

*The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



“...the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.” Matthew 13:45-46

**SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH & SAINT PATRICK CHURCH  
BURRILLVILLE, RI**

**July 26, 2020**

## PASTOR'S PAGE



Dear Friends in Christ,

In the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 13, the Lord continues to speak to us about the Kingdom of Heaven. We have been listening to the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 13, for the last few Sundays. We are learning about the Kingdom of Heaven through the use of parables. How have these parables been impacting our thoughts about the Kingdom of Heaven? How have the last few months been impacting our thoughts about the Kingdom of Heaven?

As we focus on the Kingdom of Heaven, may it help us on our journey of faith. We are called to a higher place. We are made and called to live with God forever in His Kingdom. We are called to build His Kingdom. We are invited to encounter Christ, who reveals to us the Kingdom of our Heavenly Father. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to guide us and deepen our awareness of the Kingdom of Heaven.

With the Kingdom of Heaven in mind, let us turn even more closely to what the Lord is trying to reveal to us. When the Lord talks about the Kingdom, it is close. The parables each have their own example of closeness. Ultimately, the Lord wants us to know Him and to live as He teaches us to live, in peace, joy, love and hope. In the section on Christian Prayer, in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the ultimate prayer is the prayer Jesus taught us, the "Our Father". In this prayer, Jesus prays: "Thy Kingdom Come". The Catechism states in this section, "The Kingdom of God lies ahead of us. It is brought near in the Word incarnate, it is proclaimed throughout the whole Gospel, and it has come in Christ's death and Resurrection. The Kingdom of God has been coming since the Last Supper and, in the Eucharist, it is in our midst" (2816). Saint Cyprian states: "...the Kingdom of God means Christ himself, who we daily desire to come, and whose coming we wish

to be manifested quickly to us. For as he is our resurrection, since in him we rise, so he can also be understood as the Kingdom of God, for in him we shall reign."

All parables point to Christ. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life (cf. John 14:6). May we continue to grow as His disciples. Discipleship is letting everything else go so as to find the "pearl of great price", Jesus Christ. In Him, we move, we live and have our being. Let us continue to build His Kingdom and prepare ourselves, with His grace, to meet Him face to face.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Scott

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### **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

MON Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 13:31-35  
TUE Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13;  
Mt 13:36-43  
WED Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18;  
Jn 11:19-27  
THU Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab;  
Mt 13:47-53  
FRI Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58  
SAT Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34;  
Mt 14:1-12  
SUN Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Rom 8:35,  
37-39; Mt 14:13-21

**TIME/TALENT/TREASURE** – What is the greatest symbol of love? To give of yourself with no expectation of reciprocation. Selfless acts mark the path of a good steward.

**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**



The **MISSION** of the parish communities of Saint Joseph and Saint Patrick is to "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel."

Our **VISION**: As a Catholic faith community, we invite all to experience the saving grace of Jesus Christ. We strive to grow and sustain by offering ministries that meet and nurture the Sacramental, spiritual, material and emotional needs of our greater community.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Jul 25 Sat 4:00** Vigil Mass;  
**17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 In Memory of Lois Simpson  
 (12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
 by her Family  
 &

In Memory of Andy Lambert  
 (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
 by his Wife & Sons

**Jul 26 Sun 8:00** **17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 In Memory of Edward Strojny  
 (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)  
 by his Wife & Family

**Jul 27 Mon 8:00** In Memory of James Murphy  
 (63<sup>rd</sup> Birthday Remembrance)  
 by his Wife & Family

**Jul 29 Wed 8:00** **St. Martha**  
 Intention of the Priest

**Aug 01 Sat 8:00** **First Saturday Devotion**  
 St. Patrick Church

**Aug 01 Sat 4:00** Vigil Mass;  
**18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 In Memory of Roger P. Walker  
 (21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) &  
 Marie Walker (Birthday Remembrance)  
 by Linda, Paul & Bethany

**Aug 02 Sun 8:00** **18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Intention of the Priest

**SANCTUARY/TABERNACLE LAMP**

will burn this week in loving memory of **Jim Murphy** (birthday remembrance), by his Wife & Family.



**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

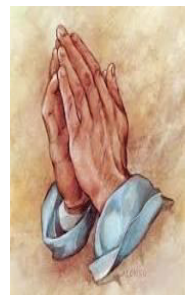
	07/19/20
Regular Collection	\$2,441.00
Mail-Ins	\$1,105.00
Monthly Collection	\$213.00
Electronic Giving-Weekly	\$172.22
Electronic Giving-Monthly	\$8.50
Fuel	\$5.00
Mass Stipends	\$35.00
Sanctuary Lamp	\$25.00
Holy Day	\$3.00
Donations	\$400.00
Easter Flowers	\$10.00
Grateful for God's Providence	\$2,430.87
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$6,848.59</b>
Catholic Relief Services	\$60.00
Catholic Charity Appeal	\$5.00

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.

**UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

Aug 2	Peter's Pence
Aug 9	Monthly Parish Collection
Aug 15/16	Mission Co-Op Appeal

**PRAYER MINISTRY** - Would you like to join the "prayer warriors"? 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 401-568-5644.



**ST. PATRICK CHURCH**



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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Jul 26 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Sun 10:00 In Memory of Russell Latondress**  
 (11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
 by his Wife & Family

**Jul 28**  
**Tue 8:30 Intention of the Priest**

**Jul 30 St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop &**  
**Thu 8:30 Doctor of the Church**  
 Intention of the Priest

**Aug 01 First Saturday Devotion**  
**Sat 8:00 St. Patrick Church**

**Aug 02 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Sun 10:00 In Memory of Greg Latondress**  
 (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)  
 by his Wife



**SANCTUARY/TABERNACLE**  
**LAMP** will burn this week in memory of **Deceased Parishioners of St. Patrick Church.**



*Thank you to all the generous donors who support St. Patrick's Food Pantry, especially during the pandemic. Your donations help provide food and necessary household items to the less fortunate in our community.*

*Currently, between 35 and 60 families receive help through this important community program. We sincerely thank you for remembering the Food Pantry!*

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

	<b>07/19/20</b>
<b>Regular Collection</b>	<b>\$1,044.00</b>
<b>Mail-Ins</b>	<b>\$142.00</b>
<b>Building &amp; Maintenance</b>	<b>\$493.00</b>
<b>Electronic Giving-Weekly</b>	<b>\$110.79</b>
<b>Electronic Giving-Monthly</b>	<b>\$47.99</b>
<b>Mass Stipends</b>	<b>\$240.00</b>
<b>Holy Day</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>Father's Day</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Grateful for God's Providence</b>	<b>\$3,760.13</b>
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$5,848.91</b>
<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>\$805.71</b>
<b>Catholic Charity Appeal</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>

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**UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

<b>Aug 2</b>	<b>Peter's Pence</b>
<b>Aug 9</b>	<b>Building &amp; Maintenance Fund</b>
<b>Aug 15/16</b>	<b>Mission Co-Op Appeal</b>

**St. Patrick's Cemetery – Pre-Arrangement**

The numerous decisions that must 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:

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, please call the inter-parish office at 568-2411. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 to 3:00.

## Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe for the Protection from Coronavirus

*Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children.*



*We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.*

*Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your*

*holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness. For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.*

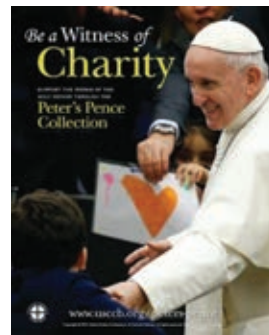
*In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.*

*We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy. Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.*

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### **PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION AUGUST 2 -**

Next week, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be as generous as your means allow. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).



### The **SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM at MOTHER OF HOPE CAMP** (Mater Spei) is open! Families of

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**#WHATSMYNAME**  
 In Remembrance of Samantha Josephson

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