

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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May 28 2017

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Fr. Varghese; Dennis Auger, MA, Director; and Kerri-Ann Caduto, Coordinator

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM 11:00 AM

Monday & Wednesday 8:00 AM

1st Friday Odd Numbered Months 8:00 AM

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 AM

1st Friday Even Numbered Months 8:00 AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:

Vigil 7:00 PM Holy Day 8:00 AM 7:00 PM See inside for specific locations.

NOVENAS:

Tuesday 6:00 PM

SACRAMENTS:

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) – by appointment OR

Saturday after 5:30 PM Mass

Saturday 3:15 PM – 3:45 PM

BAPTISM:

4th Sunday of each month; during the 11 AM Mass

2nd Sunday of each month; during the 9:30 AM Mass

Please call the rectory to start the process.

MARRIAGE:

Please call the rectory at least 6 months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please call the parish office/rectory.

TRUSTEES:

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PASTOR'S LETTER

Dear Parishioners:

Recently I came across an article on Church Etiquette—things to keep in mind when we come to Mass each week. I thought I would share it with you:

1. Always dress modestly and appropriately.
 2. Arrive early to allow time to personally prepare.
 3. Turn off (or to vibrate) all mobile devices while still in the vestibule.
 4. Use the restroom before or after Mass.
 5. Men & boys, remove hats or caps before the Lord.
 6. Dispose of all water bottles, coffee cups and gum prior to entering the vestibule.
 7. Make the sign of the cross with holy water upon entering the Church.
 8. Genuflect with great reverence towards the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle before entering your pew. If unable to genuflect, a profound bow is proper.
 9. Refrain from unnecessary talking—it distracts others who are trying to pray and prepare for union with Jesus in the Eucharist.
 10. Join the singing, and know that singing is praying twice and gives great praise to God.
 11. Listen attentively to the readings. God speaks directly to you through His words.
 12. Receive Holy Communion with laser-like attention and deep devotion. You may receive on the tongue (which is preferable) or in your hand. If you choose to receive in your hand, please make sure your hands are clean, your sleeves are pulled up and your writing hand is under the hand you will receive in. Please make a simple bow behind the person in front of you just before you receive.
 13. Wait to leave until the priest has given his final blessing—we need all the blessings we can get!
 14. Finally, please check the pew before you leave. Take with you everything you brought in, and throw away any garbage.
- I think those are excellent practices to help us enter more deeply into the awesome gift and mystery that is Holy Mass and Holy Communion. I hope you agree?!

Have a good week, and God bless.

Fr. Varghese

Time/Talent/Treasure: What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Power? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us!

Questions of the Week

Adults: What is one thing that I can do this week to show to others the joy that my faith gives me?

Children: What help do I need this week to be brave when others make fun of how I live my faith?

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SAT Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
SUN Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16;
Jn 17:1-11a
MON Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
TUE Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

WED Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6;
Lk 1:39-56
THU Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Jn 17:20-26
FRI Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;
Jn 21:15-19
SAT Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
SUN Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

SUNDAY SMILE

A woman wanted to reach her husband on his mobile phone but discovered that she was out of credit; she instructed her son to use his phone to pass across an urgent message to his Daddy who was at the construction site. After Junior had called, he got back to Mommy to inform her that it was a lady that picked up Daddy's phone the three times he tried reaching Dad on the mobile. She waited impatiently for her husband to return from the site. Immediately when she sighted him, she gave him a very hard slap. While the man was trying to ask why, she repeated the slap. People from the neighborhood rushed around to know the cause of this. The man asked Junior to tell everybody what the lady said to him when he called. Junior said, "the number you are trying to call is not reachable at the moment, please try again later."

Memorial Day: Both Rectories (St. Joseph's in Pascoag and St. Patrick's in Harrisville) will be **closed on Monday, May 29**, in observance of Memorial Day.

Religious Education (RE)

Religious Education registration forms for the 2017-2018 year will be mailed out the first week in August. Please call the rectory of the parish you are registered with if you have to update your address information.

Congratulations to the following **First Holy Communion** students who received the Eucharist on Sunday, May 21st, at St. Patrick's Church: **Ava Ayotte, Caleb Ayotte, Landon Ayotte, Caeden Bren, Kellen Coleman, Adam DeCesare, Maya Heon, Cade Lafauci, Isabella Lough, Camden Moore, Riley Morin, Michael O'Rourke, Joseph Paquette, and Colten Razec.** May the Holy Spirit guide you to everlasting Joy in the Eucharist.

May the reception of First Holy Communion start a hunger in you and your parents, which causes you to desire Jesus in Holy Communion, and His truth, each and every Sunday, and Holy Days of Obligation, henceforth.

A special thank you to Mrs. Kimberley Poirier and Mr. Scott Blanchette for their magnificent job in preparing our children for this very important Sacrament. Their diligence, time, and dedication is very much appreciated.

May eternal rest be granted to:

Mona Burbank (St. Joseph's)

Lucienne Cagnon (St. Joseph's)

Judith Flynn (St. Patrick's)

Lawrence Labadie (St. Patrick's)



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH



Parish Mission Statement: As a Christian Faith Community, we the People of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church of Pascoag, RI, acknowledge God's Blessings and strive to live out the Great Commandments to "love God with all our mind, heart, body, and soul"

and "to love our neighbor as ourselves". Through the sacraments and with the Holy Spirit as our guide we seek to witness to and celebrate the kingdom of God among us; through service, healing and reconciling love.

Mass Intentions

- Sat 5:30 In Memory of Arthur Houle, Sr.
May 27 (Birthday Remembrance)
by his Wife & Family
- Sun 8:00 In Memory of Paul R. & Albertine Leduc
May 28 by their Family
- Sun 11:00 In Memory of Bill Mageau
(7th Anniversary)
by his Wife Pat
- Mon 8:00 For Protection: Raymond McMahon II
May 29 by his Parents
- Wed 8:00 In Memory of Leonard Walling &
May 31 Christina Walling
by the Garrepy Family
- Fri 8:00 **FIRST FRIDAY**
Jun 02 St. Patrick's Church
- Sat 5:30 In Memory of Sandra & Weston Wicklund
Jun 03 (Birthday Remembrances)
by Mary & Family
- Sun 8:00 For Living & Deceased Parishioners of
Jun 04 St. Joseph's Church
- Sun 11:00 In Memory of William Cree
(5th Anniversary)
by his Wife Jane

The Sanctuary/Tabernacle Lamp will burn this week for living & deceased parishioners of St. Joseph's Church.

Prayer Ministry: Would you like to join the "prayer warriors" of St. Joseph's parish? Do you know someone who could use a special prayer? Or would you like someone to pray for you? If so, please call Pauline at 568-5644 or the Rectory (568-2411) Monday-Thursday, 9 am – 5 pm.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

05/21/2017

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| Regular Collection..... | \$2,314.00 |
| Mail Ins..... | \$748.00 |
| Total | \$3,062.00 |
| Monthly | \$62.00 |
| Jacob's Gift/Parish Outreach..... | \$23.00 |
| Candles | \$25.00 |
| CCA to Date (per Diocesan Report)..... | \$12,174.00 |
| Ascension Offering | \$16.00 |
| Mothers' Day Novena..... | \$5.00 |
| Fuel Collection..... | \$65.00 |
| National Shrine..... | \$255.00 |

There is no 2nd collection this week.
Next week's 2nd collection is the Monthly Parish Collection.
Your Father's Day Novena envelope may be placed in any collection.

Mini-Splits Update

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| Total Cost:..... | \$49,590.22 |
| To-Date Donations: | <u>-35,006.00</u> |
| Balance Remaining: | \$14,584.22 |

Each week, our parish requires a **minimum of \$3,850.00** to meet our budgeted expenses. If you miss Mass for any reason, we kindly ask you to make up your missed budget envelopes. **Thank you for your generosity.**

2017 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL (CCA)
"Faith and Good Works"

We are still in need of your help to reach our parish goal of \$16,800.00. If you have not already made a pledge or 1-time gift, please prayerfully consider supporting the 2017 CCA. A gift in any amount will be sincerely appreciated. For your convenience, CCA envelopes are available in the vestibule of the Church.

Amount raised thus far* \$12,174.00 (72.46%)

*As reported by the most recent Diocese's 2017 Parish Donor Report. (Does not include the Easter Collection.)

"Be generous and you will be prosperous. Help others and you will be helped." Proverbs 11:25

HVAC DONORS (03/14/17 to 05/15/17)

In Honor of:

- Children in War Zones;* Anonymous
- Crystal & Julia;* J. Mier
- Deacons;* Anonymous
- Medical Personnel;* Anonymous
- Fr. Scott—Good Luck!;* Anonymous
- Syrian Children;* Anonymous
- Fr. Varghese;* J. Griffin
- Vocations;* Anonymous

In Memory of:

- Fr. Charron;* Anonymous
- Deceased Choir Members;* Anonymous
- Edward L. & Mary T. McCabe;* M/M Thomas Tatro

Gift of:

Anonymous (x 4)

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ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH



Parish Mission Statement: St. Patrick Parish is a Roman Catholic Faith Community guided by the Spirit of God, the scriptures and the traditions of the Church. Our mission is to share the Good News of Christ through the celebration of the liturgy, the sacraments, prayer and unconditional service to all humankind.

Mass Intentions

- Sat 4:00 **Robert & Simone Ramieglio**
May 27 **60th Wedding Anniversary**
 by M/M Robert Winsor & Family

- Sun 9:30 **In Memory of Jack Charette &**
May 28 **Tammy Losee**
 by Diane & Family

- Tue 8:00 **For Living & Deceased Parishioners**
May 30 **of St. Patrick's Church**

- Thu 8:00 **For Living & Deceased Parishioners**
Jun 01 **of St. Patrick's Church**

- Fri 8:00 **FIRST FRIDAY**
Jun 02 **St. Patrick's Church**

- Sat 4:00 **In Memory of Billy Keable**
Jun 03 **(Birthday Remembrance)**
 by his Mom, Dad & Family

- Sun 9:30 **In Memory of Frank Hauser**
Jun 04 **by his Family**



The Sanctuary/Tabernacle Lamp will burn this week for living & deceased parishioners of St. Patrick's Church.

If you would like to schedule Masses in 2017 or 2018 or to reserve the Sanctuary-Tabernacle Lamp in memory of a loved one, please call the rectory, Mon-Fri, 8 am – 12 pm, 568-5600.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

05/21/2017

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| Budget..... | \$1,659.00 |
| Mail Ins..... | \$490.00 |
| Total Budget | \$2,149.00 |
| Building/Maintenance | \$125.00 |
| Ascension | \$12.00 |
| National Shrine..... | \$463.00 |

There is no 2nd collection this week or next.

Each week our Parish requires a **minimum of \$2,820.00** to meet its expenses. If you miss Mass for any reason, we kindly ask that you make up your missed budget envelopes. **Thank you for your generosity.**

A/C Update - We're pleased to announce that the air-conditioning mini-splits have been installed.

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| Cost of 6 Mini-splits: | \$22,985.00 |
| Electrical Upgrade: | \$ 4,300.00 |
| TOTAL COST: | \$27,285.00 |
| Donations: | (5,500.00) |
| | \$21,785.00 |
| Building/Maintenance to Date | (13,867.00) |
| Balance remaining: | \$ 7,918.00 |

The monthly Building and Maintenance collection will continue to pay off this balance. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

2017 Catholic Charity Appeal
"Faith and Good Works"

"In a world where there is so much wealth, so many resources to feed everyone, it is unfathomable that there are so many hungry children, that there are so many children without education, so many poor persons." – Pope Francis

Thank you to those who have generously made a gift to the **2017 Catholic Charity Appeal**. If you have not made a gift to this year's Appeal, **it is not too late!** No matter where you turn, you will find someone who will benefit from your kindness and generosity. Whether your gift is twenty-five cents or twenty-five hundred dollars, it is all appreciated and needed. Ninety-two cents of every dollar raised by the Catholic Charity Appeal goes directly to those in need.

Please consider pledging your support to this worthwhile endeavor and help our Parish achieve its **new goal of \$17,000.00**. Please make checks payable to Catholic Charity Fund or you may donate online by visiting www.providencediocese.org.

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AROUND THE DIOCESE

Holy Hour for Vocations - Please join Rev. Mr. Stephen Battey, Rev. Mr. Jean Joseph Brice, and Rev. Mr. Brian Morris on the eve of their ordination to the priesthood as we pray for priestly vocations in the Diocese of Providence at a Holy Hour for Vocations at **7:00 PM on June 2, 2017** at Holy Apostles Church, 800 Phippen Orchard Road, Cranston, RI.

Presbyteral Ordination – With gratitude to Almighty God the Church in the Diocese of Providence joyfully announces and requests the honor of your presence at the Presbyteral Ordination of **Rev. Mr. Stephen M. Battey, Rev. Mr. Jean Joseph Brice, and Rev. Mr. Brian J. Morris** through the Imposition of Hands and the Prayer of Ordination by His Excellency The Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, D.D., Bishop of Providence. **Saturday, June 3, 2017, 10 am; the Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul, One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI.**

From Darkness to Light – A Project Rachel Workshop: Project Rachel is a Catholic ministry for those who have been touched by abortion. A 1-day workshop will be held on Saturday, **June 10**, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. During the workshop, we will walk participants through various aspects that can help on their journey to healing from a past abortion experience. The four main topics will be: Know Thyself, Permission to Grieve, Path to Forgiveness, and True Mercy. For more information, to register, and for directions, call Carol at 421-7833 ext. 218 or contact her via email: cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org. **This is a confidential ministry.**

ST. EUGENE'S VACATION BIBLE CAMP - June 26 – 30. Registration forms are located at the entrance of St. Eugene's Church.

Quo Vadis Days Camp - Attention all high school age Catholic boys! Do you know where your life is going? Our Lord Jesus has a great plan for you! You are invited to attend the Quo Vadis Days Camp to spend time with other young men your age discovering your purpose in life while having fun. QVD camp is led by priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Providence and is supported by the Office of Vocations. The camp will include reflections from priests and laymen from around the diocese, Mass with our Bishop, an outdoor challenge course and a number of other fun activities. QVD will be held from **July 30 - August 2** at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence. The cost of the camp is \$25.00. If you would like more information, please contact Fr. Christopher Murphy at (401) 331-1316 or email FatherCJM@gmail.com. To register online, please visit <http://qvdays.org/register/diocese-of-providence>.



SAVE THE DATE – St. Eugene's 8th Annual Golf Tournament will be held **Sunday, August 13th** 1:30 pm start at Raceway Golf Club, Thompson, Ct. 1:30PM shot gun start, scramble format. \$110.00 per golfer includes: 18 holes of golf, cart, prizes and dinner immediately following. For more information or to sign up to participate, you may call Bridget Gieseke at 567-0469.

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St. Joseph's 50 Club: Dinner at the Village Haven is scheduled for **June 2**; and prizes of \$1,000, \$500, \$250, and \$100 will be awarded to lucky paid-in-full (\$50) ticket holders.

Congratulations:

Week 19 Ticket #47 Linda Cosetta
Thank you for supporting this major parish fundraiser!

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St. Patrick's Cemetery – Pre-Arrangement

The numerous decisions to be made following the death of a loved one can prove burdensome, especially in planning a funeral and burial in a short span of time. Please consider pre-arrangement to ease the burden in the midst of grief.

The following is a current price list of cemetery plots:

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| Single Grave | \$ 950.00 |
| 2 Burial Plots | 1,700.00 |
| 3 Burial Plots | 2,500.00 |
| 4 Burial Plots | 3,300.00 |

For further information regarding the purchase of cemetery burial plots in advance, please call the rectory (Mon-Fri, 8:00 am–12:00 pm; 401-568-5600).

DID YOU KNOW?

Parishioners at St. Patrick's have established the **St. Patrick's Activities Committee** which is already hard at work on making plans for parish events and activities through the end of 2017.

Planning is underway for a parish yard sale, summer picnic, dinner/dance, a new and improved Christmas Bazaar, and more!

Make sure you're in the know on these and other upcoming activities by writing to stpatrickactivities@gmail.com to add your e-mail address to our mailing list.

We look forward to hearing from you.

St. Patrick Church's Summer Yard Sale

Saturday, June 17th

Rain date: June 24th

Cleaning your closets to make way for Spring? Please consider putting some gently used (or unused) items aside for our upcoming parish yard sale. More details to follow, so be sure to stay informed about this and other St. Patrick's happenings by signing up for our email list at stpatrickactivities@gmail.com.

If you would like to arrange a time to drop off items, please call Linda Coutu at 568-3893 or Jen Bergin at 527-9355. Please be sure to leave a message with a phone number and your call will be returned as soon as possible. Many Thanks!

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