

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 21, 2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

08 December 2020 – 08 December 2021



“I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it and will glorify it again.” John 12:27-28

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH & SAINT PATRICK CHURCH
BURRILLVILLE, RI

PASTOR'S PAGE



Dear Friends in Christ,

As we approach the Paschal Celebrations, the covering of the statues in the church may begin this weekend. Covering the statues has been around for centuries. This begins on the Fifth Sunday of Lent and will continue until Holy Saturday. While the coverings are present for the last two weekends of Lent, we meditate on two themes. 1) How our Lord “veiled” His Divinity during His passion. “Prior to Vatican II the editors of the Schott Missal saw the veiling of crosses and so on as intended ‘to remind us of the Redeemer’s humiliation and thus to imprint the image of the crucified Christ more deeply on our hearts.’” (By Jennifer Gregory Miller | Mar 18, 2018 | In The Liturgical Year) And 2) “the covering of images is seen more like shrouding, as in a death shroud” (by Jennifer Gregory Miller). We are all called to die to self in order for Christ to make all things new in us. Let us enter into these last couple of weeks with deep prayer and openness to the Holy Spirit who unites us to Christ.

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. This is a one day celebration that unfolds over three days. The Triduum Schedule is as follows:

Holy Thursday, April 1: 7 pm Saint Joseph
Good Friday, April 2: 3 pm Saint Patrick
Stations of the Cross April 2: 6 pm Saint Joseph
Sacrament of Confession Sat. April 3: 3-4 pm
Saint Patrick Church
Easter Vigil, Sat. April 3: 7:30 pm Saint Joseph

Thank you to all who made a donation towards the St. Joseph vestment in honor of our Patron Saint during the Year of Saint Joseph.

There are many prayers and devotions to Saint Joseph. As we continue to honor him in this Year of Saint Joseph, I invite you to prayerfully consider taking a 33 Day journey of consecration to Saint Joseph. This devotion will unfold the life of Saint Joseph by reflecting on the Litany of Saint Joseph. The book that will be used for the consecration is called *Consecration to Saint Joseph* by Father Donald Calloway, MIC.

Father has much information about the life of Saint Joseph and how he can help us to grow deeper with Jesus Christ.

If you are interested or would like to pick up the book and start at a later time, please contact the Interparish office at 401-568-2411 or stjosephstpatrickburrillri@gmail.com to reserve a copy. The informational meeting and the first day of the consecration will start on Tuesday, March 30th. Please choose one session to attend:
1:30 pm Saint Patrick Church hall or
7:00 pm Saint Joseph Church hall.

I am very excited about us getting to know the guardian of the Savior and the Mother of God.

Lenten Blessings,
Father Scott

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62
TUE Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30
WED Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56;
Jn 8:31-42
THU Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11;
Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
FRI Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42
SAT Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56
SUN Mk 11:1-10; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 9-20, 23-4;
Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

TIME/TALENT/TREASURE – “Blessed are they who have not seen and have believed.” For those who have not seen to believe, however, we must be good stewards of our faith, living it joyfully and sharing it generously. Then, in our own time, “men and women in great numbers” will be “added to the Lord”.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRS) RICE BOWL (second collection March 28) Community in Madagascar – Poor nutrition can lead to devastating long-term consequences for individuals, communities and entire countries. That’s why communities must work together to ensure that all children have access to better food and nutrition. New planting and cooking techniques are helping many communities in Madagascar improve the health and wellbeing of their children. How does your community work together for the good of others? Visit www.crsricebowl.org to learn more.

CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

Dear Parishioners, Cross Catholic Outreach wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Rev. Farrell McLaughlin “Fr. Mac” on our recent visit to your parish. On behalf of the poorest of the poor, we thank you for having shared in their lives. May our Lord continue to bless all of you for your love and support.



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

- Mar 20 **Vigil Mass; 5th Sunday of Lent**
 Sat 4 pm **In Memory of Rose Carter**
 (24th Anniversary)
 by her Daughter Sandi and
 Son-in-Law Roland
- Mar 21 **5th Sunday of Lent**
 Sun 8:00 **Intention of the Priest**
- Mar 22
 Mon 8:00 **Intention of the Priest**
- Mar 24 **In Memory of Betsy & Mark Zifcak**
 Wed 8:00 by their Family
- Mar 26 **Stations of the Cross**
 Fri 6 pm **St. Patrick Church**
- Mar 27 **Vigil Mass; Palm Sunday**
 Sat 4:00 **In Memory of Mary & John Franklin**
 by Mike and Nancy Franklin
 &
In Memory of Maybelle St. Pierre
 (3rd Anniversary)
 by her Family
- Mar 28 **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**
 Sun 8:00 **In Memory of Rita Brunette**
 (17th Anniversary)
 by her Family



SANCTUARY LAMP – will burn this week in memory of Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph Church.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	03/14/21
Regular Collection	\$1,318.00
Mail-Ins	\$610.00
Monthly Collection	\$101.87
Electronic Giving Weekly	\$203.52
Fuel	\$335.75
Mass Stipends	\$40.00
Donations - RE	\$2.00
Candles	\$90.00
Easter Flowers	\$9.62
Feast Day Donation	\$40.00
Mother's Day	\$6.00
Total Operating	\$2,756.76
Jacob's Gift	\$12.00
Easter-For Catholic Charities	\$6.00

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

March 28	Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl Diocese of Providence
April 2	Holy Land – Good Friday
April 4	Easter Offering FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES
April 11	Monthly Parish Collection

20-WEEK CLUB Sponsored by St. Joseph Church



Mark your calendars for Friday, June 4, 2021! Our annual 20-Week Club family style chicken dinner at the Village Haven is scheduled for **6:30 pm**. Tickets will be sold after select Masses and during regular business hours (Monday – Thursday, 9:00 am until 3:00 pm) at St. Joseph's Rectory (401-568-2411). The ticket price remains \$50 each, and includes eligibility for weekly drawings of \$25 each and \$1,850 in cash prizes the night of the event.

CONGRATULATIONS TO WEEKLY DRAWING
9 WINNER! Ticket # 33 – Richard Nolan

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MASS INTENTIONS

Mar 21 **5th Sunday of Lent**

Sun 10:00 In Memory of Joseph Giard
(3rd Anniversary)
by his Family

Mar 23 **St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop**

Tue 8:30 In Memory of Larry Castonguay
by Jane, Bess, Mark & Matthew

Mar 25 **The Annunciation of the Lord**

Thu 8:30 In Memory of Charles Stahl
by Dennis & Elaine Auger

Mar 26 **Stations of the Cross**

Fri 6 pm St. Patrick Church

Mar 28 **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

Sun 10:00 In Memory of Dr. Ernest Finocchio
by Bill & Diane



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	03/14/21
Regular Collection	\$1,023.00
Mail-Ins	\$866.00
Building & Maintenance	\$109.37
Electronic Giving Weekly	\$102.11
Mass Stipends	\$25.00
Donations - RE	\$2.00
Easter Flowers	\$45.00
Total Operating	\$2,172.48
Food Pantry	\$674.00
Rice Bowl	\$13.00
Good Friday for the Holy Land	\$12.00

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Mar 28	Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl Diocese of Providence
April 2	Holy Land – Good Friday
April 4	Easter Offering FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES
April 11	Building & Maintenance

SPRING DINNER DANCE

sponsored by St. Patrick Church. Saturday, May 22, 2021, 4 pm – 8 pm. (Rain date: Saturday, June 12, 2021.) The Pavilion, Stillwater Mill Center, Tinkham Lane, Harrisville. “Live Music” to provide entertainment. Details regarding regulations, cost and menu will appear in a future bulletin.



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

LENTEN FAST & ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS

- Abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday & the Fridays of Lent (for those 14 and older) is required by Church law. Also, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting: those between the ages of 18 and 59 should eat less, meaning, take no solid food between meals and only one full meal that day. Serious health conditions excuse a person from these precepts.
- Pastors and parents are encouraged by the law of the Church to ensure that minors who are not bound by the law of fast & abstinence are educated nonetheless in an authentic sense of penance.

ST. PATRICK CEMETERIES SPRING CLEAN-UP NOTICE

- St. Patrick Cemeteries, located on Pascoag Main Street and Emerson Road, will have their spring clean-up beginning March 29th. Please remove all memorial items including but not limited to: statues, plant holders, general and miscellaneous markers, all faded or broken items, and holiday decorations as to prepare the cemeteries for the spring and summer seasons. Any memorials not removed BEFORE March 29th are subject to removal or will be discarded without further notice. Replacing and all NEW arrangements/memorials may resume BEGINNING April 1st.

Please direct any inquiries to the Interparish Office at 401-568-2411. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

LENT 2021 | Reflect. Repent. Restore.

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by [giving alms](#); and we practice self-control through [fasting](#). We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this [reflection](#). In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the [Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults](#), a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics. (USCCB)

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