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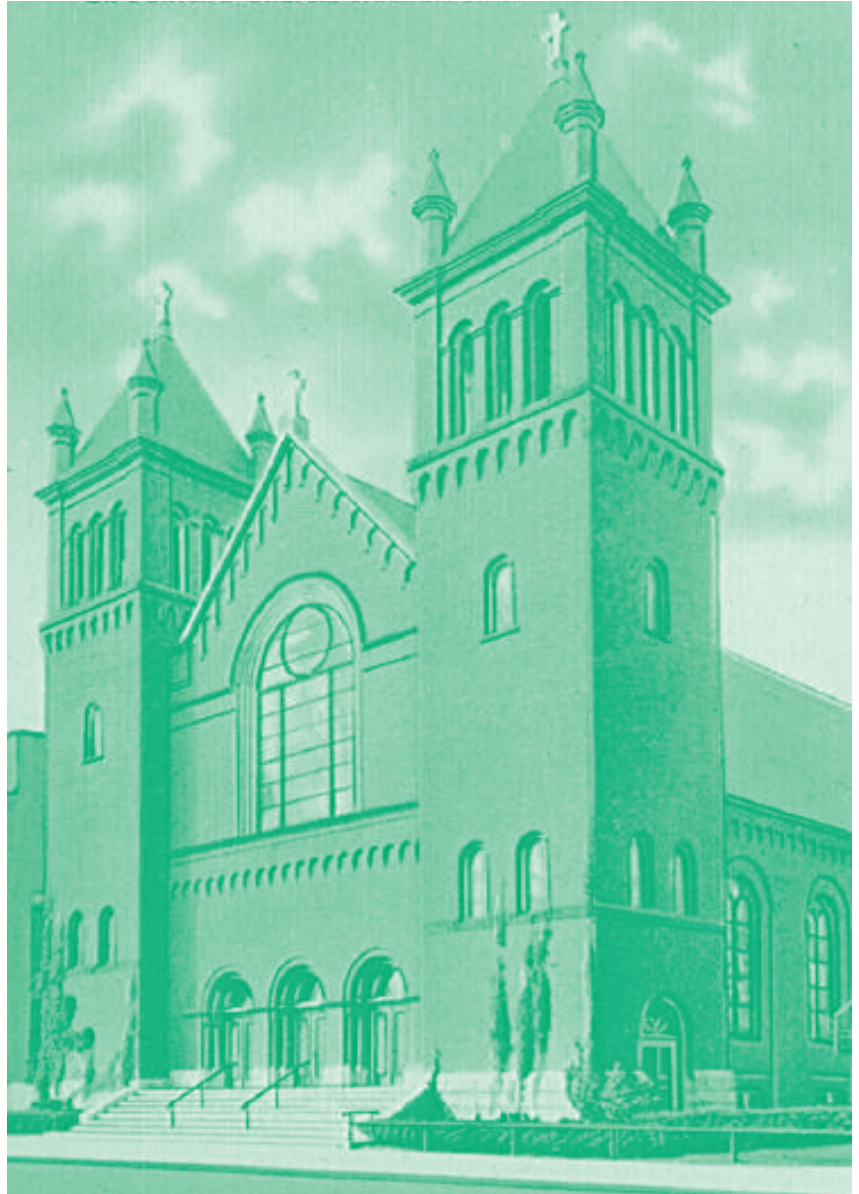
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MASSES

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

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

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(603) 881-8131

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

*Visit our website at:
www.stpatricksnashua.org*

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

Saturday, Sept. 6, 2014 ~ Vigil ~ 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Arthur B. Rancourt, 10th Anniversary**
By his wife Theresa and Family

Sunday, Sept. 7, 2014 ~ 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 AM **Ann Lucas**
By her daughter Elona Lucas

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

Monday, Sept. 8, 2014 ~ The Nativity of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

12:05 PM **Paul Morin**
By Mr. and Mrs. John Weigand

Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2014 ~ St. Peter Claver

12:05 PM **Megan Cardon**
By David Hayes

Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2014

12:05 PM **Beatrice Kerouac**
By Jim and Helen McMahon

Thursday, Sept. 11, 2014

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

Friday, Sept. 12, 2014 ~ The Most Holy Name of Mary

12:05 PM **Ed Haydrach**
By Meg Madden Jameson

Saturday, Sept. 13, 2014 ~ Vigil ~ Exaltation of the Holy Cross

4:00 PM **Paul Murray**
By Patricia Derr

Sunday, Sept. 14, 2014 ~ Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7:00 AM **John Sullivan**
By Rick and Clara Ayotte

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

12:00 PM **Paul Murray**
By the Rahilly Family

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

VISIT ST. PATRICK'S WEBSITE !
www.stpatricksnashua.org

Gifts for the Lord's Work

Weekend of August 30/31

From 179 Envelope Users:	\$4,920.00
From All Others - Checks:	\$ 861.12
Cash:	\$1,526.00
Electronic Giving Users (21)	\$ 866.00
Total Collection	\$8,173.12

Mass Attendance : 795

St. Vincent de Paul
Week of Aug. 30/31 \$368.00

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!

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.

THE PEOPLE OF ST. PATRICK: AN EVENING MEAL TOGETHER Saturday, Oct. 18, 2014 ~ 5:00 -8:00 PM in the Gym

St. Patrick Parish invites you to join us for a family style buffet, dancing, face-painting/kids activities, and a chance to get to know each other better on Saturday, October 18th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM in the Gym. Tickets are \$10 each or \$25 per family ad will be on sale after the weekend Masses between September 27th and October 12th.

We are looking for volunteers to assist in set-up and tear-down. Please let the ticket seller know if you will be willing to help when you purchase your tickets. We need all hands!

We look forward to seeing you on Oct. 18th!

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

Sunday, September 14, 2014

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday mornings

8:00 AM

(Church opens at 7:30 AM)

September 13, 2014

Saturday of Our Lady

September 20, 2014

St. Eustache & Companions

September 27, 2014

Ember Saturday II

Tour of the Roman Missal

Many people have purchased copies of the Daily Roman Missal for the Latin Mass. To help people navigate more easily through the Missal, Fr. Kerper will offer a 60-minute "Tour" on **Sunday, September 14**. The presentation will begin following the coffee hour **after the 12:00 Mass**. If you have a Missal, please bring it along.

Adult Confirmation Preparation

Several people have requested preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Last year, Fr. Kerper provided a series of instructions on Saturday afternoons at 2:00 PM. Anyone interested in receiving Confirmation is invited to be in touch with Fr. Kerper for more information and to settle on a day and time to get together. He will also accommodate people who had started preparation in the past but never finished for various reasons. We hope to start in October. Please call 882.2262.

**Faith Formation Grades 1-12 -
Registration is Open!**

Registration is open for the upcoming 2014/2015 Faith Formation Program year! You read correctly - there will be Faith Formation offered up to grade 12! If a member of your family was enrolled in the program last year, be on the lookout for the registration form in the mail and in email. If your family hasn't had a member enrolled in the past, please pick up a registration form at the back of the church, or email Kelly Lockwood at faith-formation.st.patrick@gmail.com.

OUTREACH GROUP MEETING

Sept. 18, 2014 at 7:00 PM

Parish Center Room 1

The Parish Outreach Group will meet on Thursday, September 18, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center. Anyone interested in participating in Outreach is welcome to attend. Meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted.

Mission Statement

The members of St. Patrick Parish Outreach are dedicated to bringing the spirit of Christ to the members of the parish, who through age or infirmity, are no longer able to physically participate in the life of the parish. Members of the St. Patrick Parish Outreach:

- Visit the sick and homebound members of the parish, whether they are in their own homes, in a nursing facility, or an assisted living center.
- Each Outreach member visits a person at least once a month and the visit lasts as long as the person being visited wishes.
- As any good friend, the Outreach member is there as a companion to offer support by listening and talking to the person being visited.
- If so desired, we will pray with the person.
- Outreach members may distribute sacramentals, such as prayer cards, scapulars and rosaries.

CATECHISTS NEEDED!

Do you love our faith and want to help others grow in their relationship with Christ? Volunteer catechists are needed to work with the young people of our parish to help teach the fundamentals of the faith and help students learn to love the Lord.

Classes meet on Sunday mornings between the 9:30am and Noon Masses (grades 1-6) and Monday evenings from 7:00-8:15pm (grades 7-12). Interested in learning more, or want to volunteer your time to serve God through working with the young people of our parish? Email Kelly Lockwood at faithformation.st.patrick@gmail.com

UNDERSTANDING CATHOLICISM

Grow in knowledge of the Faith.

Join the RCIA team on Sunday afternoons (1:30 - 3:00 p.m.) for Understanding Catholicism - discussions about faith, the Church, and growing in our relationship with God. Questions? Topics that you would like to see covered? Send an email to: UCath.st.patrick@gmail.com.

- 9/7 The Covenant with Adam
- 9/14 The Covenant with Noah
- 9/21 The Covenant with Abraham
- 9/28 The Covenant with Moses



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COFFEE & DONUTS RESUMES!
Sunday, Sept. 7, 2014 ~ Parish Center**

The Knights of Columbus will resume monthly Coffee and Donuts gatherings beginning on Sunday, September 7th after the 7:00 and 9:30 AM Masses. This is a great opportunity for a time of fellowship and refreshment for you and your family! Coffee and Donuts gatherings are held on the first Sunday of each month unless otherwise noted.

**SIXTH ANNUAL
PROJECT EMPLOYMENT CONNECT
Sept. 16, 2014 ~ 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM
St. Patrick Parish Gym
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*Expedite employment, stream-line your hiring process,
improve your business and contribute to your
community at the same time!*

Project Employment Connect is a job fair for individuals in need of employment to directly connect them with area companies and businesses looking for employees. This job fair provides area businesses a great opportunity to find employees who are motivated, enthusiastic, and experienced, who are looking for full and part-time jobs with flexible hours and who have comprehensive skills and training.

To reserve a table for your business, please contact Tom Lopez, Education Employment Advocate, at (603) 889-7770 and/or fax a registration form to M. Rios at (603) 595-1480. Space is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a \$25.00 fee if you want your company logo to appear on the advertisement flyer. Make checks payable to Harbor Homes Inc. (memo Employment Connect) and mail to M. Rios at 12 Amherst St., Nashua, NH 03060.

Registration forms can be found on our parish website at: www.stpatricksnashua.org.

Community News

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

Summer months are busy at the Pantry! Non-perishable items and canned goods are always welcome. We are currently in need of jelly, pancake or muffin mix, canned tomatoes, tomato sauce or paste, canned pasta, Mac and Cheese, canned peas and vegetables. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity. It is greatly appreciated. Please drop off food in the Vestibule bin. Please call 882-6372 with any questions. God bless!

**DISCIPLESHIP & EVANGELIZATION
Immaculate Conception Church, Nashua NH
Saturday, Sept. 27, 2014 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Presenter: Keith Strohm, Catherine Sienna Institute**

All Parish Ministry Leaders, Team Members, Catechists, Youth Ministry, RCIA Leaders and anyone interested in learning about the path to knowing and following Jesus and evangelization are invited to attend. The morning session will explore the reality of discipleship, the critical necessity of making disciples in the Church's mission, and how to help others encounter Christ. In the afternoon session, we will share how our charisms (spiritual gifts) can help others make the journey into intentional discipleship. Participants are encouraged to read *Forming Intentional Disciples: Path to Knowing and Following Jesus* by Sherry A. Weddell. Registration prior to 8/16 is \$35 each or \$45 each including lunch. After 8/16 registration is \$40 each or \$50 each including lunch. For more information contact Eileen Bowes, Pastoral Associate at 603-888-0608 or eileen@iccnashuanh.org.

**PRESENTATION OF MARY ACADEMY
19TH ANNUAL FALL FUN FEST
Saturday, Sept. 20, 2014
(Rain date: Sunday, Sept. 21, 2014)**

The 19th Annual Fall Fun Fest will be held on Saturday, September 20, 2014, 10 AM to 4 PM at PMA, 182 Lowell Rd., Hudson, NH. This is a fun day for people of all ages. It includes: face painting, a dunk tank, petting zoo, waterslide, a Penny Sale (over 200 items), 20 theme basket raffles and a Super Raffle with a top prize of \$500. A Food Court with delicious grilled food, and a Soccer Tournament throughout the day on the Athletic Field will guarantee that everyone has a great time!

50th Anniversary of NH Cursillo - DeColores!

Calling all Cursillistas and friends to join in the celebration with Mass at 6 PM followed by a statewide Ultraya at 7 PM on Saturday, Sept. 27th at St. Peter Church, 567 Manchester Rd., Auburn, NH. Fellowship and refreshments follow after Ultraya. Please bring a snack to share. For more info, contact Diane Traynor via email at dianetraynor13@gmail.com or 785-4838; John Went-worth at jhwofsd4@gmail.com or 496-5962; or Kathy Stilwell at kes144n@yahoo.com or 659.5010.

L'ARCHE IS 50!!

Join the Heart to Heart NH celebration of L'Arche's 50th Jubilee anniversary with Folk and Dance Party Leader Chris Pinkham on Sunday, September 21, 2014, from 3 - 5 PM at Ste. Marie Church (Montminy Hall), 378 Notre Dame Ave., Manchester, NH.

Heart to Heart NH is an organization preparing to establish family-like homes in NH for adults with developmental disabilities.

Happy Birthday Mary!

Since the 6th century, the Catholic and Orthodox Churches have celebrated the Birthday of the Blessed Mother on September 8. How do we know Mary's *real* birth date? Well, to be frank, we don't.

From ancient times Mary's birthday has been linked with the dedication of a basilica built in her honor in Bethesda in the 5th century. This site was chosen because people believed that it had been the home of St. Joachim and St. Ann, Mary's parents. Note also that September 8 occurs precisely nine months *after* December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, which marks the beginning of Mary's existence within her mother's womb.

Among the Eastern Orthodox, the birthday of Mary is also the beginning of the new church year (for Catholics, the first Sunday of Advent marks the new year). From the Orthodox standpoint, Mary's birth was the decisive starting point of the great drama of salvation in Christ. How so? Because Jesus is truly the Word of God "made flesh"; he emerged from a true human being, Mary. Rather than dropping out of the heavens without any real connection to the human race, the Lord's humanity comes *entirely from a woman*: for if there is no Mary, there is no Jesus. Hence, the "biography" of the Son necessarily begins with the birth of his Mother.

Scripture, of course, says nothing at all about Mary's birth. We have the names of her parents from a 2nd century text called *The Protoevangelium of James*, but we know nothing about the circumstances of her birth, not even the precise date. Unlike the birth of her Son, Mary's birth was quite ordinary and hidden. This "ordinary" quality is what links her birth to us.

Fr. Alexander Schmemmann (d. 1983), a great Russian Orthodox priest and theologian, explained that Mary's "ordinary" birth teaches us that good, wonderful, and holy things arise from the ordinary all the time. "Every entrance of a new human being into the world is a miracle or miracles," Fr. Schmemmann wrote, "for it marks the start of something unending, the start of a unique and unrepeatable human life." The people who witnessed Mary's birth had no inkling of who she was and what she would become. Her unique and mysterious vocation as Mother of God was completely hidden under the guise of ordinary routine. According to Fr. Schmemmann, we should learn to look beneath the ordinary to see the sacred in our midst. The Nativity of Mary invites us to sharpen our vision and to see God's many surprises in the midst of the ordinary

Fr. Michael Kerper

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1-800-894-5533
or **603-271-6556.**

If you have experienced abuse by someone
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