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PATRICK



St. Patrick Parish

Living Catholic Tradition in Nashua

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PARISH STAFF

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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, Mar. 21, 2015-Vigil - 5th Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM **Ronald Boucher**
By his mother, Jean Boucher

Sunday, Mar. 22, 2015 - 5th Sunday of Lent

7:00 AM **Louis Lupica**
By the Levine Family

9:30 AM **Donal P. Dignan**
By the Provost Family

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

Monday, Mar. 23, 2015 ~ St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

12:05 PM **Jacquelyn T. Burnham**
By the Family

Tuesday, Mar. 24, 2015

12:05 PM **Robert Hall**
By Carole Axton

Wednesday, Mar. 25, 2015 ~ The Annunciation of the Lord

12:05 PM **Priest's Intention**

Thursday, Mar. 26, 2015

12:05 PM **Dr. Wilfrid Fortin**
By Mr. & Mrs. Richard Levesque

Friday, Mar. 27, 2015

12:05 PM **Sophie Narenkiewicz**
By the Family

Saturday, Mar. 28, 2015-Vigil - Palm Sunday

4:00 PM **Pauline Mercier**
By the Family

Sunday, Mar. 29, 2015 - Palm Sunday

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

9:30 AM **James Gates**
By the Provost 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 March 14 & 15, 2015

From (185) Envelope Users:	\$5,918.50
From All Others - Checks:	\$ 961.00
- Cash:	\$1,481.00
Electronic Giving Users (14)	\$ 510.00
Total Collection	\$8,870.50

Mass Count: 727

Fuel Collection

Previous Total	\$595.00
Week of 3/14 & 15	\$115.00
Total:	\$710.00

Catholic Relief

Offertory 3/14 & 3/15	\$1,184.00
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Thomas More

Offering	\$219.00
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Flower Offering

\$90.00

St. Vincent de Paul

Weekend of 3/14 & 15	\$ 495.00
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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!

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM

43 Franklin Street, Nashua, NH

WEEKLY READINGS

March 23 through 29

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

News & Notes for St. Patrick Parish

REST IN PEACE

M. Theresa Dacey and Florence Roscoe

UPCOMING LATIN MASSES

12:00 Noon

Sunday, April 12, 2015

Low Sunday (Octave Day of Easter)

Saturday Mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

March 28, 2015

Passiontide Feria

April 4, 2015

Holy Saturday

No Mass until Easter Vigil at 7:30 PM

April 11, 2015

Easter Saturday

April 18, 2015

Saturday of Our Lady

April 25, 2015

St. Mark the Evangelist

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.

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is offered each Friday after the 12:05 PM Mass for all who wish to receive it..

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)

Easter flower envelopes

New flower envelopes can be found on the tables in the vestibule. Contributions will be used to cover our flower expenses for Holy Week and Easter. We will publish a list of memorials after Easter.

Parish BBQ Dinner

April 18th - 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM in the Gym

Save the date!!!



Pulled Pork, Chicken on the bone, Sausage, great sauces and all the fixin's, Catholic Trivia, Socializing and Fun!!! Tickets are \$10 per person, \$25 for family for a great meal & fellowship!!! Tickets will be on sale in the vestibule April 4/5 and 11/12. If you'd like to donate a ticket they'll be given to the St. Vincent De Paul Society or Thomas More so others can enjoy the dinner.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM AT ST. PATRICK PARISH

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 2, 2015

7:00 PM

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, WASHING OF FEET & PROCESSION

(followed by Confessions and
Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00 PM)

GOOD FRIDAY - April 3, 2015

12:00 Noon

Ecumenical Service

(This is our annual opportunity to worship the Crucified Lord together with other Christians in the Nashua area. The service is held at the Church of the Good Shepherd located next door.)

3:00 PM

Traditional Station of the Cross

(Followed by Confessions)

7:00 PM

**Solemn Liturgy of the Passion,
Veneration of the Cross
& Holy Communion**

(Followed by Confessions)

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 4

Confessions: 3:00 to 4:00 PM

8:00 PM

The Great Easter Vigil

(Please note: this is the ONLY service
on Saturday evening).

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES - April 5

7:00 AM

9:30 AM

12:00 Noon

(No Confessions on Easter Sunday)

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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 retreat will be offered on the following Saturdays: **March 28, April 4, 11, 18 and 25, and May 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30.** 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 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).

K OF C LENTEN FRIDAY FISH DINNER March 27, 2015 ~ 4:30 to 6:30 PM St. Christopher Church Hall - 62 Manchester St., Nashua, NH Cost \$11.00 per person / Pizza - \$2 per slice.

Join us for our final Lenten Fish Dinner on Friday March 27, 2015 from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. Dinner includes baked haddock, baked potato, vegetable, coleslaw, rolls, beverages and dessert. Take-out orders can be placed by calling 438-7313. Stations of the Cross and Confessions are held in St. Christopher Church following the dinner. All are welcome.

BIBLE STUDY!

Please join us on Sunday, 10:45 - 11:45 am. Monday evening lessons will resume in the Fall. The lessons use the Discovering the Treasures of Jesus Christ Bible Course and follow the Faith Formation Calendar. Bible Study meets when Faith Formation meets, giving parents and adults the opportunity to be nourished by God's word at the same time as the children and young adults are learning in their Faith Formation classes. All are welcome! We look forward to studying His Word with you!!!

Mass and Healing Service

A Mass and Healing Service will be held at Immaculate Conception Church, 216 E. Dunstable Rd., Nashua, Friday, April 10 at 7:00 PM. Reverend Chris Martel, Pastor of St. John Neumann Parish in Merrimack, will preside and will offer to anoint people after Mass. Prayer teams from the Rivier Prayer Community of Nashua will be available to pray with individuals for healing requests. For more information please call (603) 889-3483.

Life in the Spirit Seminar

The Rivier Prayer Community of Nashua will present a "Life in the Spirit Seminar" at Rivier University, Memorial Hall, (rear entrance) on Fridays from April 17th to June 5th, from 7:30 - 9:15 PM. Registration is at 7:00 PM. The seminar focuses on the basic Gospel message of "God's love for us", "Salvation in Christ", and "New Life in the Holy Spirit" through talks, personal testimonies and fellowship. For more information, please call (603)-889-3483.

Community News

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

This month, the Corpus Christi Food Pantry is especially in need of - Canned Tuna, Jelly or Jam, Canned Fruit, Pancake Mix, Toilet Paper, Shampoo and Deodorant. We appreciate all non-perishable canned or packaged food items. Please drop your donations in the bin at the back of the church Vestibule during Mass times. Your continued support helped us to feed over 1900 families last year! THANK YOU! Please call Mrs. Susan Dignan at 882-6372 if you have any questions.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT 4/10 - 4/12

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. Experience through Scripture, the profound mercy and love of God. Registration deadline is Monday, April 6, 2015. To register: call **Annette Rioux** at 207-321-7885 or email Annette.Rioux@portlanddiocese.org.

K of C COUNCIL 11907 REV. MARTIN T. KELLY SCHOLARSHIP

The Knights of Columbus Council 11907 will be offering a scholarship in honor of Rev. Martin T. Kelly. This scholarship is open to catholic students who will graduate this year and are members of St. Patrick parish, St. Christopher Parish, or are the sons, daughters, grandsons, granddaughters (including step and foster) of current members of the Knights of Columbus Council 11907. The members of Knights of Columbus Council 11907 find it fitting to offer this scholarship to a graduating senior in Fr. Kelly's name.

To obtain an application please contact Deputy Grand Knight Rob Everett at (603) 229-7319. (Limited applications will be delivered to both rectories) Applications must be received no later than April 24, 2015.

CATHOLIC FAMILY WEEKEND AUGUST 14-16, 2015

BARBARA C. HARRIS CENTER, GREENFIELD, NH
www.bchcenter.org

Join us for the 10th Annual Catholic Family Weekend at the Barbara C. Harris Center on Otter Lake in Greenfield, NH. Our theme for this year is "A Higher Love: Called To Serve - Imitating Christ In Word & Action!" The focus of the weekend is the family. There will be activities for children of all ages, family activities, and free time for family fun. Mass on Saturday evening, lighted rosary, and an outdoor concert. To register go to www.vitanova.org. Contact Shawn & Teresa Rouillard with any questions at (603) 641-8878 or email Teresa at tree227777@gmail.com.

World Meeting of Families Pilgrimage & 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. For information and pilgrimage details visit www.catholicnh.org/wmof.

Why veils?

At times, we Catholics practice strange customs without knowing why. One such custom is covering the crucifix and statues in purple veils from the Fifth Sunday of Lent until Holy Saturday afternoon. People of a certain vintage will recall that this was always done. Suddenly in the mid-1960's it stopped. Now, the purple veils are back, at least in some churches. Here's what happened. In the 1960's some reformers asserted that the old practice had become obsolete. Each national conference of bishops was permitted to allow it or ban it. Our conference decided to "suppress" the custom. However, about 20 years ago, the custom -- still unauthorized -- gradually crept back. The bishops decided to allow each parish to make its own decision. Three years ago we decided to return to the old practice of covering all the statues. But what's the purpose?

Liturgical historians offer multiple reasons. Let's consider just one: the desire to eliminate all visual distractions during the yearly remembrance of Christ's Passion and Death.

Long before the arrival of powerful visual stimuli, such as movies, HDTVs, video games, and computer screens, Catholic churches were usually the only places that had high quality paintings and sculpture. Indeed, many great artists survived because the Church employed them to produce great art. At first, the Church began to cover only the spectacular ornate crosses that rested on the altars. Eventually, *every* image became veiled. Even though these images depicted Christ, the Blessed Mother, saints, and sacred events, they were covered in order to focus all attention on the Passion and Death of Christ. There was to be no competition with the Passion.

For contemporary Catholics, then, the veils symbolize the need to push aside all distractions during "Passiontide" -- the period from the Fifth Sunday of Lent until Easter.

In a world filled with so much noise and constant visual stimulation, perhaps we should drop purple veils over our HDTVs and computer screens from March 22 until April 5. The wisdom and devotion of our ancient ancestors in the faith, who came up with the purple veils, deserves imitation today.

Fr. Michael Kerper