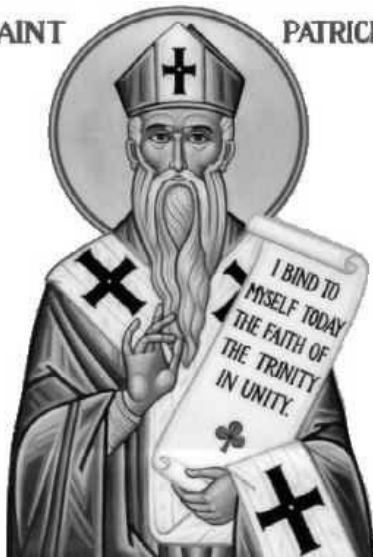


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St. Patrick Parish

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Priest-in-Residence

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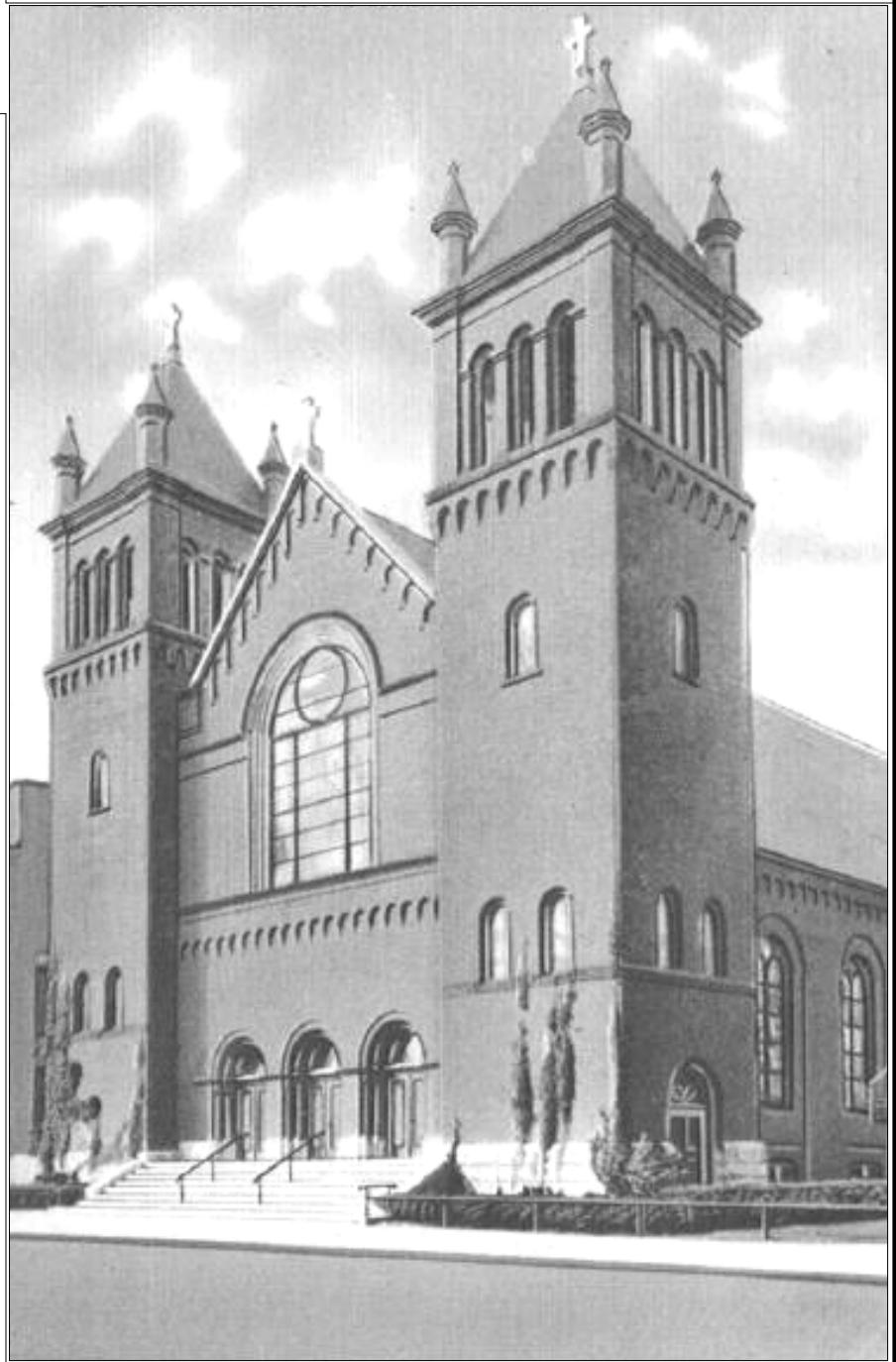
Mass Schedule
Mon. - Fri. 12:05 PM (Daily Mass)
Sat. 4:00 PM (Organ & Cantor)
Sun. 7:00 AM (Quiet Mass)
9:30 AM (Organ & Cantor)
12:00 PM (Organ & Choir)

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, Nov. 21 2015 - Vigil ~ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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

Sunday, Nov. 22, 2015 ~ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:00 AM **Priest's Intention**
9:30 AM **Charles R. & Margaret M. Provost**
By the Provost Family
12:00 PM **Pro Populo**

Monday, Nov. 23, 2015 ~ St. Clement; St. Columban; Bl. Miguel Augustin

12:00 PM **Mary K. Sullivan**
By the Family

Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015 ~ St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions

12:05 PM **Jeannette E. McCabe**
By William E. McCabe

Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2015 ~ St. Catherine of Alexandria

12:05 PM **David P. Bolen - 20th Anniversary**
By his sister Rosemary Daly

Thursday, Nov. 26, 2015 ~ Thanksgiving Day

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

Friday, Nov. 27, 2015

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

Saturday, Nov. 28, 2015 - Vigil ~ First Sunday of Advent

4:00 PM **Ralph Dirubbo, 3rd Anniversary**
By his wife Mary and Family

Sunday, Nov. 29, 2015 ~ First Sunday of Advent

7:00 AM **Ron Lavallee**
By Norm and Mary Lavallee
9:30 AM **Francis W.J. Bolen & David P. Bolen**
By the Family
12:00 PM **Pro Populo**

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 Nov. 14 & 15

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| From (189) Envelope Users: | \$5,680.50 |
| From All Others - Checks: | \$1,087.00 |
| - Cash: | \$1,571.00 |
| Electronic Giving Users (23) | \$ 980.00 |
| Total Collection | \$9,318.50 |

Mass Count: 874

Retired Priests Fund

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|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Previous Total: | \$6,912.00 |
| Weekend of Nov. 14 & 15 | \$ 138.00 |
| Total: | \$7,050.00 |

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of Nov. 14 & 15 **\$ 338.00**

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,

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

December 13, 2015

3rd Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday

Saturday Mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

November 28, 2015

Vigil of St. Andrew

December 5, 2015

St. Sabbas

December 12, 2015

Within the Octave of the Immaculate Conception

December 19, 2015

Vigil of St. Thomas (anticipated)

December 26, 2015

St. Stephen

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.

Religious Christmas Cards for SALE

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas cards after all Masses in November. Last year, nearly every box sold out quickly. To pre-order, please contact Brandon Pierotti at (603) 546-8395 or at BGP27@cornell.edu. The selection of available cards can be viewed at www.ChristIsChristmas.com/products.aspx. If you do not have access to the Internet, please contact Brandon to receive a brochure of available designs.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

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

**THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
ST. PATRICK HOURS**

St. Patrick Parish offices will close on Wednesday, November 25th at 12:00 Noon in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Offices will reopen on Monday, Nov. 30th at 9:00 AM.

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2016

11:30 AM - Confession

12:05 PM - Daily Mass

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thursday, Nov. 26, 2015

9:00 AM - MASS (no Confession)

Friday, Nov. 27, 2015

9:00 AM - MASS (no Confession)

**Music & Texts for Vigil Mass
at 4:00 PM**

Liturgy of the Word Missalette

Christ the King

Texts and Readings pp. 204-205

Collegeville Hymnal

**Processional: #525 Crown Him
with Many Crowns**

Communion Antiphon: (pg. 205)

The Lord sits as King forever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Ps. 29:10-11

**Recessional: #546 To Jesus Christ,
Our Sovereign King**

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE CONFESSIONAL

The newly built handicapped accessible confessional will be installed and ready for use by the weekend of December 5/6. The new confessional will replace Fr. Kerper's confessional and match the same color and style of Fr. Healey's confessional. The new confessional will be slightly larger than the existing one, and will have one large penitent section. The walls, doors and window include sound dampening materials. The large penitent section has room for a wheel chair to turn around, a pull-down seat for those having difficulty kneeling, and a kneeler.

There are several steps involved in the removal/installation process. Fr. Kerper's existing confessional will be removed, and then the electrical and flooring work for the new confessional completed. The removal and installation process is expected to take about 2 weeks to complete. **Fr. Kerper will hear daily confessions in Fr. Healey's confessional during construction.** Thank you for your patience during construction.

HOLIDAY STROLL CRAFT FAIR

Nov. 28, 2015 3:00 - 9:00 PM - Gym

Attention Crafters! If you are interested in a booth for this year's craft fair, applications can be found on the tables in the vestibule. Discounts are available to parishioners. If you'd like a discounted rate, please call the contact listed on the application. Booths are expected to sell out and space is limited, so please get your reservation in quickly! For additional information about the Craft Fair, please contact Janet Polaneczky at 603-880-1614.

St. Patrick Church Open & Craft Fair Winter Holiday Stroll - HELP NEEDED during the event!

Help is needed on Nov 28th, the Saturday after Thanksgiving, from 5:15 to 8:15 PM in the Church to greet visitors, hand out programs, assist with the children's activity and insure safety. Help is needed on Nov 28th in the Center for the Craft Fair from 12:00 noon until 9:30 pm. To volunteer to help - shift sign-ups will be available after Masses on Nov. 14/15 and Nov. 21/22 on the table in the vestibule. The stroll events are a great chance to meet other parishioners and greet visitors to our beautiful church!!!



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 contact us at (603) 882-6372 or at Corpuschristifp@outlook.com with any questions. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated!

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Mason Albert Fierley
Eva Kaylin Ward

REST IN PEACE

Bertha Stoncius Savickas



WEEKLY READINGS

November 23 through November 29

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28; Thanksgiving Day, Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

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, Nov. 22: Religious Education Grades 1-6 in all classrooms and outer gym area.

Monday, Nov. 23: Religious Education Grades 7-12 in all classrooms and outer gym area.

Saturday, Nov. 28: HOLIDAY STROLL AND CRAFT FAIR - GYM AND ALL CLASSROOMS

Sunday, Nov. 29: No Religious Education Classes - Thanksgiving Holiday

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.

Community News

33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY RETREAT SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Sr. Leon Pennell Center, Room A St. Christopher Parish, Nashua, NH

The Knights of Columbus of St. Christopher and St. Patrick Parishes are offering "33 Days of Morning Glory" which is a retreat in preparation of Marian Consecration.

The retreat will be held in the Sr. Leon Pennell Center, Room A at St. Christopher Parish on Nov. 24 and Dec. 1 and 8 from 10:30 AM to Noon. If necessary a second class will be offered on Nov. 23 and 30 at 10AM to 11:30 AM. The last class, for both groups will be held Dec. 8 at 10:30 AM to Noon and will consist of the 6th session and a special activity - both religious and social.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL NEWS Christmas Market

Fresh-cut Fraser fir trees and wreaths for sale. Saturday, December 5, 2015 from 12 PM to 6 PM. Don't miss the Blessing of the Christmas Trees and Caroling at 1:00 PM!

Winter Open House - Pre-School - 6th Grade

Wednesday, December 16th: Join us for some or all of our school day. We are a Catholic school with a curriculum that provides a strong foundation in what is good, true and beautiful. We offer this at the most formative time in a child's life, namely, the beginning. For more information about each of these events, visit our website at www.StFrancisSchoolNH.org or call (603) 424-3312.

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.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AT LASALETTE SHRINE

The Oblate Foreign Mission Office in Lowell, MA is sponsoring a Pilgrimage to LaSalette Shrine in Attleboro, MA to benefit its missionary work in Haiti. LaSalette Shrine has over 300,000 Christmas lights on display, a Museum of several hundred Christmas Creches, and a large Gift Shop. This year's theme is "Mercy Takes Flesh." **Motor coach will depart on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015 at 1:30 PM from the rear parking lot of St. William Church, 1351 Main St., Tewksbury, MA and return by 8:00 PM.** Bring a bag lunch, or eat in the Shrine Cafeteria. Send name, address, phone number and a check for \$25 to Oblate Foreign Missions, PO Box 9088, Lowell, MA 01853-9088 attention Br. Richard Cote, OMI, Spiritual Director. For more information email: rcote@omiusa.org.

STE. MARIE'S CRAFT FAIR

Dec. 5, 2015 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**378 Notre Dame Ave., Manchester, NH
(Behind CMC Hospital)**

Come be our guests at Ste. Marie's Craft Fair. We have over 40 crafters ranging from baking to sewing, jewelry, American Doll clothes, hand made baskets, pottery, Avon 31, and many more. A choice of muffins for breakfast and hot dogs and burgers, chili, soup, and more for lunch at Moe's Diner located in the Church basement. Pictures with Santa (5 X 7 wallets) and all types of Raffle items are available. Come join the fun!

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI WITH BISHOP LIBASCI

April 18-26, 2016

Join Bishop Peter A. Libasci and the Diocese of Manchester as they celebrate the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy with a pilgrimage to Italy from 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.

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

The King's Battlefield

In 1925, Pope Pius XI created the feast of Christ the King. He did so to encourage Catholics to consider the relationship between religion and politics, Church and state. Of course, much has changed since 1925, and so we must revisit some crucial questions: What is the Kingship of Christ? How does He rule? Where are the battles to be fought?

In the past, the Church actually supported the union of Church and State. As recently as the years following World War II, Catholics organized an supported explicitly Catholic parties and trade unions, most notably in Italy, Germany, and some Latin American countries like Chile. This is no longer the case, except in Germany, whose governing party still bears the name "Christian," though only as a formality.

If Catholics do not have a party, how then do they advance the Kingship of Christ? We find an answer in a text assigned to the Divine Office for Christ the King. The text comes from a homily by Origen (185-254), a brilliant theologian based in Alexandria, Egypt. Living as he did before the legalization of the Church in 313, Origen proposed that citizenship in the Kingdom of God was very different from political citizenship. He made three key points.

First, the Kingdom of God will *never* assume the form of any type of political entity. There will never be a "Christian caliphate." For sure, in the past some countries such as Spain, Portugal, France, and Britain had states closely intertwined with the Church. Such arrangements were temporary and frequently impeded the proclamation of the Gospel through bad example.

Second, the individual believer is the true "territory" of Christ's Kingdom. Origen wrote: "*The kingdom of God does not come in such a way as to be seen... because the kingdom of God is within us.*" This means that true citizens are *not* those who vaguely self-identify as Christians because of ethnicity or custom. Rather, the true citizens are *saints!* Origen wrote: "*Every saint is subject to God's reign and obeys the spiritual laws of God who dwells in him as a well-governed city.*"

Third, the "warfare" that advances and defends Kingship of Christ is *spiritual*, not political or military. Origen pointed out that the central "battlefield" exists within each Christian believer. He described the warfare this way: "*We must put to death what is earthly in us so that God may walk in us and reign alone in us with his Christ.*"

In the midst of a chaotic and frightening world situation, many good Catholics waste much time debating about political and military responses. Such a focus generates useless anger, sinful hatred, and even despair – the very sentiments that truly endanger our Christian faith. Worse still, the political/strategic focus always pulls us away from the only "battlefield" that we can actually control -- our own individual souls.

Origen concluded his text with a short prayer so appropriate for our troubled times: "*May God reign over us and may we live even now amid the blessings of rebirth and resurrection. Amen.*"

Fr. Michael Kerper