

ST. JOSEPH & ST. PATRICK ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

1st SUNDAY OF LENT

March 1, 2020



“After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened [for him], and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove [and] coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

“Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil...At this, Jesus said to him, “Get away, Satan! It is written: ‘The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.’” Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.” (Matthew 3:16-17, 4:1, 10-11)

PASTOR'S PAGE



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Lent has begun. Ashes were distributed this past Wednesday. The Lenten Season begins with ashes that remind us of our mortality and need for conversion. Father Saunders, in an article, reminds us that "Ashes symbolized mourning, mortality and penance." He references the Old Testament passages that note the use of ashes, as well as the New Testament. In the Gospel, he says, "Jesus Himself also made reference to ashes: Referring to towns that refused to repent of sin although they had witnessed the miracles and heard the good news, our Lord said, 'If the miracles worked in you had taken place in Tyre and Sidon, they would have reformed in sackcloth and ashes long ago' (Matthew 11:21)." May this Lent be one that brings us closer to Christ and helps us to think more about the spiritual realities that surround all we believe and practice as Catholics.

"O Sacred Heart of Jesus, give me a heart that is one with your own; a loving heart that has compassion for the suffering of others; a pure heart that recoils even at the appearance of evil; a heart detached from self-love and embraced by the love of God, its attention focused on God, its goodness is its only treasure in time and in eternity." - St. Madeleine Sophie Barat

At this time of year, the Diocese of Providence holds their annual Catholic Charity Appeal. The goals for each parish have been adjusted for 2020. Saint Patrick's 2020 Goal is \$20,000, and Saint Joseph's 2020 Goal is \$16,000. The letter from the Bishop was sent out a few weeks ago. A letter from the Pastor will be sent out shortly. Next weekend will be the Kick-Off Weekend. Thank you for your prayerful consideration in participating in the Catholic Charity Appeal for the Diocese. Many programs, offices and ministries are funded by the Appeal in the Diocese of Providence. Please see the website for a link to the video message and for more information. <https://dioceseofprovidence.org/cca>.

One of the precepts of the Church is to "confess your sins at least once a year" (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2022). This precept continues to encourage all the faithful to grow in holiness and continue to be transformed by the grace God has given to us through His Church. All-day confessions are offered during this time of year. Saint Joseph in Woonsocket will be holding one on Saturday, March 21 beginning at 8 am. Saint Philip Church in Greenville will be holding one on Saturday, April 4th beginning at 8:30 am. Please make every effort to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter if you have not done so this past year. Regular Confessions are offered on Saturdays from 3:15 - 3:45 pm at Saint Patrick Church, or you may call to make an appointment with Father Scott.

Our 10th grade Candidates for Confirmation will be making the Rite of Enrollment as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, March 15th at the 10 am Mass at Saint Patrick Church. Please join us for a reception to honor them. On the same day we will also have a combined celebration to celebrate our Patron Saints' Feast Days. Please join us for fellowship and food as we honor our patron Saints and support our 10th grade candidates.

Let us keep each other in prayer as we begin this Lenten season. May the Lord stir within us the fire of His love and inexhaustible mercy.

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Scott

TIME/TALENT/TREASURE – While God mercifully provides us with time and opportunity, let us give witness to our faith with deeds of kindness and generosity!

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
 TUE Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15
 WED Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
 THU Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
 FRI Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26
 SAT Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
 SUN Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

LENTEN REFLECTION/MISSION – Reminder: Beginning February 27, Fr. Scott began a 4-part study group, "Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist". Family and friends are welcome to attend one or more of the remaining sessions:

Mar 5	1 pm St. Patrick Hall	7 pm St. Joseph Hall
Mar 12	1 pm St. Patrick Hall	7 pm St. Joseph Hall
Mar 19	1 pm St. Patrick Hall	7 pm St. Joseph Hall

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Fridays, 7 PM

Mar 6	St. Patrick Church
Mar 13	St. Joseph Church
Mar 20	St. Patrick Church
Mar 27	St. Joseph Church
Apr 3	St. Philip Church Living Stations
Apr 10	St. Joseph Church



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



MISSION STATEMENT

As a Christian Faith Community, we the People of St. Joseph's 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

- Feb 29** **Vigil Mass; 1st Sunday of Lent**
Sat 5:30 **In Memory of Marie Walker**
 (7th Anniversary)
 by Linda, Paul & Bethany
- Mar 01** **1st Sunday of Lent**
Sun 8:00 **For the Relief & Release of the Souls in Purgatory**
 by the Rosary & Altar Society
- Mar 02**
Mon 8:00 **Intention of the Priest**
- Mar 04** **St. Casimir**
Wed 8:00 **In Memory of Martha H. Silva**
 (6th Anniversary)
 by her Family
- Mar 06** **FIRST FRIDAY**
Fri 8:00 **St. Joseph Church – For the Relief & Release of the Souls in Purgatory**
- Fri 7 pm** **Stations of the Cross – St. Patrick Church**
- Mar 07** **Vigil Mass; 2nd Sunday of Lent**
Sat 5:30 **In Memory of Dr. John R. Payne**
 (Birthday Remembrance)
 by his Wife & Family
- Mar 08** **2nd Sunday of Lent**
Sun 10:00 **In Memory of Donald Dinges**
 (3rd Anniversary)
 by his Family

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

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – Workshops will be held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am at St. Patrick's rectory. For more information, call Pauline Prew at 401-568-5644.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	2/16/2020	2/23/2020
Regular Collection	\$2,517.00	\$2,192.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 200.00	\$ 75.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 432.83	\$ 142.59
Monthly	\$ 180.00	\$ 70.15
Fuel	\$ 109.00	\$ 51.75
Mail Ins	\$ 215.00	\$ 91.00
Candles	\$ 50.00	\$ 45.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 29.65	n/a
Endowments	n/a	\$4,318.70
Memorial Donations	n/a	\$ 30.00
St. Joseph's Feast Day		\$ 24.62
Total Operating	\$3,733.48	\$7,040.81
Parish Outreach (Jacob's Gift)	\$ 11.00	\$ 18.00
Catholic University	\$ 30.00	n/a
Latin America	\$ 10.00	n/a

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

March 1	Monthly Parish Collection
March 8	Fuel Collection

SAVE THE DATES

Sun, 03/15/2020	Rite of Enrollment	St. Patrick Church 10 am Mass
Sun, 03/15/2020	St. Patrick & St. Joseph Feast Day Celebrations	St. Patrick Church Hall following 10 am Mass
Tue, 03/31/2020	Rosary & Altar Society Pot Luck Dinner and Auction	St. Patrick Church Hall, 6:30 pm
Sat, 04/18/2020	Dinner Dance Sponsored by St. Patrick Church	St. Patrick Church Hall
Sat, 06/06/2020	20-Week Club Sponsored by St. Joseph Church	The Village Haven Restaurant

20-WEEK CLUB, Sponsored by St. Joseph Church (formerly known as the 50 Club) tickets are still available! The cost for tickets remains \$50.00 each. Twenty (20) weekly drawings and dinner at the Village Haven in Forestdale on **Saturday, June 6, 2020** are included. *Congratulations to:*

Week #5 Winner: Mitch Parkhurst Ticket #: 65
Week #6 Winner: Bethany Cosetta Ticket #: 13

ST. PATRICK CHURCH



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

- Feb 29 **Vigil Mass; 1st Sunday of Lent**
Sat 4:00 In Memory of Norman Gaucher (4th Anniversary)
by Steve & Sandy
- Mar 01 **1st Sunday of Lent**
Sun 10:00 In Memory of Charles & Alma Dionne
by their Family
- Mar 03 **St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin**
Tue 8:00 In Memory of Raymond Bedard
by his Sister Loretta
- Mar 05 **In Memory of Scott Latendresse**
Thu 8:00 by his Family
- Mar 06 **FIRST FRIDAY**
Fri 8:00 St. Joseph Church
- Fri 7 pm **Stations of the Cross** – St. Patrick Church
- Mar 07 **Vigil Mass; 2nd Sunday of Lent**
Sat 4:00 In Memory of Robert Leveillee
by Pauline Doire
- Mar 08 **2nd Sunday of Lent**
Sun 10:00 In Memory of Tylor Bernard
by his Grandparents, Ken & Carol Lewin

SANCTUARY/TABERNACLE LAMP will burn this week in loving memory of **NORMAN GAUCHER**.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – Workshops will be held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 10 am at St. Patrick’s rectory. For more information, call Pauline Prew at 401-568-5644.

DINNER DANCE – Sponsored by St. Patrick’s Church; Saturday, April 18, 2020; St. Patrick Church Hall. Dinner – 6 pm; music and dancing 7:30 pm. Tickets \$20 per person. Or, purchase 2 tickets for \$35! Featuring The Live Music Band. Call the rectory, Mon-Fri, 8 am – 12 pm, 401-568-5600, for tickets.



FINANCIAL UPDATE

	2/16/2020	02/23/2020
Regular Collection	\$1,456.00	\$1,649.00
Mail Ins	\$ 420.00	\$ 85.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 72.99	\$ 81.64
Building/Maintenance	\$ 20.00	\$ 43.99
Mass Stipends	\$ 50.00	\$ 205.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 10.00	\$ 95.00
HVAC	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Ash Wednesday	n/a	\$ 4.87
Total Operating	\$2,058.99	\$2,194.50
Food Pantry	\$ 75.03	n/a

Each week, our parish requires a minimum Total Operating Revenue of \$2,820.00 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	\$27,285.00
To-Date Donations**	\$25,750.00
Remaining Balance	\$ 1,535.00

**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.

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

March 1	Building & Maintenance Fund
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AROUND THE DIOCESE & ELSEWHERE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & FISH FRY –

Every Friday in Lent in the Enders House (Feb 28 – Apr 10). Choose a 5 pm or 6:30 pm seating, or order to go. Stations of the Cross are recited in the Chapel of the Assumption at 6 pm. Learn more at www.enders.is/bestill; 1-860-536-0565.

2020 BANFF CENTRE MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL WORLD TOUR returns to McVinney Auditorium on Monday, March 9, at 7:00 pm. It's the largest and one of the most prestigious mountain festivals in the world. With stops planned in about 550 communities and more than 40 countries across the globe, this year's tour features a collection of the most inspiring action, environmental, and adventure films from the festival. Traveling to exotic landscapes and remote cultures, and bringing audiences up-close and personal with adrenaline-packed action sports, the 2020 World Tour is an exhilarating and provocative exploration of the mountain world. Experience some of these award-winning films of outdoor adventures at McVinney! Get your tickets now. Visit www.mcvinneyauditorium.com.

LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION – Dwell in the presence of God as we practice the virtue of prayerful mindfulness during this holy season of Lent. Learn more at www.enders.is/dwelling. March 4, 2020.

St. Edmund's Retreat, 1 Enders Island, PO Box 399, Mystic, CT 06355. 1-860-536-0565.

reception@endersisland.org

DIOCESAN FAITH FORMATION CONVOCA-TION - Saturday, March 14, 2020. Bryant University, Smithfield, RI. All adults are invited to be refreshed in their faith, enjoy fellowship with other Catholics, and be equipped to discuss their Catholic Faith with others. Dynamic speaker and author, Mike Aquilina, will present the Keynote Address "The Martyr's Cup" and a breakout session "Angels of God." Speakers from the McGrath Institute for Church Life will present a series of talks on Science and the Bible. Other topics include missionary discipleship, sharing the Faith with children and teens, the Church's teaching on gender theory and more. The day begins with Holy Mass at 8:30 AM celebrated by Bishop Thomas Tobin. The schedule runs 10:00 AM – 5:15 PM and includes informative breakout sessions with 20 speakers, lunch, Confessions, and Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Advance ticket sales only. Purchase tickets, view the full schedule and list of speakers and exhibitors at www.discovercatholicfaith.org. For more info: Office of Faith Formation at 401-278-4646.

Looking for a Spiritual pick-me-upper? LA SALETTE RETREAT CENTER in Attleboro, MA, has published its complete schedule of 2020 retreat programs and days of recollection.

Visit its website at: www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org. Or, send for its catalog of programs at: La Salette Retreat Center, 947 Park Street, Attleboro, MA 02703.

CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGES WITH DAILY MASS TO FATIMA, LOURDES, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA AND BARCELONA;

April 21 - May 3, 2020, \$3699 per person, and to OBERRAMMERGAU for the Passion Play performed only every 10 years with SWITZERLAND and AUSTRIA, September 8 - 19, 2020, \$5299 per person.

Pilgrimages include airfare, all sightseeing, breakfast and dinner daily.

For a Flyer or more detailed information, please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, SPAIN, AND LOURDES – July 5-14, 2020. This summer, travel with Fr. Jason Brillhante, a priest of the Diocese of Fall River, to Lisbon to visit the Basilica of Our Lady of Fatima, visit and see a 13th century Eucharistic miracle. Then travel through Spain to Avila to venerate the relics of both St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross. Next visit Loyola, the birth places of St. Ignatius of Loyola the founder of the Society of Jesus or better known as the Jesuits. Finally, the pilgrimage arrives in Lourdes where the Blessed Virgin Mother appeared to St. Bernadette and announced to her that she is the Immaculate Conception. For more information and additional itinerary items, please visit www.pilgrimages.com/frbrilhante or e-mail Father Jason Brillhante at fr.jason.brilhante@gmail.com.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND & JORDAN – Sept 8 – 18, 2020. Visiting Haifa, Tiberias, Nazareth, Jerash Mt. Nebo, Madaba, Petra, Bethlehem, Jerusalem. Hosted by Fr. TJ Varghese. \$3499 per person, from Boston. Nawas International Travel. For more information, call St. Luke's Parish at 401-246-1212.

3RD ANNUAL DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY – Plans have begun for the 3rd Annual Diocesan Youth Day, scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2020; Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Cumberland, RI. 2020's theme is "Empowered", with National Presenter Cooper Ray, who is becoming one of today's more popular and sought after speaker, worship leader, and retreat facilitator. Through music, story, humor, and audience participation, Cooper leads groups of all ages to a greater awareness of who they are as Catholic Christians and how to recognize God's presence in their lives.

The Office of Catholic Youth Ministry welcomes all to join the planning committee. Subcommittees will include:

- Rituals: Prayer, Worship, Sacraments
- Faith Formation & Service
- Interaction & Activities
- Logistics & Site Management
- Promotions, Funding & Development

For more information, email youthministry@dioceseofprovidence.org or call 401-278-4626.

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