

CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**St. Patrick Parish**

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Care to join the Knights of Columbus? Please contact Erick Wright at 603-635-8772 or eqwright@comcast.net. More information online: <http://www.nhknights.org/>

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4PM

Sunday

8AM, 10:30AM,
6PM**WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday through Thursday 8am

Friday No Mass

First Friday and First Saturday 8am

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Day 8am, 10am & 7pm

ADORATION

Wednesday 8:30-9:30am

2:00-8:00pm

FIRST FRIDAY ROSARY

The Knights and the Women's Guild invite everyone to First Friday Rosary at 6pm in the chapel. The Rosary is followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 6:45 PM.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday

3pm to 3:30pm
or by appointment**ANointing OF THE SICK &
COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND**

Please contact the Parish Office for
arrangements

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a baptism. Parents are required to meet with the pastor and participate in a baptismal catechetical session prior to the celebration of the sacrament.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements with the parish must be made at least nine months prior to the wedding. Fulfillment of a Diocesan, pre-marriage program is required.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday October 10**
4pm Dr. Joseph & Joan Chisholm
requested by the Chisholm family
- Sunday October 11**
8am Robert Hall requested by his
family
10:30am Antonette D'Alessio, 26th
Anniversary, Charles D'Alessio,
10th Anniversary, requested by
the Tocco family
6pm John Comeau, Sr., 5th Anniversary,
requested by his family
- Monday October 12**
8am Intentions for the Blessed Mother
- Tuesday October 13**
8am Karen Perry requested by the
8 O'Clockers
- Wednesday October 14**
8am Janyn Provencal, 1st Anniversary,
requested by the Provencal family
- Thursday October 15**
8am In Honor of all Saints
- Friday October 16**
8am No Mass
- Saturday October 17**
4pm Matthew L. Janos, 30th Anniversary
requested by Joan Janos
- Sunday October 18**
8am Richard & Kathleen Yamamoto
requested by Cara-Jean & family
10:30am Joseph Dias requested by Kevin
& Karen Martin
6pm Intentions for all our parishioners



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Emilie Deschesne, Birthday Remembrance, by his wife & family

PARISH COLLECTIONS

In order for the parish to meet its regular expenses, our offertory and other designated parish collections must bring in **\$8,700** per week.

Parish Collections for the following week:

Offertory 10/4/15 \$6,989

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses \$6,989

Thank you for your
faithful & generous support
~Fr. Von~

Capital Improvements

collected as of 10/4/15

\$1,296

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Oct. 18 World Mission Sunday

On World Mission Sunday we join the Church throughout the world in fulfilling our evangelical mission to "go out to all the world." The Society for the Propagation of the Faith coordinates programs for evangelization and catechesis throughout the world.

Oct. 25 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Nov. 1 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

Nov. 8 Fuel

This collection helps with the cost for the Church, Rectory and Parish Center.

Your contributions toward the support of the parish and its ministries are greatly appreciated.

During the month of October the Knights of Columbus will pray the Rosary on each Friday from 6:00-7:00 PM in the Chapel. At 6:45 PM the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy will be recited.



Sunday, October 11

Coffee & Donuts, 11:30 AM, in the K of C Hall

Children of Mary, 11:45 AM, in the meeting room

Monday, October 12

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Tuesday, October 13

Baptism Class, 6:00 PM, in the meeting room

Food Pantry, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, October 14

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the meeting room

Adoration 8:00-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM, in the church

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

Food Pantry, 1:00 PM

Catholicism, 6:30 PM, in the meeting room

Thursday, October 15

Youth Group, 6:00-7:30 PM, in the meeting room

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

Choir Practice, 7:30 PM, in the church

FORMED

We are called to follow Christ, to be His disciples. As a parish, we have signed up for an exciting new on-line program called **FORMED**, which can help us to grow in our discipleship. Go to www.formed.org and click on the "sign-up" button. You enter the Parish Code: **nr3434** (case sensitive), and fill out the information.

WASHINGTON, DC MARCH FOR LIFE 2016

Please join Fr. Von, hundreds of pilgrims from NH, and hundreds of thousands of pilgrims from around the country on the March for Life: A Pilgrimage of Faith. Pilgrims leave Thursday morning, January 21, 2016, and return early morning, Saturday, January 23, 2016.

For more information, contact Fr. Von at fathervon@comcast.net, or 603-635-3525.

FAITH LIFE

Upcoming Important Dates for Faith Life in our Parish:

- Faith Life October classes are the weekend of October 17th, 18th and 19th in the school cafeteria.
- Youth Group Meetings will start in October!! The meetings will be held on Thursday, October 15th and 29th from 6:00-7:30 PM. They will take place in the meeting room downstairs in the Church.

YOU ARE INVITED!

To the First Annual All Saints Day Party!

Friday, November 6th from 5:30-7:30 PM

In the Parish Center

As an alternative to Halloween, St. Patrick Parish is offering a get together for families to celebrate this beautiful feast day in the Church. We encourage children and adults to come dressed as their favorite saint. All families are also asked to bring a potluck dish to share. Games for the kids, fellowship for the adults! Fun will be had by all!

Sgt. Daniel M. Clark known as

"THE SINGING TROOPER"

Experience the Dynamic Power and Passion of this Spectacular Entertainer

Join us for a Patriotic Concert

"Spirit of America"

November 1, 2015

Time: 3:00 PM

Sherburne Hall, Pelham, NH

Tickets \$15.00 each

For more information or tickets

Please call 603-635-3525 or any

St. Patrick Women's Guild Member

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

If so please email: Deacon Tom at tl3450@gmail.com or call him at 603-845-3450.

FROM THE PASTOR

My dear brothers and sisters,

As I write this article, I am just hearing about the school shooting in Oregon (October 1). These tragedies – which are becoming more and more frequent – highlight the fact that there is evil in the world. As a people we are drifting away from the love of Christ, and now being a Christian is a dangerous thing in America.

I would guess that we all want this evil to end; we want it fixed. The problem is too big for us, though! The Good News (and I mean REALLY Good News!) is that God has already conquered evil. Jesus, the second Person of the Blessed Trinity, came and took evil upon Himself, and then He destroyed it by His Cross and Resurrection.

But there is still evil in the world, even if it loses in the end. The question I have heard asked over and over again is, “What can **I** do?” When asked to answer the question of “What is wrong with the world?” the usually wordy G. K. Chesterton responded simply, “I am.” I think he gets at the heart of the matter. Two things need to happen: 1) we need to beg God for help (through the intercession of the Saints, and the protection of the Holy Angels); and 2) we need to face the evil within ourselves, and surrender it over to Jesus. We will never be able to conquer the evil “out there” until we have surrendered the evil in our hearts to Almighty God.

The young man in the Gospel today faces this. He asks how to inherit eternal life. Jesus answers with the commandments. The young man pushes harder, and Jesus “hits him between the eyes” – “**Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have reassurance in heaven; then come, follow me**” (Mark 10:21). The rich young man walked away. He was not ready to deal with the things that kept him from God. He had to face his own demons – an attachment to wealth and worldly things – and give them to Jesus.

Now, I’m not saying we have to give everything away – that was the specific call of Jesus to this young man. We do, however, have to look to what is keeping us from getting closer to God. You see, the God of the universe created everything! He made all of the stars, all of the planets and moons. He made galaxies and He made quarks. And in all of this, He didn’t need our help. **The one thing He needs** is our cooperation to come into relationship with Him. (Don’t get me wrong, He often asks for our help, but strictly speaking, He doesn’t need us for anything but this.) The beautiful thing is that He so longs to come into relationship with us that He will pursue us even when we have run away. The question is whether we let Him catch us? Do we let Him into our hearts? Do we surrender all to Him so that He can take down our “walls”?

What am I saying? It comes down to this: I cannot change the heart of a twenty year old in Oregon (God rest his soul, and the souls of all he killed), or anyone else for that matter. All I can do, is get as close to God as I can, and then: **pray** for God to change hearts; **offer my sufferings** in union with Christ’s suffering for the world; **be obedient** when God asks me to reach out to others in love through action and word. Remember that alone, each of us is nothing, but as the saying goes, “with God, we are an overwhelming majority.” With God, all things are possible!

My brothers and sisters, let us pray asking God to conform our hearts to His. Let us ask God to draw us close to Him through His infinitely merciful love. Let us ask for the protection of the Holy Angels for ourselves and others. I encourage you to pray the St. Michael prayer each day (see below) for protection for you and your family, as well as for help to get closer to God, so that God may conquer the evil in our world and in our hearts.

**Saint Michael, the Archangel,
defend us in battle,
be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God,
thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits
who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls.
Amen.**

St. Patrick



Tryouts for the CYO 2015-2016 Basketball season will be held on October 19th and October 22nd. The season runs from October through early March. Practices are once a week with a game on the weekend – generally on Sunday afternoon. All interested children of parishioners are encouraged to tryout.

Time slots and gym locations for the tryouts are as follows:

Monday, Oct. 19th at New England Pentecostal Gym (Rte 38 – St Margaret's Drive)

Boys, 5th & 6th grade at 6:00 – 7:30 PM

Boys, 7th & 8th grade at 7:30 – 9:00 PM

Thursday, Oct. 22nd at Pelham Memorial School (59 Marsh Road)

Girls, 5th & 6th grade at 6:00 – 7:30 PM

Girls, 7th & 8th grade at 7:30 – 9:00 PM

For more information, please contact Jennifer Nale (jennifernale@yahoo.com)

ST. PATRICK PARISH PRESENTS:
AN EVENING OF FUN & LAUGHTER



Featuring St. Patrick's Theatre Group

Friday, October 23, 2015 from 6pm to 10pm
Four Oaks Country Club - Dracut, MA

* Buffet Dinner served at 7pm
* Cash Bar * Raffles * Silent Auction
* Music provided by Muldoon Park Band
Tickets \$40.00 Each

Contact: Kathy Jean 603-635-3525
kathy7421@comcast.net

WHO
DUNNIT?

Suspiciously quiet and disturbing conversations have been heard after Sunday church service.

REINVIGORATE YOUR FAITH

Inspire your faith through a **Cursillo weekend**. Fall **Men's weekends** are October 15-18 and December 3-6. The Fall **Women's weekend** is November 5-8. If you are interested in attending a Cursillo weekend, contact Fr. Von for more information (635-3525).



We are still looking for crafters for St. Patrick's Christmas Craft Fair to be held on December 5, 2015. Cost is \$30 for an 8'x6' space. All crafters who have **hand crafted items** are welcome. Please call the parish office at 603-635-3525 to get an application for that weekend.

QUO VADIS VOCATION CAMP

An invitation for young men between the ages 15-30! Who are interested, in serving the Church. The camp is Saturday, October 24th from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Litchfield, NH. For more information or questions, please contact Jason Jalbert at jjalbert@rcbm.org or to register at www.catholicnh.org/quovadis.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

How do I live my life in a way that brings true happiness? How has our being made in the Image of God mean that we are designed for love? Come join us for **Theology of the Body** on four Monday evenings, 7:00-8:30 PM, starting October 26th for answers to these and other questions about love and life. You will never think the same way again!

For further questions and to register for the sessions, please contact Jackie Hynes at 603-434-1385 or jacquelinehynes@gmail.com. Cost of materials is \$10.00.

The Parish Office will be closed Friday, October 16th.