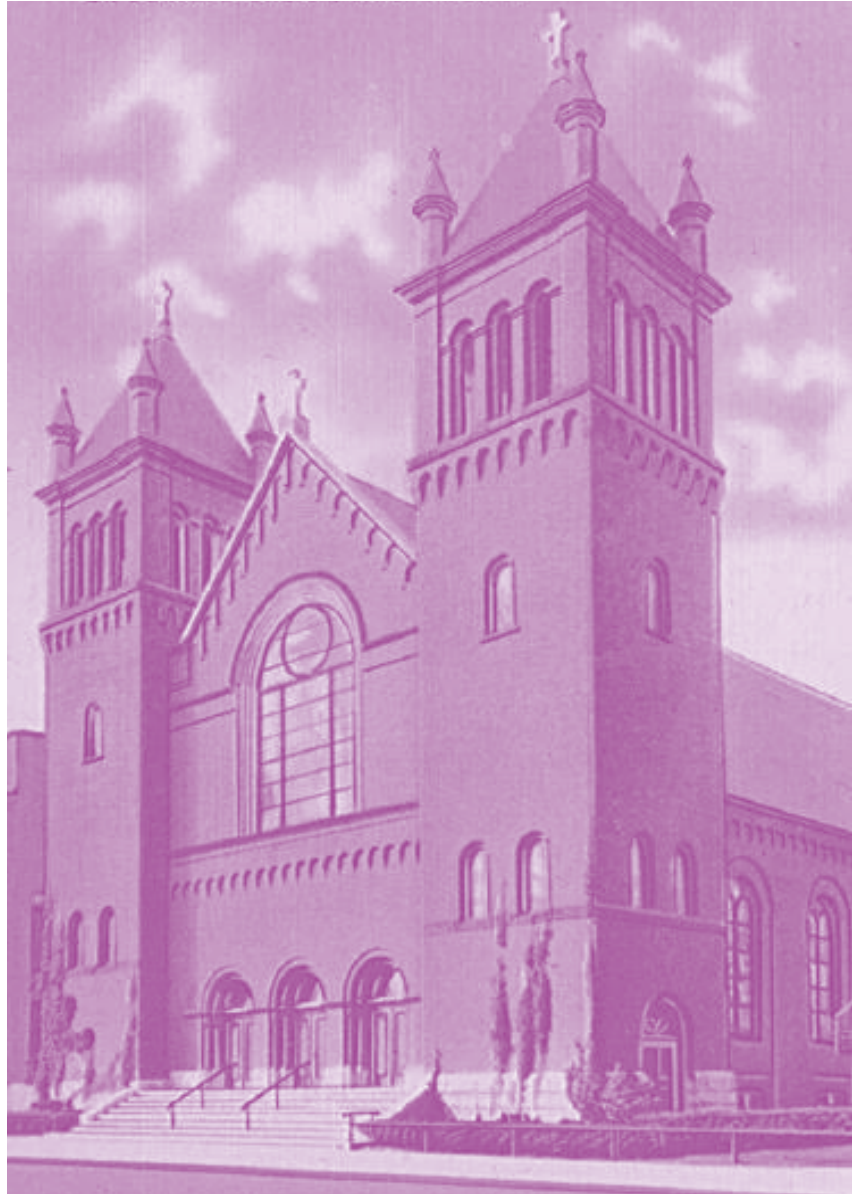


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MASSES

Saturday 4:00 PM
Organ & Cantor

Sunday 7:00 AM
9:30 AM
Organ & Cantor

12:00 Noon
Organ & Choir
2nd Sunday - Latin Mass with Choir

Daily 12:05 PM

Latin Mass Saturday 8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM

11:30 AM

Tues. - Fri. 11:30 AM

Visit our website at:
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OFFICE HOURS

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Monday ~ Thursday: 9:00 AM ~ 3:00 PM
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(603) 882-5417

Email: faithformation.st.patrick@gmail.com

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(603) 881-8131

Monday ~ Thursday: 9:00 AM~3:00 PM

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 15, 2014 ~ Vigil ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM Stanley Sarameta
By his daughter, Mary Sarameta

Sunday, March 16, 2014 ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent

7:00 AM Priest's Intention

9:30 AM William Reilly
By the Provost Family

12:00 PM Leighton Ward
By Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Ward

Monday, March 17, 2014 ~ St. Patrick

12:05 PM Victor Kizala
By his wife Ruth Kizala

Tuesday, March 18, 2014 ~ St. Cyril of Jerusalem

12:05 PM John and Bernice McCaughney
By the Family

Wednesday, March 19, 2014 ~ St. Joseph

12:05 PM Priest's Intention

Thursday, March 20, 2014

12:05 PM Priest's Intention

Friday, March 21, 2014

12:05 PM Priest's Intention

Saturday, March 22, 2014 ~ Vigil ~ 3rd Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM Ronald Boucher
By his mother Jean Boucher

Sunday, March 23, 2014 ~ 3rd Sunday of Lent

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

9:30 AM Rev. Martin T. Kelly
By the Provost Family

12:00 PM Jacquelyn Burnham
By the Family

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VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE!

www.stpatricksnashua.org

We now offer Online Registration and Online Giving options to you as a method of providing financial support to our parish. Click on the *Newcomers* tab to access the registration form, or *Parish Life/Online Giving* to sign up for online giving options.

ANOINTING POLICY

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.

Gifts for the Lord's Work

Weekend of March 8/9

From 212 Envelope Users:	\$5,898.00
From All Others - Checks:	\$1,602.12
Cash:	\$2,155.00
Electronic Giving Users (20):	\$ 831.00
Total Collection	\$10,486.12

Mass Attendance : 774

Ash Wednesday	\$745.00
Mass Attendance:	450

Catholic Schools Fund

Previous Total:	\$1,675.00
Week of March 8/9	\$ 25.00
Total to Date	\$1,700.00

Seminarian Fund

Previous Total	\$4,002.00
Week of March 8/9	\$ 25.00
Total to Date	\$4,027.00

Fuel Collection

Total as of 3/9/14	\$2,644.00
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St. Vincent de Paul

Week of March 8/9	\$1,044.00
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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!

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat - April 25-27, 2014 Healing the Wounds of Abortion

A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a safe and confidential environment where one can share the many feelings that may surface weeks, months, or years after an abortion experience, in order to come to a place of acceptance, forgiveness, and spiritual healing that most would never have thought possible. If you, or anyone you know, is struggling with the pain of a past abortion, please call or email to find out more about Rachel's Vineyard Retreats in New Hampshire. All communications are confidential.

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News & Notes for St. Patrick Parish

Upcoming Latin Masses
Second Sunday of the Month
 12:00 Noon

Saturday mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

Ember Saturday

March 22, 2014

Feria

March 29, 2014

SISTER ELIZABETH'S BIBLE STUDY

Adults: Mondays & Tuesdays ~ 7:00-8:00 PM

Teens (Youth Group): Fridays ~ 7:00-9:00 PM

For information call Sr. Elizabeth at 882-0893 or 882-2262.

Please note that Youth Group will meet at the Church for Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings during Lent. The regular program will follow in the center after the Stations.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday/12:00 noon ~ 8:00 PM

43 Franklin Street, Nashua, NH

Understanding Catholicism

The Understanding Catholicism series continues on Sundays from 1:30-3:30pm in the parish center. The RCIA team facilitates the discussion series that gives anyone interested in the Catholic Faith a place to ask and answer questions about the Church. The topics for the coming weeks are:

- 3/16 The "Last Things": Death, Judgment, Heaven & Hell
- 3/23 Repentance & Forgiveness
- 3/30 Jesus, The Unexpected Messiah
- 4/06 Divinity & Humanity of Christ
- 4/13 The Mystery of the Cross.

Questions? Please email UCath.st.patrick@gmail.com.

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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 881-8131.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Lenten Friday

(March 21, 28, April 4, 11, & 18)

3:00 PM & 7:00 PM

We use the Traditional Form

Composed by St. Alphonsus Liguori

Pope Francis
What's he doing now?

Since his installation as the Bishop of Rome on March 19, 2013, Pope Francis has caused quite a stir. His interviews and off-the-cuff homilies have stirred much controversy. Some find him to be a "breath of fresh air." Others see him as the anti-pope. This year's Lenten series will examine his statements and writings on the following issues:

Pope Francis and Morality:

Does anything go?

Wednesday, March 19

Pope Francis and Economics:

Is he a Marxist?

Wednesday, March 26

Pope Francis and Religion:

Is he Catholic?

Wednesday, April 2

Presenter: *Fr. Michael Kerper*

6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

St. Patrick Parish Center

Recommended reading:

The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis

[Copies are available at the rectory for \$10.00]

K of C Lenten Fish Dinners

The Knights of Columbus from Nashua's St. Patrick and St. Christopher Councils will be serving Baked Fish dinners on the **first six Fridays in Lent: March 21, 28, April 4 and 11.** The dinners will be served from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm at **St. Christopher's Church Hall, 62 Manchester Street, Nashua.** Accompanying a generous portion of baked haddock will be baked potato, green beans, coleslaw, rolls, beverage and selections from our famous home cooked dessert table. Cost is only \$10. Pizza is available at \$2.00 per slice. Take-out orders can be placed by calling 921-7702. Our snow cancellation policy is that dinners will be cancelled if Nashua schools are cancelled due to inclement weather.

“Consoling the Heart of Jesus” Retreat Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a retreat entitled “Consoling the Heart of Jesus.” The retreat will take place on the following dates from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM in the St. Patrick Center.

Saturday, March 22, 2014

Saturday, March 29, 2014

Saturday, April 5, 2014

Saturday, April 12, 2014

Saturday, April 19, 2014

The retreat will conclude with a final dedication on the weekend of April 26 & 27 in celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy.

The cost for materials is \$30. Please make checks payable to John Kiely and mail to: Knights of Columbus, St. Patrick Rectory, 29 Spring Street, Nashua, NH 03060. We look forward to seeing you.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PRO LIFE SEMINAR Sunday, March 30, 2014 - 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM St. Joseph's Cathedral Church Hall, Pine St., Manchester

The day begins with a luncheon hosted by the Daughters of Isabella. Guest Speaker: Dianne Hunt, RN, MS, FNP-BC from the Humane Vitae Family Care Center, Londonderry, NH. Her theme will be “Delivering the Culture of Life to Health Care.” The speaking program begins about 1:00 PM with updates from the various pro-life organizations. The main speaker's presentation begins about 2:00 PM. There will be time to visit the different presentation tables and for a Q&A Session. Closing remarks and prayers will be at 3:30 PM.

For additional information and to register, contact Mr. Ron DiStasio at 595-7837 or by email at rddistasio@comcast.net. There is no charge, but a free will offering will be accepted for the luncheon. Deadline to register is Wednesday, March 26, 2014.

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

All Catholics from the day following their fourteenth birthday, are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent regardless of age.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11907 The Reverend Martin T. Kelly Scholarship

Council 11907 will be offering a \$500.00 scholarship to Catholic students who will graduate this year and are members of St. Patrick Parish, St. Christopher Parish or are sons, daughters, grandsons, granddaughters (including step and foster) of current members of the Knights of Columbus Council 11907.

Fr. Kelly was the Pastor of St. Patrick Parish from 1992 until he entered eternal life in 2011. Prior to his ordination as a Roman Catholic Priest, Fr. Kelly taught Latin for the Nashua School District at Nashua High School. The members of Council 11907 find it fitting to offer this scholarship to a graduating senior in Fr. Kelly's memory.

The following information must be received no later than April 19, 2014: (Registrations are on the parish website)

1. Completed Application
2. Copy of applicants high school transcripts (including SAT scores if applicable)
3. Summary of extracurricular and community activities for at least the last year (this can include jobs and volunteer positions)
4. Minimum of one page essay covering the following:
 - A. Why do you wish to attend college?
 - B. How are your future goals related to your Catholic faith? (What being Catholic means to you).
 - C. What the principles of the Knights of Columbus mean to you? (the principles of the Order are: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism).

Return completed applications to: Robert Everett, 220 Derry Rd., #40, Hudson, NH 03051-6620. Telephone (603) 229-7319.

LOST AND FOUND

Please call the parish office if you have lost something at church in recent weeks. Currently, we have a book of Psalms, a Missal, some eyeglasses and eyeglass cases, a car key, and other miscellaneous items. Call 603-882-2262 and ask for Rosemary.

Community News

Lenten Morning of Reflection Breakfast

Hosted by the NH Diocesan Council of Catholic Women March 29, 2014, 8:30 am – 12 noon, at St. Mary Parish, Rochester. Event includes prayer, breakfast and a presentation by Nancy Kellar, “Called out of Darkness into Light.” For more information, contact Jo-Ann Ellison at jellison@rcbm.org or 663-0147. Registration fee is \$5.00 and the deadline is March 19, 2014.

Current Topics in Catholicism: Lenten Education Series

Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Merrimack, NH
March 20, 27 and April 3

Our Lady of Mercy Parish is offering a Lenten Education Series which will consist of four Thursday evening sessions beginning March 13 to be held at the Our Lady of Mercy Parish in the Church Hall. Registration is recommended, but not required. Please call the parish at 427-3757. By calling, we can plan more accurately for seating.

Each evening will consist of the following:
5:30 - 7:00 PM Reconciliation, Evening Prayer, & Mass
7:00 PM Lenten Session begins in Church Hall
8:30 PM Evening Closes

Presenters & Topics for the Series:

March 20 - Mr. Anthony Poekert - Catholic Charities - *Human Dignity*

March 27 - Mrs. Jane Cosmo and Mrs. Wendy McGrath - Tribunal Staff - *Family and Marriage*

April 3 - Ms. Cathy Chesley - Catholic Charities - *Immigration*

Sessions begin at approximately 7:00 PM with a 1/2 hour presentation by a guest speaker. Light refreshments will be served.

The anonymity of St. Joseph

Generally speaking, most of us want to be known by name. We tend to resent anonymity because it makes us invisible and forgettable, reducing us to “non-persons,” faceless objects sunk in the mass of the human herd. In light of this, the almost complete absence of St. Joseph’s name from the public worship of the Catholic Church seems very surprising, perhaps even offensive. However, his anonymity actually reveals a brilliant quality of his saintly character: his willingness to be used.

Consider his anonymity. The opening prayer used in the old Latin Missal for his feast day (March 19) never mentions his name at all. Instead, it begins with the words “Sanctissimae Genetricis,” which mean “Of the Most Holy Mother of God.” Here the image of the Blessed Mother completely eclipses St. Joseph even on his own feast. This peculiar arrangement of the Latin words is quite deliberate, emphasizing that St. Joseph’s greatness arises from his spousal relationship to Mary, not from himself. In turn, Mary’s greatness flows from her relationship with the Son of God. This, of course, runs contrary to the longstanding cultural practice of brides taking the surnames of their husbands, which indicates the priority of the man. In the case of St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother, the arrangement is reversed, even to the point of St. Joseph losing his name in his feast day prayer.

This anonymity of St. Joseph pervades the old Latin liturgy. Two ancient Latin prayers – the Confiteor and Sancta Trinitas – are filled with the names of saints; but St. Joseph is absent. Indeed, his name never appeared in any of the ordinary Mass texts until 1962 when Pope John XXIII finally inserted his name in the Roman Canon. [Note: Last year Pope Francis inserted St. Joseph’s name in all the Eucharistic Prayers. This change had been proposed and approved by Pope Benedict before his retirement.]

St. Joseph’s anonymity offers great consolation and affirmation to the many good and holy people who never get thanked, recognized, or remembered by anyone. This happens frequently in the Church.

As the gospels show so clearly, St. Joseph never resented “being used” – and this happened to him repeatedly: he provided Jesus with his Davidic identity, he never had the privilege of being his biological father, and he acted as the “custodian” of the household, working as a tradesman in order to provide food, clothing, and shelter. Moreover, it is unlikely that he lived long enough to see his adopted son in public ministry.

Though Sacred Scripture tells us almost nothing about St. Joseph, we can safely assume that he never resented his anonymity. In fact, perhaps he even rejoiced in it, instinctively trusting in the words that his adopted son would eventually utter: “And your Father who sees in secret will repay you” (cf. Mt 6:1-6, 16-18).

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