

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

June 18, 2023



SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2023

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." - Mt 10:6-8

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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 (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, June 17: Celebrant: Fr. Donato Infante

5:00 pm Walter J. Lucier

Requested by the Family

Sunday, June 18: 8 am Livestreamed Mass †

Celebrant: Fr. Stephen Gemme

8:00 am Frances B. Katinas

Requested by Cindy Katinas

Celebrant: Fr. Stephen Gemme

Concelebrants: Monsignor Alex Bobby Benson

Fr. Enoch K. Kyeremateng

10:30 am (*Living Intention) In thanksgiving for 60 years of life for Emmanuel Adama Otchere

Requested by the Family

Monday, June 19: Celebrant: Msgr. John Doran

8:00 am (*Living Intention) Healing for Mary Ellen

Putnam, Requested by her sister, Fran

Tuesday, June 20:

8:00 am Mariyam Kavil

Requested by Sr. Angela

Wednesday, June 21:

8:00 am Kenneth Starbard, Months Mind

Requested by the Parish

Saturday, June 24:

5:00 pm Wanda & Rudolph Holawy

Requested by the Family

Sunday, June 25: 8 am Livestreamed Mass †

8:00 am Sr. Ellen Guerin

Requested by Peter & Gail Totas

10:30 am Anna Marie Nelson

Requested by the Family

June 11, 2023

Mass/Mailed in/Electronic Collections

Weekly Offering	\$ 2,348.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,471.80
Higher Utilities	\$ 195.00
Father's Day	\$ 165.00
	\$ 4,179.80

Special Collections:

Catholic Communication \$15.00

Thank you !



June 20: Divine Mercy Chaplet,

Following 8 am Mass

June 20: Scripture Study & Faith Sharing, 9 am, in the Church Hall (Tuesdays) following Divine Mercy Chaplet

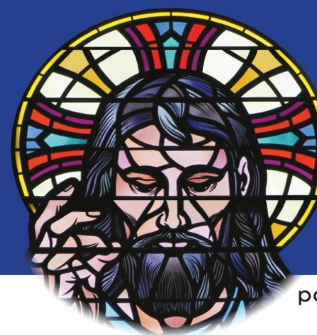
June 24 & 25: Welcome Propagation of the Faith Team, at all the Masses

June 24 & 25: Catholic Book Sale, before and after the Masses, in Parish Center

July 2: Rosary following the 10:30 am Mass (First Sunday of every month) Please join us.

July 3: Holy Hour, 6:30 -7:30 pm

July 14: Holy Hour to Pray for Priests, 7-8 pm, Immaculate Conception Church, 353 Grove St. Worc. Every second Friday of the month.



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Our Goal for 2023: \$61,800

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96% of our goal!



Thank you to all who have already donated to the 2023 Partners in Charity Appeal.

We are only \$2,755 away from our goal!

This appeal is a lifeline for more than two dozen agencies and ministries which provide charitable, pastoral and educational services to those in need.

If you have not already donated, please consider making a pledge or gift now. We are so close to our goal. Be a part of our success in giving.

Donation **envelopes** are available in the pews or at the entrances of the church. To make a secure, on-line pledge or donation, visit partners-charity.net. Be sure to note your parish, St. Patrick's, Rutland, 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 our Pastor

Dear Friends,

Having just been in Fatima the last two days, today we visit the birthplace of St. Anthony of Padua, as well as St. Stephen's Church in Santarém. Please pray for my flight home tomorrow so I can be on the altar Tuesday morning!

Having just left Fatima however, it is a place of great devotion. Here, as I've said to you before, Our Lady visited the 3 shepherd children from May 1917 through October of the same year. What you may not realize is there is more to the story. In 1916, an Angel gave the 3 children Holy Communion in preparation for what was to come next. For the two youngest, Francisco and Jacinta, it was their first Holy Communion. Not bad, right? Here is the story:

"For many centuries in the Roman Catholic Church, the reception of Holy Communion was only permitted to children who were 12 years old and older. This was changed in 1910 when Pope St. Pius X lowered the requirement to the "age of reason," typically around 6 or 7.

However, local parishes were slow to implement the change and in Fatima, visionaries Francisco and Jacinta had not yet received their First Communion by the time of the first apparition in 1916, even though they were already 8 and 6 years old.

*Without access to the Holy Eucharist, the three little shepherd children were **visited by an angel in 1916**, a vision that preceded their encounters with the Virgin Mary the following year.*



According to an account written by Lucia, they looked up and saw, "shining over us a strange light. We lifted our heads to see what was happening. the Angel was holding in his left hand a chalice and over it, in the air, was a host from which drops of blood fell into the chalice." The angel then taught the children a prayer to be recited.

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly, and I offer You the Most Precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. And by the infinite merits of His most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners.

Then Lucia records, "After that he rose, took again in his hand the chalice and the host. The host he gave to me and the contents of the chalice he gave to Jacinta and Francisco, saying at the same time, 'Eat and drink the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ terribly outraged by the ingratitude of men. Offer reparation for their sakes and console God.'"

*This episode would mark the first time Francisco and Jacinta received the Eucharist, albeit in a miraculous way. Francisco would later receive his "technical" First Communion shortly before he died. In a certain sense, it was a miraculous "**spiritual communion**" that bridged the gap between Heaven and earth.*

*The miracle reminds us that God cannot be limited in his generosity and how he can be present in our midst, even in the most difficult circumstances. Similar to how the resurrected Jesus appeared to his apostles when they locked themselves in a room, **Jesus came to these children even though they did not have access to the sacraments.***

May we never forget that God is present among us and will visit us if we open the door to him."^{*}

God Bless,

Fr. Jim

^{*}- <https://aleteia.org/2020/05/13/the-eucharistic-miracle-that-occurred-at-fatima/>



Rutland Food Pantry

Upcoming Distribution Dates

Date	Time
June	
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
August	
Thursday, August 10, 2023	6:00 - 7:30 PM
Saturday, August 26, 2023	9:00 - 10:30 AM

Our current Wish List:
(Non-expired food only, please*)

Our Current Wish List includes:

- ☐ Spaghetti Sauce *in Jars*
- ☐ Coffee/Tea (Decaf and Regular)
- ☐ Peanut Butter
- ☐ Jelly
- ☐ Bottled Juice/Juice Boxes
- ☐ Ramen
- ☐ Canned Meat (Chicken or Ham)
- ☐ Tuna (LOW SALT is also needed)
- ☐ Low Salt/Sugar Free/Gluten Free items

We gladly accept any food items that you would like to donate.

*Please make sure that the food
HAS NOT EXPIRED - as we cannot give out
anything that has expired.

Thank you for your continued support.



11th Sunday of Ordinary Times

*As you go, make this proclamation:
"The kingdom of heaven is at hand."*

Matthew 10:7

Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have plenty of time to "repent."

Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship. God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants to be in relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. Start this second – invite the Lord into your heart.



Catholic Books Sale



There will be a sale
of a broad selection of Catholic books,
for children as well as adults,
in the church hall
**before and after all the Masses
on June 24 & 25.**

Please take advantage
of this opportunity
to grow in the knowledge
and understanding of our Faith.

**BOUNDLESS
ADVENTURES**

**Sunday, June 25, 2023
Boundless Adventures
Berlin, MA**

High School and Middle School youth
are invited to join in for an afternoon
at Boundless Adventures, an aerial adventure
park on **Sunday, June 25th.**

Discounted tickets are available
for our Diocesan group at a **cost of \$50/person**
(general park admission is \$65).

If interested, please contact Mrs. Urbanowski at
jmu@stpatricksrutland.org



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Columbus**

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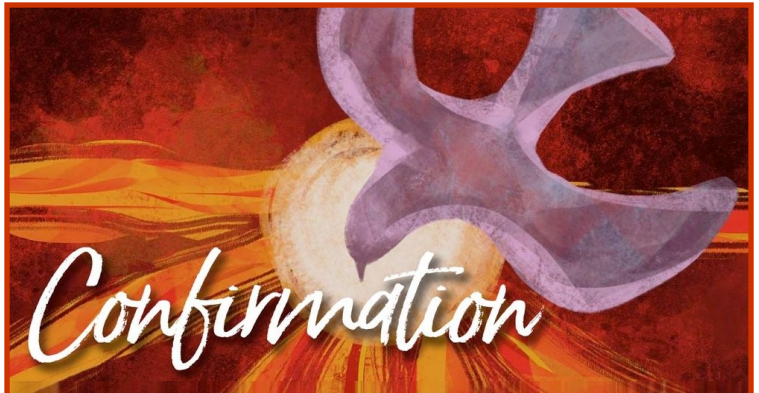
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Are you interested in learning more?

Contact Bryce Hunt at brycehunt5000@yahoo.com.

Our council provides many services
for our Parish and our community.



There will be a
Confirmation meeting
on Tuesday, June 20th at 6:30 pm
in the lower level
of the Fr. Jim Kerrigan Parish Center.

All students finishing 10th grade (or 11th)
who hope to be confirmed in the Fall
are expected to attend
with at least one parent.

For questions, contact Jean Urbanowski
at Jean@stpatricksrutland.org,
or 508-886-2010.



Blessing of Fathers

God and Father
of all creation,
we come before you today
with humble hearts.
You are our model
of a loving father.
When we fail and fall short
of your expectations,
you are always there
at the end of the day

with open arms, ready to heal the cuts and
scrapes of the day and to encourage us to try
again and not to give up.

We hold up these men in our midst
who act in the world as fathers to their children
or models of fathers for others.

Bless them in their moments
of doubt and frustration with their children.
Give them warm and open hearts
to forgive failures.

Provide them with the words needed
for encouragement and perseverance.
We ask all this in the name of Jesus.

Amen.



Congratulations to

Jack Blair and Lindsay Mellan
on their recent Marriage.

May the LORD bless you
and keep you.

YOU KNOW,
YOU'RE NOT
GOING TO BE
VERY POPULAR
IF YOU KEEP
PREACHING
THOSE
"REPENTANCE"
HOMILIES.



AS ST. JOHN
THE BAPTIST
WOULD SAY:
"OH, WELL!"

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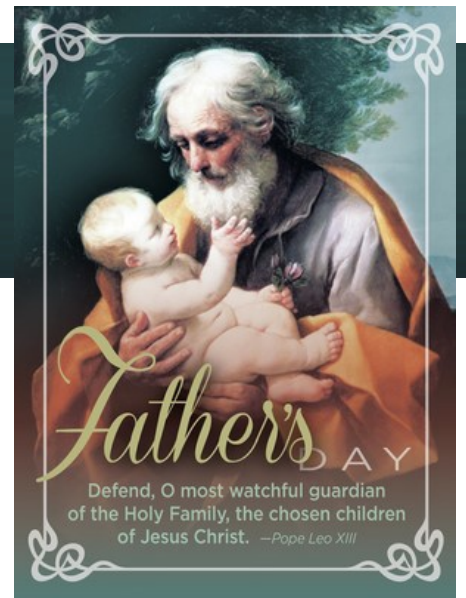


Father's Day Remembrance 2023

In Memory of ...

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Robert Amsden
T.M. Araujo
Michael Aufiero
Francis Bagurskas
William J. Bailey, Sr.
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Raymond J. Becker, Sr.
Bertrand Bernatchez
Robert Bernatchez
Bertrand Y. Berube
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Sylvester Bies
Cecil Blair
Clealand Blair, Sr.
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Albert Boucher, Jr.
James Boucher
Lawrence Brennen
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Alfred Collier
Ivan Hebb Conrad
John Cove
Aram David
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Matthew Dolan
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Leander Fitzback
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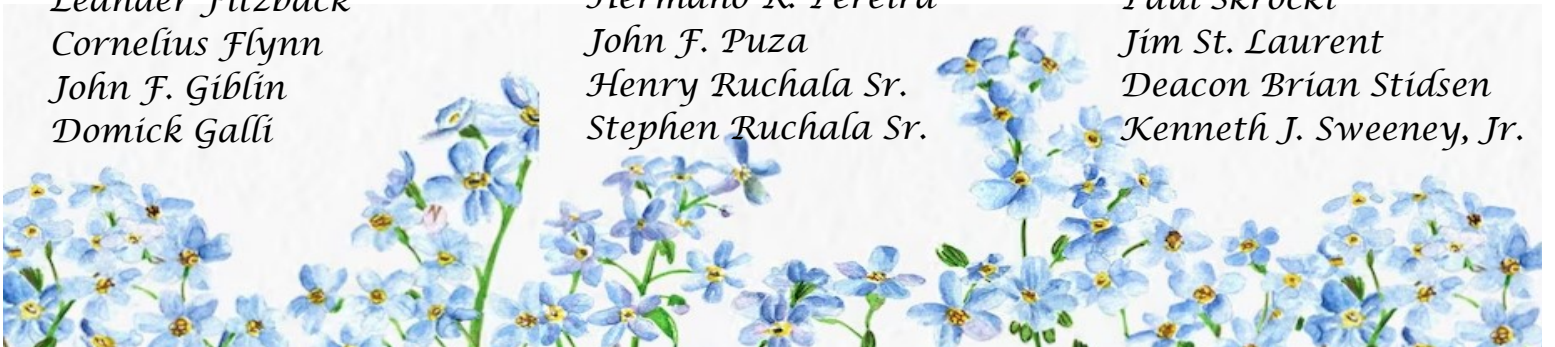
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Hector Henchey
Basilio Hernández
Joseph Inangelo
Stanley Jatrinski
Frederick Johnson
Frank Josefiak
Waclaw Kadziewicz
Joseph C. Kaminski
Edward Kane
Derwin M. "Bud" Kennedy
Fr. Jim Kerrigan
Walter Kuras, Sr.
Carmine Laconte
Leon Lamarche
William Larkin
Walter J. Lucier
Roger Marchand, Sr.
Donald Martin
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Jim Meaney
John V. Morello Sr.
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Stephen Ruchala Sr.



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Edmund St. George
Charles Sweeney
John P. Sweeney
Kenneth J. Sweeney Sr.
Felipe Then
Mike Towner
Peter Tsotsis
Frederick Warren
Harold Warren
Peter Waslaske
Charles Weagle

In Honor of ...

Fr. Jim Boland
Msgr. John Doran
Allen Gamache
Deacon Pierre Gemme
Fr. Stephen Gemme
Carlos Haz
Paul Orczyk
Paul Skrocki
Jim St. Laurent
Deacon Brian Stidsen
Kenneth J. Sweeney, Jr.



Jubilarian 70 Years

Venerini Sister Hilda Ponte

Please join us
in prayer and thanksgiving
for Sister Hilda!

May the LORD
bless her abundantly
for her vocation
and years of service
to all those she encountered.

Happy 90th Birthday
and
Happy 70th Anniversary!

*Please see the article published in the
Catholic Free Press, June 9th, 2023.*

Venerini Sister Hilda Ponte is celebrating her 90th birthday and her 70th anniversary of religious profession this month with a Mass and lunch with her community and family.

She was born on June 11, 1933, in Providence.

Sister Hilda entered the Religious Venerini Sisters in September 1950 and their novitiate on Sept. 1, 1951. She made her first profession on Sept. 12, 1953, and professed her final vows on Aug. 19, 1959.

She has a bachelor's degree in education and a master's degree in counseling, both from Anna Maria College. She also has a certificate of advanced graduate studies from Assumption College.

Sister Hilda taught



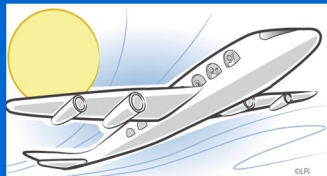
director of a drug rehabilitation center in Schenectady and assistant director of the Community Maternity Center, a program of the Diocese of Albany, New York. In addition, she was a formation director for the Venerini Sisters and at the House of Affirmation in Whitinsville and director of formation consultation services at Sabbath Center in Attleboro.

From 1993-2001 she was regional coordinator of the Venerini Council in the United States, from 2001-2007 a member of the Venerini congregation's General Council in Rome and from 2009-2017 United States provincial.

She has been retired since 2017 and now lives at Notre Dame Long Term Care Center in Worcester.

grades 5-8 in Worcester, Fitchburg, Leominster, Pittsfield and Schenectady, New York, and was principal at St. Anthony Elementary School in Fitchburg.

She was also a retreat director at the House of Prayer in South Dartmouth, and was assistant



Safe Travels!

Please pray for the safe
travel and return of
Fr. Jim and his
pilgrimage companions.
Welcome Home!

Another School Year Coming To A Close



Wishing all our students
and graduates
a safe and happy Summer!

Stay close to Jesus.
He will guide your every step.



Mission Appeal—June 24/25

Please welcome Rev. Fr. Boniface Mbithi Nduva
from the Diocese Machakos, Kenya
who will speak at all the Masses on June 24th and 25th.
The Second Collection on June 24/25 will go to this Mission Appeal.
Checks may be made payable to St. Patrick's

The Catholic Church in Kenya has a unique role in the lives of its citizens. Improving the lives of the people is usually accomplished through the efforts of the Church rather than of the government. Thanks in large part to the prayers and support of Catholics in the United States, the Church in Machakos is growing and is making a positive impact in the lives of the people.

To learn more about the Church in Machakos, how they are helping the people, and the purpose of donations to this **Mission Appeal**, pick up a handout at the entrances of the church.

An example of their charitable work from donations: FOOD DISTRIBUTION TO NEEDY FAMILIES



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