

**A BIRTHDAY IS COMING!!  
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Fr. Paul will be celebrating his birthday on September 7<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day! Please keep him in your prayers and wish him a Happy Birthday when you see him. But please don't tell him where you got it! Thanks.

**CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION  
OCTOBER 15, 2009, 7:00 PM**

All sponsors and candidates are expected to arrive no later than 6:30 PM in the Church for practice on Wednesday, October 14, 2009. If your sponsor can not attend, please have someone who can stand in for them. All sponsors and candidates must arrive at 6:00 PM in the Church Basement for the Confirmation Ceremony on October 15, 2009.

**CONFIRMATION SERVICE HOURS  
OPPORTUNITY**

Volunteers are needed to help with the Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM in the parish center. If you are interested, please contact Dawn Pavlini at [confirmation@stpatricks-pelham.com](mailto:confirmation@stpatricks-pelham.com)

**REGISTRATION FORMS**

Religious Education and Confirmation registration forms have been mailed. If you do not receive a form please contact the Religious Education office at 603-635-1447 and leave your name, address, phone number, and child's grade in September and a packet will be mailed to you.

Religious Education covers grades 1-7

Confirmation (2 yr. Program) starts in grade 8

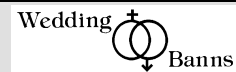
Confirmation registration is required for ALL grade 8 students including those attending a Catholic school.

**MOTHER TERESA MOVIE**

Golden Globe Winner, Olivia Hussey portrays the life of Mother Teresa, who brought hope, and love to the poorest of the poor. Blessed Mother Teresa fought for the unloved and forgotten. Come join us for an evening movie depicting the life of MOTHER TERESA, **her faith found a way.** On Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM. Please arrive at least 15 minutes before the film begins in the St. Patrick's Parish Center.

**CHOIR**

Choir practice will begin on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 PM in the church.



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

**Monica Harty & Gregg Albach**  
and  
**Jamie Provencal & Brian Robicheau**

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

**SHANTYTOWN 2009**

**Join the homeless for one night**

**Sat. Sept 19 at 2:00 PM – Sun. Sept 20 at 12:00 PM**

Please join us in any way you can, by either participating or donating to this worthy cause. To make this a success, we need your help! Shantytown, with its makeshift shelters, is held to bring attention to the plight of those who are without homes or food, and to raise funds for organizations that provide services to those in need.

This year's funds will benefit St. Patrick Food Pantry, Pelham Good Neighbor Fund, Nashua's Children Home, Anne-Marie House, Harbor Homes, and the Lowell Transitional Center. For more information, contact Cheryl at 635-3610 or [cdbrunelle@comcast.net](mailto:cdbrunelle@comcast.net) or call the church office at 635-3525. Pledge forms, permission slips, and the list of what to bring are available at the Parish Office, Chapel or on St. Patrick's Parish website at [www.stpatricks-pelham.com](http://www.stpatricks-pelham.com)

**PRAYER REQUEST FOR MEDJUGORJE**

If you or your family would like to send prayer requests to Medjugorje with David Meltzer or Bob Foster please put them in a sealed envelope and give to Bob or Dave or drop off at the parish office by Tuesday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>.

If you have already put a prayer request on the parish prayer line you don't have to give it to us because we are bringing the parish prayer line requests with us.

**FOOD PANTRY**

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



**Baptism**

Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **Matthew Peter Bebris, Danica Rita Camarda, Camryn Rylee Celata, Aidan Joseph Dickey, Mailyn Frances Dinsmore, Joshua Paul Killion, Thomas Joseph Kirby, Tegan Anthony Moreschi, Adriana Maria Osgood, Stephen Anthony Michael Pare, Ryan Donald Provencal and Hunter Alan Reardon.** Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.



**Tuesday, September 8**

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

School Board Meeting, 6:30 PM, in the meeting room

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

**Wednesday, September 9**

Bible Study, 9:00 AM, in the meeting room

Food Pantry, 1:00 PM, in the trailer

Shantytown Meeting, 7:00 PM, in the meeting room

**Thursday, September 10**

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

Choir Practice, 7:30 PM, in the church

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN  
WORKSHOPS**

St. Patrick Parish will be offering workshops for Protecting God's Children. These workshops are provided to comply with the requirement of the State of New Hampshire when volunteering with children. The workshops will be held at St. Patrick's K of C Hall and you are asked to come ½ hour early to fill out the paperwork. The workshop will last for 2 hours.

**Tuesday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, registration 6:30 PM, meeting starts at 7:00 PM**

**Tuesday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, registration 6:30 PM, meeting starts at 7:00 PM**

**Tuesday, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, registration 6:30 PM, meeting starts at 7:00 PM**

Please call the parish office at 603-635-3525 to register as space is limited.

**A NOTE FROM FR. PAUL**

Dear Friends,

It's hard to believe that Labor Day is here and with it comes the start of the new school year and different church activities. The Choir starts this week on Thursdays at 7:30 PM, Bible Study on Wednesday at 9:00 AM, RCIA on Wednesday September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Our Religious Education Program begins with the blessing of the teachers at the 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses on the 20<sup>th</sup> and the first day of class is on the 27<sup>th</sup> of September. Confirmation program also begins on the 27<sup>th</sup> of September with Parent and student meetings Confirmation I meeting at 6:00 PM and Confirmation II meeting at 7:15 PM in the parish center.

Next Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, after the 11:00 AM Mass, will be our parish picnic/welcome home feast!!! The summer travels has taken us here and there and everywhere and now as fall arrives we gather back for our normal parish activities. Please join us for some hot dogs, hamburgers, salads and desserts and some time for fellowship. Mass will be inside and the gathering will be in the parish center.

For almost 50 years St. Patrick's School has been a gift to our parish and to our town. Generations of students have gone through our school. Now is the time for us to begin to develop a fund for assisting families in need. There has been a donation of \$1,200 for this fund already. If you are interested in helping this fund grow, please make your donation to the rectory office. For further information please contact Fr. Paul.

In the parish office there are limited copies of the Celebrant Singer concert that was taped by Pelham TV. If anyone would like a copy please stop by the rectory.

My foot is well on the mend and when I return from vacation my doctor and I will hopefully be talking about shoes.

FP

**SEPTEMBER 6, 2009**

**INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE  
ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?**

The Rite of Christian Initiation (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 plan to attend a **Night of Inquiry on Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.** For more information, contact Claire Ross at 603-893-7353, or [rosssaalem@comcast.net](mailto:rosssaalem@comcast.net) or complete this form and drop in the collection basket or mail to the parish office.

<b>RCIA</b>
Name: _____
Phone Number: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to know more about RCIA
<input type="checkbox"/> I am interested in or thinking about becoming a catholic
<input type="checkbox"/> I definitely want to become a Catholic
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a baptized Catholic, but have not received the sacraments of Eucharist/Communion and/or Confirmation
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a confirmed Catholic and I am interested in learning more about our faith

**CHILDRENS LITURGY**

Children's Liturgy will be starting soon! Children ages 2-6 are invited to join us for bible stories, crafts, songs, and games. We will meet during the 9:30 AM mass. Sessions will meet during the 11:00 AM mass this year also based on level of interest. As always, we welcome new children and volunteers to help teach on a periodic basis. If your children are interested in attending and/or you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cara-Jean Donaghey at [Carajeand@aol.com](mailto:Carajeand@aol.com) or 978-771-3833 or Joy Flanders at [joyfultwins@myfairpoint.net](mailto:joyfultwins@myfairpoint.net) There will also be a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the front of the church. Please specify which mass time you would be interested in attending.

**JOIN US SEPTEMBER 9.....**

This years **Bible Study** will begin September 9, with an 8 week video lecture series called **Lands of the Bible.** Please join us weekly beginning September 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM. The total cost for both studies is \$18. For additional information, please contact Donna Beals, [dbeals1@comcast.net](mailto:dbeals1@comcast.net) or 898-0308. Hope to see you there.



*Then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"---that is, "Be opened!" And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly. - Mk 7:34-35*

**Monday September 7**

8:00 AM Rev. George Robichaud

**Tuesday September 8**

8:00 AM John J. Murphy requested by  
Patricia Dumont

**Wednesday September 9**

8:00 AM Mabel Gauthier requested by  
Roger & Claire

**Thursday September 10**

8:00 AM Joan Auger requested by the  
rectory staff

**Friday September 11**

8:00 AM Intentions for the Blessed Mother

**Saturday September 12**

4:00 PM Mabel & Emile Bedard requested  
by the Bedard family

**Sunday September 13**

8:00 AM Alfred Gendron, 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by his wife Lucille

9:30 AM Marie-Jeanne Demers requested  
by Robert & Francine Demers

11:00 AM Clint Updyke requested by John  
& Paulette

**REMEMBRANCE**

Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died, Rev. George Robichaud & Jacqueline Norkiewicz



This week the second collection will be for **Capital Improvement**. We thank you for your continued support.

Next week the collection will be for the **Catholic University**. This collection provides funding for academic scholarships at the Catholic University of America and supports the work of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.