# **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

# St. Patrick Parish

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# **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday 4PM

Sunday 8AM, 10:30AM,

6PM

# **WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday through Thursday8amFridayNo MassFirst Friday and First Saturday8am

# **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 September 19

4pm The DiGiantommaso Family

requested by their family

Sunday September 20

8am Patricia Dube, 28th Anniversary,

requested by her family

10:30am Florence, Raymond & Paula Ennis

requested by their families

6pm Noella & Bourgeois Family

requested by Albert P. Bourgeois

Monday September 21

8am In Honor of the Virgin Mother

**Tuesday** September 22

8am Intentions of the Blessed Mother

Wednesday September 23

8am Rick Minton, 1st Anniversary,

requested by his Godmother

**Thursday** September 24

8am Bill Costa, Birthday Remembrance,

requested by his cousin Linda

Friday September 25

8am No Mass

Saturday September 26

4pm Raymond Gagne, 9th Anniversary,

requested by Rick, Gail & family

**Sunday** September 27

8am Priscilla Found requested by Ken &

family

10:30am Richard Kinnal requested by

Armand & Joan Berard

6pm Intentions for all our parishioners



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Patricia Dube, 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, by Norman & Cyndee Tourville

#### 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 9/13/15 \$7,633

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses \$7,633

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

# **Capital Improvements**

collected as of 9/13/15 \$1,578

Thank you for your generosity!

# SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

# Sept. 27 NH Diocesan Priest Retirement

This collection supports the NH Diocesan Priest Retirement Trust Fund. This fund provides retirement benefits to retired NH diocesan priests.

# Oct. 4 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

#### Oct. 11 Fuel

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

# 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.

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



# Monday, September 21

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

# Tuesday, September 22

Food Pantry, 6:30 PM Extraordinary Ministers Retreat, 6:30 PM, in the church

# Wednesday, September 23

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the meeting room Adoration 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM, in the church Bible Sharing, 9:00 AM, in the meeting room Food Pantry, 1:00 PM

# Thursday, September 24

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall Choir Practice, 7:30 PM, in the church

### REINVIGORATE YOUR FAITH

Inspire your faith through a **Cursillo weekend**. Fall **Men's weekends** are October 1-4, 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).

## CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

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.

# ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

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



## **SAVE THE DATE!!!!!**

The Parish Picnic is being held on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 AM Mass.

### RICHES OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Please join us for a ten-week program that will explore the spiritual, moral and intellectual riches of the Catholic faith. This program is designed for new Catholics or Catholics simply seeking to learn more about our faith. First session will begin Wednesday, September 9th at 6:30 PM in the meeting room below the church.

# 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 <a href="mailto:fathervon@comcast.net">fathervon@comcast.net</a>, or 603-635-3525.



Anita Tellu is good friends with Flora Polish and they know everything about everyone else's business.

This Tuesday at 6:30 PM in the Church Fr. Von will be having an Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Retreat. All Extraordinary Ministers are strongly encouraged to attend this Retreat. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ginger Borst or Ginnie Thesier.



My dear brothers and sisters,

In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus is teaching His disciples, preparing them for scandal of the Cross. He says to them that He is going to be handed over and killed, but He also shares with them the power of the resurrection. They just don't understand Him, though, and they're afraid to ask Him about it. Is it because they were just speaking about who was the greatest, and they were ashamed? Maybe they knew in their hearts that He was going to tell them that they had to be the servants of all, not the lords of all, and they didn't want to hear it.

Does this ever happen to you? Do you ever struggle with some Truth of Faith? I think, really, the only people who do not struggle at some point with the Truths of Faith are the ones that don't have Faith. For the rest of us, we have to struggle with understanding: "I don't get it, it doesn't make any sense!" The disciples were afraid to ask Jesus about what He said. I wonder... there are times we are afraid to find out more about our Faith. Sometimes we might think there really is no answer, and we're afraid to find out there is only uncertainly and darkness. Many other times it might be that we are afraid that we might find out our Faith is right!

A family friend used to tell my parents that he would never go on a Cursillo weekend. Why? Because he said that if he went, he would have to give up his boat. Now, for those of you unfamiliar with Cursillo, you should know that there is nothing in the Cursillo weekend that says you can't have a boat! What was he afraid of? Cursillo is a weekend designed to help people come into a living relationship with Christ – to fall in love with Him. Our friend didn't understand that if he fell in love with Jesus, it wouldn't be that he would grudgingly have to give up his boat, but that he might reevaluate his priorities; and *out of love* would willingly give up his boat. He couldn't handle that, he was afraid that there might be more to life than what he was making of it and it would mean change.

When our Faith tells us something we struggle with, that we're afraid to ask about, is it because we're afraid that we might have to give up something we really, really enjoy? Are we willing to seek out the Truth, and let it form us? St. James tells us that we are at war in our members because we are ruled by our passions. St. Augustine struggled with this, even in his prayer – "Lord, give me chastity and continence ... but not yet"!!! When we struggle to give up something which is bad (because we like it too much) we need to turn to Jesus and ask Him to transform our desires, our passions. Are we willing to do this? If we're entrenched in the world's way of thinking this can be hard. "What do you mean that I can't use artificial contraception? God doesn't know what He's talking about!" "What do you mean pornography is wrong, even in marriage?" What do you mean I can't play solitaire at work?" Are we willing to seek out the Truth and let Jesus change our hearts?

Jesus longs to transform our out-of-control passions so that we can love Him. He will help us to change, not just our external actions, but even our desires. He can remake us from the inside out. Will we ask Him, though? Or will we be too afraid?



Tryouts for the CYO 2015-2016 Basketball season will be held on October 19<sup>th</sup> and October 22<sup>nd</sup>. 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.

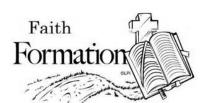
Time slots and gym locations for the tryouts are as follows:

Monday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> at New England Pentecostal Gym (Rte 38 – St Margaret's Drive) Boys, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade at 6:00 – 7:30 PM Boys, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade at 7:30 – 9:00 PM

Thursday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> at Pelham Memorial School (59 Marsh Road)

Girls,  $5^{th}$  &  $6^{th}$  grade at 6:00 - 7:30 PM Girls,  $7^{th}$  &  $8^{th}$  grade at 7:30 - 9:00 PM

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



**Faith Life Registration** went out in the mail if you have not received a registration. You can pick one up at the front entrance of the church or on the parish website or parish office.

# Faith Life is starting this Weekend!!!

Grades 1-8: starts this weekend September 19<sup>th</sup> Grade 9 - Confirmation I: starts this Sunday,

Grade 9 - Confirmation 1: starts this Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup>

Grade 10 - Confirmation II: starts this Sunday, September  $20^{\rm th}\,$ 

Please register by stopping by the Parish Office or going onto the Parish Website.



### **FLU SHOT CLINIC**

St. Patrick Parish is sponsoring a Flu Shot Clinic with the help of Rite-Aid Pharmacy. It will be held on Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Parish Center. If you are interested in coming to St. Patrick for your flu shot, please call the office at 603-635-3525. There is a Screening Consent Form to be filled out before the clinic. There is a fee depending on your health insurance so please bring your insurance card with you.

"Faith and Play" Group: St. Matthews in Windham will be offering two different sessions of a Mommy/Daddy/Caregiver-and-Me "Faith and Play" Group beginning this fall. Once a week, from 9:15 AM to 10:45 AM, kids 0 to 6 years old will meet with their moms/dads/caregivers in the St. Matthews Parish Hall. Come join us for puppet Bible stories, crafts, snack time, and open play. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to begin learning about their faith in a fun environment, while playing with kids their own age. It will also give moms/dads/caregivers an opportunity to participate, while socializing with other parents in the group. The rate is \$20 per family for an eight-week session.

To register, please contact Claire McGarry at clairemcg@comcast.net or 603-402-0518.

For more information please go to www.shiftingmyperspective.com.