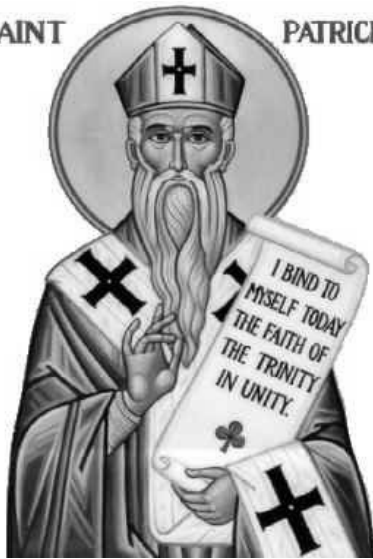


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# St. Patrick Parish

*Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua*

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## PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Michael Kerper**  
Pastor

**Rev. John Healey**  
Priest-in-Residence

Rosemary Daly, Office Manager  
Jean Dickson, Finance Manager  
Gary MacDonald, Music Director  
Paul & Jennifer Murano,  
Faith Formation  
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. 5, 2016 - Vigil - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 PM People of the Parish

**Sunday, Nov. 6, 2016 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

9:30 AM **Doris Wood**  
By the Family

12:00 PM **Sonya Landry**  
By her son Christopher Landry

**Monday, Nov. 7, 2016**

12:05 PM **Elsie Schelke**  
By the Tarullo Family

**Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2016**

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

**Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2016 ~ The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

12:05 PM **Mathew Ciechon**  
By the LeBlanc Family

**Thursday, Nov. 10, 2016 ~ St. Leo the Great**

12:05 PM **Meghan Cardone**  
By David Hayes

**Friday, Nov. 11, 2016 ~ St. Martin of Tours**

12:05 PM **John & Virginia Ryder, 87th Wedding Anniversary Memorial, and Cyril Gormley and Cora Nadeau**  
By Jim and Rosario Ryder

**Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016 - Vigil - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 PM **James Waisolonis**  
By his daughter Mary Doyle

**Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 AM **George Pelletier, 6th Anniversary**  
By the Family

9:30 AM **John Wisnieski**  
By the Family

12:00 PM **Theresa Roy**  
By Maureen Kispert

***GIFTS FOR THE LORD'S WORK***

**Weekend of Oct. 29 & 30, 2016**

From (163) Envelope Users:	\$5,269.75
From All Others - Checks:	\$1,010.00
- Cash:	\$1,766.00
Electronic Giving Users (29)	\$1,130.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$9,175.75</b>

**Mass Count: 741**

**St. Vincent de Paul**

Weekend of 10/23/16 **\$516.00**

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!**

**OUTREACH MEETING**

The next Outreach meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 7:00 PM in Room 2 of the Parish Center. All are invited to attend.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 6:30 PM in the Rectory. Please RSVP to Rosemary at 603-882-2262.

**Sacrament of the Sick**

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

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

## 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 5:00 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](http://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>. Applications should be emailed to [jpolaneczky@comcast.net](mailto:jpolaneczky@comcast.net).

### 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.

## UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

**6th Resumed Sunday after Epiphany**  
Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016  
(Followed by a light luncheon)

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

November 12, 2016  
**St. Martin I**

November 19, 2016  
**St. Elizabeth of Hungary**

November 26, 2016  
**St. Sylvester**

### 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..

## WEEKLY READINGS

Nov. 6 - Nov. 13

**Monday:** Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday:** Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

**Thursday:** Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25

**Friday:** 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday:** 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

**Sunday:** Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NOTE

When making donations to the Capital Campaign, we ask that you put your check or cash donation for this project in a separate envelope marked Capital Campaign. Be sure to include your name and address on the envelope for tracking purposes. Thank you!

## Current Special Collections

Please remember that 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. Information about the appeals and the associated special envelopes are available on the back tables and in the vestibule. Thank you for considering these needs and acting according to your considered judgment and own resources.

Currently, we are receiving offerings for the following purposes:

### 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 extensive operations of the Catholic Church within military communities depends on contributions. We will receive donations for our fellow Catholics in the military through November 15.

### Mission Sunday

Mission Sunday occurs every October. This annual collection supports the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Our parishioners have donated \$1,014.00 through the past month. Thank you!

### 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 of the church. A plain envelope or check marked with "capital campaign" will also suffice. Please remember that all capital campaign donations are used exclusively for upgrades and building projects within the parish.

### Retired Priests of the Diocese of Manchester

These funds will assist the 47 retired priests of our Diocese. Since the weekend of September 24/25, our parishioners have donated \$5,305.00. Thank you for your kind support of these men who have served so well.

### Support for Mother Teresa's Order

On October 3, the first celebration of the feast of the newly-canonized Saint Teresa of Calcutta, the people at Mass here donated \$320 to the Missionaries of Charity. The sisters in the Bronx sent a nice note expressing their gratitude and promising their prayers.

## Notes From Fr. Kerper

### Adult Confirmation Class

Every year we discover adults of all ages who desire Confirmation. We hope to start off once again in early November. The class usually meets on Saturday afternoons. If you would like to be Confirmed or know someone else who would, please call Fr. Kerper at 603-882-2262.

### Safety Reminders

During the past few weeks several people have left purses and wallets in the pews. Fortunately, they were quickly located and returned to their owners. Please do not leave valuables in the pews during Communion time.

### Restroom Signs

Several weeks ago we installed new signs on the two small restrooms at the bottom of the choir loft stairway. Each is now designated simply as a "Restroom." This change was made because women and girls at Sunday Masses frequently had to wait in line even when the "men's" room was clearly unoccupied. Both rooms are identical and can be occupied by only one person at a time. Also, please remember that children should always be escorted to the restroom area when the need arises.

## ***Holy Door Closing on November 13***

At the beginning of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, Bishop Libasci designated St. Patrick Church as a site of a "Holy Door of Mercy." Since then many people from New Hampshire and other places have come to receive the special benefits associated with the Holy Door. The Holy Door will close next Sunday after the 12:00 Noon Mass.

During the few remaining days of this privilege, everyone has the possibility of obtaining the special plenary indulgence for themselves or for deceased people. The requirements follow:

1. Passing through the Holy Door.
2. Praying for the intentions of Pope Francis.
3. Making a Profession of Faith by reciting the Creed (any form will suffice).
4. Receiving Holy Communion.
5. Making a good Confession.
6. Meditating on God's Mercy.

To accommodate people who wish obtain this special indulgence, Confessions on next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will begin at 11:15

### **FRONT DOOR AGENCY SEEKING PLAYMATES FOR TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM**

The Front Door Agency is looking for volunteer playmates for our Transitional Housing Program. Playmates and childcare helpers are needed throughout the month for less than two hours at a time as our transitional housing moms attend life skill groups and educational programs. Our kids range from infants to 10 years old.

Staff and seasoned volunteers will be here to guide and support you. Sign up for as much or as little time as you can give. We appreciate whatever works for your schedule.

For more information contact Nancy Paige at (603) 886-2866.

## **Benefit Concert**

**Tuesday, November 22 at 7:00 PM**

A Benefit Concert will be presented at St. Patrick's on Tuesday, November 22 at 7:00 PM. This concert will feature *Liturgy No. 3* by American Canadian composer Roman Hurko. This choral work is an extraordinarily beautiful setting of the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom. The concert will conclude with sung Compline for the Feast of St. Cecilia.

The Cor Unum Chorale, a 50 member choir, including students from Thomas More College, as well as singers from throughout the region, will perform this concert under the direction of Paul Jernberg, Composer-in-Residence at TMC and Music Director of St. Monica and St. Lucy Parishes in Methuen, MA.

In lieu of tickets, a free will offering will be taken at the concert. All proceeds will go directly to the Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief Fund, which assists Christians in the Middle East. We hope to see you at this concert, which promises to be a glorious event as well as a wonderful opportunity to help our Christian brothers and sisters in need.

Refreshments will be served in the classrooms of the Parish Center after the concert. All are welcome. For more information and/or to donate, please visit [youcaring.com](http://youcaring.com) (type in number 656504).

### **OPEN HOUSE NASHUA CATHOLIC REGIONAL JR. HIGH SCHOOL Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2016 6:30 - 8:00 PM**

Nashua Catholic Regional Jr. High School offers 7th and 8th graders a rigorous, Catholic-based curriculum. We are accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. We invite interested families to come and learn more about our school. For more information, please visit us on the web at [www.nctjhs.org](http://www.nctjhs.org).

## **UNDERSTANDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

On November 19 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, join Bishop Peter A. Libasci at the 8th Annual Catholics in the Public Square event at the NH Institute of Politics at Saint Anselm College to learn from experts about the crisis of human trafficking. Jasmine Marino, a survivor and advocate for women currently enslaved, will share her message of survival, faith, and hope. Additional speakers will explain the types of trafficking, signs that a person is being trafficked, what you can do to help. This event is free but advance registration is required at [catholicnh.org/publicsquare](http://catholicnh.org/publicsquare) or by contacting Kimberly Low at [klow@rcbm.org](mailto:klow@rcbm.org) or (603) 663-0131.

## “Why don’t bishops tell us how to vote?”

I hear this question over and over from people who want bishops to identify particular candidates that Catholics must vote for or against. The answer to this question is an important one.

In the very first chapter of the Book of Acts, we see 120 disciples gathered with Peter. The job at hand is to choose a replacement for Judas and to restore the fellowship of “The Twelve.” Significantly, however, it is not Peter who makes the selection. Rather it is the assembly of the faithful that proposes two names, from which one (Matthias) is chosen by the drawing of lots. Notice that Peter does not use his office to compel a particular result, but rather leaves the choice to the Holy Spirit working through the company of believers.

Now, an American election is obviously a far different sort of thing. But the point of that narrative from Acts is the same one that underlies why we bishops do not instruct the faithful to vote for or against particular candidates: there are certain rights and responsibilities that the Church entrusts to the lay faithful.

How each one of us carries out the awesome responsibility of our baptism depends on our particular calling in life. Bishops accompany the People of God and carry out the ministry of teaching. The lay faithful are called, among other things, “to cultivate a properly formed conscience and to impress the divine law on the affairs of the earthly city” (to quote from chapter 43 of the Second Vatican Council’s *Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World*). The Church recognizes that expertise in secular matters, and in particular the affairs of the political world, rests with the laity. As the Constitution goes on to say: “*It is up to the laity to shoulder their responsibilities under the guidance of Christian wisdom and with eager attention to the teaching authority of the Church.*”

There are also some practical reasons why bishops do not endorse candidates. If, for instance, a particular candidate were to be so manifestly unfit that no Catholic could in good conscience vote for that candidate, a bishop’s instruction to vote a particular way would be pointless because the lay faithful, after considering the issues that are set out in *Faithful Citizenship*, would undoubtedly reach the proper conclusion on their own. If, on the other hand, there is legitimate disagreement among people with well-formed consciences regarding how an election should turn out, then bishops in various dioceses might actually issue endorsements for different candidates. So it is wise for the Church to have faith in the faithful.

The Holy Father recently made some informal remarks concerning what we should do in this election, and I think his advise is the best way to conclude this: “Study the issues well, pray, and choose with your conscience.” Here at the end of 2016, the responsibility for what you do on election day lies just where the Holy Spirit put it on the day that you were baptized: in your hands. May that same Spirit guide you as you cast your votes on November 8th.

*Bishop Peter A. Libasci*

(excerpted from the bishop)