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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

August 27, 2023



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, August 26:

5:00 pm Walter J. Lucier

Requested by the Family

Sunday, August 27: **8 am Livestreamed Mass** †

8:00 am Denise Clark

Requested by Elaine Peter

10:30 am Nora & Walter Kuras

Requested by daughter, Cheryl Cadrin

Monday, August 28:

8:00 am Scotty Bies (Would be 96th Birthday)

Requested by the Cove Family

Tuesday, August 29:

8:00 am The Trozky Family

Requested by Chris Aufiero

Wednesday, August 30:

8:00 am John Cove, 39th Anniversary

Requested by the Cove Family

Saturday, September 2:

5:00 pm Frank Frey, Sr.

Requested by Paul & Maryann Mekelski

Sunday, September 3: **8 am Livestreamed Mass** †

8:00 am Sara Marie Crutcher-LaMadeleine

Requested by her mother, Margaret Wilkins

10:30 am Denise Clark

Requested by the Parish

August 20, 2023

Mass/Mailed in/Electronic Collections

Weekly Offering	\$ 3,429.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 2,708.50
Higher Utilities	\$ 135.00
<u>Assumption</u>	<u>\$ 510.00</u>
	\$ 6,782.50

Special Collections:

Fall Appeal for Catholic Schools \$30.00

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!



Summer

SCHEDULE

Event Calendar

August 29: Divine Mercy Chaplet,
Following 8 am Mass

August 29: Scripture Study & Faith

Sharing, 9 am, in the Church Hall following the Divine
Mercy Chaplet

September 3: Rosary following the **10:30 am** Mass
(First Sunday of every month) Please join us.

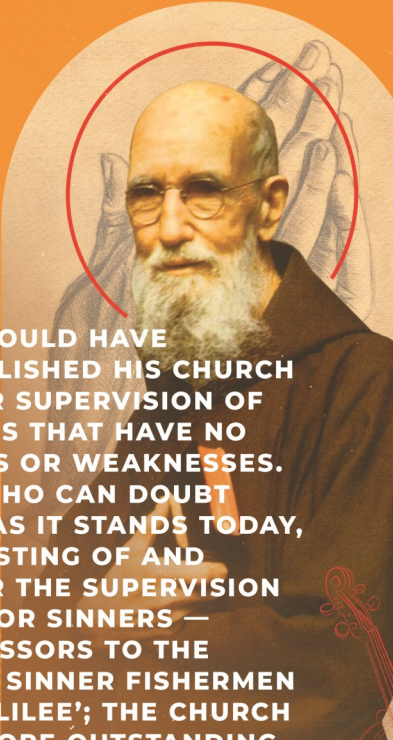
September 4: Holy Hour, 6:30 -7:30 pm

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

September 9 & 10: Mums Sale, On the Common,
watch the bulletin for times

September 16 & 17: Mums Sale, On the Common,
watch the bulletin for times

September 18: Holy Hour, 6:30 -7:30 pm



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GOD COULD HAVE
ESTABLISHED HIS CHURCH
UNDER SUPERVISION OF
ANGELS THAT HAVE NO
FAULTS OR WEAKNESSES.
BUT WHO CAN DOUBT
THAT AS IT STANDS TODAY,
CONSISTING OF AND
UNDER THE SUPERVISION
OF POOR SINNERS —
SUCCESSORS TO THE
'POOR SINNER FISHERMEN
OF GALILEE'; THE CHURCH
IS A MORE OUTSTANDING
MIRACLE THAN ANY
OTHER WAY?

”

FRANCISCAN PORTER

- BL. SOLANUS CASEY

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Friends,

While I've yet to see the new Indiana Jones film, I did grow up watching the original three. The final film, where they search for the Holy Grail, was one of the first films I remember really taking in a few years after it came out. From the opening scene with young Indiana Jones trying to retrieve a historical crucifix, to the end where the heroes ride off into the sunset. The final confrontation in the film revolves around picking the proper chalice that is the Holy Grail. Get it wrong, we're told, and your life will be taken from you. Many in the room are gold and made from precious metal and there is a reason for that. Read on:

*While it's true that Jesus likely used a humble clay cup at the Last Supper, similar to what is found in the film Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade, the **chalice used at Mass is not meant to be a direct imitation of that first chalice.***

Christopher Carstens explains in his book Mystical Body, Mystical Voice: Encountering Christ in the Words of the Mass how the Mass is more a heavenly banquet than a re-enactment of an ordinary Passover meal.

Does it matter that Christ may not have used a "precious chalice" at the Last Supper? That he used a chalice is imperative for the Church and her re-presentation of his sacrifice; and while it may be that the chalice was not outwardly precious, it was made precious by its contents. For while the Mass and its Eucharistic prayer harken back to actions of Christ in the upper room some two thousand years ago, that historical action currently exists in heavenly splendor, which is why it can be made present to us at all. The cup of the first Paschal meal in time is now furnished with divine splendors and is "the chalice of great joy, of the true feast, for which we all long," and it is this divine chalice that our sacramental chalice emulates.

*The Mass is viewed in Catholic theology as the "**wedding feast of the Lamb**" found in the book of Revelation. It is meant to remind us of and draw us toward our heavenly home and the place where we will encounter the Bridegroom in all of his glory.*

*Even more so, **the Mass is not simply a reminder of heaven**, it is where "heaven and earth kiss." The sacrifice of the Mass brings us into contact with the divine and literally raises us up into heaven.*

The Eucharistic Banquet is no ordinary meal.

For this spiritual reason, as well as for practical purposes, the bishops of the United States have put forth the following regulation regarding the material of the "precious chalice":

328. Sacred vessels should be made from precious metal. If they are made from metal that rusts or from a metal less precious than gold, they should generally be gilded on the inside.

329. In the Dioceses of the United States of America, sacred vessels may also be made from other solid materials which in the common estimation in each region are considered precious or noble, for example, ebony or other harder woods, provided that such materials are suitable for sacred use. In this case, preference is always to be given to materials that do not easily break or deteriorate. This applies to all vessels that are intended to hold the Hosts, such as the paten, the ciborium, the pyx, the monstrance, and others of this kind.

330. As regards chalices and other vessels that are intended to serve as receptacles for the Blood of the Lord, they are to have a bowl of material that does not absorb liquids. The base, on the other hand, may be made of other solid and worthy materials.

332. As regards the form of the sacred vessels, it is for the artist to fashion them in a manner that is more particularly in keeping with the customs of each region, provided the individual vessels are suitable for their intended liturgical use and are clearly distinguishable from vessels intended for everyday use.

So Indiana Jones may have been correct to choose the "cup of the carpenter," but the Mass we celebrate is much more than a meal with a carpenter and his close friends. It is the place where we come to the table of the Lord to be fed a "heavenly manna" that is called the "bread of angels."

God Bless, *Fr. Jim*



**Knights of
Columbus**

**"Knight's
Corner"**

5th Annual *Fill the Pantry* Golf Tournament
Sunday, September 17, 2023
Quail Hollow Golf and Country Club

See brochures at the entrances of the church
Or visit our website at ***fillthepantry.golf***

Think about joining our Knights of Columbus.
Email: Bryce Hunt at ***brycehunt5000@yahoo.com***



Rutland Food Pantry

Upcoming Distribution Dates

Date	Time
September	
Thursday, September 7, 2023	6:00 - 7:30 PM
Saturday, September 23, 2023	9:00 - 10:30 AM

Our Wish List for August includes:
(Non-expired food only, please)

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE !

Help fill our *Peanut Butter and Jelly* shelves.

- Cereal
- Pasta (our supply is low)
- Soup (our shelves are empty)
- Canned meat (chicken, ham, tuna)
- Baked Beans - Smaller cans and family sized too
- Snacks for kids
- Coffee, Tea
- Paper Products (Tissues, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels)

Please ensure that the donation **HAS NOT EXPIRED** -
as we cannot give out anything that has expired.

Note: We no longer accept extra paper or plastic bags.

*Thank you for your continued care and support
of our neighbors.*

August 27, 2023

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Or who has given the Lord anything
that he may be repaid?* *Romans 11:35*

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot give God anything - He already owns it all. God made everything, including us. Since we are made in His image, we too, are called to be generous. How we use our God-given gifts becomes our gift back to Him. Gratitude for all we have been given opens our hearts to joyful generosity! And, through our generosity, we just may be the answer to someone else's prayer.



**ST. PATRICK'S
CLOTHING &
TEXTILE DRIVE**

Planned for Early October
Watch the bulletin
for further details!



We are planning a
Clothing & Textile Drive Fundraiser
here, at St. Patrick's!

We wanted to give you plenty of time to gather any items you would like to donate to this fundraiser. All proceeds will be applied to the needs of the Parish.

**The heavier the total weight of the donations—
the more money we make!**

Acceptable Textiles

CLOTHING:

- ☐ Tops, T-Shirts
- ☐ Pants, Jeans, Shorts
- ☐ Ties, Scarves, Vests
- ☐ Suits, Skirts, Blazers
- ☐ Sweaters, Sweats
- ☐ Pajamas
- ☐ Socks, Tights Belts
- ☐ Uniforms
- ☐ Costumes/Dress-up Clothes
- ☐ Shoes, Boots
- ☐ Flipflops, Slippers
- ☐ Pocketbooks, Backpacks
- ☐ Duffle Bags

OUTERWEAR & OTHER:

- ☐ Coats, Jackets, Ski Pants
- ☐ Mittens, Gloves, Hats, Scarves
- ☐ Raingear
- ☐ Bathing suits
- ☐ Fabric, Fabric Scraps, Yarn
- ☐ Small Throw Rugs
- ☐ Towels, Wash Cloths
- ☐ Drapes, Curtains
- ☐ Sheets, Pillowcases, Blankets
- ☐ Tablecloths
- ☐ Potholders
- ☐ Comforters, Duvet, Quilts
- ☐ Sofa/Chair Covers

**We expect this fundraiser to
close October 7th.**

More details for drop off of your donations will be available soon. In the meantime, happy Fall cleaning!

This fundraiser is conducted in collaboration with
the Epilepsy Foundation New England.

Religious Education Teachers Needed! for 2023-2024

We are planning for the 2023-2024 Religious Education year. We are blessed to have so many dedicated and returning teachers for our students. However, we still need to fill some openings to meet the faith development needs of all our young parishioners.

We are looking for the following:

- a 9th grade teacher on Sunday morning (9:15-10:15)
- a 7th grade teacher on Sunday morning (9:15-10:15)
or Monday afternoon (3:30-4:30)
- a 5th grade teacher on Sunday morning (9:15-10:15)
- a 4th grade teacher on Monday or Tuesday afternoon (4-5)
- a 3rd grade teacher on Monday afternoon (4-5)

Also, we always need **substitutes** who have some flexibility in their schedule and would be available on **Sunday morning (9:15-10:15) or Monday or Tuesday afternoons (3:30-5)**. We have excellent teacher manuals that make teaching very easy. Many of our teachers return each year because teaching helps them to develop and deepen their own faith. Please prayerfully consider whether you are being called in this very rewarding ministry. If you are interested, please contact Chris Mulry for more information.

Email: Chris@stpatricksrutland.org

Phone: 508-886-2010



Thank you for your consideration!

Religious Education

St. Patrick's MUMS FUNDRAISER

Mark your calendars
to get your Mums

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On the Common**

**September 9 & 10
and 16 & 17**

Volunteers, to help
with selling
these beautiful plants,
are needed.

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Donnaevans0407@gmail.com

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for your support!



Please Pray For the
Repose of the Soul
of ...

✠ *Carl Harris*

A resident of Rutland

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AND ST. PATRICK'S PARISHES**

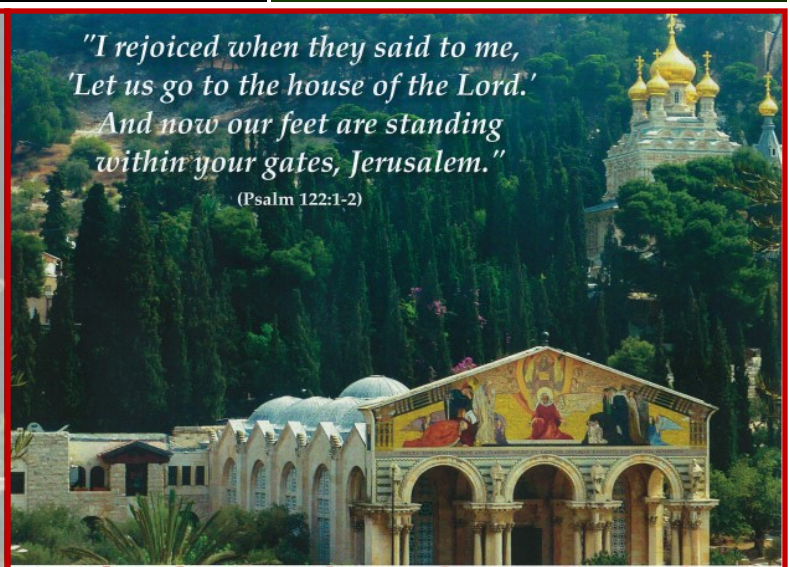
LED BY: FR. CHRISTOPHER M. PESCHEL
AND FR. JIM BOLAND

June 23—July 2, 2024

*For more information: Pick up a brochure
at the doors of the Church.*

*"I rejoiced when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, Jerusalem."*

(Psalm 122:1-2)



Nazareth ✠ Cana ✠ Sea of Galilee ✠ Jerusalem ✠ Bethlehem ✠ Ein Karem ✠ Emmaus



5th Annual

Fill the Pantry Golf Scramble

Sunday, September 17, 2023

1:00 pm at Quail Hollow Golf
& Country Club—Oakham



In September of 2022 the fourth “Fill the Pantry” Golf Scramble was held at Quail Hollow Golf & Country Club . With the sponsorship of the Knights of Columbus in our area and over 95 golfers taking part in the event, we were able to raise over \$14,000.00 which resulted in gifts of over \$4,500.00 each to three (3) local food pantries. You are invited to become part of the 2023 fund-raising event to help and support those in our community.

This year on September 17th the 5th Annual “Fill the Pantry” Golf Scramble at Quail Hollow Golf & Country Club will be held. This event will start at 1:00 and will end with a catered dinner and presentations of awards for the best golfers and other contests. There will also be raffles and door prizes along with a 50/50 cash raffle. Some silent auction items will also be available.

We invite you to take part in any way that you can. Here are some choices:

- Be a sponsor on 4 different levels and receive free golfing for a foursome, or 2 golfers etc., signage on the greens and more.
- Be an individual hole sponsor for \$100.00. Receive your name or business name on an individual sign. Consider sponsoring a hole in memory of a loved one.
- Donate new items for the gift raffle. This can be a gift card, specialty gift basket or other gifts.
- Come and golf for the day for \$130.00 each, receive a gift bag and enjoy dinner.
- Come and enjoy dinner only for \$35.00.

Golf Tournament Brochures are available at the entrances of the church. Please feel free to contact those listed below, in the brochure or visit our website at www.FillThePantry.Golf for more information or to donate an item for the raffles.

Thank you for your consideration of this important event.

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