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PATRICK



St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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Help for those in Need
Tel. 603-821-5267

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, Jan. 23, 2016 - Vigil ~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Mark S. Mercier**
By the Family

Sunday, Jan. 24, 2016 ~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **Mary K. Sullivan**
By Jack Sullivan

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

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

Monday, Jan. 25, 2016 ~ The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

12:05 PM **Albert Lucas**
By his daughter Elona Lucas

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2016 ~ Saints Timothy and Titus

12:05 PM **Robert J. Morin**
By his wife Theresa Morin

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2016 ~ St. Angela Merici

12:05 PM **James Brandon McGee**
By Edward & Mary Izzo

Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016 ~ St. Thomas Aquinas

12:05 PM **John Carr**
By the Family

Friday, Jan. 29, 2016

12:05 PM **Albert Lucas, 8th Anniversary**
By his daughter Elona Lucas

Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016 - Vigil ~ 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Francis Novotny**
By Philomena Burrell

Sunday, Jan. 31, 2016 ~ 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **People of the Parish**

9:30 AM **Katherine McCarthy & Rita M. Meehan**
By the Family

12:00 PM **Dorothy Hurley**
By Ron Doucette

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 Jan. 16 & 17

From (186) Envelope Users: \$5,402.00
From All Others - Checks: \$1,147.00
- Cash: \$1,730.00
Electronic Giving Users (21) \$ 820.00
Total Collection \$9,099.00

Mass Count: 780

Seminarian Education Fund

Weekend of 1/17/16 \$2,465.00

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of 01/17/16 \$318.00

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!

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

James Patrick Murphy

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

Corpus Christi Food Pantry is located at 43 Franklin, St., Nashua, NH. Our pantry is able to provide temporary help to families in need, usually 3 days of meals, because we are blessed with donations such as yours. Shelf ready or canned meat such as Beef Stew, ham, Spam, Vienna Sausage; cereal, pancake and muffin mixes, healthy granola or breakfast bars, Macaroni and Cheese, instant potatoes, pasta, rice, canned fruit and vegetables are some of the items we would be grateful for this month. Please feel free to contact us by telephone at (603) 882-6372, or email: Corpuschristifp@outlook.com with any questions. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated!

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

February 14, 2016
1st Sunday in Lent

Saturday Mornings
8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

January 30

St. Martina

February 6, 2016

Immaculate Heart of Mary

February 13, 2016

Saturday after Ash Wednesday

February 20, 2016

Ember Saturday

February 27, 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.

LATIN MASS NOTICE

There will be no Latin Mass held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, due to scheduling conflicts. The Saturday Latin Mass will resume on Jan. 30th at 8:00 AM.

Adult Confirmation

Several adults have appeared who seek Confirmation and reception into the Catholic Church. We will be forming a "mixed" group in February. If you or someone you know would like to join the group, please let us know. Call 882-2262 or send an email to officespn@stpatricksnashua.org.

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 Vigil Mass
at 4:00 PM**

Liturgy of the Word Missalette

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Texts and Readings pgs. 61 to 63

Collegetown Hymnal

Processional: #558 *We Gather Together*

Communion Antiphon: pg. 63

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. (Ps. 34:6)

Recessional: # 570 *Now Thank We All Our God*

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

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

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, Jan. 24: Religious Education Program Grades 1-6 in the Center Classrooms and Outer Gym Area (morning).

Monday, Jan. 25: Religious Education Programs Grades 7-12 in the Center Classrooms and Outer Gym (evening).

Thursday, Jan. 28: Boy Scouts meet in Classrooms 3 and 4 beginning at 7:00 PM

Saturday, Jan. 30: Consoling the Heart of Jesus Retreat, Room 1, 10:30 AM to 12:00 Noon

Scouts meet in Rooms 2, 3 and 4 from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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.

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

St. Anselm once described theology as "faith seeking understanding." It's time to satisfy that natural curiosity in the new year. Adult enrichment continues at St. Patrick's on Sunday mornings, as well as Monday evening, open to all people over 16 years of age. Jump on board to delve beneath the surface on the basic mysteries of our Catholic faith. Fun, informal, and enlightening. For info, email Paul at faithformation.st.patrik@gmail.com.

“Building on Our Past, Securing Our Future” Capital Campaign

Campaign Receptions continue
in February.

All registered families have been invited to attend a campaign reception over the next several weeks. If you did not attend one of the recent receptions, there are additional ones being held in February.

Campaign Receptions

Monday, February 1st

6:00 PM

Wednesday, February 3rd

1:15 PM & 7:00 PM

*Receptions will be held in
the Parish Hall*

Light refreshments will be served

Special Collections: Seminarians & Disasters

The annual appeal for our seminarians is now underway. If you choose to support this fund, please use the envelope included in the flyers available in the vestibule. Two of the seminarians – David Wong and Matthew Shultz – have connections to St. Patrick Parish. We will receive donations through the first week of February.

Bishop Libasci has asked every parish conduct a free will offering on the weekend of January 23 and 24 to assist the victims of severe weather in the South and Midwest. These funds will be used to help Catholic parishes and from humanitarian purposes. If you would like to help with this effort, please put your offering in an envelope marked “Disaster.” We will receive gifts through the first week of February.

As announced previously, we will not be passing the basket for most second collections. Each person is invited to consider the specific cause, his or her financial ability at the present time, and other charitable giving. Considering the frequency of special appeals, we fully respect the freedom of each person to make careful decisions about which collections to support. Thank you for your customary generosity.

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!

“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: Jan. 30, Feb. 6, 13, 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) Jan. 26; Feb. 2, 9, 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.

WEEKLY READINGS

Jan. 25 through Feb. 7

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-18 or 9:1-22; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE HOME VISITATION TRAVELING KIT

The World Apostolate of Fatima, an organization devoted to Our Lady of Fatima and her message of conversion, offers individual families the opportunity to host a home visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. The Pilgrim Virgin kit includes a 27" Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima with three doves and gold crown; a 90 minute DVD: "Apparition at Fatima;" an 80 minute DVD documentary: "Fatima;" 2 paperback booklets: "Pilgrim Virgin Home Visitation Program;" WAF USA Spiritual Guide; Pieta Prayer booklet; a bottle of Holy Water; a plastic covered Apostolate of Fatima Information Booklet; and a Journal Book - "Our Lady's Visit to Our Home." If you are interested in hosting the Pilgrim Virgin Statue for a week or two, please contact the Parish Office at 603-882-2262 to make arrangements.

Community News

MEETING CHRIST IN PRAYER

**An 8 Week Life-Enriching Experience
Based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius**

Do you want to enrich your prayer life? Meet Christ a-new through Scripture and reflection? Do you want to become more aware of God's presence in your daily life? Join us on Thursday mornings between 10:00 and 11:30 AM, February 4 through March 24th, at the San Damiano House of Prayer, 333 Pawtucket St., Lowell, MA, as we contemplate the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola. Sessions will be led by Sr. Linda Greenwood, OSF and Victor Melo, Pastoral Associate at St. Anthony's Church. The suggested offering per session is \$10. Visit us on the web at: www.sandamiano-houseofprayer.org for more information and directions. To register, email us at: sandamiano333@gmail.com.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

APRIL 1-3, 2016

510 Ocean Ave. Portland, ME 04103-4936

Come to a Rachel's Vineyard retreat on the weekend of April 1-3, 2016. This retreat is for those grieving the loss of a child by abortion. During this Year of Mercy, come experience through Scripture God's profound Mercy. Pre-registration is required. The registration deadline is Monday, March 28th. For general information, visit the website at www.rachelsvineyard.org. To discuss registration, contact Annette Rioux at 207-321-7885, or email her at Annette.Rioux@portlanddiocese.org.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE (Pre-K to 6th Grade)

Wed., Jan 27 and 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 set on a beautiful 14-acred campus along the rolling Merrimack River in Litchfield, NH. For more information and to register call 603-424-331. Visit our website at www.StFrancisSchoolNH.org.

HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE

Holy Family Academy is holding an Open House on Thursday, February 4, 2015 from 3:45 to 5:00 PM for prospective students, parents and anyone interested in learning about the Academy. Holy Family Academy is an affordable Catholic school teaching grades 7-12 in the classical tradition. Holy Family is located at 49 Ashland St., Manchester, NH.

For more information please visit our website at www.holyfamilyacademy.org or call 664-7247.

NASHUA CATHOLIC REGIONAL JR. HIGH SCHOOL

Open House: Tues., Jan. 26, 2016 - 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Nashua Catholic offers 7th and 8th graders a rigorous, Catholic-based curriculum, commitment to service, championship athletics, student leadership, extracurricular activities and more! We offer leveled classes and an expanded STEAM program. We are NEASC accredited. We also offer busing from surrounding towns. Contact the school at 603-882-7011 for more information.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI April 18-26, 2016

Bishop Libasci will lead a pilgrimage in honor of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy announced by Pope Francis I. Visit the Holy Doors of Rome, participate in a Papal Audience, tour the Eternal City, and pray and renew your faith in tranquil Assisi. Space is limited, so reserve your spot today! Registration deadline is February 28, 2016. (Single - \$3,895; Double - \$3,350; Triple - \$3,250; Quad - \$3,195). Contact Canterbury Pilgrimages at (800) 653-0017 to make your reservation or for information.

A Guide to the Holy Door and the Jubilee Indulgence

On Sunday, December 13, Pope Francis blessed and opened the Holy Door at the Lateran Basilica in Rome. Following the directives of Bishop Libasci, we blessed and opened the Holy Door on the same day. Though our Holy Door is far away from the special doors in the four Roman basilicas, it offers the same spiritual benefits available in Rome. The principal benefit is called a *plenary indulgence*. The Manual of Indulgences (1999) provides this definition: "An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment for sins, whose guilt is forgiven." A "*plenary*" indulgence removes *all* punishment.

An indulgence is not a magical act. Rather, it flows from the accumulated "spiritual goods" of the Blessed Mother and the entire group of saints who have entered into Heavenly Glory. Because all of these faithful people are interlinked with one another, with the living, and with the dead who have not yet entered Heaven, the "spiritual goods" can be shared across the entire communion of saints. This includes us and our beloved dead. As such, the living may acquire plenary indulgences and apply them to the dead.

On September 1, 2015, Pope Francis published a list of requirements that need to be fulfilled to obtain the plenary indulgence linked to the Holy Door. Here they are:

1. A person must *intend* to receive the plenary indulgence.
2. A person must be baptized and in the state of grace, which means free of mortal sin.
3. A person must make a pilgrimage to one of the Holy Doors. Each Holy Door is equivalent to every other one. For example, the one in St. Peter's in Rome has no advantage over the one in St. Patrick's.
4. The visit to the Holy Door should coincide with Confession and the reverent reception of Holy Communion, which should include a brief reflection on God's Mercy. Ideally, these acts should happen together. If this is not possible, they may be separated by a reasonable amount of time.
5. A person must make a profession of faith. The sincere and devout recitation of the Apostle's Creed, Nicene Creed, or any other prayer that includes the basic dogmas of the Church.
6. A person must pray for the intentions of Pope Francis.

In addition to these devotional practices, the Holy Father stressed the importance of the "corporal works of mercy," notably almsgiving and direct assistance to the poor. He wrote: "*Each time that one of the faithful personally performs one or more of these actions, he or she shall surely obtain the Jubilee Indulgence.*"

Fr. Michael Kerper