

Saint Patrick Catholic Church 34 AMHERST STREET, MILFORD, NH 03055

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-Noon & 1-5pm & Friday 9-Noon

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church is a welcoming community in a traditional and Eucharistic setting focused on prayer, service, and life-long faith formation on the values and teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church.

A PARISHIONERS' PRAYER

Almighty God, my parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly if I am.

It will be holy if I am.

Its pews will be filled if I help fill them.

It will do great work if I work. It will be prayerful if I pray.

It will make generous gifts to so many causes if I am a generous giver.

It will bring other people into its worship if I invite and bring them.

It will be a parish family of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity and mercy

if I — who make it what it is — am filled with the same qualities.

Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to he

Bless my journey, Lord God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Bless my journey, Lord God, that I might follow Jesus and build the Church for your glory. Amen. Parish Office: 673-1311 Fax: 673-3687
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Consecration to St. Joseph

Consecration to St. Joseph will be on November 1 @ 5:30pm Mass.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Will McGrath

Peter Arnoldy, Laura Ilsley, Jerry Guthrie, Irene Prunier, Steve Santinelli, Juliann Washer

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday: 4:00 P.M. **Sunday:** 8:00 A.M.;

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WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday, Thursday & Friday

7:30 A.M. Wednesday 5:30 P.M. Mass,

unless otherwise indicated. **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**: 5:30 P.M.

(Except Dec 25th, Christmas & Jan 1st, Mary, Mother of God).

Welcome! We are delighted to welcome each and every one who has come to worship with us. Our parish is here to assist all who wish to know God more deeply. Our website has been revamped go check it out saintpatrick-milfordnh.org

OCTOBER 25-31, 2021

MON - 10/25- <u>Weekday</u> 7:30AM: All souls

TUES - 10/26- Weekday - NO MASS

WED - 10/27 – <u>Weekday</u> 5:30PM: All souls

THURS - 10/28 - Ss. Simon & Jude

7:30AM: Andrew Rothovius by Mary Winiecki

FRI - 10/29 - <u>Weekday</u> **7:30AM:** All Souls

SAT - 10/30- Vigil of the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00PM: All Souls

SUN - 10/31- 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Church closes at Noon on Sundays **8:00 AM**: Members of the Parish

10:30AM: Jeffrey Hicks by his wife, Kim and

Robert Hilgartner by Patricia Wiener



YOUTH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Any young person, grade 4 and up, please consider Altar Serving. We are

in need of altar servers to assist Fr. Dennis at the altar at all weekend masses and holydays. We hope to begin the ministry on the first weekend of Advent which begins on November 27 & 28. There will be formation sessions offered for training. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 673-1311 or email Patti at

pattih2015@comcast.net. with any questions.

Ministry schedule will be updated on the website under the calendar of events every Friday.

READINGS 10-31-2021

Dt: 6:2-6 Heb: 7:23-28 Mk: 12:28b-34

<u>Prayer Line call</u>: Diane or Patti 603-673-1311



November is traditionally the month in which we remember all our deceased loved ones. The "Book of Life" will be available in the Sanctuary for the entire month. Sheets are available on the tables in the back of the church for you to post those you wish to be remembered. Please fill them out and place them in the book begin-

ning the Weekend of Oct 30-31.

On Tuesday, November 2nd at the 5:30pm Mass we will be remembering all those who have died from this community this past year. All parishioners are welcome to attend. If you would like a person to be remembered at Mass, or you need a ride to come to the celebration, please call the office, 673-1311.

The Book of Intentions will be located at the entrance of the Church for the month of November.

Your weekly donation can be dropped off in the mail slot near the glass door or E-giving is available to all parishioners. This is a safe and easy way to give to the parish. Go to our website saintpatrickmilfordnh.org under NEWS & EVENTS and scroll to "giving" then follow the instructions.

This is very helpful for parishioners who want to give on a

regular basis.

Weekend of October 17, 2021: \$5,837

GIVE+ONLINE



Weekly Calendar of Events Oct 25-31

Coming _This Week

Mon: 4:30pm—Adult Faith Formation Class with

Fr. Dennis "Pivotal Players" - C/H

Tues: 6:30pm—Evening Bible Study with Sally

• Wed: 6:15pm—RCIA - SPC

7:00pm—Choir rehearsal —Church

7:15pm—Scout BSA troop1794—C/H

Thur: 9:30am—Adult Bible Study with Sally—C/H Sat: 7:30am—Men's Prayer Group—C/H

7:00pm—Trunk or Treat—Church Parking Lot



REMEMBER Billie-Jo, Benjamin Keenan, Christine Lacroix, Mary Ann Carmichael-Magee, A 7 year old girl, Mary Emrich, Bernie Quinn, Julie & David Spokane, Rev. Jack Roche, Jim Mackie, Stanley Marchocki, Melissa Duffy, Bart & Robert Nichols, Julie Hammond, Florence Boudreau,

Mimi Shrall, Mimi Cuddington, Mark Blamy, Emily Wrzeszcz, Ashley Holland, Todd Turcotte, Bettina Mace, Jean Moro, Lucille Farwell, Stephen, Cheryl Lounsbury, Baby Owen, Shawn Dufraine, Laura McGettigan, Jen, Patti Fay McDonagh, Lillian Esielionis, Tiffany Brown, Dr. Ray Roberge, Brendan Zubricki, Alison Caiado, John Coleman, Bruce Gade, Eleanor Botelho, Rita Rose, Richard, Paul, Laura, Skip, Betty, Ken Jalbert, Pamela Wood, Sean, Patricia Barrett, Cameron Conley, Lexz Bragdom, Timothy Russell, Maureen Belair, Marty, Nancy Moro, Mary Ann Hower, Eva, Carolyn Hassett, Thomas Burkardt, Ben, Anne Marie, Jeffrey, Lisa, Susan Yorio, William, JoAnn & John, Gus Dreher, Irene Dion, Eugene Callahan, Andrea, Sophia Lamarche, Brundage family, Coralee Smart, Marie, Frances, Arlene, Georgian, Jeanne, Sue, Dennis Creedon, Rob Erickson, Liz Richer, Luke LaVallee, John, Mike Paxton, Isabelle Miller, Helen R, Anne Ronsov, Scott Dickinson, Joseph Koprek, Lillie & Damien, Benjamin Smith, Cheryl Williams, Ken Hower, Jeff MacMartin, Mindy Kane, Linda Lewis, Richard Copeland, Wayne Cormier, Robert Merley, Jeffrey Bryant, Leah Stigliano, Philip McPhee, William Thompson, Sammy Tinaglia, John Sullivan, Alice & Lloyd Eskins, and for the men and women who are serving our country.

Please call the parish office at 673-1311 when someone can be taken off the prayer list.

NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS ONLY

Toothbrushes & paste, Deodorants, Shampoo & Conditioner, Bar Soap, Feminine Hygiene Products, Diapers, Wipes

CLOTHING BARN

Kids sleepwear, NEW underwear for Men, Women, Children all sizes are needed.

These items can be dropped off at the SHARE office. PLEASE CALL FIRST: 673-9898. Thank you.

St. Patrick Church sponsors ScoutBSA Troop 1794 for young women ages 11 through 17. The Troop gives girls in Milford and surrounding towns opportunities for fun, adventure, learning, challenge, and responsibility as their work their way to become an Eagle Scout. If you are, or know of, a young women with an interest in the outdoors, learning new hands-on and lifelong skills, and may have an interest in following scouting traditions, we encourage you to give ScoutsBSA a try. Come visit one of our meetings held in the Church Hall on Wednesday's from 7:30-8:30pm. If you have questions, please call Paul Rolanti at (603) 801-4954 or email psrolanti@comcast.net.

MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY- led by Sally Wilkins

Join us on Thursdays, from 9:30-11:00am, in the Church Hall, for our daytime adult Bible Study with Sally Wilkins on Sin and Grace, Forgiveness and Redemption. This study just began before the shutdown but we have decided to start over from week one, so this is a great opportunity to join in, whether you've come before or if you're brand new to the study of Scripture in a Catholic context. Sally will lead us through the Biblical texts behind and beneath these central teachings of the Church and the Good News of the Gospel.

EVENING ADULT BIBLE STUDY – led by Sally Wilkins

Tuesday Evenings, 6:30-8pm in the Parish Office

Continuing the **Great Adventure Bible Timeline course!** This is the popular program produced by Ascension Press, with weekly presentations from Jeff Cavins via DVD, and group discussion of at home study questions. Before COVID we had finished the first six weeks of this 26-week course. Anyone who was not registered in 2020 but would like to join us, contact Diane to register and order your books. For more information see https://ascensionpress.com/pages/the-great-adventure



Are you or someone you know interesed in the Catholic Faith?

The Catholic Church invites you to the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) process for those who are:

- Unbaptized and recognizes a need for spirituality in their life
- ♦ Baptized and raised in another Christian tradition but interested in learning about the Catholic faith
- ♦ Baptized in the Catholic faith or another Christian faith tradition, but never received any formal faith formation.

Inquirers please contact Patti Hendrickson at 673-1311 or pattih2015@comcast.net.

FORMED

Are you signed up for FORMED? It's easy. Just go to www.formed.org and click on SIGN UP. Click on "Sign up as a parishioner", add our zip code "03055" and follow the prompts from there. You'll have a wealth of Catholic movies, studies, books, audios and more. Get signed up today and feed the faith of your ENTIRE family!

October 24

Program: Lectio: Evangelization **Book**: You Can Understand the Bible

Children: Watch: Cat Chat: Building the Kingdom, Learning about the Saints

Watch: A Bible Study on the Glorious Mysteries (5-Part Series)

Watch: A Study of Sacred Art - Various subjects



FAITH FORMATION

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION GRADES K-5

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION GRADES 6-12

Tuesday: 5:00 - 6:30pm — November 9 Wednesday: 6:00 -7:30pm — November 10

Sunday: 6-7:30pm — November 14

All of these classes will be through Zoom Meeting. Sue, our Faith Formation Director will be sending you a link to invite you to class.

NON-TRIVIAL PURSUITS

Weekly challenge from your Faith Formation Team (10/24/2021)

Baltimore Catechism, from Lesson 5

- 51. Q. Is original sin the only kind of sin?
- 52. Q. What is actual sin?
- 53. Q. How many kinds of actual sin are there?
- 54. Q. What is mortal sin?
- 55. Q. Why is this sin called mortal?
- 56. Q. How many things are necessary to make a sin mortal?

Answer to question 10/17/2021

45 A. On account of the disobedience of our first parents, we all share in their sin and punishment, as we should have shared in their happiness if they had remained faithful.

46 A. Our nature was corrupted by the sin of our first parents, which darkened our understanding, weakened our will, and left in us a strong inclination to evil.

47 A. The sin which we inherit from our first parents is called original sin. having one and the same Divine nature.

TRUNK OR TREAT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30TH 7PM ST. PATRICK CHURCH PARKING LOT.

Last chance to sign-up on the sheet in the vestibule or to call the office. If you would like to participate.

If you are displaying your trunk, please plan to arrive by 6:15pm in order to have your car decorated and ready for the trunk or treat starting at 7pm.

For their safety all children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

SACRAMENTS:

Baptisms: We rejoice with parents at the birth of a new child. Parents are encouraged to initiate preparation for baptism prior to the child's birth. Call the Parish Office at 673-1311 for information and pre-baptism instruction.

Marriage: Weddings are a special time of joy and promise for a bride and a groom. Engaged couples are invited to contact the pastor personally (preferably 6-12 months) prior to the desired wedding date to begin their preparation. Couples should not make any commitment with a reception venue prior to the 1st meeting with the pastor.

Reconciliation: Individual confessions are held every Saturday from 3:00-3:45 P.M. in the reconciliation room at St. Patrick Church or during the week by personal appointment with the pastor.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you are anticipating surgery or experiencing health issues and would like to be strengthened with the Church's sacrament of healing and hope, please contact the pastor personally to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B-2021)

In this weekend's Gospel, Bartimaeus is sitting at the side of the road, not going anywhere, as Jesus and his disciples approach. They are going somewhere, on the way to Jerusalem. When he hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, hope begins to emerge is his own broken self as well as his sitting and begging place. Exiled alone by his blindness, probably fallen out of family favor because of the mistaken idea that physical disability was the end result of a sin, Bartimaeus begs for more than alms. With the eyes of faith, he shouts out to Jesus: "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me"! The crowd want Bartimaeus to shut up ... so often the rebuke earned by those who have the courage to profess their faith, especially if they are regarded as unimportant, marginalized people. The blind Bartimaeus cannot find his way to Jesus; only his longing again reaches out to him across the distance, begging Jesus to have mercy on him.

And even in the crowd, Jesus is aware of the needy man who is eager for personal contact with him. For that, Jesus will take the time and interrupt his journey. Jesus' command to the crowd, "Call him," combined with the persistence of Bartimaeus, seems to transform them from rebuking to encouraging Bartimaeus, and their voices become a kind chorus that urges him to have courage, rise up, and answer Jesus' call. Bartimaeus' response is not only a physical leap, but also a leap of faith. He throws away his cloak, his last poor possession that, for a beggar, served as coat, sleeping bag, and collecting rug for the few coins tossed his way. Nothing now matters to Bartimaeus. He's about to be newly clothed with the identity of a follower of Jesus. The eager beggar becomes a disciple.

Jesus asked this beggar: "What do you want me to do for you?" Probably the same question he asked of his disciples. The contrast of Bartimaeus' response with theirs is significant. Blinded the demands of following a suffering and servant Messiah, the disciples had asked for the best places in the kingdom. Ambition would soon cause them to leave everything to run away from Jesus, but Bartimaeus, aware of his poverty and disability, asks for nothing but that he may see. Jesus knows that the blind man already has the seeing eyes of faith, and he tells Bartimaeus that it is this faith that now restores his physical sight. "Go your way; your faith has saved you," says Jesus. No longer confined to begging around his space, Bartimaeus can "go" wherever he wants to, but his choice is to follow Jesus "on the way," the way that leads to Jerusalem, the city of passion, death, and resurrection.

Are we aware of our own blindness, of our inability to recognize Jesus who is passing through our little space ... our everyday lives? From the depths of our spiritual poverty and disabilities, do we urgently ask for faith so that we recognize who Jesus really is? Or are we reluctant to leave even the small, secure territory of our reputation or material comfort that we have staked out for ourselves and move forward to Jesus, ready to enter with him into whatever "Jerusalem" he will lead us into, with his promise of a share in his passion, death . . . and resurrection?

Fr. Dennis



CATHOLICISM: THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS is a multi-part film series that illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization.

October 25 - TIME and PLACE: Parish Hall 4:30-6:00 PM

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

The relationship of faith and reason is under intense scrutiny. So called "new atheists" insist that the claims of religion amount to mere superstition, a retrograde holdover from a time long ago. The theologian St. Thomas Aquinas demonstrated that to believe is to think and that the life of the mind is integral to life in Christ. The relationship of faith and reason is under intense scrutiny in an age of competing claims of fundamentalism and secularism. So called "new atheists" insist that the claims of religion amount to mere superstition left over from a time long ago.

In this episode, travel to Rome, Florence, Paris and all of the locations that played a significant role in the formation and vocation of St. Thomas, which in turn formed the life of the Church. With all his heart, Thomas Aquinas wanted nothing more than Christ, nothing more or less than Christ.