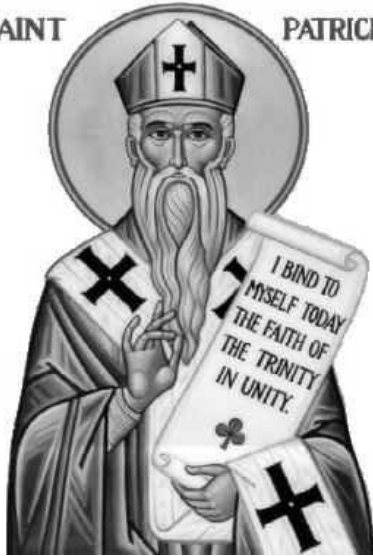


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St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Michael Kerper
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Priest-in-Residence

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Jean Dickson, Bookkeeper
Gary MacDonald, Music Director
Rel. Educ. Paul & Jennifer Murano
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

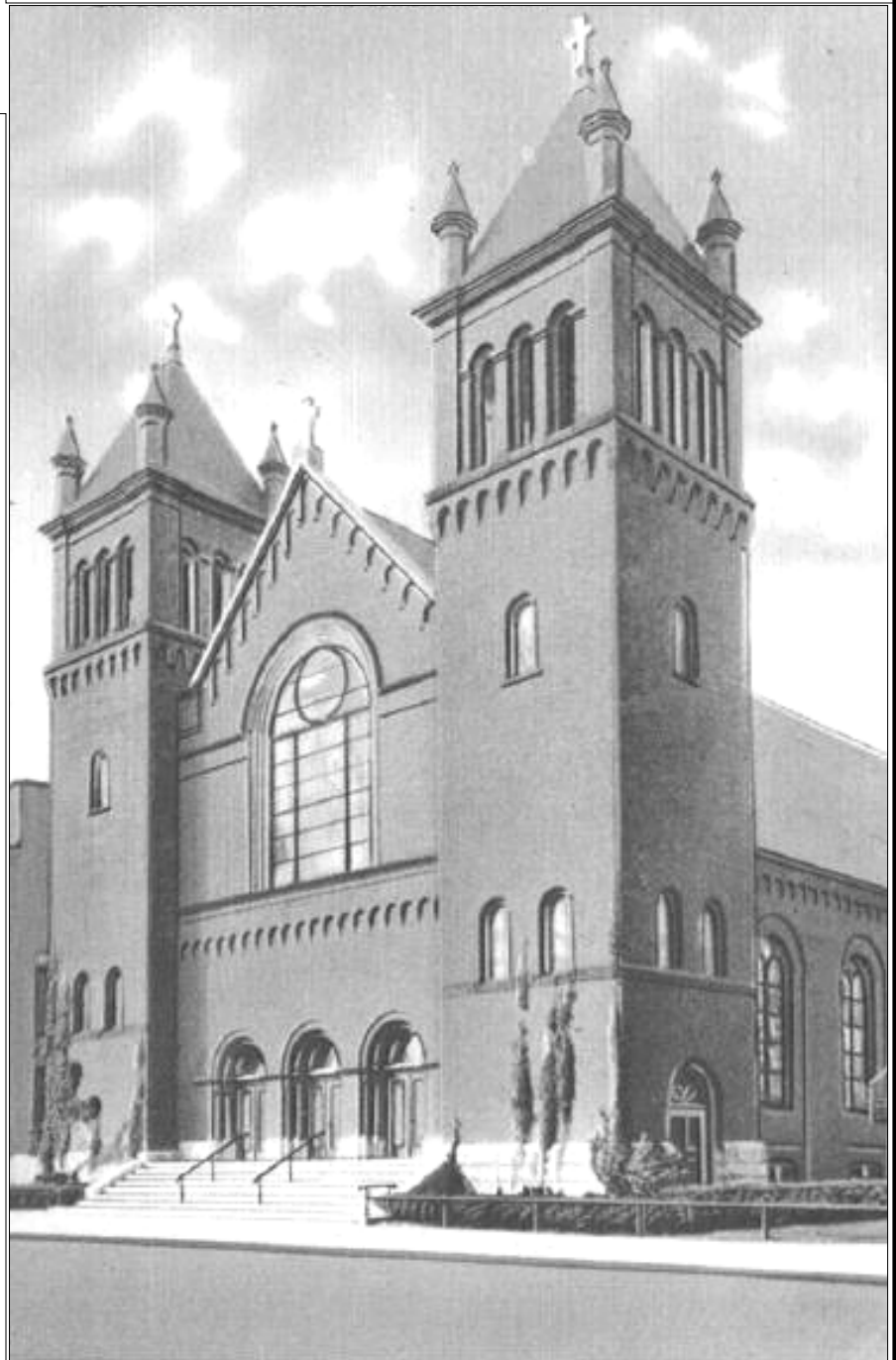
Sat. 3:00 PM
Sun. 9:00 & 11:30 AM
Tues. through Fri. 11:30 AM

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



St. Patrick Parish

Nashua, NH

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

Saturday, Sept. 17, 2016 - Vigil - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Ann Sullivan**
 By Jack Sullivan

Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **Benefactors of SVDP Society**

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

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

Monday, Sept. 19, 2016 ~ St. Januarius

12:05 PM **Frank Bolen, 6th Anniversary**
 By the Family

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2016 ~ Sts. Andrew Ki Tae-gon and Pal Chong Ha-sang and Companions

12:05 PM **Edward P. Hutchins**
 By his wife Joyce and Family

Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2016 ~ St. Matthew

12:05 PM **J. Mahoney**

Thursday, Sept. 22, 2016

12:05 PM **Bessie Mulligan**

Friday, Sept. 23, 2016 ~ St. Pius of Pietreicina

12:05 PM **A. Clancy**

Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016 - Vigil - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **People of the Parish**

Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **Andrew and Gloris Palanski**
 By Kevin and Susan Palanski

9:30 AM **Bridie Belton**
 By the Family

12:00 PM **Peter Byrne**
 By the Family

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 Sept. 3 & 4

From (158) Envelope Users:	\$6,178.75
From All Others - Checks:	\$1,141.60
- Cash:	\$1,516.00
Electronic Giving Users (18)	\$1,262.26
Total Collection	\$10,098.61

Mass Count: 690

Weekend of Sept. 10 & 11

From (159) Envelope Users:	\$5,194.75
From All Others - Checks:	\$ 917.00
- Cash:	\$1,529.00
Electronic Giving Users (20)	\$ 690.00
Online Giving (12) 9/4/16	\$ 335.00
Total Collection	\$8,665.75

Mass Count: 717

NH Missionaries Abroad & Migrants/Refugees

Previous Total	\$1,156.00
Week of 9/4/16	\$ 15.00
Grand Total	\$1,171.00

Missions of Charity- St. Mother Teresa

Grand Total \$360.00

Conference of U.S. Bishops

Grand Total \$515.00

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of 9/4/16 **\$855.00**

Weekend of 9/11/16 **\$491.00**

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!

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FAITH FORMATION AT ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Thank you to all who have registered for Faith Formation classes. As a reminder, all classes are on Sunday mornings now and classes begin on Sept. 18th. Only those students registered will be able to attend class. There is a required parent meeting in the Gym on the first day of class. Make sure you sign in as you arrive. Parents of First Communicants and Confirmation Candidates will have a special meeting immediately following the general parent meeting. Attendance at these meetings is required.

ADULT ENRICHMENT

Adult Enrichment begins on Sept. 25th. The Adult Enrichment gatherings are held on Sundays between 10:30 and 11:45 AM and are open to all adults of any age (not just parents). This year we will discuss different topics each week related to the faith. Please join us!

PRAY FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS

Please pray for our volunteers, catechists, and aides who have generously offered their time and prayer to lead our youth in this year's Faith Formation Journey to Faith. We are so grateful to the joyful witness to Truth each volunteer brings to the Program. Please pray that we may all grow in grace and wisdom - growing ever stronger in our relationship with God.

ARE YOU CALLED TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE?

Applications are being accepted for men interested in becoming a permanent Deacon. If you have a wholesome love for, and desire to serve the Church; are generous, flexible, creative, dedicated, gentle, and courageous, and if you are a man with a proven record of service to the Church, this opportunity might be of interest to you. See the insert on the table in the vestibule for more information regarding scheduled information sessions being held in the Diocese. Or contact Deacon Greg McGinn for additional information at newdeacons@rcbm.org.

September 18, 2016

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

October 9, 2016
21st Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday Mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

September 24, 2016

Ember Saturday

October 1, 2016

Saturday of Our Lady

October 8

St. Bridget of Sweden

October 15, 2016

St. Teresa of Avila

October 22, 2016

Saturday of Our Lady

October 29, 2016

Saturday of Our Lady

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

Sept. 19 - Sept. 25

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

**Festive Parish Supper!
October 15th, 5-8 pm in the Gym
Save the Date!!!**

Please join us for a fun evening of Food, Entertainment and Fellowship! A buffet line of yummy Ham, Chicken Casserole, Baked Beans, Chicken Fingers, Appetizers, Sides and Desserts all for \$10 per person or \$25 per family. We'll have music, kids activities and lots of socializing!!!

Tickets will be on sale after Masses the weekends of October 1st/2nd and 8th/9th. Lots of help is needed, so please let us know if you can help with the set-up, the food and/or the clean-up, by calling Janet Polaneczky, 603-930-5090, jpolaneczky@comcast.net or sign-up during ticket sales.

**Are you looking for
a good-paying job?**

St. Patrick's Parish is sponsoring the 8th annual Employment Connect on Wednesday, September 21, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the parish center. This event brings public, private and non-profit sectors together in order to find the best possible connection between employers and potential employees. As in previous years, suitable job interview clothing will be available, as well as resume-writing assistance and free hair cuts. Volunteers are always welcome. For more information, contact Don Pare' at 880-6873.

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!

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.

OUTREACH

St. Patrick Parish Outreach will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 7:00 PM in Classroom 1 in the Center. All are welcome.

**INFANT JESUS SCHOOL PRESENTS:
A FREE PARENTING SEMINARY
Sept. 21, 2016 ~ 6:30 - 8:30 PM**

Jack Agati, a dynamic speaker with a unique perspective will speak on the following topics: "Why Kids Do the Things They Do?", Raising Responsible Children, and Managing Misbehaviors Through the Use of Logical Outcomes. This seminar is open to the public. Please RSVP to 889-2649 by Sept. 19, 2016.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
PARISH MISSION**

**216 E. Dunstable Rd., Nashua, NH
October 17 - 20, 2016 ~ 7:00 - 9:00 PM**

Immaculate Conception Parish invites you to join them as they welcome Fr. Larry Richards. Fr. Richards is a charismatic teacher, preacher, and retreat master. Fr. Richards will speak on the following topics:

- Oct. 17th **God's Love and Prayer**
- Oct. 18th **Love of Others**
(done in the context of the Mass)
- Oct. 19th **Passion of Christ and the Need for Confession**
(followed by the opportunity for individual confessions)
- Oct. 20th **Adoration and Healing**

Child care will be available upon request. For more information, contact Eileen Bowes at 603-888-0321.

**NASHUA SOUP KITCHEN & SHELTER
2016 ANNUAL
DINNER AUCTION FUNDRAISER**

The Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter, Inc. invites you to join them at their 2016 Annual Dinner Auction Fundraiser. The event will be held at the Crowne Plaza in Nashua, NH on **Saturday, November 5, 2016**. Doors open at 6:00 PM. For additional information to attend, sponsor or donate, please call Erika or Carol at 603-889-7770 or visit our website at www.nsk.org.

DAVIS FUNERAL HOME "SWEATER WEATHER" RECYCLING CAMPAIGN

As a community service, the Davis Funeral Home, One Lock Street, Nashua, is sponsoring its 22nd Annual "Sweater Weather" Recycling Campaign to help the needy.

Either new or clean, used sweaters will be collected between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, from September 1 to October 1, 2016. Bins will be placed in both foyers of the funeral home so people can drop off their sweaters to be "recycled."

The sweaters will be distributed to various agencies in the Nashua area to be given to those who need them.

Call the Davis Funeral Home at (603) 883-3401 for additional information.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Washington, DC Sept. 26-28, 2016

Bishop Libasci is pleased to announce that as part of the observance of the Year of Mercy, he will be leading a diocesan-wide pilgrimage to Washington D.C. Central to this Pilgrimage will be our visit to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, America's Catholic Church. There we will have the opportunity to go through the National Holy Year Door! The pilgrimage is scheduled for September 26-28, 2016. For further information contact Canterbury Pilgrimages at 800-653-0017 or go to our website at : www.canterburypilgrimages.com

Pre-college Planning Workshop for Middle School Parents & Students NASHUA CATHOLIC - GYMNASIUM

Thursday, September 29, 2016
1:00 PM

A great opportunity to understand how choices made in middle/junior high school affect their high school and college opportunities.

Workshop presented by Bishop Guertin Counselors

Blessing of the Animals

Please join us on Saturday, October 1st at 11 AM for Nashua Catholic's Blessing of the Animals! All well-behaved and leashed or crated pets are welcome! The blessing takes place at Nashua Catholic's parking lot, located on Columbia Avenue.

Nashua Catholic Regional Jr. High School |
6 Bartlett Avenue | Nashua, NH 03064

NCRJHS HIGH SCHOOL FAIR @ Nashua Catholic Regional Jr. High School

TUESDAY **OCT 4**
6:30 - 8:00 PM

Free & Open to the Public

Over 15 public, private, and boarding schools participating.

Hosted by
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6 Bartlett Avenue
Nashua, NH 03064
www.ncrjhs.org

For more information
contact Mary Kirkwood
(603) 882-7011

St. Patrick Youth Group

St. Patrick's Youth Group and Bible Study meets most 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month in the Center from 7 - 9 pm. (Upcoming meetings are posted in the bulletin). All teens from 12-18 are invited to join us for prayer and pizza, followed by bible study, games, and fellowship. Come join us for a relaxing, faith and fun-filled evening! Please call Beth Bord with any questions, at 880-6853. Hope to see you there!

Corpus Christi Food Pantry

The Corpus Christi Food Pantry is requesting donations of non-perishable food items for families in need of assistance. The pantry is currently in need of cereal and toiletry items such as soap, shampoo, deodorant and smaller liquid dish detergent. We also are looking for healthy snacks: fruit cups, cereal bars, granola, juice, as well as, mac and cheese, and canned vegetables. A donation box is located in the vestibule. Please call 598-1641 if you have any questions.

Bored to Death

People don't often think of boredom as a dangerous spiritual malady, but it is. No one knew this better than Georges Bernanos, the great French Catholic novelist who wrote The Diary of a Country Priest in 1936. On the very first page of his beautiful and wise novel, the nameless young priest wrote: "*My parish is bored stiff; no other word for it. Like so many others! We can see them being eaten up by boredom, and we can't do anything about it.*" He went on to describe boredom as being like a pervasive "dust," a deadly powder that silently adheres to everything.

Centuries before Bernanos lived, several great spiritual masters had already identified boredom as a corrosive disease of the spirit. As early as the 4th century, Christian hermits living in the deserts of North Africa had written of an experience called *akedia*, a Greek term that means sadness, apathy, lack of interest in life, simple boredom.

Evagrius of Pontus, a theologian of the 4th century, nicknamed *akedia* "the noonday demon" because it paralyzed all creative impulses and drove people to total despair because of their constant and unrelieved boredom.

Akedia – sheer boredom – happens when people narrow their vision of life and seek ultimate satisfaction in things that are only temporary. Because these limited things never satisfy for very long, people soon slip back into boredom, then frantically seek new forms of experience to lift themselves out of the drudgery of daily existence. But the boredom quickly returns, and the relentless cycle begins anew.

This cyclical movement from boredom to stimulation helps to explain the massive growth of entertainment, celebrity, and professional sports in our advanced technological culture. To stave off boredom, new forms of stimulation accelerate and invade every inch of territory. No space or time is left free for silence, quiet thought, contemplation of beauty, or meaningful personal exchanges among family members. For example, one will now see many family groups caught up in individual activities such as texting, listening to music through ear buds or watching tiny movies while sitting at table.

Of course, the problem here is not the enjoyment of music or movies. Rather the real danger is that the relentless battle against boredom fosters intense personal isolation. This chronic withdrawal into the isolated "self" blinds people to an essential truth: True and lasting satisfaction is discovered only *beyond oneself* and *with other people*. By contrast, constant self-absorption obliterates the memory of God and eliminates the need for religion.

For Evagrius and other ancient spiritual masters, *akedia* had only one sure cure: the gradual reorientation the human gaze *outward* toward the vast expanse of what exists beyond the small suffocating self. Otherwise, even 10,000 songs and videos in a person's pocket can't save anyone from being bored to death.

Fr. Michael Kerper