

SAINT

PATRICK



St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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Help for those in Need
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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 27, 2017 - Vigil - 7th Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM **Donald Mayo**
By Rita Peters

Sunday, May 28, 2017 - 7th Sunday of Easter

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

9:30 AM **James E. Coffey**
By Post 3 American Legion, Nashua

12:00 PM **Christopher McLeod**
By his Grandmother and Pa

Monday, May 29, 2017 - MEMORIAL DAY

9:00 AM **Priest's Intentions**

Tuesday, May 30, 2017

12:05 PM **For Those Who Have No One to Pray
for Them**

**Wednesday, May 31, 2017 - Visitation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

12:05 PM **William Linehan and Family**
By his Aunt Sharron Linehan

Thursday, June 1, 2017 - St. Justin

12:05 PM **Barbara Hayes**
By David Hayes

Friday, June 2, 2017 - Sts. Marcellinus and Peter

12:00 PM **Deceased Members of the Diaz Family**
By Alene Krauss

Saturday, June 3, 2017, 2017 - Vigil - Pentecost

Sunday
4:00 PM **Robert James Lyons, Jr. (Living)**
By Dorothy Peabody

Sunday, June 4, 2017 - Pentecost Sunday

7:00 AM **Joseph G. and Eva C. Fariz**
By the Family

9:30 AM **Loretta R. Brown, 11th Anniversary**
By her son Richard Brown

12:00 PM **People of the Parish**

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

GIFTS FOR THE LORD'S WORK

Weekend of May 20 & 21

From (159) Envelope Users: \$5,321.00
From All Others - Checks: \$1,162.00
- Cash \$1,493.00
Electronic Giving Users (24) \$1,098.00
Total Collection \$9,074.00

Mass Count: 746

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of May 21, 2017 **\$223.00**

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!

**MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
SCHEDULE**

Parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2017 in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, May 29, 2017 at 9:00 AM
No Confessions - No 12:05 PM Mass

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.

BAPTISMS

MacKenzie Peach
Catherine Anna Maria Topping

Current Special Collections

At St. Patrick's we do not pass the basket for second collections. Instead, we invite people to consider the many appeals that come before us during the year. Currently we are receiving offerings for the following purposes:

St. Patrick's Capital Campaign

St. Patrick Parish received **\$3,686.50** towards the Capital Campaign on the weekend of May 20 & 21. Thanks for your generous - and truly sacrificial - support!

Trinity Dome Collection

The Catholic Bishops of the United States have authorized a special collection to fund the completion of the dome inside the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C. Contributions can be placed in the special envelopes and dropped in the collection basket. We have received \$ **46.00** to date. Thank you!

Project Eden Mission Appeal

Thank you for your generous support of the Project Eden Mission Appeal to benefit the missions in Honduras. Thanks to your generosity, St. Patrick Parish raised **\$481.00** on the weekend of May 20 & 21, with a total of **\$4,398.00** to date. Thank you for your support of this worthy cause.

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

June 11, 2017

Trinity Sunday

(Missa Cantata)

(Followed by a light luncheon)

Saturday Mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

June 3, 2017

Vigil of Pentecost

June 10, 2017

Ember Saturday of the Pentecost Octave

June 17, 2017

St. Gregory Barbarigo

June 24, 2017

Nativity of St. John the Baptist

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

Corpus Christi Food Pantry is searching for a new home. Items to be considered for our new locations are: 5,000 to 6,000 square feet of space in a downtown area, a parking lot, all on one floor, handicapped accessible areas, bathrooms, and an affordable monthly rent. If you have such a space or know of one, please contact Deloris Davis at (603)318-1005 or ddavis3929@msn.com.

Fatima Centenary Indulgence

During the celebration of the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions in Fatima, Pope Francis has granted a plenary indulgence to people who visit a statue of Our Lady of Fatima solemnly exposed in a church.

The visits are to be made on the anniversary of each apparition, namely the 13th of each month from May to October. The standard conditions for receiving a plenary indulgence apply: 1.) recitation of the Our Father and Creed; 2.) Confession; 3.) reception of Holy Communion; and 4.) prayers for the Holy Father's intentions. In addition, one must pray to Mary under the title Our Lady of Fatima. The plenary indulgence can be applied to the dead and be received every month.

The statue of Our Lady of Fatima is located on the right side of the sanctuary. This statue apparently came from Portugal, was donated to St. Patrick's by a parish member, and was lost in a rectory closet for many years. Our Lady's right hand was missing. The father of Jerry Levesque, our former maintenance man, carefully carved a tiny hand, restoring the statue to its original integrity. The statue will be displayed for veneration until November 26, the conclusion of the Centenary.

MEMORIAL DAY FLOWERS St. Patrick & Holy Cross Cemeteries

Flowers for St. Patrick and Holy Cross Cemeteries may be placed on graves on **Thursday, May 25th and must be removed by Sunday, June 4th.**

Please note: the staff will not remove any flowers before June 4th. In the past, we have had a problem with people coming into the cemetery when staff is not there and taking flowers from the graves. Hanging baskets and potted plants seem to be the most targeted items.

St. Aloysius de Gonzague Church Memorial Day Mass

Mass will be celebrated this Memorial Day, Monday, **May 29th at St. Stanislaus Cemetery on Pine Hill Avenue in Nashua at 10:00 AM.** In the event of rain, the mass will take place inside the chapel that is located there. Please remember to bring a chair! We hope to see you there. **Please note:** *Flowers may be placed at the cemeteries (St. Louis, St. Francis Xavier, St. Stanislaus) for your loved ones on Sunday, May 28th. The flowers must be removed by Sunday, June 4th. Thank you!*

Attending to the Bereaved Series

Are you grieving the loss of a family member? Come join us for prayer, sharing, and lunch at the San Damiano House of Prayer, 333 Pawtucket St. in Lowell on the following Saturdays from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM..

June 17, 2017

*Support for those who have lost
a sibling or cousin*

July 8, 2017

*Support for those who have lost a parent,
grandparent or godparent.*



Sacrament of the Sick

Offered each Friday after the 12:05 PM Mass. For individual arrangements call 603-882-2262.

WEEKLY READINGS

May 28 - June 4

Sunday: Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or (Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39. Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Are you registered?

On Wednesday, April 5, we sent our annual Easter mailing to every household currently in our parish database. If you did not get a letter then you are not registered or we have an incorrect address.

Please let us know by putting the following coupon in the collection basket or sending it to the rectory. Thank you.

___ I am not registered. Please send me a form.

___ I am registered. Here is my correct address:

Name _____

Address _____

City/Town _____

State _____ Zip _____

Tel. No. _____

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS 2017

Below is a listing of the memorial contributions to our Easter Flower Fund. Please forgive any misspellings of names, as the information is handwritten and can be difficult to decipher. We thank everyone for their generous contributions. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Easter flowers donated by Anonymous donors

In memory of Bernice and Norman Gaudreau

Easter Flowers donated by Deborah Cantara

In memory of Paul and Anne Murray by the Derr Family

In memory of the Friends and Family of the Everett Family by Robert Everett

Easter Flowers donated by Mr. and Mrs. Servi Filonow Jr.

In memory of Mr. Joseph A. Fariz and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Fariz by Mrs. Rose M. Garant and Family

In memory of the Roland Shanahan Family by Paul and Cookie Gerstner

In memory of John and Virginia Greene by Priscilla Greene

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. R. Fregeau by Christine Hallock

In memory of James and Natalie O'Laughlin by Maureen Krustapentus

In memory of the Krzewick Family by David Krzewick

In memory of the Koren and Kwiatkowski Families by Irene Kwiatkowski

In memory of Robert and Sylvia Miller by Linda and Karen Miller

Easter Flowers donated by Richard and Michelle Mullins

In memory of Lillian Loveley Williams by Dorothy Peabody

Easter Flowers donated by Bernie and Dorothy Peabody

In memory of Leo C. Ghihlardi by Kirk and Linda Pomeroy

In memory of Mary Doyle by Anne and Bill Reynolds

In memory of Bob Christ, Paul Shimmel, Sr. and Philip T. Christ by Kelly Shimmel

In memory of Helen and Donald Smith by Clare Smith

In memory of Babe and Lillian Gaken by Jack and Jane Sullivan

In memory of Ann Sullivan by the Family

In memory of Gramma, Bump, Uncle Jack, Dad and Marcel by Jean and Kathy Tellier

In memory of George and Helen Tetler by Carol Tetler

In memory of Wilfred R. Therrien (Husband) and Mark A. Therrien (Son) by Mrs. Irene Therrien

In memory of Walter and Dorothy McDonnell by Karen and Bob Trowbridge

In memory of the Zubricki and Sbuttoni Famies by the Family

New Cardinals: New Face of Catholicism

Pope Francis frequently speaks through *gestures* rather than precisely written words. Some Catholics, of course, find this unsettling. Nevertheless, the Holy Father's gestures, which are profoundly personal, make powerful points that elude the weaker medium of mere words, which tend toward cold abstraction.

On Sunday, May 21, Pope Francis made yet another surprising gesture: the selection of five new cardinals, four of whom depart from the standard profile of power, prestige, and largeness of flock. On the contrary, three of these cardinals come from very impoverished countries: Mali in Northern Africa; Laos, the small and forgotten neighbor of Vietnam and Cambodia; and El Salvador in Central America. Moreover, Mali and Laos have very tiny Catholic minorities: Mali has 138,000 Catholics; Laos has just 15,000.

This criterion of smallness, though not poverty, also pertains to the Diocese of Stockholm, which has 150,000 Catholics amid 10 million Swedes. (By way of comparison, New Hampshire has almost twice as many Catholics as Sweden. No cardinal here!)

As to prestige, Pope Francis selected the *auxiliary bishop* of San Salvador for the College of Cardinals, not the *archbishop*, who clearly outranks him. This move is probably without precedent.

What's the Holy Father's message through his latest *gesture*?

First, size does not necessarily indicate vitality and fidelity. Hence, the bishops of large dioceses -- like Los Angeles, Philadelphia, and Dublin -- no longer get an automatic vote in the papal conclaves. By making the bishops of small impoverished places like Mali and Laos cardinals, the Holy Father acknowledges the enormous courage, faithfulness, and suffering of these micro-flocks. Cardinals from these almost invisible Catholic communities will surely bring new and wise perspectives to the broader Church. This must happen to counterbalance the seemingly irreversible decline of the rich dioceses of Europe, Canada, and the United States.

Second, Pope Francis is presenting us with the "new face" of the Catholic Church, which is predominantly poor, "of color," and endangered. By getting to know these micro-dioceses, we begin to see how trivial our own problems really are. Take the "priest shortage," which we consider so urgent. Nashua currently has more priests than the entire nation of Laos! And the Diocese of Bamako has 48 priests for a territory of 478,800 square miles. Yet we often think of ourselves as terribly deprived. By getting a better sense of the totality of the Catholic Church, perhaps we will become more grateful for the privileges and relative security we enjoy.

Fr. Michael Kerper