



Saint Patrick Catholic Church

34 AMHERST STREET, MILFORD, NH 03055
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9-12 and 1-5p.m. Closed at Noon of Friday

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. Our website has been revamped go check it out saintpatrickmilfordnh.org

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).

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.

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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.

5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—February 10, 2019

FEBRUARY 11-17, 2019

- MON. - 2/11 - Our Lady of Lourdes**
 7:30AM - All Souls
- TUES. - 2/12 - Weekday**
 7:30AM - NO MASS
- WED—2/13 - Weekday**
 5:30PM - Pauline Woods by Jane Provins
- THURS. - 2/14 - Ss. Cyril & Methodius**
 7:30AM - All Souls
- FRI. - 2/15 - Weekday**
 7:30AM - For the intentions of Ken Miller by Chris Conard
- SAT—2/16- Vigil of the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 4:00PM - Patricia Vining by Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Clifford
- SUN. - 2/17- 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 7:00AM - Parishioners
 8:45AM - Rev. Donald Jacques by the Carter family
 10:45AM - Michael Esposito by Kimberly Mannino

Readings: 2/17/2019

Jer: 17:5-8
 1 Cor: 15:12, 16-20
 Lk: 6:17, 20-26

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 16-17, 2019

- 4:00PM **Altar Servers:** Olivia & Jonathan R.
Eucharistic Ministers: Donna T., Linda V.,
 Laura D.
Lector: Andrea M.
Greeters: Bert D., Gary M., Dianne H.
- 7:00AM **Altar Servers:** George L.
Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy S., Sally W.,
 Kathie N.
Lector: Kathy J-P.
Greeters: Skip G., John M., Joe Z.
- 8:45AM **Altar Servers:** Erin & Morgan P.
Eucharistic Ministers: Sr. Marcelle L., Joe R.,
 Diane B.
Lector: Mike C.
Greeters: Steve S., The Bells'
- 10:45AM **Altar Servers:** Ronin & Jonas L.
Eucharistic Ministers: Michelle & Tony F.,
 Henry A.
Lector: Terri M.
Greeters: The Hohenadels., Mary L.

FEB 11-17, 2019

- Mon: 4:30PM—Adult Faith Formation with Fr. Dennis
- Tues : 4:30PM—Faith Formation gr 1-5—SPC
 7:00PM—Cribbage—C/H
- Wed: 4:30PM—Faith Formation Gr 1-5—SPC
 6:05PM—Women's Prayer Group—C/H
 7:15PM—BAS Scout Troop—C/H
- Thur: Blood Pressure screening after Mass
 9:30AM—Bible Study
- Sat: 7:30AM—Men's Prayer Group—SPC
 3:00PM—Reconciliation— Church
 5:30PM—Game night—C/H
- Sun: Knight of Columbus Breakfast—C/H
 Noon—Choir Rehearsal—Church
 6:00PM—Youth Ministry gr 6-12—SPC& C/H



WEEKEND OF: February 3, 2019

Parish Offering	Prior Year	This Year
Budget From(163) Envelopes		\$5,588
Loose Offerings		\$2,072
Total Sunday	\$8,573	\$7,660

Catholic School: \$1,860

Online Vanco for January: \$3,392

E-giving available to parishioners. This is very safe and easy to use. Go to our website under news & event and scroll to giving and follow the instructions. This is very helpful for parishioners who want to give on a regular basis.

GIVE+Online



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.

Faith Formation Ministry

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

Tues: Feb 19
Wed: Feb 20

Grades 6-12 from 6-7:30PM

Sun: Feb 17

NON-TRIVIAL PURSUITS

Weekly challenge from your
Faith Formation Team (2-10-2019)



Monday is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Catholics are not obligated to believe any private revelation, even those approved by the Church. But one detail of the visions of young Bernadette is a dogma of the faith. What is it?

Answer to Last Week's Question: (2/3/2019)

The Feast of the Presentation, also the Feast of the Purification of the Virgin, commemorates Mary and Joseph's bringing the Infant Jesus to the Temple as required by the Law (Leviticus 12). At that event the ancient Simeon took the Child in his arms and declared that this was the Messiah whom he had been promised he would live to see. He declared that the Child was "A light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to Israel." While the feast has been celebrated since at least the 300s, the traditions of blessing the candles and then using those candles for the throat blessing on the Feast of St. Blaise (Feb 3) "only" date back to the ninth century. See the Facebook page for more details and a discussion about Mary and



Toothbrushes & paste, Deodorants, Shampoo & Conditioner, Bar Soap, Feminine Hygiene Products, Diapers, Wipes **Can be dropped off at the SHARE office or in the Church Hall.**

Thank you for your donations.

Family Game Night



Join us after Mass on
Saturday Feb. 16th
(5:30-9:00) for an
evening of family fun.



We will be serving
dinner of ham, baked
beans and coleslaw
followed by an evening
of games and
fellowship.



All are welcome, bring
a friend come and play
one of our games or
bring your own to
share.



**Winter Book Read and
Discussion**
Sunday, March 31, 2019
2-3:30pm
St. Patrick's Church Hall
34 Amherst Street, Milford
Hosted by
St. Patrick's Health Ministry
team

soulful
simplicity



how living with less
can lead to so much more

courtney carver

Publisher's Summary: *Courtney Carver shows us the power of simplicity to improve our health, build more meaningful relationships, and relieve stress in our professional and personal lives.*
Please RSVP by calling Patti Hendrickson at 673-1311- by Wed, March 27.



Please remember in your prayers:

Michael McMahon, Jack Morro, Wendy Boucher, Mary Ann Hower, Jean Duffy, Ronald & Jean Rood, James Lyons family, Kathy Knowlton, Ron Lockwood, Connor Sil-lowy, Eva, Carolyn Hassett, Lyn, Bettina Mace, Vera Rasmussen, Karen Jarest, Marie Roccio, Donatella Fugaza, Thomas Burkardt, Ben & Anne Marie Yorio, Donald Labonte, William, JoAnn & John, Gus Dreher, Dorothy Calogero, Tiffany Brown, Raymond Coté, Irene Dion, Eugene Callahan, Andrea, Sophia Lamarche, Janice, Brundage family, Ge-nie Stone, Coralee Smart, Marie, Frances, Arlene, Georgian, Jeanne, Sue, Dennis Creedon, Paul Golch, John Foss, Rob Erickson, Jenny Ciotti, Dan Nelson, Denise Bergeron, Alice Creighton, Liz Richer, Luke LaVallee, John, Mike Paxton, Isabelle Miller, Marc Belanger, Helen R., Claudette Blais, Kim Beebe, Anne Ronsov, Jack Long, Beth Powers, Scott Dickinson, Nenad Opjac, Jack Daniels, John Knott, Joseph Koprek, Bobby Holland, Lillie & Damien, Benjamin Smith, Patti Patenaude, Jef-frey Yorio, Lisa Yorio, Blanche Belanger, Cheryl Williams, Ken Hower, Jeff MacMartin, Margaret Nel-son, Mindy Kane, Linda Lewis, Susan Yorio, Richard Copeland, Wayne Cormier, Robert Merley, Jef-frey 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.

Discipleship: call and response

During Ordinary time the Lectionary readings present stories and teachings from Jesus' everyday ministry. This week's readings invite the believing community to consider their own responses to Jesus' call to discipleship.

Luke's gospel recounts the call of Simon Peter. Within an elegant, seven-part structure, Peter encounters Jesus' holi-ness, is overwhelmed by his own unworthiness, and hears and responds to Jesus' call to discipleship:

Part 1: The boat goes out (v 3). Jesus teaches God's word to the Capernaum crowds. *Hearing God's word* is the first step in responding to God.

Part 2: Jesus addresses Peter (v 4). After teaching, Jesus tells Peter to move out into deeper water and *catch fish*.

Part 3. Peter addresses Jesus: (v 5). Peter, the successful fisherman, knows *Jesus' request is ridiculous*. Two-boat dragnet teams fish at night close to the shore because fish feed at night and where fresh water drains into the lake. Dur-ing the day, fish hide under rocks, and can see the nets. Peter says a little sarcastically, "We've worked all night, boss, but if you say so."

Part 4. A miracle happens: a large catch of fish (v 6-7). Following Jesus' instruction, Peter and his partners catch so many fish that their nets are breaking and the boats are sinking. Such *superabundance is a sign* of the messianic king-dom.

Part 5. Peter addresses Jesus (v 8). At the miraculous catch, Peter *recognizes Jesus' holiness* ("Lord") and *his own unworthiness* ("I am sinful"). Peter responds like Isaiah in the first reading (Is 6:5); he also represents the sinners who will respond positively to Jesus during his ministry.

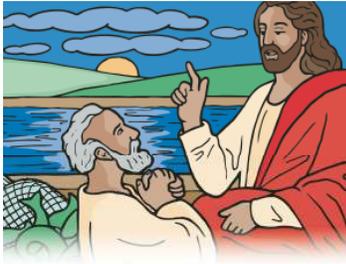
Part 6. Jesus addresses Peter (v 10). Peter is now ready to *hear Jesus' call*: "From now on you'll be catching-alive peo-ple." By using the Greek verb *ζωγράφω* (dzohg-REH-oh), which emphasizes "capturing someone alive," Luke suggests the mission of Peter and the Twelve is to lead people to *new life*.

Part 7. The boat returns (v 11). Peter and the other new disciples *follow Jesus*. Luke says "they let go of everything," reminding his hearers of the *radical nature of discipleship*.

This week's readings ask us to recall our own invitation to discipleship. God's presence and invitation is not usually as dramatic as Isaiah's vision or Peter's fish miracle. But God repeatedly calls each of us to discipleship, and repeatedly calls each disciple to serve others in a unique, saving role in history. The first step is *hearing God's word*. Do we hear God's request, even when it seems to make no sense? Do we believe God's power to heal our unworthiness? Are we willing to let go of our own expectations to fulfill God's work?

---Terence Sherlock

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



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. Lk 5:10-11

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Have you ever gone out at night and looked up into the seemingly familiar sky glittering with stars and then, suddenly, remembered that you are a speck on a tiny planet floating amongst those heavens? Or perhaps you have paused on a seashore marveling at the vastness of the ocean!

Often when we encounter such natural wonders, the beauty of it all takes our breath away. Beholding the majesty and magnitude of God's creation we are reminded of two truths in rapid succession. First, God's power is beyond anything we could ever hope to imagine or describe. We are speechless in the face of God's greatness.

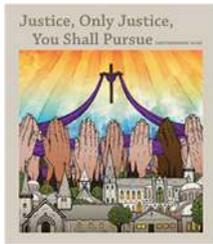
Secondly, God created all of this beauty and wonder for us to live in because God loves us. Those instances when we are awe-struck by God's marvelous creation are moments of grace. Our Father reveals his love for us in a myriad of ways — natural beauty being just one among the many — to encourage and sustain us and to inspire us to share our experience of God's love with others.

In our first reading, Isaiah recounts an experience that took his breath away — seeing the Lord seated on a throne. As Isaiah tells the story to the Israelites, angels were shouting while the house was shaking and filled with smoke. Finding himself in the presence of the Holy One, Isaiah was seized with fear as would be anyone. In contrast to the glory and goodness of the Lord, Isaiah is painfully aware of his own failings and those of his people. Yet God did not reveal Godself to Isaiah as punishment, but rather to prepare Isaiah to be able to speak on God's behalf to the Israelites. Once he is purified, Isaiah hears the Lord's call, "Whom shall I send?" Isaiah readily responds, "Here I am, send me!" Having experienced the power of the Lord and his forgiveness, Isaiah is prepared for the arduous task of presenting both God's mercy and warnings to his people.

We recognize a similar pattern in today's Gospel. Jesus has been teaching the crowds along the shore from the deck of Simon's boat. When he finishes his sermon, Jesus instructs Simon to sail into deeper water and lower his nets. Though the fishermen had previously been unsuccessful, when they follow Jesus' instructions they are overwhelmed with their catch. As in the case of Isaiah, Simon Peter instantly recognizes that he is unworthy to be in the presence of the Lord. Here again, the demonstration of God's power is not to embarrass but rather to encourage Simon Peter and the other disciples. Jesus assures them, "Do not be afraid, from now on you will be catching men." Having personally experienced Jesus' power and grace — somewhat surprisingly on their humble fishing boat — the disciples were now equipped to follow Jesus and share the good news with all those they will meet on his mission.

As Isaiah and Simon Peter and the first disciples were called into the presence of God, infused with power and grace, and then sent on mission, so too, we are called, transformed and sent forth every time we gather to celebrate the Eucharist. In light of today's readings, I encourage you to listen with special attention to the eucharistic prayer. We will praise God for his eternal greatness and glory, joining our voices with those of the angels and saints singing of his holiness. We will humbly acknowledge our personal failings and those of all humanity and therefore our need of salvation through Christ our Lord. We will pray with the whole church that all who receive Christ's body and blood may be faithful in sharing the peace and mercy granted to us with all those around us. And we will offer all these prayers with trust in the infinite goodness of our Father who loves each of us and all of us

Fr. Dennis



Rivier University is hosting the Annual Prayer for Christian Unity sponsored by the churches of the Greater Nashua Interfaith Council. The Prayer Service will be held in Resurrection Chapel at 420 South Main Street on the University campus from 7 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, February 13. A reception in nearby Perreault Room in Madeleine Hall will follow. All are invited to join in prayer and fellowship.

Thank You for your donations to our Hat & Mitten Tree

Thank you to all who contributed to the Health Ministry's Hat & Mitten Tree from Jan. 5th to Feb. 3rd. Through your generosity we have donated 198 mittens, gloves, hats and scarves to Share Outreach. These items are available to all who enter the Share Outreach Office for assistance.



In celebration of St. Patrick's Day, the parish will be hosting a corned beef and cabbage dinner on March 16 @ 5:30pm. The cost is \$8 per person. The last day to pick up your ticket is Wednesday, March 13. There is a limit of 60 people. **No** tickets will be sold at the door. Ticket may be pick up during office hours.

Basket Drive baby items for "OUR PLACE"



Baskets are located in the church, the hall, and the parish center. There is a take-home list of needed items found on each basket. Please place your donations in the baskets from now until Feb 25.

"OUR PLACE" in Manchester is an outreach program of Catholic Charities of NH. For 35 years, the primary goal of the program has been to create safe, supportive and loving family environments for babies and young children of adolescents and young adults who are parenting their first child. This is achieved by providing pregnancy and parenting education and support, for the first three years of the child's life, in order to protect children and create strong families. One of "OUR PLACE" client wrote to say, "I am thankful for this program because it has helped us so much. My nurse and social worker are wonderful persons who give me very helpful information and service with all of their heart."

Sponsored by the
St. Patrick Knights of Columbus
Culture of Life Program

The Knights of Columbus

are sponsoring a Parish breakfast in the Church Hall on Sunday, February 17 after the 7:00, 8:45 & 10:45 a.m. Masses.

Menu: scrambled eggs, sausages, home fries, pastries, coffee/juice. The proceeds will be split between the Church and Wilton Open Cupboard food pantry. A donation of \$5. per person would be appreciated.



PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9-12 and 1-5 p.m.
Friday: 9-12. Closed Friday Afternoon