



PASTOR'S PAGE



Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Christ,

On behalf of myself, the staff and volunteers at Saint Joseph Church and Saint Patrick Church, we offer each of you and your whole family a joy-filled and grace-filled Easter Sunday! Happy Easter!

"Faith in the resurrection of Christ never misleads us, and hope in our own resurrection never deceives us, because God the Father both restored our Lord to life and will restore us to life too by virtue of his power." - *Saint Bede the Venerable*

Let us rejoice in the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! On the third day He rose from the dead to fulfill what was said in the Scriptures. May our faith in the Resurrection of Christ lift our hearts and minds to what is holy and true. For all those who have passed from this life, we hope in their, and our own future resurrection through Christ. As we recite in the Nicene Creed: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen." Let us live each day of our earthly existence as an Easter people. We are not a Good Friday people, but a people who believe and profess that the Lord, our Savior has risen from the dead. He is Risen indeed! He is not in the tomb! The angel in the Gospel said, "He is not here." As we follow Christ, we follow Him who is alive and is in Heaven. By His resurrection and ascension into Heaven, He gives us the Holy Spirit. Let us rejoice during this season of Easter knowing that Christ has shared with us His Victory.

On Saturday, April 27th Saint Patrick Church will host the Spring Dinner Dance. Thank you to all who have made the preparations for our community event.

Next week is Sunday of Divine Mercy, please join us after the 10 am Mass for Adoration and praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Please keep our 2nd grade students who are preparing for First Communion on May 5th in your prayers. Also, please keep our 10th grade students in prayer as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 18th. May the Holy Spirit guide them closer to Jesus.

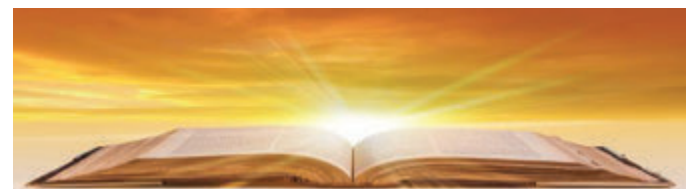
"Tis the spring of souls today:
Christ has burst his prison;
And from three days' sleep in death
As a sun has risen." - *St. John of Damascus*

Peace in the Risen Christ,
Father Scott



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- MON Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, -10, 11; Mt 28:8-15
- TUE Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22; Jn 20:11-18
- WED Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35
- THU Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48
- FRI Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14
- SAT Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15
- SUN Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31



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

- Apr 20 ***Easter Vigil in the Holy Night***
Sat 7:30 pm St. Patrick Church

- Apr 21 **The Resurrection of the Lord (Easter Sunday)**
Sun St. Joseph Church
8:00 In Memory of Carolina Philomena DeFranza Fisher – 1st Anniversary - by her Son Allen
10:00 St. Patrick Church

- Apr 22 **In Memory of Curtis McDuffie**
Mon 8:00 by Richard Cagnon

- Apr 24 **Intention of the Priest**
Wed 8:00

- Apr 27 ***Vigil Mass for the 2nd Sunday of Easter***
Sat 5:30 In Memory of Anna W. Tucker (5th Anniversary)
by Doug, Ann & Family

- Apr 28 **2nd Sunday of Easter – *Divine Mercy Sunday***
Sun 8:00 In Memory of Rita B. Hoppe (14th Anniversary)
by her Family



Sanctuary/Tabernacle Lamp will burn this week in memory of **Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph Church.**

FINANCIAL UPDATE - Due to the bulletin publisher's early Easter submission deadline, the financial update for 04/14/2019 will appear in next week's bulletin.

Upcoming 2 nd Collections	
April 21 (this week)	Easter; Catholic Charities
April 28	Fuel Offering

Donations for *Easter Flowers* and *Special Offering for Mothers' Day* may be placed in any collection.

Each week, our parish requires a **minimum Total Operating Revenue 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.**

Mini-Splits Update

Total Cost:\$49,590.22
To-Date Donations** :\$46,423.22
Balance Remaining:\$3,167.00

****Donations to help defray the cost of the mini-splits are still being accepted. If you choose to make a donation, please specify on the envelope that your gift is for HVAC. While those funds are no longer restricted and are therefore subject to Diocesan assessment, your continued generosity is appreciated.**



St. Joseph's 50 Club Tickets - The cost per ticket is \$50. Paid-to-date ticket holders will be eligible for twenty (20) weekly drawings of \$25 each. Tickets are still available at St. Joseph's rectory (Mon-Thu, 9 am – 5 pm, 401-568-2411). Once again, our dinner will be held at the Village Haven (**June 1, 2019**), with cash prizes drawn the night of the dinner. *Thank you for supporting this major parish fundraiser.*

Week #14 Winner: Kelly Alamandi **Ticket #55**

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

- Apr 20 ***Easter Vigil in the Holy Night***
Sat 7:30 pm St. Patrick Church

- Apr 21 ***The Resurrection of the Lord***
Sun ***(Easter Sunday)***
8:00 St. Joseph Church
10:00 St. Patrick Church
In Memory of Linda Pichie
by Bill & Family

- Apr 23 In Memory of Bill Griffin, Jr.
Tue 8:00 (Birthday Remembrance)
by Jack

- Apr 25 In Memory of Edward Strojny
Thu 8:00 (Birthday Remembrance)
by his Wife & Family

- Apr 27 ***Vigil Mass for the 2nd Sunday of Easter***
Sat 4:00 In Memory of Bill Griffin, Jr.
(84th Birthday Remembrance)
by his Wife

- Apr 28 **2nd Sunday of Easter - *Divine Mercy Sunday***
Sun 10:00 In Memory of Edward Mulligan
(10th Anniversary)
by his Wife & Family



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Mini-Splits Update

Total Cost:.....\$27,285.00
To-Date Donations** :\$24,948.00
Balance Remaining:\$2,337.00

**Donations to help defray the cost of the mini-splits are still being accepted. If you choose to make a donation, please specify on the envelope that your gift is for HVAC.

The **Rosary and Altar Society of St. Patrick's Church** invites all the women of St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's to join us on Tuesday, **May 14**, for our **Annual Pot Luck Dinner and Auction**. The event begins at



6:00 pm, and new and exciting dishes are always welcome! If you are able to attend, please bring a wrapped gift (\$10-\$15 value) which will be auctioned at this fun-filled night of food and fellowship. All proceeds from this event will benefit St. Patrick's Food Pantry. New members always welcome. If you wish to become a member, yearly dues are \$3.00 and payable on the night of the auction. For any information about this event or the other works of the Rosary and Altar Society, contact Joyce Baptista at 401-663-6403. We thank you and look forward to welcoming new members.



St. Patrick's Spring Dinner Dance Saturday, April 27, 2019; dinner at 6 pm; dancing 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm. Featuring The Live Music Band (classic rock 'n roll). Chicken Cordon Bleu dinner w/coffee &

dessert. Cash bar--beer, wine, soft drinks. \$20 per person; \$140 for a table of 8. Call the rectory (401-568-5600) for more information.

PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND - March 4-12, 2020

We (St. Joseph & St. Patrick parishes) are considering a pilgrimage to Ireland for next Spring. Final details are still being put together, but we have a preliminary program set up and would like to invite parishioners (and their friends) to take a look and let us know if you are interested. Itinerary, inclusive features, estimated costs and dates can be found at: <https://www.travelillum.com/trc/idi>. Or, you can call 1-800-368-6757, ext. 128 to ask questions. We hope you will join us for this enriching adventure.

AROUND THE DIOCESE & ELSEWHERE

RELIC OF THE HEART OF ST. JEAN VIANNEY

The Seminary of Our Lady of Providence, 485 Mt. Pleasant Ave. in Providence, will host the Relic Pilgrimage of St. Jean Vianney on Monday, April 22. Public veneration will take place 10 am-6 pm in the Seminary Chapel. This pilgrimage is a national tour of a major relic of the patron saint of parish priests. For more information, call the Seminary Office at 401-331-1316.

MCVINNEY AUDITORIUM; A SPECIAL SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The Shakespeare Time-Traveling Speakeasy presentation provides students an excellent introduction to the life and works of William Shakespeare (think: Shakespeare meets "Hamilton"). The presentations include multimedia and feature a live band. Two shows, Tuesday, April 23, at 10 am and 12 noon. Tickets and information at www.shakespearetohiphop.com.

DEDICATED TO DIVINE MERCY: A DAY WITH ST. FAUSTINA

– Wednesday, April 24, 2019, LaSalette Retreat Center, 947 Park Street, Attleboro, MA. Presenter: Joy Jennings. You are invited to celebrate the life of St. Faustina Kowalska, the humble Polish nun to whom the "Divine Mercy" devotion was entrusted. This day of Reconciliation will prepare for the "Feast of Divine Mercy" on Sunday, April 28. Suggested donation per person: \$45. Registration begins at 8:30 am; 9:15 am – 4:00 pm, lunch and Mass included in the program. Call 1-508-222-8530 to register.

ANNUAL ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER'S CAREGIVERS' JOURNEY CONFERENCE – April 25, Crown Plaza, Warwick, RI. For more information, please call Annie Murphy, Program Manager, at 401-421-0008, ext. 9704, or 1-800-272-3900; via e-mail at mmurphy@alz.org, or visit www.alz.org/ri.

PASTORAL CARE FUNDRAISER DINNER - Sponsored by The Office of Life and Family Ministry. Saturday, April 27 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at St. John Paul II Church (St. Cecilia's), 1253 Newport Ave., Pawtucket. To support St. Gabriel's Call and Project Rachel/Rachel's Vineyard. Italian Buffet Dinner tickets are \$30 per person.

For more information and to purchase your tickets, please call Carol Owens at 401-278-2518 or e-mail: cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND RETREAT -

If you have experienced an abortion, there is hope and healing. Come back to Jesus with all of your heart and experience His healing power as you begin your journey to wholeness once again.

The retreats will be held on the following dates: May 3, 4, 5 and November 9, 10, 11 in English and November 15, 16, 17 in Spanish. For English retreats, call Carol at 401-278-2528 and for the Spanish retreat; call Loren at 401-742-1510. The Diocesan Office of Life and Family Ministry offers this ministry – all calls are confidential!

MIDDLE SCHOOL VOCATIONS RETREAT -

The Vocations Office of the Diocese of Providence will host a discernment retreat for middle school boys on Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 9 am-3 pm at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence, 485 Mt. Pleasant Ave., Providence. The retreat offers young men an opportunity to meet seminarians, hear talks on the priesthood/vocations, take a tour of the seminary and attend Holy Mass.

For more information, call the Vocations Office, at 401-331-1316. Registration forms available at <https://catholicpriest.com>.


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