

# St. Patrick Parish

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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:*  
[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, May 24, 2014 Vigil ~ 6th Sunday in Easter

4:00 PM      **John Flynn**  
By the Family

### Sunday, May 25, 2014 ~ 6th Sunday in Easter

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

9:30 AM      **People of the Parish**

12:00 PM     **José Prensa**  
By José Padilla

### Monday, May 26, 2014 ~ St. Philip Neri ~ MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED

9:00 AM      **Our Deceased Loved Ones**

### Tuesday, May 27, 2014 ~ St. Augustine of Canterbury

12:05 PM     **Jack Higgins**  
By Joseph Raudelunas and Family

### Wednesday, May 28, 2014

12:05 PM     **Elizabeth Bord (Living)**  
By the Homeschool Group

### Thursday, May 29, 2014 ~ The Ascension of the Lord

12:05 PM     **Priest's Intention**

7:00 PM      **Priest's Intention**

### Friday, May 30, 2014

12:05 PM     **Beatrice Hunt**  
By Paula McDermott

### Saturday, May 31, 2014 Vigil ~ 7th Sunday in Easter

4:00 PM      **Helen Gannon**  
By her grandson Joshua Pope

### Sunday, June 1, 2014 ~ 7th Sunday in Easter

7:00 AM      **Ray Dumont**  
By Rosemary Daly

9:30 AM      **Lillian Gaken**  
By the Family

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

*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 May 17/18

From 214 Envelope Users:	\$ 6,468.25
From All Others - Checks:	\$ 919.12
Cash:	\$ 1,719.00
Electronic Giving Users	\$ 1,371.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$10,477.37</b>

Mass Attendance : 818

### **St. Vincent de Paul**

Week of May 17/18                      \$420

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!**

## *Remembering* *Our Deceased Loved Ones*

**Memorial Day**  
Monday, May 26

**Mass for the Dead**  
9:00 AM

**Prayers at our parish cemeteries**  
Holy Cross at 9:45 AM  
St. Patrick's at 10:15 AM

Please note: There will be no Mass at 12:05 PM

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

***Upcoming Latin Masses***

12:00 Noon

June 8, 2014

**Pentecost Sunday**

Saturday mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

May 31, 2014

**Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

June 7, 2014

**Vigil of Pentecost**

June 14, 2014

**Ember Saturday of Pentecost**

June 21, 2014

**St. Aloysius Gonzaga**

June 28, 2014

**Vigil of Saints Peter & Paul**

**LATIN/ENGLISH MISSALS AVAILABLE**

Roman Catholic Daily Missals (1962 Edition) in Latin and English are available for purchase. Cost for Missals: \$50. Please contact Jack McGreevy at 888-5824 if you are interested in purchasing one. **Make checks for the Missals payable to John McGreevy.**

**HOME SCHOOL CURRICULUM SALE**

We will be holding a Home School Curriculum Sale in the St. Patrick Center in Rooms 1 and 2 on Wednesday, June 4, 2014 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

**SISTER ELIZABETH'S BIBLE STUDY**

Please note that there will be no Bible Study held on Monday, May 26, 2014 in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. Bible Study will resume on Monday, June 2nd

**CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPEL ADORATION**

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

**VISIT ST. PATRICK'S NEW WEBSITE !**

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

**REST IN PEACE**

Raymond Dumont  
Kevin Leonard  
Elizabeth Malloy

**MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND  
OFFICE HOURS**

St. Patrick Parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 26, 2014 in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. **Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM. THERE WILL BE NO NOON MASS.** Offices will reopen on Tuesday, May 27th at 9:00 AM.

**ASCENSION THURSDAY**

**Thursday, May 29, 2014**

*Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation.*



**MASS SCHEDULE**

**12:05 PM**

**and**

**7:00 PM**

*There will be no vigil Mass on Wednesday evening, May 28, 2014.*

**Rosary Picnic ~ Greeley Park Field 1**

You're invited to the **2nd Annual St. Patrick Rosary Picnic, Sunday, May 25th, 1:30-4:30.** We realize this is a Holiday weekend and hope you'll choose to join us May 25th, 1:30-4:30 at Greeley Park Field 1, for burgers, a Rosary, fellowship and fun!!! Grab a flyer for more information. No RSVP required.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The Knights of Columbus will host their monthly Coffee and Donuts gathering on Sunday, June 1, 2014 after the 7:00 and 9:30 AM Masses. This will be last Coffee and Donuts function for the year, until they resume in the fall. Please join them in the Center for coffee, donuts, juice, and more and enjoy a time of fellowship with the members of the St. Patrick Parish community.

## Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign

Next week our parish will take up the Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). This Collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our diocese and supports the diocesan website [catholicNH.org](http://catholicNH.org), electronic newsletters, eNews and Catholic Citizenship News, social media including Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest, and Parable Magazine ([parablemag.com](http://parablemag.com)). CCC equips us to share our experience of faith, worship, and witness with the world. To donate directly online, visit [catholicNH.org/giving](http://catholicNH.org/giving).



## 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.

## MEMORIAL DAY FLOWERS

Flowers may be placed on the graves at St. Patrick Cemetery and Holy Cross Cemetery beginning on Thursday, May 22nd. **All flowers must be removed by Tuesday, June 3, 2014.** *No silk flowers, please.*

## 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.

## Community News

### The National Pilgrim Virgin of the USA At St. Patrick & St. Christopher Churches

**On Tuesday, June 10th The National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of the USA will be at St. Patrick during the noon Mass.** This beautiful image of Our Lady of Fatima was blessed by Pope Paul VI and presented to the United States by bishop Venancio (of Fatima) in 1967 to carry the message of Fatima to our country. *There will be a rosary and a talk after the Mass. Light refreshments will be served in the center afterwards.*

**St. Christopher Parish**, 62 Manchester Street, Nashua also *is participating in the statue tour from 5pm through 8pm.* During this time you are invited to come see and venerate before this beautiful Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. A petition box will be available. If you have any questions please call the parish at 882-0632. Please see the schedule below:

### Schedule of events at St. Christopher Parish June 10th for the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of the USA:

- 5 pm to 6 pm - Veneration of Our Blessed Lady.
- 6 pm - Mass
- 7 pm to 7:30 pm - Rosary with the Litany of our Blessed Lady.
- 7:30 pm to 7:45 pm - The Custodian for the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue will explain how the message of Fatima applies to our country today.
- 7:45 pm to 8 pm - Our final minutes of veneration.
- 8 pm - Refreshments in the parish hall.



# *Magnificat*

May, often considered "Mary's Month," concludes with the Feast of the Visitation on May 31. This is the only universal Marian feast observed during May. Her solemnities -- the highest type of feast -- occur on January 1, August 15, and December 8.

The Feast of the Visitation originated with the Franciscans during the first half of the 13th century. It became a universal feast in 1389 and was originally placed on July 2. When the Roman Calendar was revised in the late 1960's the Visitation was moved to May 31, replacing the Queenship of Mary, which in turn was shifted to August 22, one week after the Assumption.

This sole Marian feast of May commemorates the encounter between *Mary*, pregnant with Jesus, and *Elizabeth*, pregnant with John the Baptist. Luke's account of the event (cf. Luke 1:39-56) shows Mary engaged in a generous work of service, namely the care of her older relative who was to give birth to an unexpected child. This event is also important because it contains one of the principal prayers of the Church, the Canticle of Mary, more commonly called the *Magnificat* (cf. Luke 2:46-55)

Within the Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office, the Magnificat acts as the centerpiece of Evening Prayer, also called Vespers. The Magnificat has been part of the Church's daily prayer since the 4th century; and one scholarly tradition asserts that St. Benedict, who did much to shape the Divine Office, placed the Magnificat within Vespers. This triumphal prayer of Mary was permanently situated in the Evening Office so that Mary's voice would be joined forever with the praying voices of the whole Church everyday.

Through the Magnificat, Mary -- in union with the whole Church -- expresses two principal truths. First, she humbly acknowledges that the greatness that adheres to her is not *self-created* but the act of God. Mary sings, "*For the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is God's Name*" (Luke 2:49). This is not bragging but humble recognition of God as the source of all blessings.

Second, Mary's Magnificat is a prophetic statement about the ultimate outcome of God's involvement with human history. Living as she did as a poor woman in country dominated by imperial Rome, her words boldly prophesy the reversal of the *status quo*. Indeed, the prayer is tinged with a hint of genuine revolution. "God," she declares, "has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; God has filled the hungry with good thing and sent the rich way empty" (Luke 2:52-53). Mary's prayer envisions the ultimate reversal of fortunes.

The whole Church sings the Magnificat with Mary every evening because it brims over with joyful hope and expectation that God indeed will fulfill all the divine promises, even as we prepare to sleep. It reminds us that God's gentle work continues even without us.

*Fr. Michael Kerper*

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