

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, May 23, 2015 - Vigil ~ Pentecost

4·00 PM Melvina Poloski

By her Grandchildren

Sunday, May 24, 2015 ~ Pentecost Sunday

7:00 AM Pro Populo

9:30 AM **Priest's Intention**

12:00 PM **Priest's Intention**

Monday, May 25, 2015 ~ St. Bede the Venerable,

MEMORIAL DAY (No Noon Mass)

Priest's Intention 9:00 AM

Tuesday, May 26, 2015 ~ St. Philip Neri

Philip T. Christ, Jr. 12:05 PM

By Kelly Shimmel

Wednesday, May 27, 2015 ~ St. Augustine of Can-

tebury

12:05 PM **Yolande Dobens**

By the Family

Thursday, May 28, 2015

12:05 PM Martin T. & Charlotte Maney

By the Family

Friday, May 29, 2015

12:05 PM **Paul Morin**

By the Family

Saturday, May 30, 2015 - Vigil ~ The Most Holy

Trinity

4:00 PM **Patrick Terrin**

By the Apple Family

Sunday, May 31, 2015 ~ The Most Holy Trinity

7.00 AM Joseph G. & Eva C. Fariz

By the Family

9.30 AM Pro Populo

12:00 PM **Priest's Intention**

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 May 16 & 17

From (169) Envelope Users: \$4,626.00 From All Others - Checks: \$ 887.00

> - Cash: \$1.539.00

Electronic Giving Users (20) \$ 840.00 **Total Collection** \$7,892.00

Mass Count: 830

Catholic Communications Campaign

Weekend of May 16 & 17 \$752.00

Flowers

Weekend of May 16 & 17 \$ 96.00

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of May 16 & 17 \$966.00

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 & 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.

News & Notes for St. Patrick Parish

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

Sunday, June 14, 2015 **3rd Sunday after Pentecost**

> Saturday Mornings 8:00 AM (Church opens at 7:30 AM)

> > May 30, 2015

Ember Saturday of Pentecost

June 6, 2015

St. Norbert

June 13, 2015

St. Anthony of Padua

June 20, 2015

St. Silverius

June 27, 2015

Saturday of Our Lady

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.

WEEKLY READINGS

May 24 through May 31

Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-

27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk

10:28-31

Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Ps 79:8, 9, 11,

13;Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-9; Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mk

11:11-26

Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-

33

Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20,

22; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Monday, May 25, 2015

St. Patrick Parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 25th in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. Offices will reopen on Tuesday, May 26th at 9:00 AM.

Daily Mass will be held at 9:00 AM.

There will be no Noon Mass on that day.

MEMORIAL DAY
CEMETERY PRAYER SERVICES
Monday, May 25, 2015

Holy Cross Cemetery at 10:30 AM

St. Patrick Cemetery at 10:45 AM

St. Patrick and Holy Cross Cemetery Schedule for Memorial Week Flowers

Flowers may be placed on the graves in St. Patrick and Holy Cross Cemeteries on Thursday, May 21st and must be picked up by noon on Tuesday, June 2, 2015. Please note that our cemetery personnel do not remove flowers during this week. If you find that yours are missing, most likely they were stolen. In the past baskets seemed to disappear more often than arrangements. We will ask the Hudson Police to patrol the cemeteries in the evenings. If you have any questions please call the Cemetery Office (881-8131) Monday – Thursday, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

St. Patrick Parish offers its congratulations to the following students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at St. Aloysius de Gonzague Church in Nashua. Please keep them in your prayers.

Emmaline Boisvert
Patrick Borromeo
Ashley Buxton
Alex Creem
Nicholas Gage
Katrina Lobrutto
Kayla Lobrutto
Gabby Masseur

ST. PATRICK PARISH 3RD ANNUAL ROSARY PICNIC June 7, 2015 - 12:30 - 3:30 PM Greeley Park Field I

You are invited to join the St. Patrick Parish community on Sunday, June 7, 2015 from 12:30 to 3:30 PM in Greeley Park (Field I) for our 3rd Annual Rosary Picnic. As an added bonus - Sr. Elizabeth Castro will be there to celebrate with us! The picnic is open to all and free of charge. The afternoon will include: The Rosary; Food and Cake, Softball, Bocce Ball, Ladder Golf, Volleyball/Badminton, Frisbee, Washers, Face Painting & Bubbles! St. Christopher's parishioner are also invited!

PICNIC DONATIONS NEEDED

Picnic team members will meet in the vestibule after the May 23/24 and May 30/31 Masses to collect picnic donations. We need: heavy paper plates, napkins, 12 ounce cold cups, paper towels, soda/juice boxes, water bottles, chips, store bought package cookies (Oreos), etc. Also, the day of the picnic we will need 4 coolers with ice. Please let us know if you can bring one. The Knights of Columbus will provide hot-dogs, hamburgers, & the fixings!

Questions? Call 880-1614 or 930-5090 (Janet Polaneczky)

Homemade or opened items cannot be accepted due to Health Department regulations!

NEPAL EARTHQUAKE COLLECTION

St. Patrick Parish will have a special collection this weekend for the victims of the recent earthquake in Nepal. We will continue to 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!

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. Unable to travel? Contact the office at 603-882-2262 to make individual arrangements.

ST. PATRICK PARISH MOST HOLY TRINITY RETREAT

St. Patrick Parish invites all parishioners and guests to attend the final session of a retreat contemplating the wonder and wisdom of the Most Holy Trinity.

The originally scheduled May 30th session (final session) has been rescheduled and will be offered on Sunday, June 28, 2015 instead. The session will be held at the Divine Mercy Shrine located in Stockbridge, MA. Participants will leave from the Court Parking lot at 8:00 AM.

For those who are unable to make this session on Sunday, June 28th, a special session will be held on Saturday, June 27th between 9:30 and 11:00 AM in the Parish Center.

All are welcome to attend!

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM 43 Franklin Street, Nashua, NH



Community News

The Knights of Columbus Invite You to Join Us for an Evening Honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe

St. John the Evangelist Church, located on Library Street in Hudson, NH, will host an evening in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Saturday, June 27, 2015.

The evening will begin with **Mass at 4:00 PM**. The "Silver Rose," a gift from the Knights of Columbus, will be on display. Following Mass, there will be a recitation of the **Living Rosary** prayed outside near the statue of "Our Lady of Grace" (weather permitting). After the Rosary, we will gather in the Church Hall for light refreshments and a brief presentation on the "Silver Rose", as well as a short DVD entitled "The Blood and the Rose," which is a short film about Our Lady of Guadalupe.

For more information regarding this evening of prayer and devotion, please contact Ron DiStasio at 595-7837 or email Ron at rddistasio@comcast.net

ST. LOUIS CEMETERY MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

The Mass on Memorial Day, May 25th, will be at 10:00 AM at the Old Cemetery (located on Mercier Lane, near the Police Station). If it should rain, Mass will be held in the St Louis de Gonzague Church.

Flowers for Memorial Day may be placed from May 22nd and must be removed by May 31st.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2015 @ 7:30 PM ST. LOUIS CHURCH HALL

Would you like to help others in the community while having fun and making new friends? Come learn more about The Daughters of Isabella! We are having an open meeting Tuesday May 26, 2015 at 7:30 PM. Come join us in the Church Hall at St. Louis Church – West Hollis St. Nashua. Our Circle is open to all Catholic Women ages 16 and up. Our focus is to provide charitable activities and social interaction. For more details please contact Micheline Coen at 603-889-8849

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY Corpus Christi Food Pantry Seeking Volunteers

Do you have a small window of your day, some time to share? An hour or two goes a long way at the pantry while sorting, stocking, shopping and smiling! Volunteer hours are Monday or Wednesday mornings 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, and Tuesday or Thursday afternoons 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Those who can lift approx. 30 lbs. would be a great asset, however this not a requirement.

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, or call 882-6372.

RCIA Institute: Making Disciples

Has your parish been offering RCIA ministry for years and you still wonder if there might be a better way of offering the process? Do the neophytes return for mystagogy after their initiation and evolve into joy-filled and active Catholics? There is an RCIA Institute coming to our diocese on Friday evening, May 29 and Saturday, May 30 at Rivier University in Nashua and presented by nationally known presenters Nick Wagner and Diana Macalintal of TeamRCIA.org in San Jose, California. If you are new to RCIA ministry or seasoned and looking for fresh ideas that prove successful, consider joining others from around the diocese and New England. More information and flyer is available at catholicnh.org/rcia-institute or contact Eileen Smith 663-0174 esmith@rcbm.org or Fran Doucette 663-0173 fdoucette@rcbm.org

The Holy Spirit: Warm and Cool

On Pentecost, which ends the 50-day Easter Season, the Church focuses our gaze on the Holy Spirit. Usually we visualize the Holy Spirit as a puny little dove, fluttering here and there. However, Sacred Scripture has other more powerful images -- fire, wind, drink, and breath. Jesus himself prefers the image of breath.

In the gospel of St. John, the evangelist recalls the appearance of the Risen Christ on the first Easter night. Christ enters into the midst of a small band of frightened and confused men. St. John says, "He breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit, whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, whose sins you retain are retained." Notice that the Risen Christ does not just speak; he also acts, blowing his breath -- the Spirit -- into the infant church.

How are we to understand this "breath" blown among us?

We find the deeper meaning of the Spirit as "breath" in the ancient hymn we known as the *Veni Sancte Spiritus* and nicknamed the "Golden Sequence." It was written in Latin in the late 12th or early 13th century by Stephen Langton, the Archbishop of Canterbury. It speaks of the "breath" as doing two seemingly opposite things: cooling down and warming up.

In the Latin, we find two phrases applied to the Holy Spirit that mean "cool down." The first is *dulce refrigerium*. Here the Holy Spirit is invoked as "Sweet refreshment" or, literally, "sweet recooling." The second phrase is *in aestu temperies*, which means "coolness against the heat." The "breath" cools off that which is overheated.

At the same time, the hymn speaks of the warmth of the "breath." It says: *Fove quod est frigidum*, which literally means "warm that which is frozen to death."

The Holy Spirit -- the breath of Christ -- cools down that which is overheated and on the verge of burning up and warms up that which is lifeless, frozen into ice. To put it another way, the Holy Spirit -- the breath of Christ -- is God as the One who brings everything back into proper balance, neither scorching hot nor icy cold. The Holy Spirit -- the breath of Christ -- moderates extremes and restores everything to its proper temperature.

This fascinating image helps us know when the Holy Spirit is absent in the church and in each of us individually.

When the heat of anger, division, animosity toward others, and self-righteousness flairs up like a ferocious flame, we know that the Holy Spirit is not present. When the coldness of religious smugness, unbending positions, and excessive self-contentment freezes the heart, we know that the Holy Spirit is also not present. Only when warmth and coolness exist together do we discover presence of the Holy Spirit

On Pentecost we celebrate the birthday of the Church, which is flooded by the Holy Spirit. We pray today that the universal church and our own parish may never be too hot nor too cold, but always cooled, warmed and sustained in life by the Holy Spirit of God, the Breath of the Risen One.

Fr. Michael Kerper