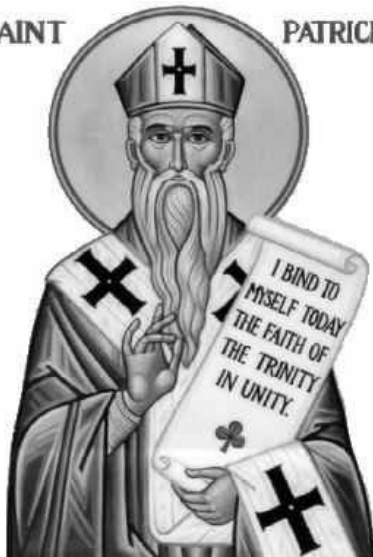


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St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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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

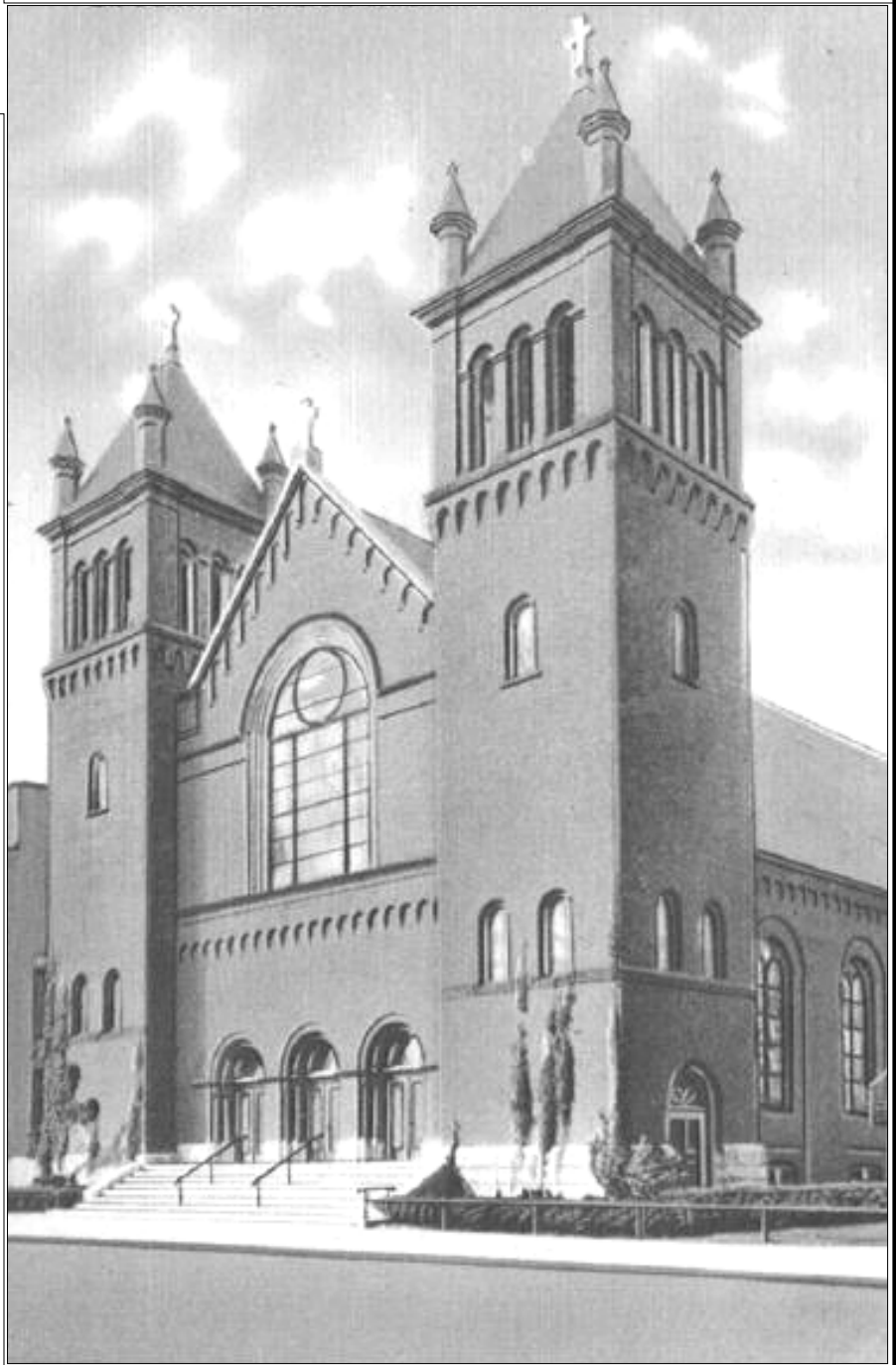
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Fri. - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Cemetery Office

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

Tel. 603-881-8131



St. Patrick Parish

Nashua, NH

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 16, 2017 - Vigil - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Benefactors of St. Vincent de Paul**

Sunday, September 17, 2017 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 AM **Richard J. Piwowarski**
By Janice and Joe Sweklo

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

Monday, September 18, 2017 - Weekday

12:05 PM **Aidan O'Connor**
By Maria Simpson

Tuesday, September 19, 2017 - St. Januarius

12:05 PM **Nicky Aufiero**
By the family

Wednesday, September 20, 2017 - Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions

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

Thursday, September 21, 2017 - St. Matthew

12:05 PM **Mike Linehan and Family**
By Sharron Linehan

Friday, September 22, 2017 - Weekday

12:05 PM **Stephen Morris**
By Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Trowbridge

Saturday, September 23, 2017 - Vigil - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Don Mayo**
By the family

Sunday, September 24, 2017 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **Rita Lavoie**
By Triangle Credit Union

9:30 AM **Herbert Ouellette**
By his 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 9 & 10

From (141) Envelope Users:	\$4,087.00
From All Others - Checks:	\$1,127.00
- Cash	\$1,527.00
Electronic Giving Users (32)	\$1,043.00
Total Collection	\$7,784.00

Mass Count: 718

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of Sept 10, 2017 **\$344.00**

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!

Wedding Anniversary Celebration With Bishop Libasci

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples who are celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or beyond Wedding Anniversary (anytime during the year 2017), to attend a ***Special Anniversary Mass***. This celebration will be held on October 15, 2017 at 2:00 p.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester. If you are celebrating your 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or beyond anniversary, please contact the parish office **by September 22, 2017**. We will need your ***last names, first names and mailing address***. Please also indicate your special anniversary year.

By providing your name to your Parish Office you will be registered and receive an invitation. ***There is no need for the couple to RSVP.***

24th 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 **\$625.00** towards the Capital Campaign the weekend of September **9th & 10th**. Thanks for your generous and truly sacrificial support!

Hurricane Relief

St. Patrick Parish received **\$5,616** towards the Hurricane Relief fund the weekend of September **9th and 10th**. Thank you again for your generosity.

Retired Priests

We will have our annual collection for retired priests the weekend of September 23-24, 2017. Please be as generous as your means will allow. 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!

September 17, 2017

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Classes in September!

Please register now

Classes for Grade 1 through High School start on Sunday, September 17, 2017. Classes begin at 10:30 AM and end at 11:45 AM. Families are expected to worship at the 9:30 AM Mass.

On September 17, all parents are invited to participate in a brief meeting to review policies, expectations, and schedules. At least one parent must attend.

Adult Faith Formation begins 9/24/17. Registration is not required.

Faith formation is a lifelong journey. Let's travel it together - adults, singles, couples, families and youth alike!

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.

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

WEEKLY READINGS

September 17 - September 24, 2017

Sunday: Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35

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

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

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 2 - September 22, 2017

The Hogan-Beaulieu Family has donated money for Our Lady of Fatima flowers in memory of Betty Hogan Beaulieu from September 2 - September 22, 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)

Saturday Mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

September 23, 2017

Ember Saturday

September 30, 2017

St. Jerome

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.

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. _____

Alzheimer's/Dementia Disease Panel/Forum Discussion

Hosted by St. Kathryn's Veteran Organization

Save the Date!

Saturday, September 30th, 2017

1:30 PM

St. Kathryn's Parish Hall

4 Dracut Road

Hudson, NH 03051

Presented by Experts in the field of
Alzheimer's Dementia Disease

**"The First Survivor of Alzheimer's Disease is
out there"**

"The Brains Behind Saving Yours"

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Hispanic Heritage Month begins 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 9/29, and the Dominican Republic 10/13. You don't need to travel the world to enjoy some food, music and to spend some time with people who would love to share some of the beauty of their culture and traditions with you! 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.

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..

THE SODALITY OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP & ST. PHILOMENA

Do you desire to deepen your Faith and foster a special devotion to Our Blessed Mother? Women of all ages are invited to join the Sodality of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Philomena for an evening meal and prayer. For more information contact Stephanie at 781-690-7919 or email us at OlphSodality@yahoo.com.

Navigating Life's Changes & Losses

Join us for a Breakfast Forum
Saturday, October 7th, 2017
Immaculate Conception Parish
Nashua, NH
8:30 to 11:30 AM

Topic: Change is inevitable!! We all have experienced or will experience significant losses in our lives through death, job loss, empty nest, relocations, etc. Learn some healthy and effective ways to deal with these situations when they arise.

Details: Rebecca Zuill MSW, a professional social worker from St. Joseph Hospital Oncology Center will lead our discussion about tools and strategies to manage our responses to these life changing events.

Registration: Contact the Parish Office by **THURSDAY, 9/28**
At 603-888-0321 or by email
office@iccnashuanh.org

*Continental Breakfast will be served.
Come alone or bring a friend.
All are welcome!!*

Sponsored by the Immaculate
Conception Health Ministry Team

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion". Help to encourage our compassion and forgiveness 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 Brewster, MA. For more information, call Stephen and Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at <http://wwmema.org/>.

Disaster Spirituality

Whenever multiple disasters afflict the world, people quickly drag God into the picture. Some say: “Good! God is finally punishing sin. I told you God has power to punish evil.” Others offer a different theory: “This proves there is no God! A good God would not cause people to suffer.” How do we make spiritual sense of devastating hurricanes, earthquakes, tsunamis, epidemics, and so forth?

We find some helpful guidance in the Lord’s brief comment about the collapse of the tower in Siloam, which killed 18 people. He said: “Do you suppose that they (the victims) were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will perish as they did” (cf Luke 13:4-5).

Here the Lord diverts popular speculation away from the possible guilt of those specific victims to the broader guilt of everyone, including those who speculate too much. Applying the Lord’s comment to the recent events, we can ask: “Do we think that we are any better than Texans, Mexicans, or Floridians?” Of course not. So what *spiritual meaning* can we derive from disasters?

First, they teach us that even the most solid and seemingly indestructible human artifacts are shockingly fragile. Recall the destruction of the Twin Towers in New York on September 11, 2001. If you had ever seen those buildings “in the flesh,” their collapse still seems impossible. Similarly, the videos of massive amounts of water flowing through the streets of Florida’s major cities forces one to acknowledge that *nothing is permanent*.

Second, the random eruptions of disasters remind us of our own fragility and the shortness of life. These two themes appear frequently in the Gospels. For example, recall the parable of the foolish man who constructed barns to store his excess food. Following their completion, he suddenly died. In recent weeks, many people who felt perfectly secure lost everything, even their lives.

Third, catastrophes often stir up the latent charitable instincts of many people, including those who live without religion. How astonishing to see so much generosity and compassion when disasters strike. In a strange way, catastrophes become *occasions of grace* as people set aside political and religious divisions, at least for a while.

Fourth, witnessing the horrendous suffering of other people should ignite the *spirit of gratitude* within us. We must always ask: Why am I safe, dry, and healthy when many others are not? And we must remember the Lord’s words: “Unless you repent you will perish as they did.” Hardship is an inevitable part of life; and so we must always give thanks to the Lord for our own “good times,” which can vanish in an instant.

If you desire to help the survivors of recent disasters, please put your contribution in an envelope marked “Disasters” and we will include it in our parish’s overall gift. If you use a check, please make it payable to St. Patrick Parish. Thanks to everyone who generously contributed last weekend.

Fr. Michael Kerper