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# St. Patrick Parish

*Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua*

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## PARISH STAFF

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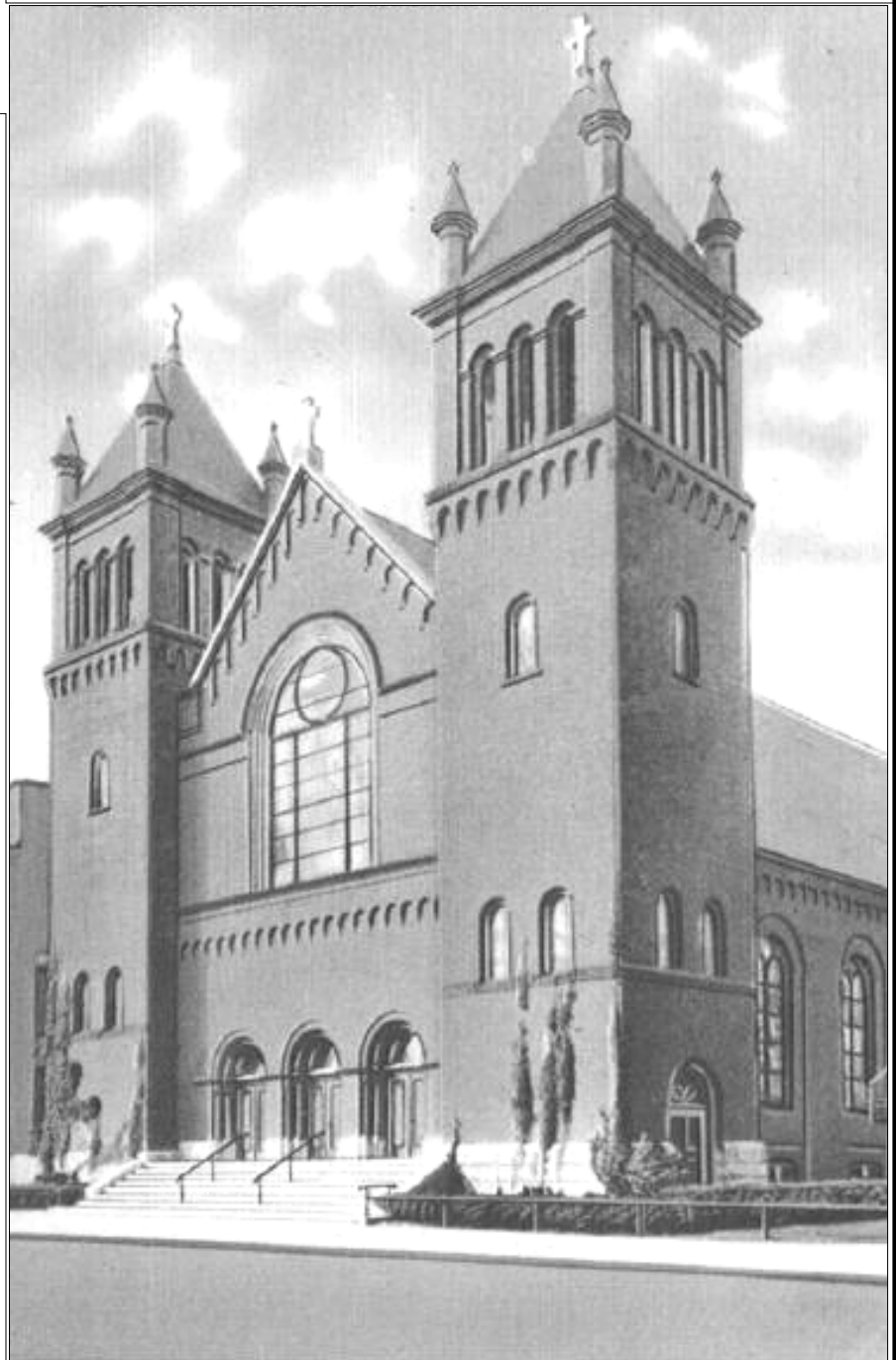
**Mass Schedule**  
Mon. - Fri. 12:05 PM (Daily Mass)  
Sat. 4:00 PM (Organ & Cantor)  
Sun. 7:00 AM (Quiet Mass)  
9:30 AM (Organ & Cantor)  
12:00 PM (Organ & Choir)

**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, June 20, 2015 - Vigil ~ 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 PM      **The Leonard and Boucher Family**  
By Jean Boucher

**Sunday, June 21, 2015 ~ 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Father's Day**

7:00 AM      **Ray Dumont**  
By his daughter Melanie Kirkland

9:30 AM      **Fr. Martin T. Kelly**  
By Elona Lucas

12:00 PM     **Benefactors of the St. Vincent de Paul Society**

**Monday, June 22, 2015 ~ St. Paulinus of Nola, St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More**

12:05 PM     **Fr. Martin T. Kelly**  
By a Friend

**Tuesday, June 23, 2015**

12:05 PM     **Louis Signorini**  
By his daughter Lori Carr

**Wednesday, June 24, 2015 ~ The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

12:05 PM     **Members of the Clancy & O'Neill Family**  
By the Family

**Thursday, June 25, 2015**

12:05 PM     **Michael Kelliher**  
By the Family

**Friday, June 26, 2015**

12:05 PM     **Milton Descoteaux, 2nd Anniv.**  
By Muriel Descoteaux & Family

**Saturday, June 27, 2015 - Vigil ~ 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 PM      **People of the Parish**

**Sunday, June 28, 2015 ~ 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

9:30 AM      **John P. Hanafin**  
By the Provost Family

12:00 PM     **Patrick Joseph Terrin**  
By the Apple Family

*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 June 13 & 14**

From (192) Envelope Users:    \$5,904.50  
From All Others - Checks:    \$ 609.00  
   - Cash:    \$1,334.00  
Electronic Giving Users (23)    \$ 825.00  
**Total Collection                    \$8,672.50**

**Mass Count: 714**

**Nepal Earthquake Donation**

Previous Total                    \$4,207.00  
Total Weekend June 13 & 14    \$ 601.00  
Total To Date                    \$4,808.00

**St. Vincent de Paul**

Weekend of June 13 & 14    \$575.00

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**



NEWS AND NOTES

**UPCOMING LATIN MASSES**

12:00 Noon

Sunday, July 12, 2015

**7th Sunday after Pentecost**

Saturday Mornings

8:00 AM

*(Church opens at 7:30 AM)*

June 27, 2015

**Saturday of Our Lady**

July 4, 2015

**Commemoration of All Holy Popes**

July 11, 2015

**Saturday of Our Lady**

July 18, 2015

**St. Camillus de Lellis**

July 25, 2015

**St. James the Greater**

LATIN/ENGLISH MISSALS AVAILABLE

*Roman Catholic Daily Missals (1962 Edition) 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.*

**Annual Mission Appeal**

On the weekend of **June 27/28**, we will host Sister Elizabeth Ortega of the Sisters of St. Joseph for the *Annual Mission Appeal*. Her community does excellent work in Peru. Brochures about the sisters' mission in Peru can be found on the tables in the vestibule. As in the past, we will pass the basket *twice* next week. Thank you for your generous response.

**CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM

43 Franklin Street, Nashua, NH

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION  
June 27 & 28, 2015**

Every year on the weekend closest to the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, the Church invites Catholics to support the work of the Holy Father. This collection is known as "Peter's Pence." In keeping with our custom of rarely passing the basket a second time, we will receive donations through the special Peter's Pence envelopes available in the vestibule. Or, if you prefer, you can drop a check or plain envelope marked "Peter's Pence" in the basket. We will receive these offerings for the great work of Pope Francis through the remainder of June and July. Thank you for supporting the Holy Father's witness!

**WEEKLY READINGS  
June 21 through June 28**

**Monday:** Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22; Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:** Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday:** Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6ab, 15ab, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

**Day:** Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

**Thursday:** Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 [6b-12, 15-16]; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 7:21-29

**Friday:** Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 8:1-4

**Saturday:** Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-50, 53-55; Mt 8:5-17

**Sunday:** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

**NEPAL EARTHQUAKE  
COLLECTION**

St. Patrick Parish continues its special collection for the victims of the recent earthquake in Nepal. We will receive donations for these people through the month of June. Please put your gift in an envelope marked "NEPAL" and we will add it to our total gift.

Thank you!

## **Latin Mass "Census"**

Following the 12:00 Noon Mass on **Sunday, July 12**, we will have a "listening session" with the many people who participate in the monthly Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Latin). In preparation for this, we have produced special census cards, which are located on the tables in the vestibule. If you attend the Latin Mass, please fill out a card and drop it in the basket. We especially would like to connect with the many people who come from other parishes. Thank you!

## **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

The Sacrament of the Sick is offered each Friday after the 12:05 PM Mass for all who wish to receive it. The Sacrament of the Sick is not reserved for people facing imminent death. Advanced notification increases the chances of providing the Sacrament in a timely manner. Unable to travel? Contact the office at 603-882-2262 to make individual arrangements.

## **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.

## **Community News**

### **ST. JOSEPH HEALTHCARE 172 Kinsley Street, Nashua, NH 03060 Tel. 603-882-3000**

The St. Joseph Healthcare Spiritual Care Department is inviting all Eucharistic Ministers to consider being a volunteer at St. Joseph Hospital. We need Eucharistic Ministers to distribute communion to the patients in the morning - weekday and weekend shifts available. The time commitment is between one and two hours. If you are interested in this important ministry, please call Deacon John Martin at 603-305-1072 for more information or to sign up as a volunteer.

## **BISHOP GUERTIN HIGH SCHOOL Cardinal Jump Start Summer School Program Grades 6 - 8 / STEM & ARTS August 3-7, 2015 ~ 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

Bishop Guertin High School invites students in Grades 6 through 8 to join them in a week filled with fun and engaging shared activities. Activities include outdoor fun and games, Quiz Bowl challenges, Scavenger Hunts, a Jumpstart Mock Trial and more.

The STEM Program - \$500. Topics include: Robotics, Life Science, Computer Programming, Environmental Science, Chemistry and Physics.

The ARTS Program - \$500. Topics include: Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Storytelling, Music, Photography, and Digital Arts.

For more information regarding this program or to register, please visit our website at [www.bghs.org](http://www.bghs.org) or contact the office at 603-889-4107.

## **CATHOLIC FAMILY WEEKEND AUGUST 14-16, 2015 BARBARA C. HARRIS CENTER GREENFIELD, NH [www.bchcenter.org](http://www.bchcenter.org)**

Join us for the 10th Annual Catholic Family Weekend at the Barbara C. Harris Center on Otter Lake in Greenfield, NH. Our theme for this year is "A Higher Love: Called To Serve – Imitating Christ In Word & Action!" The focus of the weekend is the family. There will be activities for children of all ages, family activities, and free time for family fun. Mass on Saturday evening, lighted rosary, and an outdoor concert. To register go to [www.vitanova.org](http://www.vitanova.org). Contact Shawn & Teresa Rouillard with questions at (603) 641-8878 or email Teresa at [tree227777@gmail.com](mailto:tree227777@gmail.com).

## **CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY**

Thank you to the many parishioners who have generously donated to our pantry. We are Blessed to have your support and prayerfully remember you each day as we assist our neighbors in Nashua. Non perishable Mac and Cheese, Spaghetti Sauce, Tuna, and Pancake Mix, as well as, Shampoo, Deodorant, Toiletry items are on our "wish list" this month. For more information, email Susan Dignan at [Corpuschristifp@aol.com](mailto:Corpuschristifp@aol.com), or call 882-6372.

# ***Building on Our Past/Securing Our Future***

## ***Phase 1***

In 10 days we will “close the books” on Fiscal Year 2015. The generosity of many parish members made it possible for us to **balance our budget**. Thank you to everyone -- large and small givers, regular and occasional. Every dollar helps.

Two years ago *Team Engineering* did a complete review of our very large and old facilities. We know what we need, what it will cost, and which things are absolutely necessary. These projects will be expensive and cannot be funded by our regular collections or cash reserves, which are currently less than 50% of one year’s income. To avoid debt, which we have not had in many years, and the paralysis of “deferred maintenance,” we must act in a timely and prudent manner.

Here’s a brief overview of our needs:

- We need a **new boiler** in the Parish Center/Gym to replace the obsolete, fuel guzzling monster in our empty school. This project must be done during the summer before cold weather returns. Fortunately, we are "partnering" with the Police Athletic League (PAL), which uses our gym regularly.
- We need to protect our irreplaceable church with a **modern fire suppression system**. Sooner or later this will be mandated by some governmental entity.
- We need **handicapped accessible bathrooms** and at least one **confessional** in our church.
- We must arrange an **aggressive preservation program for the 100-year old roof** on our church. This will save us from the enormous cost of a complete replacement in the future
- We must replace the severely degraded **drainage system** on our property to stop periodic flooding during rain and snow storms.
- We must insulate the rectory and install modern energy-efficient windows.
- We must develop a brand new section of St. Patrick’s Cemetery before our available inventory disappears.

Before settling on a “total package” of projects, we want everyone's input. To do this, we have engaged Cornerstone Fundraising, which has helped many Catholic parishes like ours. These experienced professionals will conduct a parish-wide *Planning Study*. This process will give us some sense of what financial resources we can generate and what people want for the future of St. Patrick’s.

During the summer, the Cornerstone staff will conduct **interviews, focus groups, and a direct mail survey** as part of the study. Everyone will have the opportunity to participate in one of these forums. Your opinions and suggestions will enable us to formulate a final plan that will help meet the needs of our entire parish.

Thank you for your abiding presence, financial support, and willingness to participate in this process. More information will appear in the bulletin as we move along. And please pray for our time-tested and venerable parish as we plan for the future.

Thank you!

## *St. Thomas More: On Enemies*

Living as we do in the midst of continuous political debate, we hear many negative statements about our elected leaders and those who seek to replace them. Moreover, because much debate touches upon crucial moral issues, we sometimes believe that we are permitted – even required – to denounce ferociously those who advance evil proposals. As tempting as this may be, the examination of the tactics of St. Thomas More, whose feast is on June 22, shows us a very different way.

In 1534, King Henry VIII unjustly imprisoned Sir Thomas More for refusing to swear an oath affirming the validity of the King's marriage and his claim to be "head" of the Church of England. Though Sir Thomas believed that the King's claims were wrong, he did not speak against the King or organize against him. Rather, he remained silent, keeping his views to himself. Only after his conviction of high treason, which was a capital offense, did Sir Thomas finally reveal his beliefs.

Some people, of course, must have regarded Sir Thomas as too "moderate," even a coward in the face of the evil King. However, his quiet strategy protected him from any accusation of "playing politics" to acquire power for himself. His wise and courageous behavior was absolutely selfless. As such, his witness to the truth, which culminated in his beheading on July 6, 1535, was enormously powerful, vastly more potent than any prolonged and vitriolic political campaign against the King.

Perhaps even more remarkable was Sir Thomas's abiding love and respect for King Henry VIII, his former political patron. Even while in prison, Sir Thomas never denounced the King and forbade others to do so. And, amazingly, upon his conviction, he made this astounding statement about his persecutors: *"I heartily pray, that though your lordships have now here on earth been judges to my condemnation, we may hereafter in heaven merrily all meet together, to our everlasting salvation. And thus I desire Almighty God to preserve and defend the King's Majesty, and to send him good counsel."*

Consider Sir Thomas's words: At the very moment that his execution was sealed, he prayed for his persecutors and expressed his fervent desire to see them *in Heaven!*

How could this be? In a short list of spiritual resolutions written in prison, Sir Thomas included this one: *"To think my greatest enemies my best friends; for the brethren of Joseph could never have done him so much good with their love and favor as they did him with their malice and hatred."* The reference to Joseph recalls how God transformed the evil plot of Joseph's brothers into an event that saved Israel from extinction. Joseph, though a victim of his brothers' hatred, forgave them and became reconciled. In the end, all of Joseph's enemies became his friends. And that same wild and naïve hope undergirded the great sanctity of St. Thomas More.

*Fr. Michael Kerper*