

SAINT

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St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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PARISH STAFF

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St. Vincent de Paul Society
Help for those in Need
Tel. 603-821-5267

Mass Schedule

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, Feb. 21, 2015- Vigil - 1st Sunday in Lent

4:00 PM **Lottie and John Jasinski**
By the Family

Sunday, Feb. 22, 2015 - 1st Sunday in Lent

7:00 AM **Benefactors of St. Vincent de Paul Society**

9:30 AM **Margaret & Charles Provost**
By the Provost Family

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

Monday, Feb. 23, 2015 ~ St. Polycarp

12:05 PM **William Avril & Logan Avril**
By Gloria Avril

Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2015

12:05 PM **Grace Bolen (Living - 87th Birthday)**
By her daughter Rosemary Daly

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2015

12:05 PM **Lawrence Homrig**
By Bridget Belton

Thursday, Feb. 26, 2015

12:05 PM **Ryan L. Huberdeau**
By Maurice Huberdeau

Friday, Feb. 27, 2015

12:05 PM **Gerard Huberdeau**
By Maurice Huberdeau

Saturday, Feb. 28, 2015- Vigil - 2nd Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM **Adam Gureckis**
By Cindy and Mike Mucci

Sunday, March 1, 2015 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

7:00 AM **Joseph G. & Eva C. Fariz**
By the Family

9:30 AM **People of the Parish**

12:00 PM **Connie Bertrand**
By Paul and Sandy Statz

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 Feb. 14 & 15, 2015

From (111)Envelope Users:	\$3,448.00
From All Others - Checks:	\$ 427.12
- Cash:	\$ 818.00
Electronic Giving Users (14)	\$ 470.00
Total Collection	\$5,163.12

Mass Count: 360

Warming Fund

Weekend of Feb. 14 & 15 **\$151.00**

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of Feb. 14 & 15 **\$169.00**

Poor Box money is used to assist the needy who approach our parish for meals, gas and groceries. Indirect assistance is provided through funds given to several local charities, including the Corpus Christi Food Pantry and the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter. None of this money is used for parish expenses. Your continuing generosity allows our parish to fulfill the Lord's command to help "the least of my brothers and sisters."

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.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

1st Sunday in Lent

February 22, 2015

News & Notes for St. Patrick Parish

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

Sunday, March 8, 2015
Third Sunday of Lent II

Saturday Mornings
8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

February 21, 2015

Saturday after Ash Wednesday II

February 28, 2015

Ember Saturday II

March 7, 2015

Immaculate Heart of Mary

March 14, 2015

Feria of Lent II

March 21, 2015

Feria of Lent II

March 28, 2015

Passiontide Feria

LATIN/ENGLISH MISSALS AVAILABLE

Roman Catholic Daily Missals (1962 Edition) 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.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM

43 Franklin Street, Nashua, NH

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is offered each Friday after the 12:05 PM Mass. All who are in need of the Sacrament of the Sick are welcome to receive it at that time. If you know of someone who is in declining health and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the office at 603-882-2262 to schedule an appointment.

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ST. PATRICK PARISH MOST HOLY TRINITY RETREAT

St. Patrick Parish invites all to attend a retreat contemplating the wonder and wisdom of the Most Holy Trinity. The source for the retreat is the Marians of Divine Mercy Shrine, Stockbridge, MA. The retreat will be offered on 11 consecutive Saturday mornings beginning on Saturday, March 21, 2015 through May 30, 2015. The final meeting will take place on the morning of the Vigil of the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity.

All sessions will be held in the Parish Center on Saturday mornings between 9:30 and 11:00 AM. The cost for the retreat (including materials) is \$40.00. (\$30.00 if attendee already owns the primary reading material).

To register for the retreat, please complete the following form and mail it to Mr. John Kiely, 8 Louisburg Square, #6, Nashua, NH 03060. Make checks payable to Mr. John Kiely.

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Tel. _____

ST. PATRICK PARISH LENTEN SCHEDULE



DAILY MASS
(Monday - Friday)
12:05 PM

SATURDAY MASS
(Extraordinary Form)
8:00 AM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Every Friday
3:00 PM
(Traditional St. Alphonsus version)

7:00 PM
(Biblical version with organ)

K of C Lenten Friday Fish Dinners



Knights of Columbus from Saint John XXIII, St. John the Evangelist, St. Patrick and St. Christopher Parishes will be serving Baked Fish Dinners on Fridays in Lent: Feb. 27, March 6, 13, 20 and 27. The dinners are served from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm at St. Christopher's Church Hall, 62 Manchester Street, Nashua. The menu includes a generous portion of baked haddock, baked potato, vegetable, coleslaw, rolls, beverage and selections from our famous home cooked dessert table. Cost is \$11. Pizza is available at \$2.00. Take-out orders can be placed by calling 438-7313. Our snow cancellation policy is that dinners will be cancelled when Nashua schools are cancelled due to inclement weather. Stations of the Cross and Confessions are held in St. Christopher Church following the dinners.

Community News

Knights of Columbus Annual Pro-Life Seminar Sunday, March 22, 2015

The New Hampshire Knights of Columbus will hold its annual Pro-Life Seminar on Sunday, March 22, 2015 in the church hall of St. Joseph's Cathedral, Manchester, NH. The day starts with a luncheon at 12:00 noon provided by the Daughters of Isabella. A free will offering is requested for the lunch.

Various respect life organizations from across the state will be represented, including: Care Net, Birthright, NH Right to Life, and Cornerstone.

The guest speaker is Darlene Pawlik. Darlene has been a nurse for 26 years and worked in Pro-Life ministry for more than 22 years. She has spoken in many venues, including the NH Legislature, public events, radio and TV interviews, schools, churches, youth groups, and other groups around New England and beyond. She is currently the Chair of the NH Right To Life Educational Trust and Political Action Committee. Her topic will be "Saving Lives through Outreach."

Schedule of Events

12:00 Noon	Luncheon provided by Daughters of Isabella
12:45 PM	Opening Remarks
1:00 PM	Brief Updates from different Respect Life Organizations
1:45PM	Break & time to visit presentation tables
2:00PM	Guest Speaker's Presentation
3:15PM	Question and Answer Session
3:30 PM	Closing Remarks and Prayer

Registration deadline for the luncheon and seminar is Wednesday, March 18, 2015. For more information please contact Ron DiStasio either by phone at 603-595-7837 or by email at rddistasio@comcast.net.

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

Corpus Christi Food Pantry is collecting **non-perishable items** such as canned meat, vegetables, peanut butter, tomato sauce, pasta and rice, and toiletry items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, and deodorant. The need is great, especially at this time of year. Please drop off donations in the back of the church in the vestibule during Mass times. Thank you for your support! Questions? Call Susan Dignan, Corpus Christi Food Pantry Program Director at 882-6372.

**St. Francis of Assisi's
First Irish Hooley
Saturday, March 14, 2015**

Our Lady of Mercy Hall
16 Baboosic Lake Rd., Merrimack, NH
Tickets: \$20 per ticket/\$35 per couple
(all proceeds benefit St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School)

Evening includes:

- Traditional Irish Food and Fare
 - Live Entertainment(featuring the Larson Family Band & The Celtic Clerics from St. John's Seminary)
- Live and Silent Auction
- Fun Games and Prizes

RAFFLES!

\$500, \$250 and \$150

(You do not have to be present to win. Raffle Tickets \$10.00)

To purchase event and raffle tickets call St. Francis school (603) 424-3312 or email office@stfrancischoolmn.org.

**Annual Lenten Morning
Reflection Breakfast for
Catholic Women**

The NH Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invite all the women of the Diocese to a Lenten Morning Reflection Breakfast on Saturday, March 7, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to noon at St. Mary Parish in Rochester. Presenter Soha Menassa, Project Manager for Catholic Relief Services Lebanon, will tell stories of how Catholics are helping Syrians in the midst of the humanitarian crisis in their country and in neighboring countries. The morning includes Rosary, breakfast, and the presentation. Cost is \$10. For more information contact Mary Ellen Mahon at (603) 663-0159 or by email at memahon@rcbm.org. Register online lentbreakfast2015.eventbrite.com.

**Men of St. Joseph Mass & Breakfast
St. Joseph Cathedral
March 14, 2015**

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all men of the Diocese to honor our Patron, St. Joseph, at a special Mass and breakfast on Saturday, March 14, 2015 at St. Joseph Cathedral in Manchester. Seating for Mass is open, and no registration is required. Seating for breakfast is limited to the first 250 registrants. Register on-line at mensbreakfast2015.eventbrite.com and the cost is \$9.00. For more information contact Bill Donroe at 432-6066 or bdonroe@comcast.net.

**World Meeting of Families Pilgrimage
and Papal Mass
Sept. 22- 27, 2015 ~ Philadelphia, PA**

The 8th World Meeting of Families will be held in Philadelphia, PA, from September 22 to 27, 2015. Pope Francis will celebrate a public Mass on Sunday, September 27. The Diocese of Manchester is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the World Meeting and Papal Mass. Families and those who minister to families can join others from around the country and the world to explore issues that affect family life. For information and pilgrimage details visit www.catholicnh.org/wmof.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT
April 10-12, 2015**

Come to a *Rachel's Vineyard Retreat*TM weekend in southern Maine, April 10-12, ending on Divine Mercy Sunday. Enjoy a private room for two overnights. Come experience, through Scripture, the profound mercy and love of God. Pre-registration needed. Registration deadline is Monday, April 6, 2015. For information visit us on the web at www.rachelsvineyard.org To register or for additional information, contact **Annette Rioux by telephone** at 207-321-7885; or you can contact her by email her at Annette.Rioux@portlanddiocese.org.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Weekends**

Today's gospel tells of the Transfiguration of Christ; make the time to renew and transform your relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are March 13 - 15, 2015 and May 29 - 31, 2015. For more information call Jim and Elaine Richard at 1-800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwme.org.

**RETROUVAILLE
MARRIAGE RENEWAL WEEKENDS**

If your marriage is tearing the two of you apart, if there is little or no meaningful communication, if you are considering separation or divorce, we believe Retrouvaille can help. You are NOT alone! Our peer ministry is led by couples who have lived through the honeymoon phase often followed by deep disillusionment before finally finding resurrection in their marriages using the tools taught in this program. Rediscover a loving marriage with a Retrouvaille (pronounced re-tro-vy) weekend. The New England Retrouvaille marriage renewal weekends will be held on: April 10-12, 2015 and September 11-13, 2015. To register for the weekend or for more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Lenten Devotions according to Isaiah

During Lent most devout people try to intensify their religious observance, at least a little bit. Some may go to daily Mass, say the Rosary, do the Stations of the Cross, and so on. All of these practices are very commendable and certainly well worth doing. But Sacred Scripture offers other suggestions that go far beyond the "tokens" of Lenten practice. We find these penitential deeds listed in Isaiah 58, a text that we read every year on the Friday and Saturday after Ash Wednesday.

The text notes the angry frustration of the Israelites with God. They cried out to God: "Why do we fast, and you do not see it? Afflict ourselves, and you take no note of it?" They expected some "result" from their efforts and become very perturbed when God seems unmoved by their traditional penitential practices. God responds with two sets of "penitential acts." One set pertains to active concern for other human beings; and the other set demands the proper observance of the Sabbath.

The first set includes these acts:

"Releasing those bound unjustly" (Isaiah 58:6).

"Sharing your bread with the hungry" (Isaiah 58:7a).

"Clothing the naked when you see them" (Isaiah 58:7b).

"Ending false accusation and malicious speech (Isaiah 58:9).

The first three closely resemble the *corporal works of mercy*, which we find in the famous "judgment scene" record by St. Matthew in chapter 25. The fourth one is a strict prohibition against finger-pointing and all forms of nasty gossip.

In the second set, God proposes "penitential acts" to restore the proper observance of the Sabbath, especially by curtailing work. God calls for the following acts:

"Holding back your foot from following your own pursuits on my holy day" (Isaiah 58:13).

"Not seeking your own interests or speaking with malice" (Isaiah 58:19).

All of these practices, which are not really "religious" at all, promote the restoration of justice and harmony among all people -- and with God. Sin, of course, always does the opposite: it shatters peace, thrives on self-isolation, and ruptures one's relationship with God. While it is quite easy to skip meat on Friday, none of the acts proposed by God through Isaiah comes easily. To those who do these "penitential acts," God makes a promise: "Your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom by like noon-day.... You shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail" (Isaiah 58:10-11).

Fr. Michael Kerper