

### CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION OCTOBER 7, 2008

All sponsors and candidates are expected to arrive no later than 6:30 PM in the Church for practice on Monday, October 6, 2008. All sponsors and candidates must arrive at 6:00 PM in the Clubhouse for the Confirmation Ceremony on October 7, 2008.

#### CONFIRMATION II

All Confirmation sponsor forms and missing information need to be submitted by Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please drop off all forms at the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Dawn Pavlini at 635-1447 or e-mail at confirmation@stpatricks-pelham.com

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Registration Forms** for all Religious Education classes are now available online at the Parish website and in the Rectory office. Please be sure to register all your children for Religious Education (grades 1-7) and Confirmation I and II (grades 8 & 9) **before September 1, 2008** – after this date a late fee of \$20 is assessed. You must register each child every year. Grade 2 students sacramental fee equal \$30.00.

**Teachers** are needed for our **Religious Education** classes on Sundays starting in September. Volunteer forms are available in the back of the Church, at the rectory office, or on the parish website. Please consider sharing your faith with our youth – they are the future of our Church. Any questions, please call the Religious Education office at 635-1447.

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Important Dates

**Thursday, September 11, 2008** – Catechists (Teacher's ) Meeting at 7:00 PM in the school.

**Tuesday, September 16, 2008** – Grade 2 Parents Meeting for Reconciliation at 7:00 PM in the church.

**Tuesday, September 23, 2008** – Confirmation I and II Meeting for Parents and Students 6:30 PM is registration and 7:00 PM Meeting in the clubhouse.

#### CHAPEL OPENED

Please note that the chapel is open 24-7. You may get to the chapel by going to the back of the church and going to the right hand door.

### Wedding Banns

The following couple will enter the Covenant of Marriage in September:

**Kellie Clark and Scott Burt**

Please pray that their marriage will mirror the Love of God.

#### IMPORTANT NOTE TO REL ED. GRADES 6 & 7

The Religious Education program is offering only **ONE session for grades 6 & 7** this coming school year at the 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM time frame. We will be using the “Edge Program” model—a more hands-on interactive approach to Church history, the hierarchy of the Church, and the New Testament studies. We began this program last year with great success and wish to continue it this year. The children will participate in large group discussion and instruction along with small group discussions and activities relating to the topics being covered. Any family with siblings in the program are guaranteed a spot in the 9:15 AM session. Any questions please contact Gael Ouellette at 635-1447.

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There will be a meeting of all catechists (Religious Education teachers) and assistant teachers on Thursday evening September 11, 2008 at 7:00 PM in St. Patrick School Cafeteria. Anyone interested in teaching or co-teaching in the Religious Education program is asked to attend this meeting. Volunteers are still needed to teach grades 1-5. Teachers manuals and materials will be distributed at this meeting. Please call Gael Ouellette in the Religious Education office for more details.

Religious Education classes begin on Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Be sure your children are registered before September 1, 2008 to avoid a late fee. Forms are available on the website and the rectory office.

#### FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

This coming Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, will be the First Friday of the month. Rosary starts at 7:00 PM with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 8:00 PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be said at 7:45 PM. We know summer is here and the weather has been hot but the church is cooler at night. Please come and pray with us. All are welcomed.

**WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT**

Offertory-----	\$4,272
Donations-----	\$189
<b>Total-----</b>	<b>\$4,461</b>
Religious Education-----	\$1,349
Tithing-----	\$0
Weekly totals-----	\$746
<b>Total to date-----</b>	<b>\$746</b>

No money was put into tithing this week due to the low offertory.

Thank you for your generosity.  
If you would like to join the parish,  
please call the office at 603-635-3525.

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Tuesday, September 2**

Women's Guild Meeting, 6:30 PM, in the clubhouse

**Wednesday, September 3**

Food Pantry, 1:00 PM, in the trailer

**Thursday, September 4**

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall

**OUR NEW PASTOR**

We are pleased to announce that Fr. Paul Ruzzo, our new Pastor, will be arriving on Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Paul is currently the Pastor at Mary Queen of Peace in Salem. Please keep him in your prayers.

**PARISH CHALICE**

The parish is looking into the possibility of buying a parish Chalice for our church to match the Ciboria that we now have. The cost of this new item would be approximately \$1,500. Anyone wishing to donate to this endeavor, may do so by calling the parish office at 603-635-3525 and speak to Fr. Eddy or Therese Soucy.

**"ALPHA IS COMING"**

What's the point of life?

What relevance does Jesus have for our lives today?

ALPHA is an opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed non-threatening setting.



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **Logan Charles Abraham, Alexander James Walter Bradstreet, Hannah Maria Briere, Natalia Marie Capra, Meghan Fiona Carroll, Jacob Ryan Davidson, Emma Nichole Matthews and Michael Scott St. Pierre.** Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

**LITURGICAL PUBLICATIONS**

Liturgical Publications, Inc., our publisher, will have a sales representative available within the next few weeks for those interested in placing a new ad. This is your opportunity to secure a space for the new publication year. To place your ad, please contact the sales person listed on the ad page of our office. We would like to thank our present advertisers for renewing their ad. Keep in mind; our advertising sponsors make this publication possible.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

All organizations wishing to use any of the halls this coming year, are asked to jot them down and send them to the Parish Secretary. We are looking ahead to this coming year and need to set up dates. So first come, first serve for dates. Please send in your requests by Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for your help in this matter

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Soon we will be starting up the Children's Liturgy again. Currently, we offer this story/craft program during the 9:30 mass, but we are considering starting sessions during the 11:00 mass also if there is sufficient interest. If you attend the 11:00 mass and may be interested in having your 2-5 year old attend Children's Liturgy during mass, please e-mail [Carajeand@aol.com](mailto:Carajeand@aol.com) or call 978-771-3833. Thank you!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Parish/School Auction  
Annual Silent & Live Auction  
Friday, November 7, 2008  
6:00 PM – 12:00 Midnight  
Lenzi's Banquet Hall  
Rte. 110, Dracut, MA**

*AUGUST 31, 2008*

**RCIA  
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION  
OF ADULTS**

RCIA is a process through which adults are introduced to, learn about, and are welcomed into the Catholic Church. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic or if you want to learn more about your faith, please fill out this form and either mail it to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I would like to know more about RCIA.

\_\_\_ I am interested/thinking about becoming a Catholic.

\_\_\_ I definitely want to become a Catholic

\_\_\_ I am a baptized Catholic but have not yet received Eucharistic and/or Confirmation.

\_\_\_ I am a Catholic but would like to learn more about my faith.

If you have any questions regarding RCIA please contact Claire Ross [rcia@stpatricks-pelham.com](mailto:rcia@stpatricks-pelham.com)

**PELHAM FARMERS' MARKET**

Mondays 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

July 14<sup>th</sup> – September 29<sup>th</sup>

St. Patrick Parish

12 Main Street

Rain or Shine

A variety of fresh local produce, meats, eggs, maple syrup, baked goods, crafts, fresh-cut flowers, plants, NH made wines

For more information contact

Patty at 978-500-0023 or

[pelhamfarmersmarket@yahoo.com](mailto:pelhamfarmersmarket@yahoo.com)



The Pelham Food Pantry is open on Wednesdays from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM. We are in need of **Personal Products**. If you would like to make a donation or donate any items, please call Marietta Potter at 635-2671.

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*Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?"*  
- Mt 16:24-26

**Monday September 1**

8:00 AM No Mass

**Tuesday September 2**

8:00 AM Marguerite McCue requested by  
Brian & Sheri Callahan

**Wednesday September 3**

8:00 AM Intentions of the parishioners

**Thursday September 4**

8:00 AM Prayer Service

**Friday September 5**

8:00 AM Intentions of the Blessed Mother

**Saturday September 6**

4:00 PM Mary & William Swift requested  
by Pearl & family

**Sunday September 7**

8:00 AM Bud & Rhea Carragher requested  
by Monica Bedard & family

9:30 AM Jeannette & Jerry Lemieux  
requested by Don & Diane  
Brunelle

11:00 AM David P. Clairmont requested by  
Norm & Kathy Clairmont



This week the Altar Flowers are in  
memory of Scot Lesniak by the Rectory Staff



This week the second collection will be for  
**Fuel.** Next week the collection will be for  
**Capital Improvement.** Your contributions are  
greatly appreciated.

**MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCE**

Please keep the following people, who have died this  
past week, in your prayers: Rev. John Horan