

Saints Patrick & Raphael Parish

Williamstown Massachusetts

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Parish Staff

Pastor.....Rev. John P. McDonagh, STL, JCL, MBA
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Lay Leadership

Pastoral Council Chair.....Al Chrosny
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Organists

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Mass Schedule

Saturday:.....4.30pm
Sunday:.....8.30 & 10.30am
Thompson Chapel *during the academic year*....7.30pm
Weekdays Mon, Thurs & Fri.....8.30am
Tuesday.....7.00am
Holy Day Mass:.....8.30am & 7.00pm
Penance:.....Saturday 3-4.00pm
Adoration:.....Saturday 2.30-4pm

Parish Mission Statement

Affirming our common baptismal call to holiness and discipleship, we at Saints Patrick & Raphael Parish strive to deepen our communion with Christ and His Church. By worshipping God through Word and sacrament, serving our community with God's healing compassion, giving freely what we have received, nurturing our children in faith, and respecting the dignity of all human life, we hope to be a sign of – and invite all people into – God's loving presence in the world.

April 20 2025

Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord—April 20, 2025

WELCOME

We're Glad You're Here

Welcome to all who are visiting this weekend.
We hope you feel at home here in the parish.

Low-gluten hosts are available. Please
notify the priest in the sacristy **before**
Mass.

Candle offerings this week ...

Sanctuary light: Special intentions for for Eliza-
beth & Stephen S, by Constance Berman

Blessed Virgin: Stanislaw Pytkowski, by Al &
Urszula Chrosny

St. Raphael: Special Intention, by Pat Chenail

Window Candles: In memory of Linda Raimer, by
her family

To reserve candles for a particular week, please call the
parish office. The suggested offering is \$10.00.



Support Saints Patrick and Raphael Parish

*You can contribute to today's offertory
even if you don't carry cash!*

Scan the QR code to make your gift online.

DONATIONS ~ THANK YOU!

Food Pantry: Williams College—distribution of
offerings received at Lessons and Carols; ABC
Clothing Shop

In memory of: John Wall, Sr., by Craig &
Jo-Ann Murch

*Lord send out your Spirit
And renew the face of the earth.
Psalm 104: 1-2*



Faith makes all things possible,
Hope makes all things easy,
Love makes all things work...

OFFERTORY REPORT PARISH COLLECTIONS: April 13, 2025

General:	\$3,380.00
Online Donations:	\$163.00
Utility / Fuel:	\$230.00
Easter Flowers:	\$20.00
Easter Offerings:	\$580.00
Holy Thursday:	\$4.00
Good Friday:	\$4.00
Funeral:	\$250.00
TOTAL PARISH DONATIONS:	\$4,631.00

Diocesan Donations

Myanmar:	\$10.00
Catholic Relief—Rice Bowl:	\$97.00
TOTAL DIOCESAN DONATIONS:	\$107.00

Thank you for your support, it is greatly appreciated.
Your friend in Christ, *Ft. John*

Baptism: Call the parish office to schedule. Baptisms
normally celebrated on the last Sunday of month at 12pm.

Marriage: Call for an appointment with the priest at least
12 months prior to the wedding date for planning and
preparation.

Penance: Sat., 3-4pm in the Church

Eucharistic Adoration – Sat. 2.30-4pm in the Church

Adult Choir Rehearsal, Sunday mornings after the 8.30am
Mass in choir loft at 9.15am.

OCIA: See pastor if interested in becoming Catholic.

Food Pantry: distribution 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 9am-noon

Meals Ministry prep & delivery: 2nd Sundays.

Office Hours: Mon.-Thu. 9am-noon and 1-3.00pm Closed
holidays, Fridays, and as announced in bulletin.

Membership: Contact the office to join our parish.

To report child sexual abuse by any employee of the
Roman Catholic Church call the confidential number at
800.842.9055 or email reportabuse@diospringfield.org.

**New Direction - formerly N. Berkshire Pregnancy
Center** 413.347.8005 or email: info@newdirectionpc.org

Bulletin: Deadline for notices: **Mondays at noon.**

Please remember the Catholic Church in your Last Will
and Testament either by a bequest to the Diocese of
Springfield or to our Parish, or to both. The legal title for
the Diocese of Springfield is **Roman Catholic Bishop of
Springfield, a corporation sole**; the legal title for our
parish is **Roman Catholic Bishop of Springfield, a
corporation sole, for Saints Patrick and Raphael Parish.**

Church Entry Project Updates

St. Patrick's parishioners. We have had numerous inquiries about the new railings on the new plaza at the Main entry to St. Patrick's. Specifically, people think the top of the railings are not level or are skewed. The top of the rails are level. This has been verified multiple times. However, the plaza pitches roughly 1/8"/FT so the water will drain off the patio. The code requires that we maintain no more than a 4" gap at the bottom of the rail and that top of the rail be no less than 30" above the patio surface.

As such the designer and the building committee decided that the best way to meet these restrictions was to keep the top of the rail level but to alter the overall height of the assembly from the edge of the building to the far edge of the patio to maintain the maximum 4" gap at the bottom. Meaning the height/ length of the vertical spindles gradually increases as you move from the building to the edge of the patio. The overall height of the assembly 2-3" deeper at the edge of the patio versus at the building. This is intentional and is necessary to meet applicable building codes.

The week after Easter, April 21-25, the mason will return for a punch list. The contractor will be reworking the end of the heated ramp and the sidewalk by installing both a deeper base under the sidewalk and insulation between the ramp and the sidewalk. The Church doors are being fabricated. The landscaping including the planting of the muscle tree will begin with stable warmer weather. We anticipate the arrival of plinths for the statues and benches shortly.

If you have any questions, please contact John Benzinger at john.benzinger@skanska.com

Funding for the last approximately \$50,000 cost of the project is being sought. Most of these charges are necessary change orders as the project developed. If you have not had an opportunity to contribute yet, please consider doing so. Or, if possible, add to your initial contribution. A plaque expressing appreciation to donors is being designed for the Church entryway.

To contribute contact Jane Allen at jane.john.allen@gmail.com, Laura Day at laura.e.day@gmail.com or Fr. John.

Thank you and all those who are working on the Church entry project enhancing the gathering of the Parish for worship.

Blessings, *Fr. John*

Call 988 or Text "help" to Crisis Help Text Line at 988 if you or someone you know is considering suicide. Contact the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline which is available twenty-four hours a day. Add the new national three digit phone number 988 in your telephone contact list or you can also email www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Summary of This Week's Activities

Sat., Apr 19

No Adoration, Confessions or 4.30pm Mass today.

11.00am Chalk the Walk for Easter

7.30pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sun., Apr 20 Easter Sunday

8.30am Mass

10.30am Mass

2.00pm Mass at Thompson Memorial Chapel

Mon., Apr 21

Office closed

No Mass Today

No Faith Formation

Tues., Apr 22

7.00am Mass

Thurs., Apr 24

6.00am That Man is You

8.30am Mass

9.15am Willinet Streaming Mass

Fri., Apr 25

8.30am Mass

Sat., Apr 26

2.30-4pm Adoration

3-4pm Confessions

4.30pm Mass

Sun., Apr 27 Divine Mercy Sunday

8.30am Mass

9.30-10.20am Faith Formation & OCIA

10.30am Mass

7.30pm Thompson Memorial Chapel

CAN YOU HELP...

One of our senior parishioners is looking for housing in a quiet, nonsmoking, no pets allowed place *as soon as possible*. If you, or someone you know can help please contact tmsecomserv@hotmail.com or call 413.652.5059. **Thank you!**

A Vocation View...

Easter Sunday

What stones are being moved away so you can be a minister of the Gospel? Who would you invite to consider being a sister, brother, priest or deacon? Spread the Good News: Jesus is Risen!

Contact Fr John or reach out to the Vocation Office at vocations@diospringfield.org



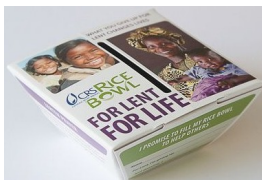
I AM...

The Resurrection & Life

Rice Bowls

Please remember to return your Rice Bowls—you can do that by either placing them in the collection basket, bring to the rectory office during office hours 9am-noon & 1-3pm Monday through Thursday or you can also use the QR code on the back of your box.

Thank you!



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Council #230

**Pancake Breakfast
Sunday May 4 2025
8:00 AM – 12:30PM**

**Sts. Patrick and Raphael Parish Hall
53 Southworth Street, Williamstown, MA**

**Tickets Adults - \$12.00
Children 12 & under \$6.00**

2025 Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope



"May the light of Christ shine brightly in
your life this Easter season."



From the Staff at
Saints Patrick and Raphael Parish

Fr. John, Debbie, Donna, Karyn & Gary

HE IS RISEN

CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION

Mass Intentions

THIS WEEK'S EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Sat, Apr 19

No 4.30pm Mass today

7.30pm Florence Zabek Romaniak, by Irene Lestage

Sun, Apr 20 Easter Sunday

8.30am Shirley Lincoln, by Nancy McShane

10.30am Carolyn Ballou, by the Nolan family

2.00pm Thompson Chapel

Mon, Apr 21

8.30am No Mass today

Tues, Apr 22

7.00am William Strype, by Reiko Yamada

Thurs, Apr 24

8.30am Patricia Brundage, by a friend

Fri, Apr 25

8.30am Elizabeth & Stephen S, by Constance Berman

Sat, Apr 26

**4.30pm For the living & deceased members
of the Marony & Saunders families,
by Terry Saunders-Boucher**

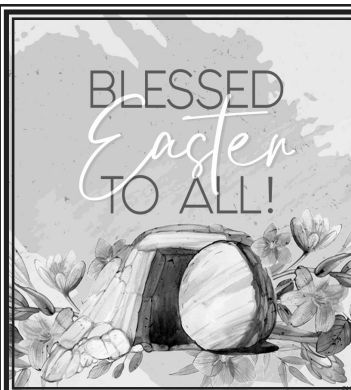
Sun, Apr 27 Divine Mercy Sunday

**8.30am Ed Blake, 9th anniversary remembrance,
by Lynne Blake**

10.30am Harry Pierpan, by Henry & Meg Pierpan

7.30pm Thompson Chapel

**Let us pray for our parishioners, family members,
friends and benefactors that are sick at home, in
hospitals or in nursing homes.**



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Faith Formation

LIFELONG AND ONGOING

Faith Formation Spring Break- No classes Easter Sunday and Monday, April 21.

We wish our Faith Formation families and their catechists a blessed Easter celebration and a restorative school break. We will be in session April 26 & 27.

OCIA and the Easter Vigil--

Congratulations to our catechumen, Catherine Grace Cangelosi, who will enter the Catholic Church through reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. On that same night, Corbin Richardson and Trevor Bayliss will be Confirmed and received into Full Communion in the Catholic Church. We are grateful to their sponsors, James Caswell, Deborah Cameron, and Amanda Bayliss, for their active witness of faith. We acknowledge their Prayer Partners, Al Chrosny, Donna Denelli-Hess, and Karyn O'Toole for their spiritual support. We are indebted to Jack Miller and James Nolan, catechists, for their instruction and preparation of these individuals since September. We welcome others interested in becoming Catholic to contact the Faith Formation Office to learn more.

Confirmation is set for May 10, at 11 am, with Bishop Byrne:

Our candidates are in their final month of preparation for Confirmation to be held here in our Parish for our students along with those from Adams and North Adams. Our candidates include Everett Bayliss, Dai Constantine, Kieran Johnson, Dan & Hunter Lawson, Allie Moressi, Kofi Roberts, and Finn Voisin. In addition to their sponsors, we appreciate the support of their Prayer Partners, men from *That Man Is You*, James Capuzzi, C.J. Gillig, Dave Leja, Dan Lucy, and Frank Sabellico, along with Faith Formation Team Member, Sandra King. We acknowledge the ongoing preparation provided by their catechist, Candice Constantine. Let us continue to keep these young people in our prayers.

Palm Sunday Processions:

Thank you to all of the children who participated in the three Processions for Palm Sunday: Lucas & Luna Chavez Alvarado, William Bayliss,



Chavez Alvarado, William Bayliss, Sam Day Giarolo, Livia Durley, Nadine Fiorentino, Fatima Martinez Hernandez, Eloise Kaatz, Asher Lahey, Anica & Emmitt Mendel, Lillian Parmenter, Jesus & Wilson Perez, Baltazar & Felipe Soza Tagle, Luis & Valentina Sisalima, Sebastian Stango, and Annalise & Eiley Stokes. We appreciate the Altar Servers who confidently led as well: Jeff Betti, Dai Constantine, Katy Day Giarolo, Carol Lawrence, and Aidan Miller. As the children reenacted Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, they led the congregation to enter more fully into the reading of the Passion.

Chalk the Walk: Artists of all ages came together for the annual "chalking the walk" to enliven our church sidewalks for Easter. Their work was even more meaningful as they decorated our new entryway! We appreciate all who came to lend their talents and Jen Jayko for providing cookies for the workers!

Birthday Blessings for Kofi celebrating his special day this week..

