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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 8:00 A.M.

BAPTISM: Parents are asked to call the Parish Office to arrange for instructions and Baptismal date.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning marriage should contact the Pastor at least one year in advance. Participation in a Marriage Preparation Program is expected.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday at 3:00 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

HOME & HOSPITAL VISITATION: Please notify us if you know of someone who would like to receive Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick, and/or a visit.

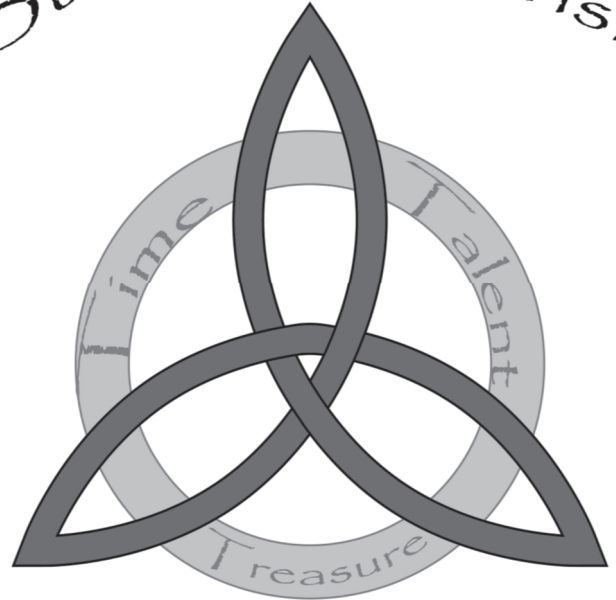
NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! We hope that you will become an active part of our parish family. Please introduce yourselves after Mass or stop by the Parish Center to register.

PRAYER REQUEST LINE: Call with your requests.

508- 886-2206 Paula Stidsen or PaulaStidsen@gmail.com

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St. Patrick Parish



Rutland, MA

St. Patrick Stewardship Prayer

Gracious God,

We thank you for the unique gifts you have given us to foster your kingdom here on earth.

Inspire us to examine our values, always placing you at the center of our lives.

Open our hearts to realize we are blessed and called to share our gifts with others.

Help us to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent and our treasure to connect, serve and impact the world.

AMEN



Full handicap accessibility by the elevator entrance on the left driveway side of the Church building.





Papal Weekly Tweets

Heaven doesn't value what you have, but what you give.



Mass Intentions

Families requesting a Mass are asked to bring up the gifts at the offertory. Please stop in the sacristy to let us know you are at Mass.

WEEKDAY MASS

MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AT 8:00 A.M.

* PERSON IS LIVING

* From November to April, in the event of school delays or cancellations due to weather conditions, Mass will not be held on that day.*

Saturday, December 30

4:00 p.m. Kenneth Sweeney Sr. 1st Anniversary
Requested by the Family

Sunday, December 31

8:00 a.m. Matthew Chasse 6 year Anniversary
10:30 a.m.

Monday, January 1 New Years Day
10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, January 2

8:00 a.m. For the People of St. Patrick's

Wednesday, January 3

8:00 a.m.

Saturday, January 6

4:00 p.m. Ann Gormely
Requested by Brendan & Danielle Finn

Sunday, January 7

8:00 a.m. Emil & Josephine Novak
Requested by Chris A
10:30 a.m.



TABERNACLE LAMP

Sharon Alex

December 31, 2017— January 6, 2018



Weekly Schedule

**Sunday
December 31**

**Fr. Jim Kerrigan
Parish Center**

9:15 a.m. –10:15 a.m.
NO CCD Class

**Monday
January 1**

4:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m.
NO CCD Class

7:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m.
NO CCD Class

**Tuesday
January 2**

Scripture Study & Faith Sharing
After 8:00 am Mass

4:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m. CCD Class

**Wednesday
January 3**

7:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m. CCD Class

Knights of Columbus
Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday
January 4**

Girl Scout Troop 30320
Church Basement 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

**Friday
January 5**

**Saturday
January 6**

First Communion Retreat
12:30 p.m. –5:00 p.m.
Parish Center

Are you a baptized, catechized Roman Catholic adult (18 or older) who has never been confirmed? The Diocese of Worcester will celebrate a diocesan-wide adult Confirmation on Sunday, February 4, 2018 at the Cathedral of St. Paul. A retreat to prepare for Confirmation will be offered on Sunday, January 21, 2018 at Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. If interested, please contact the pastor for more information.

The Parish Office will be closed from December 26, 2017 till January 2, 2018. If you need any assistance during this time please email Allison Winer at arw@stpatricksrutland.org

December 28, 2017

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Catholic University of America, founded in 1887 by the U.S. Catholic bishops with the support of Pope Leo XIII, is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States. Catholic University serves the Church by engaging its students to discover knowledge and truth through excellence in teaching and research. The University continues to expand its academic and research offerings, with faculty who bring world-class research and teaching talents to the classrooms and laboratories for almost 7,000 students.

Catholic University trains the leaders of the Church. It is the only American university with ecclesiastical faculties granting canonical degrees in three disciplines (canon law, philosophy, and theology). Through its national seminary, the university provides graduate degrees for seminarians sponsored by numerous Catholic dioceses in the U.S. More than one-third of all the active and emeritus bishops and archbishops in the country are Catholic University alumni, including five of the six sitting cardinal archbishops. The University's business and theology schools offer a unique "Management as Ministry" program to provide seminarians and newly ordained priests with a foundational understanding of business best practices, including the essentials of finance, management and accounting centered on virtue and ministry.

All of your contributions directly benefit students at CUA from all over the country by funding scholarships for those who would not otherwise be able to attend. Through the parish scholarship program, nearly 500 Catholic parishes have had the opportunity to nominate 1,500 academically qualified annual students for scholarships which were valued at \$4.5 million last year.

I encourage you to be generous in the special collection for The Catholic University of America, to be taken at the Lord's Day Masses in all the parishes throughout the Diocese of Worcester next weekend, **January 6 and 7.**

With prayerful best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester



Mass For The Memorial of Saint Brother Andre Bessette

On **Saturday, January 6 at 10:00 am**, a bilingual (French & English) Mass will be celebrated in observance of the Memorial of Saint Brother André Bessette (1845-1937). Le "frère André," or "Brother André," is known as the founder of Saint Joseph's Oratory in Montréal. He was above all else, a friend of the sick and the poor. Inspired by Saint Joseph, his chosen patron, he worked tirelessly to bring healing and comfort to the afflicted. He was canonized in 2010. The Mass will be celebrated at Saint Joseph Church, 35 Hamilton Street, Worcester. Veneration of the relic of Brother André will conclude the liturgy. A reception will follow. All are welcome.

Rutland Food Pantry Distributions

January

Thursday, January 11, 2018 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 27, 9:00– 11:00 a.m.

February

Thursday, February 8, 2018 6:00—7:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 24, 2018 9:00—11:00 a.m.

Food Pantry Needs

Hot and Cold Cereal

Dried Onions

Pie Crusts

Pie Filling (except Pumpkin)

Quick Breads

Coffee, Tea

Large Cans/Jars Spaghetti Sauce

Reminder:

Please do not leave household items, electronics or toys at St. Patrick's. We do not have the space to store these items or to offer these items. We gladly accept food and seasonal (WINTER) clothes that you would like to donate. Please make sure the clothing is in good condition and that the food **HAS NOT EXPIRED**—as we cannot give out anything that has expired.

Merry Christmas

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Congratulations to Syrah Stidsen and Lena Sullivan who made their First Reconciliation on Saturday, December 16 2017 at St. Patrick Parish

Religious Education Updates

There will be no religious education classes Sunday, December 24 through Monday, January 1. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 2.

The First Communion Retreat is on Saturday, January 6 at 12:30 p.m. It will end with 4 p.m. Mass. The retreat is for the First Communion students and at least one parent.

High School Opportunities

We will have two opportunities for high school students over the summer. The first is the 2018 Mission trip which is a week long trip scheduled for the end of June, 2018. The second is the Steubenville East Catholic Youth Conference which will be held July 13-15 in Lowell, MA. This is a three day conference with contemporary music, speakers and fellowship. There will be more information on these events in January.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

“...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive.” (COLOSSIANS 3:13) Forgiveness – one of the hardest things for people to do. It’s amazing how long we can hold a grudge or be angry with someone. As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family, take this opportunity to give the gift of forgiveness to someone - maybe someone in your family, maybe a friend, maybe a co-worker or neighbor or, maybe yourself. Pick up the phone or text someone right now.

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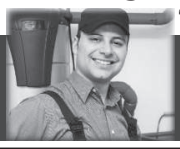
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