivia Hamilton

Daniel Lowy

Ava Steel

Riley Wilson

Michelle Bergeron

Jack Bonafilia

McKenna Crouse

Shannon Forsyth

Lacey Hett

Eliot Ouellette

Angel Timmins

Julianne Bergquist

Victor Brault

Lucas Fallon

Amber Gregoire

Victor Lomme

Jacob Spencer

Jameson Valentine

Thank you for your support in prayers and best wishes sent to the Children

The Rosary with St. James.

As we close the Month of Our Lady Mary, please join us on Wednesday, May 30th following evening Mass at 6:00pm, in the church hall, to pray the traditional rosary with contemporary reflections on discipleship and scripture from the Letter of St. James.

Mysteries of Discipleship:

- The First Mystery:** To Serve the Poor
- The Second Mystery:** To Serve Those Who Experience Discrimination and Hatred
- The Third Mystery:** To Serve the Cause of Peace
- The Fourth Mystery:** To Serve the Young and the Fearful
- The Fifth Mystery:** To Serve the Suffering and the Dying





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, 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.

Pentecost: the Spirit in prophecy, in liturgical action, and abiding with us

Pentecost marks the end of the Easter season and the readings that examine the meaning of Jesus' resurrection. The final Easter season readings present different views on how the Spirit's coming and the new *ekklesia* fulfill the Hebrew prophets' vision of a new Israel.

In John's gospel, Jesus reveals that those who believe in him will find rivers of living water flowing from them. To understand the context of Jesus' pronouncement, we need to know about the Feast of Booths and its liturgical and eschatological meanings:

Water and the Feast of Booths (*Sukkot*). During this seven-day harvest feast, a Jewish priest would go daily to the Pool of Siloam and fill a gold vessel with water. He and the Levites processed this water to the Temple, where the priest poured the water, along with wine, over the altar as an offering to God. For the Jewish people, *water flowing from the Temple* was a messianic sign (Ez 47:3-6, Zech 14:8).

Jesus and living water. Jesus has spoken of living water earlier (Jn 4:10-15), but here John associates this living water with Jesus' gift of the Spirit. This *living water* is eternal life, present in believers because the Father and a disciple *abide* (remain-in-relationship) with each other. Just as the Jewish priest pouring water over the altar is a liturgical sign of purification and the coming messianic age, pouring water over a person at Christian baptism is a liturgical sign of purification and the coming of the Spirit.

Jesus' glorification and the Spirit. John tells his hearers that the coming of the Spirit must wait for Jesus' *glorification* (his transformative death and resurrection). Jesus' death and resurrection *saves all humans and initiates the messianic age*. Through liturgical sacramental actions, God abides (remains-in-relationship) with those who believe.

Jesus' resurrection has many meanings and many implications. The Easter season has given us time to reflect on this cosmos-changing event. The Lectionary readings have presented stories, poems, songs, and visions to help us understand Easter from many viewpoints: lived human experience, mystery, faith, sacraments, theology. This week we celebrate the *ekklesia's* birth through the Spirit's coming. The liturgical symbol of water incorporates us into the believing community and its mission to tell everyone the good news. How do we use our living water? How do our lives proclaim the Spirit's presence? How do we experience the sacraments to abide in God?

Terence Sherlock

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

Pentecost 2018



Before the Pentecost experience, for very good reasons, Jesus' disciples were imprisoned by fear. While fear can alert us to real danger, living in fear can paralyze us. Being filled with the Holy Spirit freed the disciples to fearlessly proclaim a message in which hope could be translated into any language. Likewise, an important first step toward unity is examining whether we are conveying suspicion or assurance in our exchanges.

Jesus' disciples had every right to be angry about his false conviction and tortuous murder. It was categorically unethical, immoral and unjust. However, when faced with the choice of perpetuating the cycle of violence through revenge, the Spirit stirred them to be messengers of Christ's peace instead. In that Spirit, people gathered together around them to live a new life-giving and nonviolent way of life. In the face of today's divisiveness, can we ask ourselves which has the greatest potential for inspiring fruitful community action — righteous indignation or constructive dialogue?

In the Jewish society at the time of Jesus, rank and position were strictly defined as a matter of honor. Even though Jesus' disciples had very little status, they spoke with an authority on that Pentecost. That got everyone's attention. Their authority did not come from searching out like-minded people and then demeaning those with differing values. They did not pass judgment on who was worthy or belittle those with conflicting perspectives. Respectfully accepting people as they were, the disciples let the message speak for itself, and because of their tolerance it could be heard across communication gaps. In our search for justice, have we confused values we hold sacred by pitting them against each other? How do we dig out from our inflammatory entrenchments to make room for richer and more holistic solutions through consensus?

What is the Spirit calling us to in response to an environment of growing fear that paralyzes, anger that demeans and intolerance that isolates us? When we are willing to share our gifts rather than hoarding them in fear; to celebrate each other rather than competing for prestige; and to build bridges of understanding rather than needing to have the last word, then we are learning to speak the Spirit's language of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Speaking with one voice — the Spirit's voice, together we can create more light for our darkness, more courage for our fear, more hope for our despair, more wisdom for our confusion, more love for our hate, and more peace for our turmoil. When we communicate together on common ground, we can do more for the common good. Together we are more!

Fr. Dennis

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