

St. Patrick Parish

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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Mass Schedule is: **Only 8am Mass Livestreamed***

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 Church

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.

Paula Stidsen 774-696-3008

Or email: PaulaStidsen@gmail.com

May 28, 2023



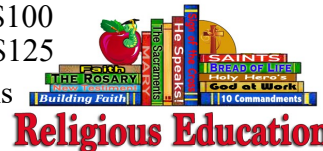
Religious Education Registration 2023-2024

Discounted registration fees are available through June 1st. Fees beginning June 2nd are as follows:

Grade 1 and Grades 3-8: \$100

Grade 2 and Grades 9-11: \$125

Please get your registrations in as soon as possible.



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 (confidential line).



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





Mass Intentions

FAMILIES REQUESTING A MASS ARE WELCOME TO
BRING UP THE GIFTS AT THE OFFERTORY.
PLEASE LET THE SACRISTAN KNOW YOU ARE AT MASS.

TO SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION OR
REQUEST A TABERNACLE LAMP,
PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE: 508-886-4984
(*Living Intention)

Saturday, May 27:

5:00 pm Ed and June Kane

Requested by their Children

Sunday, May 28: 8 am Livestreamed Mass ✠

8:00 am Sarah Gonsalves

Requested by Peter & Gail Totas

10:30 am Richard E. Grimley, 5th Anniversary

Requested by his wife, Kathy Grimley

Monday, May 29: Memorial Day

8:00 am Barbara Ann Luca

Requested by Joe Luca

Tuesday, May 30:

8:00 am Katherine Miloloski

Requested by Stan Mikoloski

Wednesday, May 31:

8:00 am (*Living Intention) Fr. Stephen Gemme

21st Anniversary of Ordination

Requested by the People of St. Patrick's

Saturday, June 3:

5:00 pm Donald Woods

Requested by the Mulry & Donoghue Families

Sunday, June 4: 8 am Livestreamed Mass ✠

8:00 am Bernice Kamaitis

Requested by Cindy Katinas

10:30 am Claire White, Month's Mind

Requested by the Parish

May 21, 2023

Mass/Mailed in/Electronic Collections

Weekly Offering	\$ 2,761.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 2,688.50
Higher Utilities	\$ 135.00
Father's Day	\$ 40.00
Holy Day Offering	\$ 490.00
	\$ 6,114.50

*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!



EVENTS

May 28: Blessing of the Church Ramp, Following 8 am
Mass. Come join us in thanksgiving.

May 30: Divine Mercy Chaplet, Following 8 am Mass

May 30: Scripture Study & Faith Sharing, 9 am, in the
Church Hall (Tuesdays) following Divine Mercy Chaplet

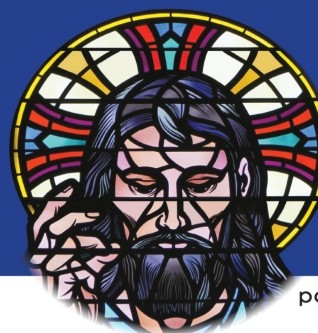
June 3: Walk & Talk, 9:00 am at the Miles Rd.
entrance to the Rail Trail

June 3 & 4: Treasures from the Holy Land for Sale,
following all the Masses at the doors of the Church.
Proceeds support Christians in the Holy Land.

June 4: Rosary following the **10:30 am** Mass
(First Sunday of every month) Please join us.

June 9: Holy Hour to Pray for Priests, 7-8 pm,
Immaculate Conception Church, 353 Grove St. Worc.
Every second Friday of the month.

July 2: Holy Hour, 6:30 -7:30 pm



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2023
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in Charity
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Our Goal for 2023: \$61,800

Received to Date: **\$43,860**

71% of our goal!



Our parish has begun conducting the 2023 Partners in
Charity Appeal. As you may know, this appeal is a
lifeline for more than two dozen agencies and ministries
which provide charitable, pastoral and educational
services that complement what we can provide at the
parish. We help those in need, regardless of race, creed
or circumstance, to find hope.

Please consider making a pledge or gift this year.
Visit partners-charity.net and make your donation
securely online and note your parish so that it is counted
towards our target. You can even make your gift from a
Smartphone by texting DONATE to 84576, or simply
scan this QR Code! Thank you!

Thank you for your Support!

A Message from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, where the Holy Spirit descended upon, giving them the gifts needed to spread the good news of Jesus Christ. With this moment though, we also have the birthday of the Church, when all her gifts were now available and the gift of her Sacraments could be shared with the world! Let us delve a bit more into this gift of the Church's Birthday below:

"Everyone has a birthday, and Pentecost marks the official birthday of the Catholic Church.

*The reason behind this is that **Pentecost completes the paschal mystery**, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church explains.*

On the day of Pentecost when the seven weeks of Easter had come to an end, **Christ's Passover is fulfilled in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit**, manifested, given, and communicated as a divine person: of his fullness, Christ, the Lord, pours out the Spirit in abundance.

On that day, **the Holy Trinity is fully revealed**. Since that day, the Kingdom announced by Christ has been open to those who believe in him: in the humility of the flesh and in faith, they already share in the communion of the Holy Trinity. By his coming, which never ceases, **the Holy Spirit causes the world to enter into the "last days," the time of the Church**, the Kingdom already inherited though not yet consummated.

CCC 731-732

Pentecost is the day when the Church's sacraments are inaugurated, specifically the sacrament of baptism.

Because the Holy Spirit is the anointing of Christ, it is Christ who, as the head of the Body, **pours out the Spirit among his members** to nourish, heal, and organize them in their mutual functions, to give them life, send them to bear witness, and associate them to his self-offering to the Father and to his intercession for the whole world. **Through the Church's sacraments, Christ communicates his Holy and sanctifying Spirit to the members of his Body.**

CCC 739

The Church can now fulfill her mission, with the help and assistance of the Holy Spirit.

*St. Peter wasted no time on this birthday of the Church and **proceeded to baptize 3,000 individuals!***

Pentecost is a beautiful day in the Church's calendar, a day that many families celebrate with a birthday cake.

*Happy Birthday, Church!"**

God Bless,
Fr. Jim



* - <https://aleteia.org/2021/05/23/why-is-pentecost-called-the-birthday-of-the-church/>





Next "Walk and Talk" is Saturday June 3rd



St. Patrick's walking group meets at
**9:00 am at Miles Rd. parking lot
near the Rail Trail.**

Note: Parking is limited;
consider car pooling
from the Church Parking Lot.

Invite a friend!

For questions, **text** Chris Hayes at **508-735-2429**.



Rutland Food Pantry

Upcoming Distribution Dates

Date	Time
June	
Thursday, June 8, 2023	6:00 - 7:30 PM
Saturday, June 24, 2023	9:00 - 10:30 AM
July	
Thursday, July 13, 2023	6:00 - 7:30 PM
Saturday, July 29, 2023	9:00 - 10:30 AM

Our current Wish List:

(Non-expired food only, please)

Mustard – Mayo – Ketchup – Relish
Salad Dressing
Suddenly Salads
Hamburger Helper
Rice products
Boxed Pasta
Spaghetti Sauce - Jars
Boxed/Canned Potatoes
Cookies - Crackers - Snacks
Coffee/Tea (Regular/Decaf)
Low Salt/Sugar Free/Gluten Free items

Thank you for your support of this vital work
within our community.

St. Patrick Church Blessing of the Church Ramp Sunday, May 28th Immediately following **The 8:00 am Mass**

Please join us
in praise and
thanksgiving
at the blessing
of the new ramp



Pentecost Sunday



*"To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit
for the common good." 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7*

To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit you must
open your heart and invite Him in! Ask the
Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words and
actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts
God has given you! Regardless of our individ-
ual circumstances, God has given all of us
many blessings. What we do with those gifts is
our gift back to God!

By generously sharing everything we have
and everything we are, we become more "God-
centered" and less "self-centered" and our
lives truly reflect God's light, love and mercy.

Position Available

Custodian/ Janitor Position
St Mary's Parish in Jefferson Massachusetts
is seeking a part time custodian (30 Hours).

If you are interested in the position
please send resume to parish manager
Sarah Brodie sbrodie@stmaryjeff.com.



**Knights of
Columbus'**

St. Patrick's **Knights of Columbus' Baby Bottle Drive**
for Visitation House **ends this weekend, May 28th.**

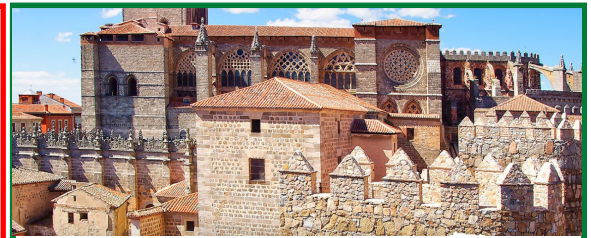
Last call to return your Baby Bottles or
make a donation on-line by going to
visitationhouse.org.

Thank you for your support!



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Avila Cathedral, Spain

**Submit your prayer
intentions...to be
presented at Mass in a
number of Carmelite
Churches in Spain!**

Fr. Jim will be the chaplain for a pilgrimage to Spain with Dan & Stephanie Burke in June. The Pilgrimage will take attendees to a number of Carmelite sites in Spain.

If you would like to submit prayer requests to be offered at the daily Masses on the pilgrimage, please write your prayer request on the papers in the pews and put these prayer requests in the baskets at the doors of the Church.

Your prayer requests will be presented at each church where Mass is being offered.
Prayer intentions should be received no later than June 3rd.

Please pray for Fr. Jim and those attending this pilgrimage.

Star of Bethlehem

Hand carved olive wood and other religious articles from the Holy Land.
Available after all Masses on
June 3rd and 4th.



Maysoon Khair will be at St. Patrick's, June 3rd and 4th, representing over a hundred Christian families living in the Holy Land who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand carved olive wood religious articles.

After all masses, there will be a display of these beautiful hand carved religious items, such as nativity scenes, crucifix, rosaries, last supper and many other beautiful religious statues.

Please stop by and look over the carvings that are available and help support this self-help project to keep the children and the Christians living in the Holy Land.

Thank you and God Bless you, *Maysoon*

Is the LORD calling YOU?



"Receive the Holy Spirit." If you think God may be offering you the grace of cooperating with the Holy Spirit by serving Him and His people as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (508)-630-4473 or email: **dinfante@saintpaulknights.org**.



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PROLIFE Across AMERICA

Dear LORD,

On Memorial Day, May 29, 2023,
we remember and honor the sacrifice
made by the men and women who have
died during their service in the United
States military.

We pray for those who made this sacrifice
and for their family and loved ones who
also suffered a tremendous loss.

May the LORD bless them abundantly.

Amen.

SPEAK
WITH
THE
HOLY
SPIRIT



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I hope you'll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it's not normal to have tongues of fire "part and come to rest" on people. It is actually pretty strange. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives?

Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women. So, it's no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.

How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech. Imagine if you spoke of the mighty deeds of God in a way that everyone could understand. That's precisely what the Holy Spirit descends upon us to do. Ask Him to come as a tongue of fire to you once again, and He will. Then speak!

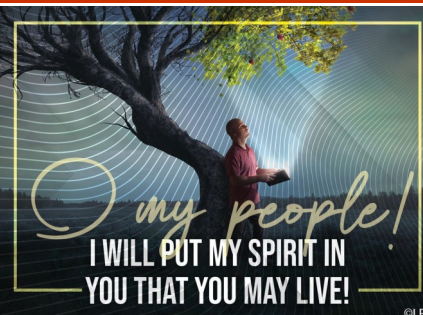
— Father John Muir

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The Visitation OF THE Blessed Virgin Mary May 31

The Feast of the
Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
**commemorates the Virgin Mary's
visit to her cousin, Elizabeth.**

*In those days Mary set out and went
with haste to a Judean town in the hill
country, where she entered the house of
Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When
Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the
child leaped in her womb. Luke 1:39-56*



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