

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,
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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).

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 22, 2018

JULY 23-29, 2018

- MON. - 7/23** – St. Bridget
 7:30AM - All Souls
- TUES. - 7/24** – St. Sharbel Makhluf
 7:30AM - NO MASS
- WED. - 7/25** – St. James
 5:30PM - Lena VanderHeyden by Jeanne Jacques
- THURS. - 7/26** – Ss. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 7:30AM - All souls
- FRI. - 7/27** – Weekday
 7:30AM - All Souls
- SAT. - 7/28** – Vigil of the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00PM - Ronald Aveni by Jeanne Jacques
 Best wishes to Bernie & Charles Kallfelz on the 57th Wedding Anniversary
- SUN. - 7/29** – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:00AM - Members of the Parish
 8:45AM - All Souls
 10:45AM - Thomas Burkardt by Hanni Gartland

Readings: 7/29/2018
 2 Kgs: 4:42-44
 Eph: 4:1-6
 Jn: 6:1-15

Prayer Line call

Diane or Patti at 673-1311.

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



JULY 23-29

Mon: 4:30PM—Adult Class with Fr. Dennis
 Wed: 6:05PM—Women's prayer Group—SPC
 Sat: 7:30AM—Men's Prayer Group—SPC
3:00PM—NO Reconciliation—
THIS SATURDAY
 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: July 15, 2018

Parish Offering	Prior Year	This Year
From(149) Envelopes		\$5,040
Loose Offerings		\$2,359
Total Sunday	\$7,095	\$7,399



If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin in an email. Send your email address to the parish office's email address: diane.st.patoffice@gmail.com and you will be added to our mailing list.



Catholic Kid's Camp - Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity!!!!

Monday, August 6th through Friday the 10th from 9am to 12noon each day in the Parish Center for children ages 4 through 11.

Who can help: teens and adults

For more information contact Jude Lorman at 654-1269 or judelorman@gmail.com
Registration forms can be found in the church hall, on our web site and in the church office. Deadline to register is July 20.



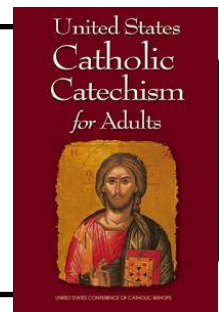
2018-19 Religious Education Forms

Registrations for Faith Formation for 2018-19 are available at the office, 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 from 6 to 8pm
Place: Grades 3-4-5 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

THE US CATHOLIC CATECHISM FOR ADULTS offered by Fr. Dennis will be on July 23 in the Church Hall from 4:30-6:00PM



GOD HAS A PLAN

God has a plan for every life in Christ Jesus. What a wondrous truth ... and yet how reasonable. Shall the architect draw the plans for his stately palace? Shall the artist sketch the outlines of his masterpiece? Shall the shipbuilder lay down the lines for his colossal ship? And yet shall God have no plan for the soul which he brings into being and puts "in Christ Jesus"? Surely he has.

For every cloud that floats across the summer sky, for every blade of grass that points its tiny spear heavenward, God has a purpose and a plan. How much more then, for you who are his own in Christ Jesus, does God have a perfect life plan.

—James McConkey



We are still collecting these for the school system. If you do not have children in the school system and you buy products with this emblem on them could you please save them and bring them to the office and we will give them to the school and they will be redeemed for supplies. Thank you.

CHILDREN WORSHIP BULLETIN

On the back tables we have Children's bulletins. Please take one and help your child do the activity on it. This is a good, small family project for a Sunday afternoon .



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 bathing suits and beach towels.**



Please remember in your prayers those who have asked for our prayers:

Donatella Fugaza, Thomas Burkardt, Ben & Anne Marie Yorio, Linda Koch, Christina Ferguson, Donald Labonte, William, JoAnn & John, 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, John, Mike Paxton, Isabelle Miller, 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.

The lost sheep and the compassionate shepherd

During Ordinary time the Lectionary readings present stories and teachings from Jesus' everyday ministry. This week's readings invite RCIA participants and the believing community to recognize God's offer of merciful love in our own lives.

Mark's gospel concludes the Twelve's sending from last week (Mk 6:7-13) with their return; it also sets up next week's reading (the feeding of the five thousand in the wilderness). Jesus invites the Twelve to rest in the wilderness, but further ministry interrupts his plans:

Jesus calls the disciples to both active ministry and quiet prayer. The wilderness or "deserted place" represents time for the disciples to be alone with Jesus and reflect on their recent missionary work. To be effective, a disciple must balance *service to others* (action) with a *reflective prayer* life (words, silence). When a disciple loses this balance, service can become self-serving, or prayer can become a list of complaints to God.

Jesus' compassion for God's people. Despite his need for "wilderness time" with his disciples, Jesus is moved to pity when he sees the people as *lost sheep* (see the first reading). The Greek verb *σπλαγχνίζομαι* (splang-KNIHd-zoh-mah-ee) means "to have a physical and emotional reaction in a person's guts." This Greek verb captures the Hebrew scripture's idea of "merciful love," a quality of God alone: *With everlasting love I will have compassion on you* (Is 54:7-8).

Jesus' teaching is both a compassionate act and prophecy-in-action. To address the people's "lostness," Jesus begins to *teach* them as their leaders should be doing. (Next week Jesus will also miraculously *feed* them in the wilderness.) The Hebrew scripture connects "teaching" and "eating" with acquiring wisdom (Sir 15:3; Sir 24:19-21 Pv 9:5). Jesus' literal *teaching* (word) and *feeding* (action) become prophecy-in-action, both fulfilling the prophets' promise and foreshadowing the liturgical signs of Word and Eucharist.

Today's readings ask RCIA participants and the believing community to consider our lostness and how God reaches out to us again and again. Jeremiah promises that God will give the people just and compassionate shepherds. Mark shows Jesus overcome with compassion for the shepherdless sheep, and how he teaches and feeds them with his words. With all the competing demands for our time and attention, we are easily lost. To find ourselves, we need take a wilderness break. In the silence God's merciful love can teach and feed us. In the liturgy of the Word God *speaks* to us; in the liturgy of the Eucharist God *feeds* us. Can we make the time to encounter God's compassion?

Terence Sherlock

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



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was in junior high, my Catholic school religion teacher shared a story with our class. It was a fictionalized short story that started like this: “One night, Jesus and Peter were talking about the day’s events over a couple of beers at the village pub.” As a 13-year-old, I was scandalized! It was very difficult to conjure up an image of Jesus being so, well, human. Today, I find this image is one that I can easily retrieve in today’s Gospel. The final line in the Gospel might suggest that the focus should be on preparing for the miracle of the feeding of the 5,000. But this story can also be understood as a continuation of last week in which Jesus sends out the 12 apostles two by two.

We meet them in today’s Gospel upon their return. We are not told what Jesus does while they are gone but we know he is there to welcome them back. This brings to mind the image of Jesus sitting with friends that my teacher allowed me so long ago. By all indications, it seems they have been successful and are now excitedly telling Jesus about all their experiences. I can picture him listening patiently and intently as they compete for his attention. Jesus recognizes the enthusiasm and anticipates what is surely to come for the apostles. He knows the magnitude of the responsibility of the power they now possess and the response of the people that will surely follow. Often, Jesus has been met with crowds. Jesus is right to assume this will also be the apostles’ reality.

Jesus breaks up the party and invites the apostles to come away and rest awhile. This invitation should not surprise us. We know from the psalmist that this is what the Lord does. He gives us repose in verdant pastures or by restful waters so we can refresh our souls (Psalm 23). But we sense that this invitation from Jesus might be more than suggesting a nap. We might even assume that it is a call for deep reflection for the apostles are now leaders and, as we are warned by Jeremiah, must be wary of leading the Lord’s sheep astray. As Jesus has so often modeled for them, they must take the time to pray. And as is often the case in Mark, we see this play out almost immediately and are told that the people were already coming in such numbers that the poor apostles did not even have an opportunity to eat.

Each of us is called to carry out Jesus’ mission in different ways: in our ministries, in the office, at school and in our families. We, too, are sent out to teach and to heal and each of these responsibilities brings its own crowd which will no doubt find us. This can also test our egos. On those good days when everything is working out just as we planned or other days where we can’t seem to get anything right, we might begin to be tempted by the idea that we control it all. We should make every effort to find a place to rest and to reflect so that we can be sure to remember who vested us with the power in the first place and whose mission we are carrying out. We should make every effort so that, when we do go to meet the crowds, we can meet them with the same compassion that Jesus did.



Fr. Dennis