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# St. Patrick Parish

*Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua*

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## PARISH STAFF

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Pastor

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Priest-in-Residence

**Linda Marolla**, *Office Manager*

**Jean Dickson**, *Finance Manager*

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**Paul & Jennifer Murano**,  
*Faith Formation*

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**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

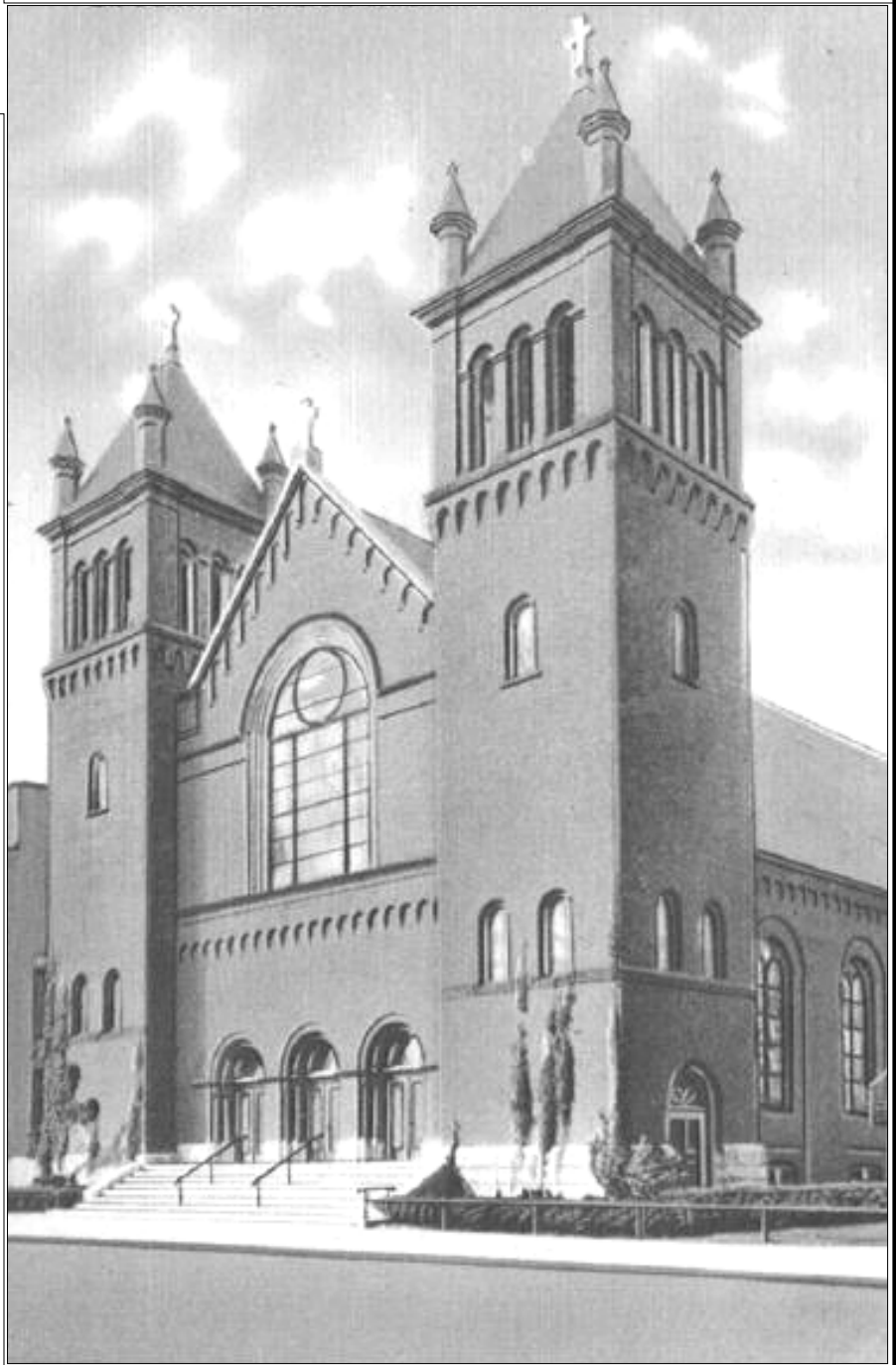
Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Fri. - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### Cemetery Office

Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tel. 603-881-8131



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# Nashua, NH

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

### Saturday, September 30, 2017 - Vigil - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Melanie Korotash**  
By Elona Lucas

### Sunday, October 1, 2017 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **Joseph G. and Eva C. Fariz**  
By Triangle Credit Union

9:30 AM **Richard J. Piwowarski**  
By Janet & Joe Sweklo

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

### Monday October 2, 2017- The Holy Guardian Angels

12:05 PM **Patricia Homrig**  
By the Belton Family

### Tuesday, October 3, 2017 - Weekday

12:05 PM **Leo Vienneau**  
By David Hayes

### Wednesday, October 4, 2017 - St. Francis of Assisi

12:05 PM **Irene Alexander**  
By the family

### Thursday, October 5, 2017 - Weekday

12:05 PM **Rev. Mother Clare**  
By the Belton Family

### Friday, October 6, 2017 - St. Bruno

12:05 PM **Elizabeth Helen Knue**  
By Charlene P. Knue

### Saturday, October 7, 2017 - Vigil - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Helen Kokoskie, & Stanley Kokoskie,  
James Kokoskie**  
By Caroline Kelley

### Sunday, October 8, 2017 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **Deceased members of Ennis Family  
Matt Sr., Matt Jr., Florence, Pr**  
By Caroline Kemezys and Kathy Ennis

9:30 AM **Therese Desautels**  
By the 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 September 23 & 24**

From (135) Envelope Users:	\$3,726.00
From All Others - Checks:	\$ 828.00
- Cash	\$1,533.00
Electronic Giving Users (33)	\$1,268.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$7,355.00</b>

**Mass Count: 677**

### **St. Vincent de Paul**

Weekend of Sept 24, 2017 **\$ 416.00**

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!**

### **Annual Open House, Wednesday, October 11, 2017 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM**

Holy Family Academy  
281 Cartier Street Manchester, NH 03102  
Grades 7 -12; For info call 603-644-7247 or visit  
Website: [www.holyfamilyacademy.org](http://www.holyfamilyacademy.org)

### **Annual Open House for 8th Graders Tuesday October 24, 2017 7:00 PM**

Trinity High School  
581 Bridge Street Manchester, NH 03104  
Contact Denise Brewitt at [dbrewitt@trinity-hs.org](mailto:dbrewitt@trinity-hs.org)

### **Annual Open House**

### **Sunday October 29, 2017 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

Presentation of Mary Academy  
209 Lawrence Street Methuen, Ma. 07844  
Sixth, Seventh, & Eighth graders are welcome, as well as, transfer students  
Website: [www.pmamethuen.org](http://www.pmamethuen.org)

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### *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 **\$824.00** towards the Capital Campaign the weekend of **September 23rd & 24th**. Thanks for your generous and truly sacrificial support!

#### **Disaster Relief**

St. Patrick Parish received **\$150** towards the Disaster Relief fund the weekend of **September 23rd & 24th**. Thank you again for your generosity.

#### **Retired Priests**

St. Patrick Parish received **\$7,679** towards the NH Diocesan Retired Priests Collection the weekend of **September 23rd & 24th**. Thank you!

## ***St. Patrick Fall Dinner and Recognition Event***

**Saturday, October 14**

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

St. Patrick Gymnasium

Tickets can be purchased following our weekend Masses on:

***September 30/October 1***

and

***October 7/8***

Tickets are \$10 per person or \$25 per family.

The dinner will be *buffet style*, all you can eat.

*Please help!*

We need many hands to set up the gym and clean up after the event. This is always a great chance to meet people. Volunteer by letting a ticket seller know of your generosity and availability. Thank you!

**October 1, 2017**

### **CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY**

For your convenience, brown paper, donation bags are being provided by Corpus Christi Food Pantry which will be available in the back of the church. Attached will be suggestions for items to place in the bags. Please feel free to fill the bag with whatever items you wish to purchase. All donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for supporting our mission. For information please contact Susan Dignan at 603-882-6372 or 603-598-1641. God bless you.

### **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

This Sunday, October 1, at 10:30 AM, the 10 part topical seminars for adults will continue, at the same time the youth are in class. We will reflect on the Person of Jesus and our relationship with Him. Parents of Family Faith Formation children are expected to attend. Coffee & donuts provided.

#### **Faith Formation Volunteers:**

Are you interested in helping serve our youth!? We are looking for a variety of volunteers: catechist/teachers, teacher aides, substitutes, small group leader, and other behind the scene support. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Jennifer or Paul at: [faithformation.st.patrick@gmail.com](mailto:faithformation.st.patrick@gmail.com).

#### **Register for Faith Formation now:**

Forms are available in the back of the church and on the parish website, with instructions as to where to send them! Thank you for registering ASAP, as we are finalizing plans.

### **FORMATION FOR CONFIRMATION**

Every year we form a group for people who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We get people of all ages and backgrounds. The formation consists of exploring the Nicene Creed as presented by the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We usually meet on Saturday afternoons, but try to accommodate the schedules and needs of everyone. We will begin in early October.

If you or someone you know would like to join the group, please call Father Michael Kerper at 603-882-2262. You can also send an email to: [pastor.st.patrick@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.st.patrick@gmail.com)

**WEEKLY READINGS**  
**October 1, 2017 - October 8, 2017**

**Sunday:** Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

**Monday:** Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Tuesday:** Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday:** Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday:** Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

**Friday:** Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday:** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24

**Sunday:** Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

**FLOWERS FOR OUR LADY**

Thanks to the many people who made donations for the weekly flowers placed before the statue of Our Lady of Fatima. We have now received more than enough offerings to bring us through the end of the Fatima Centennial. We will use some of the donations to purchase special flowers for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8. Thank you for your generous display of devotion to Our Lady of Fatima.

**FLOWER DONATIONS FOR  
OUR LADY OF FATIMA  
September 30 - October 6, 2017**

Patricia Murray Derr has donated money for Our Lady of Fatima flowers in memory of Anne & Paul Derr from September 30 - October 6, 2017

**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.

**UPCOMING LATIN MASSES**

12:00 Noon

October 8, 2017

**18th Sunday after Pentecost**

*(Low Mass)*

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Saturday Mornings

8:00 AM

*(Church opens at 7:30 AM)*

October 7, 2017

**Our Lady of the Rosary**

October 14, 2017

**St. Callistus I**

**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.

***Are you registered?***

Please help us keep our database up to date. New parishioners are encouraged to fill out the form below and return it to the office. Long-time parishioners are asked to update their information if they have any changes. Thank you.

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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. \_\_\_\_\_

### Fundraiser to Benefit St. Gianna's Place

Join us for a Spaghetti Dinner to raise money to open St. Gianna's Place, a home for pregnant women in need. On October 28, 2017 at 5:30 pm, the fun begins at St. Thomas Aquinas Center, 26 Crystal Avenue in Derry. In addition to the Italian dinner, there will also be raffles, a silent auction, and a live auction. Tickets will be sold at the door and are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under.

St. Gianna's Place aims to provide a safe home, job and life skills training, spiritual and emotional support, and a renewed sense of independence, joy, and self-worth to some of the most vulnerable in our community. Please help by attending our dinner!

If you are unable to attend, please consider donating via our website at [stgiannasplace.org](http://stgiannasplace.org), or by mail at St. Gianna's Place, P.O. Box 725, Londonderry, NH 03053. All donations are tax deductible. Questions can be directed to Kelly at 603-770-9288 or via email @ [kmcintire5@comcast.net](mailto:kmcintire5@comcast.net).

### **HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

Hispanic Heritage Month began 9/15 and this year we will have 2 nights of festivities which will include dinner and dancing to celebrate the cultures of 2 countries: Columbia Friday 9/29, and the Dominican Republic Friday 10/13. You will need to purchase a ticket for one of these nights or even both! Tickets are \$25 or you can purchase and reserve a table for \$200. Price includes meal, soft beverage, entertainment and dancing. Event to be held at St. Aloysius of Gonzaga Church Hall, 48 W. Hollis Street Nashua, NH 03060. Time is 6:00 PM - 10:30 PM.

### **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

The Sacrament of the Sick is offered each Friday after the 12:05 PM Mass. The Sacrament can be celebrated with people preparing for or recovering from surgery, in rehab, or those who have any serious illness..

### **Please join Thomas More College of Liberal Arts**

For a lecture on Our Lady  
By Rev. Fr. Robert Johansen and  
Wine and Cheese reception

Mercy Hall, 90 Concord St. Nashua  
7 - 9 PM Friday October 13, 2017  
RSVP: Andrew Thompson-Briggs  
603-880-8308 ext.15

Or email at:  
[athompsonbriggs@thomasmorecollege.edu](mailto:athompsonbriggs@thomasmorecollege.edu)

### **MOTHER/DAUGHTER TEA**

On Saturday November 4, St. Mark's Women's Ministry and the Gianna Family Care Center of Londonderry will host a Mother Daughter Tea from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Mothers and daughters (ages 9 to 14) are invited to gather in St. Mark's church basement at 1 South Rd in Londonderry.

Nancy Malo of Catholic Medical Center will discuss God's special gift of human fruitfulness and the beauty and wonder of God's holy plan for growing into womanhood.

Please **register by Friday October 29**. The cost is \$25 per family. Checks should be made payable to St. Mark's Parish and sent along with the registration form to:

St. Mark's Women's Ministry  
c/o 4 Sunland Drive Hudson, NH 03051.

Questions should be sent to:  
[Live4Him@myfairpoint.net](mailto:Live4Him@myfairpoint.net)

### **First Saturday Devotions For Women**

St. Patrick's Women's Group, dedicated to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, will now meet on the *first Saturday morning* of each month. Prayer time will include:

- 8:00 Mass at the Blessed Virgin's Altar
- Little Office of the BVM
- Most Holy Rosary
- Confessions will be heard immediately after Mass
- Light breakfast and fellowship (Parish Center)
- Conclusion: Litany of Loretto

All women are invited to join us in honoring our Blessed Mother, especially during this centenary year of Our Lady's apparitions in Fatima.

For more information contact Stephanie at 781-690-7919 or email us at [OlphSodality@yahoo.com](mailto:OlphSodality@yahoo.com).

### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

"Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths". Explore the paths with your spouse by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends will be held on Oct 21-22, 2017 in Contoocook, NH and Dec 2-3, 2017 in Breswter, MA. For more information, call Stephen and Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at <http://www.mema.org/>.

# Guardian Angels

Some people dismiss belief in Guardian Angels as childish and medieval. However, The Catechism of the Catholic Church clearly affirms their reality. It repeats the words of St. Basil the Great: "Beside each believer stands an angel protector and shepherd leading him to life." The Catechism uses this brief text to show that belief in Guardian Angels is both ancient (St. Basil lived in the 4th century) and espoused by a great theologian.

More important, Sacred Scripture mentions Guardian Angels. For example, St. Matthew recalls that Jesus once gathered children to himself and said, "Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven" (Matthew 18:10). In the Old Testament, the Book of Tobit has a scene in which Tobit spoke of the "guardian angel" of his son Tobias. The old man said: "For a good angel will accompany him; his journey will be successful and he will come back in good health"(Tobit 5:22).

Catholic belief in Guardian Angels is not *exclusively* -- or even primarily -- about angels. Rather, it beautifully expresses our Catholic understanding of the *human person* and the way God generally acts in the created cosmos. We learn three things here.

First, belief in Guardian Angels strongly reaffirms the Catholic belief in the infinite value of the *individual* human person. God refuses to offer "generic" care from the anonymous angelic ranks. Rather, God provides each human person with *specialized* care from one specific being.

Second, Guardian Angels reflect God's "style" of dealing with created reality. God forever invites and enables other beings – human and angelic -- to share in God's own vast work. God needs no help. But God's intense desire to share the Divine life with created beings leads God to create and enlist others in guiding creation to fulfill its proper end.

Third, the mystery of the Guardian Angels reminds us that creation is essentially *good* and that the general *direction* of the universe is toward the fulfillment – not frustration – of God's plan. Unseen by the human eye, goodness in the form of invisible angelic beings abounds everywhere, advancing God's design in ways we can scarcely imagine.

St. Bernard, whose words are quoted in the Office of Readings for the memorial of the Guardian Angels, said this: "Brothers, let us love God's angels with sincere affection: they will be our co-heirs at some future time.... They cannot be vanquished, nor led astray, still less can they lead us astray.... They are faithful, they are wise, they are powerful; what have we to fear?"

*Fr. Michael Kerper*

*Note: The Memorial of the Guardian Angels occurs on October 2.*