

SAINT

PATRICK



St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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PARISH STAFF

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Gary MacDonald, *Music Director*
Paul & Jennifer Murano,
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David Santerre, *Maintenance*

St. Vincent de Paul Society
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, Nov. 19, 2016 - Vigil - Christ the King

4:00 PM **Ronald Boucher, 5th Anniversary**
By Jean Boucher

Sunday, Nov. 20, 2016 - Christ the King

7:00 AM **Alfred Perry**
By the Family

9:30 AM **Private Maurice Poulin**
By Maurice Huberdeau

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

Monday, Nov. 21, 2016

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05 PM **Deceased Members of the
Belton Family**
By the Family

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2016 - St. Cecilia

12:05 PM **Arlene Carpenter**
By Maureen Fowler

Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2016 - St. Clement

12:05 PM **Mary K. Sullivan**
By Jack Sullivan

Thursday, Nov. 24, 2016 - THANKSGIVING DAY

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

Friday, Nov. 25, 2016 - St. Catherine of Alexandria

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

Saturday, Nov. 26, 2016

Vigil - 1st Sunday of Advent

4:00 PM **Jeannette E. McCabe**
By William E. McCabe

Sunday, Nov. 27, 2016 - 1st Sunday of Advent

7:00 AM **Bea Belleua**
By the Family

9:30 AM **Derek Dignan**
By the Provost Family

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

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 November 12 & 13

From (157) Envelope Users: \$5,557.00
From All Others - Checks: \$ 697.00
- Cash: \$1,776.00
Electronic Giving Users (20) \$ 727.00
Total Collection \$8,757.00

Mass Count: 798

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of 11/13/16 **\$1,824.00**

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.

**WINTER HOLIDAY STROLL
CHURCH OPENING
& CRAFT FAIR**

*St. Patrick Gym
Saturday, November 26, 2016
3:00 PM to 9:00 PM*

Our beautiful church will be open with our Organist (Gary MacDonald) and Choir performing between 5:30 PM and 8:00 PM on November 26th during the Nashua Winter Holiday Stroll. Greeters and helpers are needed to welcome visitors. **If available to assist, please call 930-5090.**

Our Craft Fair will be held in the St. Patrick Parish gym on November 26th from 3:00 to 9:00 PM. Help is needed in the snack bar, and in assisting vendors and visitors from 12:00 PM noon to 9:00 PM. Helpers will work in 3 hour shifts. If you can help with this portion of the event, please call the number listed above.

There will be sign-up sheets for helpers and volunteers located in the vestibule after the Masses the weekend of November 19 and 20.

Calling all Crafters!

There are still a few booths available at the Craft Fair. Applications are available on the Parish website (www.stpatricksnashua.org). Or you may call 930-5090, and an application will be emailed or mailed to you.

The application can be mailed with a check to St. Patrick Parish, 29 Spring St., Nashua, NH 03060, or payment may be made online by using the following link:

[https://osvonlinegiving.com/1555/
DirectDonate/ 48614](https://osvonlinegiving.com/1555/DirectDonate/48614).

Applications should be emailed to ipolaneczky@comcast.net.

**THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
Office Hours & Mass Schedule**

St. Patrick offices will close on Wednesday, November 23rd at 12:00 noon in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Offices will remain closed on Thursday and Friday and will reopen on Monday, November 28 at 9:00 AM.

**THANKSGIVING DAY
MASS SCHEDULE**

**Thursday, Nov. 24
9:00 AM**

**Friday, Nov. 25
9:00 AM**

*Weekend Masses will be held at their
regularly scheduled times.*

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

**Laetare Sunday
December 11, 2016
(Followed by a light luncheon)**

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

November 26, 2016
St. Sylvester
December 3, 2016
**Immaculate Heart of Mary
(First Saturday)**

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..

Special Collections Update

Information about special appeals and associated special envelopes are available on the back tables and in the vestibule. Here's an update on recent appeals.

Archdiocese of the Military Services

Many Catholics serve in the armed forces of our nation. Though the priest-chaplains are compensated by the military, the Church's within military communities depend on voluntary contributions. So far our people have donated **\$938**. Thank you.

Mission Sunday

Mission Sunday occurs every October. This annual collection supports the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Our parishioners have donated **\$1,088**. Thank you!

Retired Diocesan Priests

This collection assists the 47 retired priests of our Diocese. Since the weekend of September 24/25, our parishioners have donated **\$5,365**. Thank you for your most generous support of these men who have served us so well.

St. Patrick's Capital Campaign

Our Capital Campaign, which began last January, has been very successful, having raised 75% of our \$850,000 goal in just 10 months. It is now possible to make direct (non-pledged) donations whenever you desire. The special capital campaign envelopes are in the rear or the church. A plain envelop or check marked "capital campaign" will also suffice. Please remember that all capital campaign donations are used *exclusively* for upgrades and building projects within the parish.

Sacrament of the Sick

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

Open Meeting on Finances

For Your Questions/Comments

**Sunday, December 4, 2016
After the 9:30 AM Mass
Parish Center**

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

St. Boniface Knights of Columbus Council 11907 is proud to kick off our Keep Christ in Christmas (KCIC) Campaign in two ways. The first is our KCIC Poster Contest for children ages 5-14. Posters and completed entry forms should be submitted and received no later than December 15, 2016 to Robert Everett 220 Derry Rd. Apt 40 Hudson NH 03051-6620 (603) 229-7319 rje7@hotmail.com

Second, KCIC Christmas Cards will be on sale starting Thanksgiving weekend at the Holiday Stroll and after masses for two weeks.

For more information about the Knights of Columbus please ask any member at the parish or at our coffee socials. Contact Grand Knight Rob Everett at the number listed above.

WEEKLY READINGS

November 21 - November 27

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Thanksgiving Day: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44



HOPE

for the MIDDLE EAST

BENEFIT CONCERTS TO AID MIDDLE EAST REFUGEES

Liturgy No. 3

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

BY ROMAN HURKO

Sung Compline (Night Prayer)

BY PAUL JERNBERG

Cor Unum Chorale

"Of one heart" (Acts 4:32)

An Ecumenical Choir based at
St. Monica Parish in Methuen, MA
Paul Jernberg, Conductor

FRIDAY, NOV 18, 7:00 PM

Saint Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Church
253 Cabot Street, Beverly, MA

SUNDAY, NOV 20, 5:30 PM

Saint Monica Catholic Church
212 Lawrence Street, Methuen, MA

TUESDAY, NOV 22, 7:00 PM

Saint Patrick Catholic Church
29 Spring Street,
Nashua, NH

No tickets required

Free will offering will be taken to go
directly to those in need via the



Knights of Columbus
Christian Refugee Relief Fund



Christ the King

The Solemnity of Christ the King began in 1925, just 81 years ago. Pope Pius XI created the fest to reassert the Church's influence in the world, especially in Europe. He did this because the Church's political power had shrunk enormously. Throughout Europe, especially in France and Italy, communist and socialist parties had enormous influence among the industrial workers, most of them Catholics. Sad to say, many regarded the Church as a tool of the rich. Hence they abandoned the Church.

In response to these dangerous trends the Holy Father insisted that Christ – not the state, not any political movements – was the only true King. Along with the Holy Father's assertion of Christ's Kingship came the proposition that the Church is the only true Kingdom. Hence, the Church should be the dominant power in society.

For sure, this vision of the Church as a worldly power is long gone. While trappings of royalty still linger here and there, the Church now seems like a small band of bedraggled people with struggling and wounded leaders. What happened to Christ the King in splendor? Where's the glorious King? Is He a King at all?

Yes, Jesus is indeed the King. But His Kingship is not about power for Himself. Rather He exerts His royal power *only* and *always* on behalf of others. His Kingship is about service, compassion, and love. The readings linked to this feast make this point clearly.

In the reading from Ezekiel God speaks through the prophet saying: *I myself will look after and tend my sheep.*" In the Hebrew mind kingship and shepherding went together. Remember that David, the greatest of the kings and the prototype of Christ, was also a shepherd. God says, *"I am your shepherd. I will care for you. I will rescue you and protect you."* God says this because the human shepherds – the political/warrior kings of Israel and Judah – had failed terribly. Christ, the new King/Shepherd, would replace the old kings and act in a completely different way. He would finally reverse the very meaning of Kingship, emphasizing service instead of power.

The gospel used on Christ the King is St. Matthew's account of the final judgment. The King gathers together the whole population of the world and divides humanity into two distinct parts – the saved (the sheep) and the unsaved (the goats). The "sheep" had come to resemble the "shepherd/king" precisely by doing what He had done: feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting prisoners, and caring for the sick.

Service to others – not power – is the distinguishing feature of Christ's Kingship. As such, each of us – though "commoners" – has the amazing possibility of sharing in His Kingship.

Fr. Michael Kerper