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PATRICK



St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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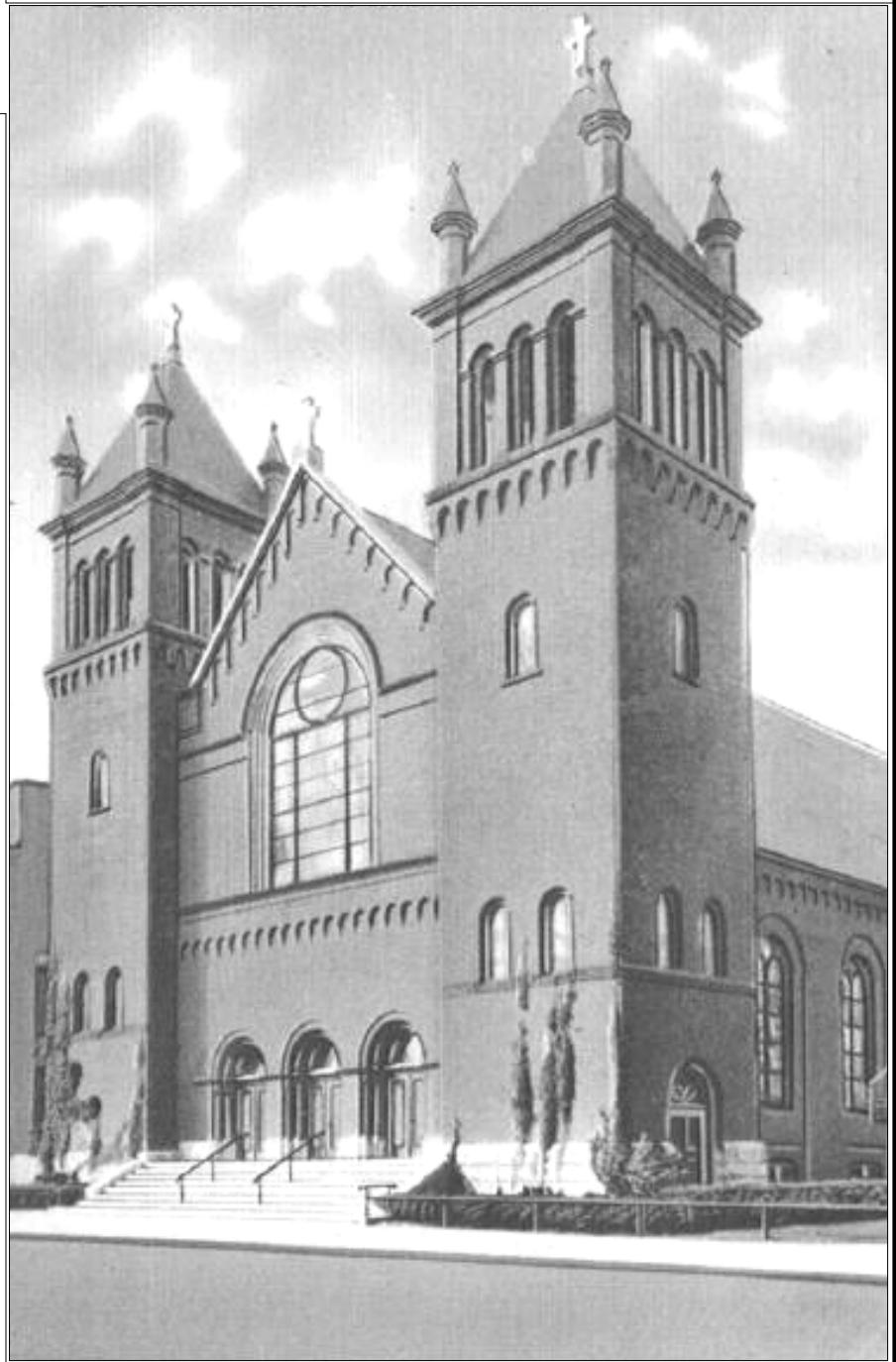
Mass Schedule
Mon. - Fri. 12:05 PM (Daily Mass)
Sat. 4:00 PM (Organ & Cantor)
Sun. 7:00 AM (Quiet Mass)
9:30 AM (Organ & Cantor)
12:00 PM (Organ & Choir)

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form)
Sat: 8:00 AM
Second Sunday of each Month
at 12:00 PM

Confession
Sat.: 3:00 PM
Sun. 9:00 & 11:30 AM
Tues. through Fri. 11:30 AM

Office Hours
Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Fri. - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Cemetery Office
Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Tel. 603-881-8131



LITURGICAL CALENDAR
& INTENTIONS

Saturday, Feb. 13, 2016 - Vigil ~ 1st Sunday in Lent

4:00 PM **Rollin E. Brown, Jr., 1st Anniv.**
By the Family

Sunday, Feb. 14, 2016 ~ 1st Sunday in Lent

7:00 AM **Matthew P. Ennis, Jr.**
By Caroline Kemezys & Kathy Ennis

9:30 AM **St. Vincent de Paul Benefactors**

12:00 PM **Kenneth I. Spaulding, 13th Anniv.**
By his daughter Judith Spaulding

Monday, Feb. 15, 2016 - PRESIDENTS' DAY

9:00 AM **Priest's Intention**
(No Confessions or 12:05 PM Mass)

Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2016

12:05 PM **Louis Hailson**
By Maureen Baril

Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2016 - The 7 Holy Founders of the Servite Order

12:05 PM **Patricia Tabor & Laurie Presby**
By Paul McDermott

Thursday, Feb 18, 2016

12:05 PM **Meghan & Mike Baldwin (Living)**
By Paul McDermott

Friday, Feb. 19, 2016

12:05 PM **The Parker, Brennan and Sylvester Families**
By Mary Parker & Diane Sylvester

Saturday, Feb. 20, 2016 - Vigil ~ 2nd Sunday in Lent

4:00 PM **Kenneth I. Spaulding, 13th Anniv.**
By the Family

Sunday, Feb. 21, 2016 ~ 2nd Sunday in Lent

7:00 AM **Janet Christie, 1st Anniversary**
By a Friend

9:30 AM **People of the :Parish**

12:00 PM **Patrick Terrin**
By Ann Casey

Thank you for respecting God's Holy Presence by keeping mobile phones and other electronic devices outside of this Sacred Place.

GIFTS FOR THE LORD'S WORK

Weekend of Feb. 6 & 7

From (194) Envelope Users:	\$6,182.50
From All Others - Checks:	\$1,330.10
- Cash:	\$1,770.00
Electronic Giving Users (21)	\$ 920.00
Total Collection	\$10,202.60

Mass Count: 741

Seminarian Education Fund

Previous Total	\$2,966.00
Weekend of Feb. 7	\$ 127.00
Grand Total:	\$3,093.00

Catholic Schools

Total weekend of Feb. 7	\$1,028.00
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Fuel Fund weekend of Feb. 7 **\$100.00**

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of Feb. 6 & 7 **\$841.00**

Poor Box money is used to assist people in temporary need who approach our Parish for financial assistance with clothing, food, utilities, rent, prescriptions, etc. Indirect assistance is also provided through funds given to several local charities, including the Corpus Christi Food Pantry and the Nashua Soup Kitchen. Donations are never used for parish expenses. Your continuing contributions allow our Parish to fulfill the Lord's command to help "the least of my brothers and sisters."

Our St. Vincent de Paul members conduct confidential personal visits to provide spiritual and financial support as necessary. If you know of persons, either in or outside the Parish, who might benefit from our assistance, please encourage them to call our dedicated phone line at 821-5267.

THANK YOU!

ST. PATRICK PARISH
OFFICE HOURS AND MASS SCHEDULE
PRESIDENTS' DAY - MONDAY, FEB. 15th
MASS: 9:00 AM - Offices Closed

St. Patrick Parish offices will be closed on Monday, Feb. 15th in observance of the Presidents' Day holiday. **Daily Mass will be held at 9:00 AM.** There will be no Confessions or 12:05 PM Mass on that day.

ST. PATRICK & HOLY CROSS CEMETERIES



St. Patrick Parish has two beautiful cemeteries located in Hudson, NH - St. Patrick Cemetery on Derry Road and Holy Cross Cemetery on Ledge Road. For more information on available lots, please contact Margie Gray at 603-881-8131.

**Music & Texts for Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 PM
and Latin Mass Sunday, Feb. 14, 2016 at 12:00 Noon**

**Sunday Missa Cantata at 12:00 Noon
First Sunday of Lent**

**Text and Music from the
St. Edmund Campion Missal**

Text and Readings: Pages 105 - 109

Processional # 828 Throughout These Forty Days

Recessional # 829 Forty Days and Forty Nights

**Vigil Mass at 4:00 PM
First Sunday of Lent**

Liturgy of the Word Missalette

Text and Readings: Pages 71 - 73

Collegeville Hymnal

Processional: #253 Throughout These 40 Days

Communion Antiphon - Pg, 73

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. (Ps. 91:4)

Recessional: #447 Amazing Grace

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
LENTEN FRIDAY FISH DINNERS**

**Feb. 19, 26, Mar. 4, 11, and 18
St. Christopher Church Hall
62 Manchester St., Nashua, NH**

The St. Christopher and St. Patrick Knights of Columbus invite you to join them for their annual Lenten Fish Dinners held on each Friday evening during Lent. Doors open at 4:30 PM and dinner is served until 6:30 PM. The cost for the meal is \$11 for adults. Pizza is available at \$2 per slice. **Take out is available by calling 717-4980.** Stations of the Cross and Confession are held in St. Christopher Church following the dinners. All are welcome.

Weather cancellation policy: Dinners are cancelled when Nashua schools are cancelled.

Volunteers are needed for all aspects of the Fish Dinner program. Please contact Jim Lockwood at 603-548-2152 or jasmestlockwood@comcast.net or Don Sherwood at (603) 438-9050 or Donald.j.sherwood@gmail.com to sign up or for more information.

**ST. PATRICK EVENING MEAL
TOGETHER DINNER
April 23rd - 5:00 - 8:30 PM**



St. Patrick Parish will host its next evening meal together on April 23, 2016 from 5:00 to 8:30 PM in the Parish Gym. Save the date on your calendars and join us for fellowship, great food and fun! Tickets will go on sale in April. Watch the bulletin for more info.

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

February 14, 2016
1st Sunday in Lent

March 13, 2016
Passion Sunday

Saturday Mornings
8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

February 20, 2016
Ember Saturday

February 27, 2016
Feria of Lent

March 6, 2016

Immaculate Heart of Mary

March 12, 2016
Feria of Lent

LATIN/ENGLISH MISSALS AVAILABLE

1962 Roman Catholic Daily Missals in Latin and English are available for purchase for \$50.00. Contact Jack McGreevy at 603-888-5824 for more information or to obtain your missal.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NOTE

When making donations to the Capital Campaign, we ask that you put your check or cash donation for this project in a separate envelope marked Capital Campaign. Be sure to include your name and address on the envelope for tracking purposes. Thank you!

Lenten Stations of the Cross Every Friday of Lent

3:00 PM

(Traditional: St. Alphonsus version)

7:00 PM

(Biblical version with organ)

“CONSOLING THE HEART OF JESUS” RETREAT

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the “Consoling the Heart of Jesus” 10-session retreat in the St. Patrick Parish Center, Room 1, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 noon. The retreat will be held on the following Saturdays: Feb. 20, 27, March 5, 12, 19 and 26. The final session will be held on April 2nd. The final session times and location will be announced at a later date.

A second series of sessions, will be held at St. Christopher Parish in the Pennell Center from 10:30 AM to Noon on the following dates: (Tuesdays) Feb. 16, 23; March 1, 8, 15, 22. A final session on April 2nd will conclude the retreat and the location of this session will be announced at a later date.

The cost of the retreat is \$30 for materials. If you would like to register please send your name, address, phone number, and a check made payable to John Kiely at John Kiely, 8 Louisburg Square #6, Nashua, NH 03060.

WOMEN’S RETREAT Saturday, February 27, 2015 St. Patrick Church, Nashua, NH

On Saturday, February 27th, we invite the ladies of the parish to a retreat for women hosted by the Sodality of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Philomena. Talks will be presented by Carmina Chapp, who has a Mandatum from the Bishop of Scranton. The theme will be, “Living as Believing Catholics within Contemporary Culture.”

Mass will be offered at 8:00 AM. A light breakfast and lunch will be served during the retreat. The retreat will conclude with adoration, confession and the 4:00 PM Vigil Mass. There is a \$10 fee to defray the speaker’s costs.

Please RSVP by telephone to 465-7210, or by email to OLPHSodality@yahoo.com. We look forward to seeing you there.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday ~ Noon to 8:00 PM
43 Franklin Street, Nashua, NH

WEEKLY READINGS

Feb. 15 through Feb. 21

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 - 4:1 [3:20 - 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

All Catholics, from the day following their 14th birthday, are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent regardless of age.

Catholics, from the day following their 18th birthday until the day following their 59th birthday, are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these days, only 1 full meal may be taken; no eating between meals is allowed. Food may be taken on 2 other occasions during the day, but the combined total must not equal a full meal. Liquids (frappes and milkshakes are NOT considered liquids) do not break the fast. Those whose health truly does not permit fast or abstinence are excused.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Below is a list of Parish meetings being held in the Parish Center this week. (PAL uses the gym Monday through Saturday, unless otherwise arranged in advance).

Sunday, Feb. 14: Religious Education Grades 1-6 in Rooms 1 - 4 and the Outer Gym

Sunday, Feb. 14: Latin Mass Social in the Gym following the 12:00 PM Latin Mass

Monday, Feb. 15: Religious Education Grades 7-12 in Rooms 1-4 and Outer Gym area.

Tuesday, Feb. 16: Knights of Columbus in Room 1; 6:30 - 9:00 PM

Thursday, Feb. 18: Outreach at 7:00 PM in Room 1

Thursday, Feb. 18: Boy Scouts @ 7:00 PM in Rms. 3 & 4.

Saturday, Feb. 20: Consoling the Heart of Jesus Retreat in Room 1 10 AM to 12 Noon.

Please note: Schedule is subject to change. To schedule a meeting or an event in the Center, please contact Rosemary Daly in the Office at 603-882-2262.

“Building on Our Past, Securing Our Future” **St. Patrick's Capital Campaign**

Thanks to everyone that attended our campaign receptions during the past several weeks. Your support interest, input, and enthusiasm are greatly appreciated!

Please watch for a special mailing from St. Patrick Parish. The mailing will include a brochure that lists the projects we hope to complete. It will also include “all in one” Pledge Envelope for your gift.

We hope to raise \$850,000 for these projects. As a general "guideline," we suggest that parishioners consider a sacrificial pledge of \$4,000 extended over 3 or 4 years. With a 10% down payment (\$400), your pledge would be \$100/a month for three years or \$75/month for four years. The chart below shows how the pledges work out.

Because our parish has people with a wide range of income and expenses, we hope that each person will consider what his or her "fair share" may be. Every pledge and gift, no matter what the amount, will be greatly appreciated! If everyone makes a fair sacrifice we will be able to reach our goal and get the needed work done.

Total Pledge	10% Down Payment	36 Monthly Payments (3 years)	48 Monthly Payments (4 years)	Daily Sacrifice (3 Years)
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$250	\$188	\$8.25
\$7,500	\$750	\$188	\$141	\$6.15
\$5,000	\$500	\$125	\$94	\$4.10
\$4,000	\$ 400	\$100	\$75	\$3.25
\$3,000	\$ 300	\$75	\$56	\$2.50

Community News

St. Francis of Assisi School Open House (Pre-K to Grade 6) - Wed., Feb. 17

St. Francis of Assisi School is a Catholic school with a curriculum that provides a lasting foundation in what is good, true and beautiful. The curriculum is completed with enriching specials in Latin and Greek, Spanish, Art, Tin Whistle, Band and an integrated Virtues Program that inspires students to live and love well., The school is located in Litchfield, NH. For more information and to register, call (603) 424-3312 or visit us at www.StFrancisSchoolNH.org.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION LENTEN MISSION RETREAT

“The Harvest is Plenty” (Luke 10) ~ Feb. 21 - Feb 23.

Join us for a 2016 Lenten Mission Retreat presented by Fr. Marc Montminy, Pastor, St. Michael Parish, Exeter, NH on Sunday, February 21st through Tuesday, February 23rd at Immaculate Conception Parish, 216 E. Dunstable Rd., Nashua, NH. Each session will include Confession at 6:00 PM, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 6:45PM (Confession and Chaplet are optional), and the Lenten Mission program beginning at 7:00 PM. For more information please contact Eileen Bowes, Pastoral Associate by phone at 603-888-0321 or at eileen@iccnashuanh.org

Ashes and Valentines

In most years, Valentine's Day happens *before* Lent begins. This year, however, Valentine's Day actually coincides with the First Sunday of Lent. This unusual coincidence causes a mixing of seemingly incompatible symbols. On Ash Wednesday we saw crosses formed from gritty ashes; on Valentine's Day we frequently see hearts formed from chocolate and other sweet things. But a little reflection shows that crosses and hearts really do belong together, for they all symbolize love that is truly bittersweet, yet delightful to the taste.

The cross imprinted on our foreheads recalls the death of the Lord. The ashes that form the cross remind us of our own inevitable death. As the priest imposes the ashes, we hear the somber words of Genesis "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return." But the cross and ashes also symbolize love. The cross is the great sign of Christ's victory over death, a victory won for us because of God's immense love for us. The ashes also speak of love because they return us to the moment of creation when God formed Adam from the dust of the earth. God created humanity – and each of us individually – because of love.

On Valentine's Day, just four days into Lent, a vast array of heart-shaped candy assaults us. The heart is a very old symbol of love. Ancient people, including Jewish ones, believed that emotions, especially passionate affection, resided in the heart. Hence, Valentine cards and candy took the shape of hearts or used hearts in their designs

Though Valentine's Day is now almost totally secular, its origins are thoroughly Christian. In the fourth century, Christians began to honor St. Valentine. Scholars are now fairly certain that there were actually two distinct men named Valentine. One was a Roman priest executed around 269 during the persecution of Emperor Claudius. The second Valentine was the bishop of Terni who suffered martyrdom around the same time. Somehow the stories of the two men became intermingled. The red of Valentine's Day recalls their bloody martyrdom.

The first St. Valentine is the one associated with romantic love. According to popular belief, St. Valentine dabbled in the art of match making. As a priest, he was very eager to bring people together in the Sacrament of Matrimony, and so he often introduced potential spouses to one another. Long before St. Valentine's feast became linked to February 14, ancient Roman people believed that doves mated on that day. In light of that old belief about birds, it seemed good to honor a man so adept at matching people.

Ashes and sweets, crosses and hearts. Genuine human love is always bitter and sweet because it always involves sacrifice and joy. God's love is the same, and we trust that the inevitable bitterness will always give way to unimaginable sweetness.

Fr. Michael Kerper