St. Patrick Parish

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Serving the People of Rutland, Oakham and Hubbardston

May 16, 2021

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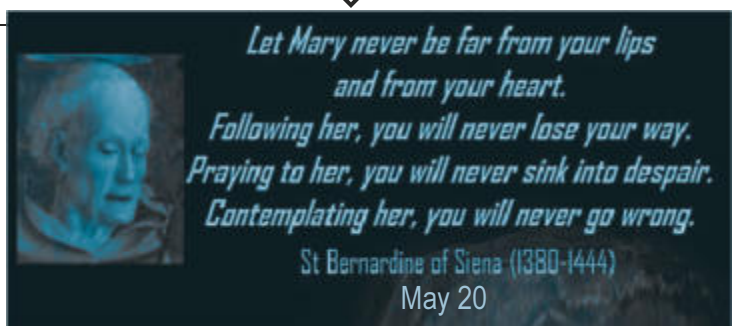
PUBLIC EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS with COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

You may attend Mass **in person** or continue to participate through **Livestreaming** on Facebook. Mass Schedule is:

Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Weekday: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8:00 am



Baptism: Parents please 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 3:30-4:30 pm in the Parish Center, main floor, large classroom.
Home & Hospital Visitation: Please notify us if you know of someone who is ill or homebound.
New Parishioners: Welcome! We hope that you will become an active part of our parish family. Please introduce yourselves at your first opportunity, or call 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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PROTECTING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you want to share feelings of hurt or betrayal, call Judith Audette, Victim Services Coordinator, Office of Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363 (direct, confidential line).

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

"The Lord never tires of forgiving.
It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness."

Pope Francis
on Compassion

Mass Intentions

Public Masses have resumed with Covid-19 precautions including: Wearing Masks, Social Distancing, and use of hand Sanitizer prior to receiving the Eucharist.

To schedule a Mass Intention or request a Tabernacle Lamp please call the Parish Office: 508-886-4984

* Person is Living

NOTE: Public Masses will be Livestreamed on Facebook so you may participate from home.

Saturday, May 15:

5:00 pm All Souls in Purgatory
Requested by a Friend of St. Patrick's

Sunday, May 16:

8:00 am Peter Gemme, 2nd Anniversary
Requested by the Gemme Family

10:30 am Carol Lariviere
Requested by the Jeffcoat Family

Monday, May 17:

8:00 am Pauline Sears
Requested by St. Patrick's Parish

Tuesday, May 18:

8:00 am

Wednesday, May 19:

8:00 am * Fr. Derek Borek, 22nd Ordination Anniversary, Requested by Lauren Maldonado

Saturday, May 22:

5:00 pm

Sunday, May 23:

8:00 am John F. Giblin
Requested by Carol Giblin Gribbons & Family

10:30 am * Bill & Lucille Bailey, 60th Wedding Anniversary, Requested by the Family

Upcoming Events
Mark Your Calendars

May 17: ***St. Patrick's Holy Hour*** ~~6:30 pm,~~ **moved to** May 23rd

May 23: ***Pentacost Holy Hour*** 11:45 am-12:45 pm in the Church, Confessions available in the Sacristy

May 26: ***Rosary*** with the Knights Of Columbus, 7:00 pm, in the Church & Livestreamed

June 6: ***Rosary*** following the 10:30 am Mass, in the church

June 11: ***Holy Hour to Pray for Priests*** 7 - 8 pm Immaculate Conception Church, 353 Grove St. Worcester, every 2nd Friday of the Month

2021 Appeal

Partners in Charity
Diocese of Worcester

Please prayerfully consider the ways in which you can pledge or donate to the 2021 Partners in Charity appeal through St. Patrick's Parish or directly on the secure website:

https://partners-charity.net/donate

Please be sure to specify the parish name and city:
St. Patrick's
Rutland, MA
so your pledge and donation are credited to us.

As of May 10th
we have raised $41,238, 67% of our $ 61,800 goal

Your pledge is a tangible way to be a "face of Christ' to the world through the support of the 27 agencies and ministries which rely on this appeal for funding each year.
Thank you for your support.

May 9, 2021
Mass/Mailed in/Electronic Collections

Weekly Offering	$ 3,150.00
Electronic Giving	$ 1,122.00
Higher Utilities	$ 150.00
Mother's Day	$ 120.00
Ascension Holy Day	$ 163.00
	$ 4,705.00

We are grateful to all who have been able to make their weekly offering or make use of on-line giving during this time. It is a great help to us. Thank you!

From the Pastor…

Dear Friends,

As we've now celebrated the Ascension of the Lord this past Thursday and stand only a week away from Pentecost, below is an article titled *Why unity is more effective when God is involved* from the website Aleteia* by Philip Kosloski that highlights the Holy Spirit's role in unifying us together:

"***Many desire unity, but when it is divorced from God, it is nearly impossible to achieve.***

There is much division in our world today. This is an undeniable fact and many are working around the world to achieve a greater unity.

However, almost all of these efforts appear to fail shortly after they are initiated. Why is that?

One of the reasons, according to St. Cyril of Alexandria, is because ***authentic unity can only be achieved with God.***

He explains this in a commentary on the gospel of John that is featured in the Church's Office of Readings.

> *If we are all the same body with one another in Christ – not just with one another, but with him who, through communion with his flesh, is actually within us – are we not then all of us clearly one with one another and one with Christ?* ***For Christ is the bond that unites us, being at once God and Man.***

Unity is possible in this world, but it must be made with and through God.

St. Cyril continues by highlighting the role of the Holy Spirit in unity.

> *Following the same line of thought, we can say this about spiritual unity: we all receive one and the same Spirit, I mean the Holy Spirit. So in a way we are blended together with one another and with God. Even though we are many individuals and Christ, the Spirit of the Father and his own Spirit, dwells in each one of us individually, still the Spirit is really one and indivisible. And so* ***that one Spirit binds together the separated spirits of each one of us so that we are seen to be one, together in Christ.*** *Just as the power of Christ's holy flesh makes into one body everyone in whom it exists, in the same way the Spirit of God, being indivisible, ties together the spirits in which it dwells.*

Furthermore, we can solidify this unity by abandoning our old ways and embracing the way of the Gospel.

> *There is another way to show that we are united through sharing in the Holy Spirit. If we* ***abandon living as mere animals*** *and surrender ourselves wholly to the laws of the Spirit, it is surely beyond question that by effectively denying our own life and taking upon ourselves the transcendent likeness of the Holy Spirit who is joined to us, we are practically transformed into another nature.* ***We are no longer mere men, but sons of God and citizens of Heaven, through becoming partakers of the divine nature.***

Unity is possible in this world, but a true and lasting unity can only be established through a ***unity with God combined with virtuous living."***

God Bless, *Fr. Jim*

*- https://aleteia.org/2021/05/11/why-unity-is-more-effective-when-god-is-involved/

Please extend a warm welcome to
Jon Amidon,
our summer seminarian from
Mount St. Mary's Seminary
in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Jon joins us Monday, May 17th and will be with us until July 25th.

Mother's Day 2021

In Memory of . . .

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Prayer to St. Joseph

O good St. Joseph,
watch over St. Patrick Parish.
Through your intercession.
may God's fullest blessing
be upon our clergy
and our parishioners.

As you provided for Mary and Jesus
when He had *"no place to rest His head,"*
so too, bless our parish family.

Grant us a generous spirit
and patience to endure joyfully
whatever challenges or crosses
Our Lord may ask us to carry.

St. Joseph, Faithful guardian of Christ,
Pray for us. Amen.

Rutland Food Pantry

Upcoming Distribution Dates
Drive-Thru Distribution Only

Date	Time
Saturday, May 29, 2021	9:00 - 10:00 AM
June	
Thursday, June 10, 2021	6:00 - 7:00 PM
Saturday, June 26, 2021	9:00 - 10:00 AM
July	
Thursday, July 15, 2021	6:00 - 7:00 PM
Saturday, July 31, 2021	9:00 - 10:00 AM

Food Pantry Wish List:

- Mustard – Mayo – Ketchup – Relish
- Peanut Butter
- Salad Dressing
- Suddenly Salads
- Cookies - Crackers - Snacks
- Coffee/Tea
- Low Salt/Sugar Free/Gluten Free items

Thank you for all your help, support and continued prayers for this important ministry.

Do you have a child enrolled in a Catholic School?

Please notify the parish office at 508-886-4984. We are updating our religious education records and need your help to stay current. Thank you & God Bless!

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