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ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER. GROW DISCIPLES.



Twenty– Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 17, 2023

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SACRAMENTS:

Masses: Sat. 4:30pm; Sun. 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 5:00 PM

Confession: Sat. 3:30-4:00 PM

Call the Office for information on receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Matrimony, Sacrament of the Sick and Homebound Visits.

508-234-5656

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office hours:

mon.-thurs. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm; closed Fridays

Rectory Fax: 508-234-6845

Parish Website: www.mystpatricks.com

live stream mass schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM, 5:00 PM

Cable: NCTV 191 & 192

Mon: 12:00 Noon, Wed. 8:00 AM, Sat: 8:00 AM

mass schedule

Weekend of Sept. 16 - 17

Sat. 4:30 PM + Mary Beaulieu (15th Anniv.)
By her Family

Sun. 8:00 AM + People of St. Patrick Parish

10:00 AM + Danny Guillaume (25th Anniv.)
By his Family

5:00 PM + Raymond Gervais
By his Wife

Week of Sept. 18 - 22

Mon. 8:30 AM + People of St. Patrick Parish

Tues. 8:30 AM + People of St. Patrick Parish

Wed. 4:30 PM + Holy Souls in Purgatory
By Helpers of Holy Souls

Thurs. & Fri. No Mass

Weekend of Sept. 23 - 24

Sat. 4:30 PM + Dorothy Harris (9th Anniv.)
By her Family

Sun. 8:00 AM + People of St. Patrick Parish

10:00 AM + Frank Barletta
By Lou and Nancy Pepin

5:00 PM + Eric Lemoine
By his Family

The Mass book is open for the months September-December. If you would like to book a mass in memory of a loved one, please call the rectory at 508-234-5656. The stipend for the Mass is \$10.00.

Reflections : A Letter from a YIA Teen about her service experience ...

Hi! My name is Emily. This year was my first year going on a trip like this and, honestly, it was one of the best weeks of my life. When I found out I was allowed to go on the trip I was beyond excited, but as the week got closer and closer I began to feel nervous about it. I had no idea what to expect. Every morning before we went to work we went to mass. It was honestly so amazing to see so many teens worshiping and praising God. After mass was when we would get together with our small group and head out to work.

I worked in Kentucky at a place called the "Rose Garden". It was essentially a huge donation place where families and soon-to-be mothers could go to get things they needed like food, clothes, diapers, blankets, and so much more. My team did so many things there such as package pretzels, candy, sausages, lettuce, and one of our favorites, shortening. It was crazy to think that what we were doing was changing so many people's lives.

Everyday after work we would go to program, and let me tell you it was amazing. It definitely got hot with all the teens singing and dancing but it was one of the best parts of the day. Everyone would gather and, like I said, sing and dance. By the end of the week so many of our voices were gone and our hands almost bruised. Again it was so amazing to see so many teens just praising God. On Tuesday after program they held adoration. I wasn't expecting to feel anything because I've been to adoration before and I knew what it was like but boy I was wrong. I was in tears with Danielle when we got out of the chapel and for who knows what. That was the first time in my life I cried for no reason and it was amazing. God really touched me that night.

On Wednesday, again, after program they held, what they called, four corners. It was a place for prayer. They had every adult sitting on the ground for you to go and pray with. They had a place to pray the rosary and write down a prayer intention on the cross. They also had a place where you could write a letter about whatever and to whoever you want. When I was done writing my letter I remember turning around and Samantha was there in tears. I just hugged her and we cried under a soccer net for like 30 minutes. Everyone cried that night.

On Thursday, before program this time, they had a chance to go and pray the rosary. Me and a group of others from St. Pats and OLL went down and prayed the rosary together. One thing, or person I should say, that I will never forget from that week, is a guy named Mark. He was at work when we were there volunteering and I talked to him one day and he told me that he has been volunteering there for about 2 years, but the thing that stood out to me was when he said that if God had told him 3 years ago that he would be volunteering at the "Rose Garden" he wouldn't have believed God. That stood out to me because it really showed me that God always has a plan for you and will always lead you in the right direction whether or not you believe him.

One last final thing I want to do is thank the parish for helping to send me and everyone else on YIA on this trip. It really made me feel so much closer to God. So thank you for always supporting us.

Last Sunday was a very special day...

At the 10 AM Mass, backpacks were blessed, grandparents were celebrated and a delicious and fun ice cream party was held after the Mass.

Also... our 2024 YIA service trip destination was revealed plus our 9th and 10th graders, and their parents, kicked off the new Faith Formation year by attending the 5 PM Mass, followed by dinner and class.

Pictures of all these events are found on pages 4, 5, and 6!



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Pictures are from the Blessing of the Backpacks, Blessing all the Grandparents and enjoying the Ice Cream Bar after the 10 AM Mass this past Sunday.



Upcoming Baptism: Sept. 17, 11:30 AM: Miles Hogan Renwick

Upcoming Second Collections:

Sept. 17: St. Patrick's Religious Ed.

Sept. 24: Annual Catholic School Collection

Oct. 1: Heating

To Give a Contribution:

Text the word **mystpatrick**s to the number 508-475-5725 and it will bring you to the link to donate.

Scan this **QR Code** with your phone and it will bring you to our giving link.



OR: For **VENMO** accounts, search business for:



OR: For **PAYPAL** search @StPatricksParish.

Also, please consider St. Patrick Parish for a Charitable Bequest as part of your estate planning.

OFFERING				
Week	Weekly Envelopes & Cash	Weekly Online	Weekly Total	Goal
9/3/23	\$4,222.00	\$6,238.85	\$10,460.85	\$8,700
9/10/23	\$4,920.00	\$2,028.50	\$6,948.50	\$8,700



Celebrate!

Coming Up in October... Mark Your Calendars!!!

Sunday, October 15th

**St. Patrick's 125th Anniversary Mass
and Family Day of Celebration**



Our 125th celebration will begin with a special Mass at 10:00 AM followed by festivities for the whole family in our Parish Center. Food and Fun Galore! Relive memories from our years together! Renew friendships from the past! Special surprises! More information to follow.



St. Patrick's Church Autumn Recycling Event
Saturday, October 21, 2023 8 AM—1 PM
7 East St., Whitinsville MA 508-234-5656



Please keep items for each station separate!

Books - Donate all types of gently used books.
No encyclopedias!

Media - Donate cassette tapes; CD's; DVD's; video games; vinyl records; etc.

Clothing & Textiles - Donate gently used textiles and linens to be resold. (No stains) The following items are acceptable: belts; shoes; gloves; clothing; purses; jewelry; backpacks; tote bags; sheets; blankets/bed linens; towels; curtains; table linens; throw pillows; fabric by the yard/quilting squares (no scraps); yarn; other soft goods, etc. Suitcases that can fit into a trash bag are also acceptable. **NO RUGS/NO RAGS/NO MATTRESSES/NO HOUSEWARES/NO TOYS**

Bottles/Cans - must be rinsed and returnable in Massachusetts. Place bottles and cans in plastic bag. **Unfortunately, we can no longer accept glass bottles of any kind.**

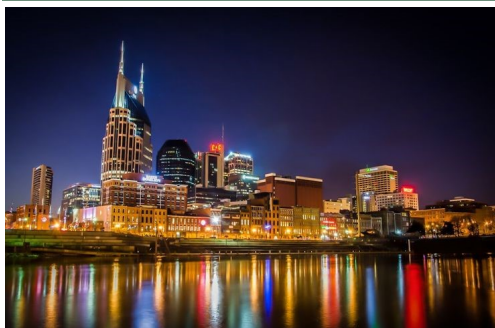
Electronics for a Fee - please email officesupport@mystpatrickss.com for a price list. **NO BATTERIES, LIGHTBULBS OR PROPANE TANKS. EQUIPMENT MUST BE BONE DRY.**

Paper Shredding - Vendor will be onsite for document shredding from 9 AM to 11 AM only! \$8.00 per copy size box. Envelopes, manila folders and staples are all acceptable. **NO X-RAYS, BINDERS; BINDER CLIPS; HANGING FOLDERS; MAGAZINES; NOTEBOOKS; PLASTIC**



If you cannot make it on event day, please call the office to donate. All proceeds benefit YIA service projects.





The Big Reveal!

The 2024 service trip for our Youth in Action
Teens will be to Nashville, Tennessee!



Come join our St. Patrick Family and experience what an awesome parish this is for you and your loved ones! All are welcome!

Job Opening:

**Cemetery Superintendent and
Facilities and Grounds Manager**
(Approximately 32 Hrs. / Wk.)
Contact Father Tomasz for
more information.

Sunday, September 10th...



Pictures shown:

St. Patrick's 9th and 10th graders and their parents
participating in activities for their first session of
this year's Faith Formation.



Faith Formation

If you haven't registered your children yet please go to our website to register.

Some Upcoming Important Dates:

Preschool through 4th Grade Parent Meeting: Sunday, Sept. 17th, 11:15 Am in the Parish Center

Confirmation Commitment Mass followed by Parent-Student Class: Sunday, Sept. 24th, starting at the 5 PM Mass

Please email Aileen or Shelly if you have any questions.



Let Us Pray for Those in the Service

Almighty God, we stand before you asking for your divine mercy and protection. Embrace with your invincible armor our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them courage and strength against all enemies both spiritual and physical and hasten their safe journey back to their homes and families. Amen

Please remember the following service personnel in your prayers as they serve and protect our country:

L.Cpl. Aaron Marshall, Okinawa, USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, U.S. Army, L.Cpl. Troy Monteville, Stateside, Capt. Jason Jordan, US Army, So. Korea, Nicole DeFazio, Deployed USS Normandy CG60

2023 Partners in Charity Campaign



So far, St. Patrick Parish

has raised \$33,437 which is 67% of our goal of \$50,000.00. We need to still raise \$16,563.

Won't you please prayerfully consider helping us reach our 2023 goal? We need you help. There are so many important and much needed programs that are supported by this campaign and many people, including some of our own parishioners, benefit from this support.

There are many ways to contribute:

Parish Envelopes: Pass in your donation in the collection basket at Mass.

Direct Mail: Partners in Charity, 49 Elm St., Worcester, MA 01609;

Online: Partners-Charity.net

Text Your Donation: Text the word **donate** to **84576** to access the online giving page

Call in a Pledge or Gift: 508-929-4366

Visit Partners-Charity.net for a list of the charities, ministries and educational programs that rely on your generosity.

Matching Gifts: See if your company will match your gift.

Partners-Charity.net/matching-gifts



Charity

Catholic Charities
Pernet Family Health Service
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Retired Priests' Health Ministry
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Diocesan Schools grants

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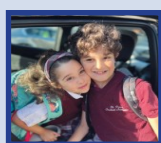
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Hispanic Apostolate
Minister to Priests
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Hispanic and Latino Ministry
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Office of the Diaconate
Respect Life Office
St. Paul Cathedral
Vocations Office and House of Studies
Youth and Young Adult Ministries

No funds from this appeal are used for abuse-related expenses.



"Thank you for being Christ's helping hands so that our agencies and ministries can sustain those who turn to us in their time of need."

— Bishop McManus



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Be the *face* of CHRIST and his helping hands