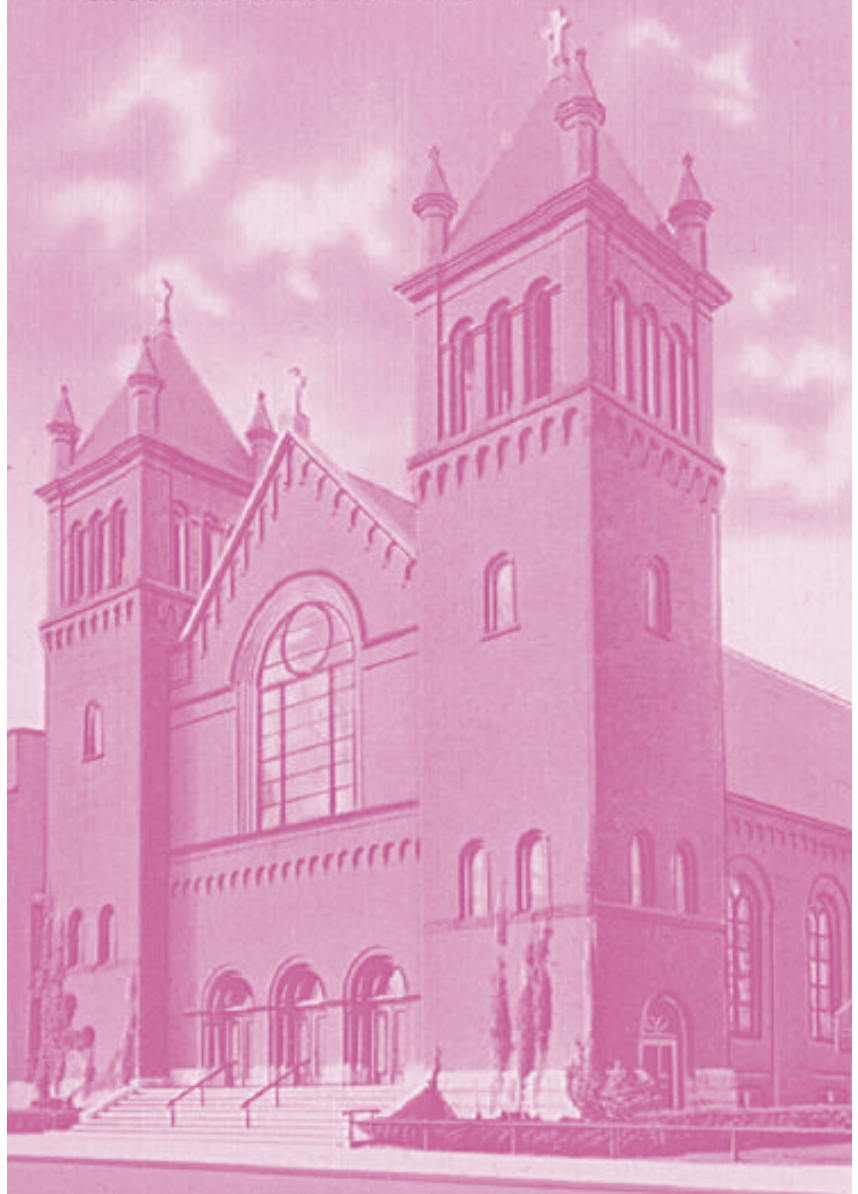


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603-821-5267

## 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

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[www.stpatricksnashua.org](http://www.stpatricksnashua.org)

## OFFICE HOURS

### **Parish**

Monday ~ Thursday: 9:00 AM ~ 3:00 PM  
Friday: 9:00 AM ~ 12:00 PM

### **Religious Education Office**

**(603) 882-5417**

Email: [faithformation.st.patrick@gmail.com](mailto:faithformation.st.patrick@gmail.com)

### **Cemetery Office**

**(603) 881-8131**

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

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

### Saturday, March 29, 2014 ~ Vigil ~ 4th Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM Sylvester Antonovich  
By Mary Sarameta

### Sunday, March 30, 2014 ~ 4th Sunday of Lent

7:00 AM Edward Grohosky  
By Donna Ciccone

9:30 AM Gabrielle Anctil, 1st Anniversary  
By Mr. & Mrs. David Douston  
& Family

12:00 PM Anthony N. Cirillo  
By the Family

### Monday, April 1, 2014

12:05 PM Robert and Patricia Kizala  
By their mother, Ruth Kizala

### Tuesday, April 2, 2014 ~ St. Francis of Paola

12:05 PM Stephen Proulx  
By the Family

### Wednesday, April 3, 2014

12:05 PM Joseph Byrne and Milly Wynne  
By the Family

### Thursday, April 4, 2014 ~ St. Isidore

12:05 PM Clementine Minichiello  
By Ovidia Dragoli

### Friday, April 5, 2014

12:05 PM Evelyn Gureckis  
By Judy Farrar and Family

### Saturday, April 6, 2014 ~ Vigil ~ 5th Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM George Mikulis  
By Mary Sarameta

### Sunday, April 7, 2014 ~ 5th Sunday of Lent

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

9:30 AM William Goddeau, 44th Anniversary  
By the Family

12:00 PM Priest's Intention

*Thank you for respecting God's Holy Presence by keeping mobile phones and other electronic devices outside of this Sacred Space.*

## Gifts for the Lord's Work

Weekend of March 22/23

From 221 Envelope Users:	\$ 5,603.75
From All Others - Checks:	\$ 1,807.00
Cash:	\$ 1,757.00
Electronic Giving Users ():	\$ 931.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$10,098.75</b>

Mass Attendance : 886

### St. Vincent de Paul

Week of March 22/23 \$1,206.00

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!**

## Welcome!

*Bishop Peter A. Libasci*

will preside

at the 12:00 Noon Mass

Next Sunday, April 6

Following the Mass, everyone is invited to a special reception with our bishop in the Parish Center

Please join us!

### 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.*

## 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.

### CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday/12:00 noon ~ 8:00 PM  
43 Franklin Street, Nashua, NH

**News & Notes for St. Patrick Parish**

***Upcoming Latin Masses***

12:00 Noon  
April 6, 2014

**Passion Sunday**

**NB: Latin Mass will be held on the 1st Sunday of April due to Palm Sunday being April 13th.**

Saturday mornings

8:00 AM  
(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

April 5, 2014  
**Feria of Lent**

April 12, 2014  
**Passiontide Feria II**

April 19, 2014  
**HOLY SATURDAY**  
*No 8:00 AM MASS*

April 26, 2014  
**Easter Saturday**

***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. Join us for the final session.

**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]

**REST IN PEACE**

Paula Tobias  
Robert Maynard

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Every Lenten Friday**  
*(March April 4, 11, & 18)*

3:00 PM & 7:00 PM

We use the Traditional Form  
Composed by St. Alphonsus Liguori

**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: **3/30 Jesus, The Unexpected Messiah; 4/06 Divinity & Humanity of Christ and 4/13 The Mystery of the Cross.** Questions? Email [UCath.st.patrick@gmail.com](mailto:UCath.st.patrick@gmail.com).

**Didn't get a letter?**

If you didn't get a letter from St. Patrick Parish during January/February, we don't have your correct address. We discovered over 150 incorrect addresses, some of them for people who come to Mass every week. Please help us update our data base. The following coupon can be put in the collection or mailed to the rectory. Thanks for your help!

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Street \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## 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.

### “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 Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM in the St. Patrick Center: April 5, April 12, and 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.

### K of C Lenten Fish Dinners Sponsored by St. Patrick & St. Christopher 's K of C Councils

Fridays in Lent (April 4 & 11)  
St. Christopher Church Hall,  
62 Manchester St., Nashua, NH  
\$10.00 per person ; Pizza ~ \$2.00/slice  
Take-out orders - Call 921-7702

If school is cancelled in Nashua due to inclement weather, the fish dinner will also be cancelled.

## Confirmed in the Holy Spirit

Congratulations to our Confirmandi who will be Confirmed Sunday, March 30th!

Jocelyn Chaput  
Jon D'Ortona  
Jake Emmons  
Christopher Geis  
Jonathan Geis  
Alexander Glavin  
Cameron Jackson

Riley Murray  
Bradford Nadeau  
Heather Roscoe  
Kathryn Stoncius  
Christine Tringali  
Irelynne West

Please remember them in prayer.

### VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE!

[www.stpatricksnashua.org](http://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.

### 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 881-8131.

### Community News

#### NH CATHOLIC YOUTHFEST St. Anselm College, Manchester, NH Saturday, May 3, 2014 ~ 9:00 AM to 8:30 PM

Cost: \$30 if registered by April 19th; \$45 after April 19th. Youthfest is open to students in grades 6 through 12. To register, please call Sr. Elizabeth at 603-882-0893 or email her at: [sister.elizabeth@ymail.com](mailto:sister.elizabeth@ymail.com).

#### CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY NEWS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Corpus Christi Food Pantry is in need of volunteers. We are located at 43 Franklin Street, Downtown Nashua. Opportunities are available on Monday and Wednesday mornings: 8:30 AM to 12:00 noon, as well as Tuesday and Thursday afternoons: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Please call to find out how you can contribute to our mission at the pantry. An hour or two - once or twice a month - would be greatly appreciated. Contact Mrs. Susan Dignan, Pantry Director, to set up a time to come by or to find out more! Thank you for your support!

## *Church Gossip: Why We Love It*

On many occasions, Pope Francis has warned against the habit of spreading gossip within the Church, whether at the highest or lowest levels. In his Angelus message of February 16, the Holy Father said: “It’s so rotten, gossip. At the beginning, it seems to be something enjoyable and fun, like a piece of candy. But at the end, it fills the heart with bitterness and also poisons us.” Still, we do it. And enjoy it. Why?

First, those who spread rumors – “inside information” – appear to have power. After all, they seem to know “what’s really going on in the Church.” In most cases, their “news” is completely wrong or twisted to advance their own ideas about what should be happening.

Second, gossip undermines legitimate authority. Let’s face it: Most people don’t want any authority over them, whether from the state or Church. One clever way to free oneself from authority is to cut it down to size, especially through “news” of incompetence, impending failure, or even immoral behavior. In cases like this, the authority is not directly rejected, but those who hold it are.

Third, many who spread gossip need to diminish other people in order to elevate themselves. They magnify their own wisdom or competence by demonstrating that other people are stupid or incompetent. Hence, gossips rejoice when things run amok. “See,” they say, “I told you that they were wrong. Look at the mess they’re making now.”

Gossip, of course, has always afflicted God’s people. Remember how Miriam murmured against Moses, her own brother, when he took a black wife. And recall how the apostles gossiped among themselves about “who is the greatest.” (They even gossiped at the Last Supper!)

Internal church gossip is worse than other forms because it violates the spiritual bond of Baptism. We discover this by examining the origin of the word “gossip.” According to The Oxford English Dictionary, “gossip” is the contemporary form of the old English word “godsib,” which meant “godparent.” The dictionary defines “gossip” this way: “one who has contracted spiritual affinity with another by acting as a sponsor at baptism.” A “godsib,” then, had intimate knowledge about his or her godchild. Hence, anything said by the “godsib” about the godchild, whether good or bad, had instant credibility. Gradually, “godsib” became “gossip.” It then came to refer to a person who spreads malicious rumors and news about other people.

Perhaps a return to “godsib” – the word that signifies a bonded relationship of baptized persons in love and mutual respect – would do much to advance the Pope’s desire for a “gossip-free” Church.

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