



## Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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♦Faith Formation: 603-673-4797 ♦Fax: 603-673-3687  
♦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.*

#### PASTORAL STAFF

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#### MASS TIME

**Saturday:** 4:00 P.M.  
**Sunday:** 8:00 A.M.; 10:30A.M.

**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 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas & Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, Mary, Mother of God).



**Are you or someone you know  
interested  
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 Fr. Dennis at 673-1311.

**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. Please visit our website [saintpatrickmilfordnh.org](http://saintpatrickmilfordnh.org)

**All offices will be closed from August 25th until September 1, due to the installation of new carpets. If you need to reach someone please call the office, leave a message and someone will get back to you. 603-673-1311**

**Prayer request call:**

**Diane 603-673-1311**



#### First Friday Adoration September 2, 2022

Following the 5:30pm Mass from 6-7pm, we will have an intentional hour of prayer. Each month, we pray for a specific intention that affects our universal church. Our goal is to use this most holy time of prayer to call on God's involvement and blessing in these specific areas of need in our Church. We ask you to consider coming to church and participating in this or any portion of First Friday Adoration.

# 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 28, 2022

## August 29-September 4, 2022

**MON - 8/29 - The Passion of St. John the Baptist**

**7:30AM:** All Souls

**TUES - 8/30 - Weekday**

**7:30AM:** NO MASS

**WED - 8/31 - Weekday**

**5:30PM:** All Souls

**THURS - 9/1 - Weekday**

**7:30AM:** All Souls

**Fri - 9/2 - Weekday (FIRST FRIDAY)**

**5:30PM:** All Souls

**SAT - 9/3 - Vigil of the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:00PM:** Walter Kane & Raymond L'heureux by Mr. & Mrs.  
Roland Gilbert

**SUN - 9/4 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The Church closes at Noon on Sunday

**8:00AM:** Members of the Parish

**10:30AM:** Allen Hendrickson by the family and  
Rafe & Cate Stepto in celebration of their  
anniversary by Mr. & Mrs David Momenee



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of deceased family members of the Côté & Caveney families by Ida Caveney

### **READINGS 9/4/2022**

**Wis:** 9:13-18b

**Phlm:** 9-10, 12-17

**Lk:** 14:25-33

### **Weekly Calendar of Events** **August 29-September 4, 2022**

Wed: 7:00PM—Scout BSA troop 1794—C/H  
Fri: 5:30p—Mass (First Friday)  
6:00-7:00pm Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament—Church  
Sat: 7:30AM—Men's Prayer Group—C/H

## **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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

*If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the office at 673-1311.*



Your weekly donation can be dropped off in the mail box on the garage 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](http://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.

**Weekly collection:**

**\$4,894**

**GIVE+ONLINE**





## REMEMBER in your prayers

Ken Dubois, Melissa, Helen, Maryann O'Connor, Ann, Paige DiPietro, MaryDennis Werger, Alicia Hill, Eric Lacroix, Linda Asselin, John Milan, James D'Alessandro, John Lacroix, Joseph & Brenda Janikas, Chuck Dumont, Meghan (Duffy) Griffith, Robert Ferreira, Mel Scherr, Conrad Ducas, Konstantin Bushuyev, Marko Bushuyev, Tom Moro, Irene Prunier, Chrissy Ramsdell, Joan Miller, Elijah Huang, Paul Gibbons, Mike Donnelly, Neil Gade, Brenda & Cullen Boisvert, Orlando Lopez, Carolyn Momenie, Christine Lacroix, Julie & David Spokane, Jim Mackie, Stanley Marchock, Melissa Duffy, Bart & Robert Nichols, Julie Hammond, Mimi Shrall, Mimi Cuddington, Mark Blamy, Emily Wrzeszcz, Ashley Holland, Todd Turcotte, Bettina Mace, Lucille Farwell, Stephen, Cheryl Lounsbury, Shawn Dufraine, Laura McGettigan, Patti Fay McDonagh, Lillian Eselionis, Brendan Zubricki, Alison Caiado, John Coleman, Bruce Gade, Eleanor Botelho, Richard, Ken Jalbert, Pamela Wood, Patricia Barrett, Cameron Conley, Lexz Bragdom, Maureen Belair, Marty, Nancy Moro, Mary Ann Hower, Eva, Thomas Burkardt, Susan Yorio, William, Gus Dreher, Irene Dion, Eugene Callahan, Andrea, Sophia Lamarche, Brundage family, Coralee Smart, Rob Erickson, Liz Richer, Luke LaVallee, Mike Paxton, Isabelle Miller, 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, and all the people in Ukraine.

### NON-TRIVIAL PURSUITS



### Weekly challenge from your Faith Formation Team (8/28/2022)

Another common, yet seemingly strange, metaphor in the Psalms (and in other poetic passages in the Old Testament) refers to God as a "portion." In Psalm 16 David sings "The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;" and Jeremiah, after ridiculing man-made idols, says, "Not like these is he who is the portion of Jacob."

What does "portion" mean and how is it a metaphor for God?

### Answer from the Faith Formation weekly challenge 8/21/2022

The military images of "fortress" and "shield" reflect both David's personal experiences as a warrior and Israel's history in conquering and then defending the lands of Canaan. In the ancient world, almost all combat was "hand to hand," and a shield was an essential defense for the warrior. A fortress was the wall around a city. In time of war, the people would run into the city for safety. Jerusalem, a fortified city, was regarded as virtually impregnable until David himself sent his soldiers up through the drainage system.

### FORMED

Are you signed up for FORMED?

It's easy. Just go to [www.formed.org](http://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! If you have any difficulties, please call the office and we can assist you. 603-673-4797.

**Watch:** Eucharistic devotion and Reparation (Fatima Gems episode 7)

**Watch:** The Early Christians: Episode 6 St. Augustine (St. Monica, his mother 8/27 and St. Augustine 8/28)

**Listen:** Catholic Teaching on Marriage & Annulments by Bishop Joseph Perry

**Watch with kids:** Catholic Heroes of the Faith: The Story of Saint Augustine



### NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS ONLY

Pancake Mix & Syrup, Condiments, Cooking Sauces & Seasonings, Cooking Oil, Jelly, Cold Cereal

### CLOTHING BARN

NEW underwear for Men, Women, Children all sizes are needed. New Children Swimwear.

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

### PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Will McGrath

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



## **FAITH FORMATION**

It's time to register now so that we can be prepared for you this fall. Faith formation is a Lifelong process. Even if our child/ren have been confirmed it is important to keep them in the program. You will benefit from the support we offer to you and your child/ren. If you have any questions please call the Faith Formation office at 603-673-4797 and leave a message.

You can find registration forms at the back of the church, on our Website, and in the office. No child will be denied faith formation due to lack of funds. Please contact the office for assistance.



### **Holiday Craft Fair**

This year instead of having a Christmas Fair, we have decided to have a **Craft Fair/Bake Sale on Saturday November 19.**

This year, we will have a few raffles: we will sell tickets ahead of and during the fair for larger prizes.

We will also have our theme related baskets as we have done in the past. Tickets for those can be purchased at the fair.

In order to make this happen, if you have baskets on the larger size that you would like to donate to the church bring them to the office during the week. This would be greatly appreciated.

As done every year we will have a poster board in the vestibule with different items needed for the baskets.

More information will be in the bulletin as we approach the Craft Fair date.

## **Labor Day Parade 2022 – Knights of Columbus Supporting St. Patrick Parish**

Do you love Jesus Christ? Do you love our St. Patrick Parish Community? Do you struggle with evangelizing to others about the joy of our faith and our community? Here's your chance to share: Saturday September 3 at 8:45-11am, we'll be (again) decorating a trailer to transport St. Patrick in the Annual Milford Labor Day Parade. Please come and help prepare the "float"!

Then – join us for the "big event". It normally rolls at about noon on Monday Sept. 5 (Labor Day), but we like to gather in the parade lineup on West Street beyond the high school starting at about 11am. We will try again to provide and hand out some sunflowers, and our "float truck" will hopefully again be sharing a selection of our favorite Catholic songs.

Any questions – please contact John Turner @ [jturner@myteamengineering.com](mailto:jturner@myteamengineering.com) or 603-493-6036.

## **HELP NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER 27 FROM 9AM-2PM**

Are you looking for a one-time opportunity to volunteer?

Did you know we have a centennial park beside the parking lot? It was established about 27 years ago for a place to come and meditate and be with nature. But over the years, it has become a "little" overgrown. It's time to rejuvenate that park. **We plan to do so on September 17 from 9am until 2pm.** We need to clear the grounds, fix the walkways and posts and maybe replace some plants.

**Please call the office if you are able to help .**

Is it time to get your hands dirty! We will provide lunch.

Bring your own tools and gloves.





## 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 2022

Today's gospel may surprise us and perhaps perplex us. In the gospel it seems that Jesus is advocating an approach of self-service. He instructs his disciples to take the lowest place so that the host may come and ask them to move up higher. Thereby they will gain the esteem of their companions at table. So how can we connect this strategy to gain the admiration of others to the gospel? Is discipleship about growing in the esteem of other people? Does not Jesus call us to serve others rather than to serve ourselves?

Not entirely. The truth is that whenever we serve another person we also serve ourselves. Whenever we do good for someone else, it is a good from which we benefit. St. Thomas Aquinas, one of the great theologians of our church, taught that whenever we choose to do a good thing, we make that choice because our heart knows that it will be good for us. Even if the choice we make is difficult and involves the sacrifice of our time and comfort, doing that good thing is something from which we benefit.

People who give their lives to save the life of another person are certainly serving their neighbor, but they are also serving themselves. In that heroic action they know that they are doing something good and valuable, something that can rightly be admired by others. They understand that their sacrifice is not something that others soon will forget. Parents are always sacrificing for their children, but they are also sacrificing for themselves. The greatest satisfaction that a parent can experience is to see that their son or daughter has grown and is successful, and to understand that they contributed to the goodness of their child. People who work for justice in our world, fighting poverty or undermining structures that support violence or hate, are certainly doing good for others, but they are also doing good for themselves. At the end of the day they will know that their life was given for something of value, something that made a difference.

So the good thing that we do for someone else is also a good thing we do for us, and there is nothing wrong about seeking that good. Sometimes we imagine following Jesus as a way of negating ourselves or putting ourselves down. But true discipleship is for the benefit of disciple. It is a way to exalt the disciple because of the good things that he or she does. We are God's daughters and sons and so it only makes sense that God would want us to be exalted, that God would want us to grow in our goodness and in our value.

When we serve another person, we serve ourselves. That is why Jesus in today's gospel is not ashamed to ask his disciples to grow in the esteem of others because of the positive choices they make. We should not be ashamed of exalting ourselves for the good decisions we make, as long as we make those decisions for the right reason.

*Fr. Dennis*