



# st. patrick's

## ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER. GROW DISCIPLES.



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
JUNE 1, 2025

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### parish staff

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### volunteer support

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or call her cell at 508-341-3371

### masses & sacraments

**Masses:** Sat. 4:30 p.m.; Sun. 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

**Confession:** Sat. 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.

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

follow us on social media!



**St Patricks Parish  
Whitinsville**

### live stream mass schedule

**Saturday:** 4:30 p.m.    **Sunday:** 10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

**Cable:** NCTV 191 & 192

**Mon:** 12:00 Noon    **Wed:** 8:00 a.m.    **Sat:** 8:00 a.m.

### mass schedule

#### Weekend of May 31 - June 1

Sat. 4:30 PM + Robert & Sis McConnell

By their Family

Sun. 8:00 AM + Armand Boulanger (7th Anniv.)

By his Family

10:00 AM + David Glendenning

By Mary & Ken Glendenning

5:00 PM + Byron Dean

By Susan & Frank Strom

#### Week of June 2 - 6

Mon. 8:30 AM + Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Tues. 8:30 AM + Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Wed. 3:00 PM + Adoration and Divine Mercy

Wed. 4:30 PM + Barbara & Robert Trifari

(Wedding Anniv.)

By their Daughter

Thurs. + Fri. + No Mass

#### Weekend of June 7 - 8

Sat. 4:30 PM + David Potvin (2nd Anniv.)

By his Children

Sun. 8:00 AM + Parishioners of St. Patrick's

10:00 AM + Nora Daubney

By The Daubney Family

5:00 PM + Nellie & Kenny Vassar

By Pat Vassar

### Baptisms

Aurora Claire Aquiar on June 1 at 11:30 a.m.

Gabriel James Ragozzino on June 8 at 11:30 a.m.

The Mass book is open for the months May through August. If you would like to book a Mass in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please call the Rectory at 508-234-5656.

The stipend for a Mass is \$10.00.

**Reflections:**



## LIVING AS FAITHFUL STEWARDS

In Luke 12:32–48, **Jesus** offers both comfort and challenge to His disciples. He begins with reassurance: *“Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom”* (Luke 12:32). For Catholics, this promise reminds us that we are not striving for a distant, uncertain reward, but are heirs to a kingdom already prepared for us by a loving Father. God’s generosity calls forth our trust and courage. Our lives, therefore, should not be consumed by fear or anxiety, but shaped by hope and joyful expectation of His coming.

Immediately following this comfort, **Jesus** invites us into action: *“Gird your loins and light your lamps”* (Luke 12:35). These words point to spiritual readiness — a watchfulness that is active, not passive. Like servants awaiting their master’s return, we are to live each day with purpose, alert to the presence of Christ in the ordinary. The Lord may come at an unexpected hour, and we must not be caught off guard. For Catholics, this speaks directly to the call of daily conversion, prayer, and the frequent reception of the sacraments, which keep our hearts ready and our souls alight.

**Jesus** then offers a powerful image of reward: *“Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival... he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them”* (Luke 12:37). In this stunning reversal, Christ — the Master — serves those who are faithful. This is Eucharistic imagery: the Lord who once washed His disciples’ feet now feeds us with His very Body and Blood. Our watchfulness is not in vain. Every moment we give to God in faithfulness will be answered with His own self-giving love.

Finally, **Jesus** warns that much will be expected of those to whom much has been given: *“More will be demanded of the person entrusted with more”* (Luke 12:48). As Catholics, blessed with the fullness of the faith, the sacraments, and the Church’s teaching, we are not called to complacency but to responsibility. Stewardship of time, talent, and treasure; care for the poor; fidelity to truth — these are not optional. Let us live as faithful servants, joyful and vigilant, confident that when the Master returns, He will find us ready, and He Himself will be our reward.

God Bless,  
Deacon Chris

## THANK YOU MEMORIAL DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST VOLUNTEERS!



We celebrated our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast...

Father Tomasz and the parish staff would like to thank our volunteers. You all helped make this Memorial Day pancake breakfast a great success. *Thank you* for faithfully sharing your time, talents, and treasures in joy-filled and abundant ways. We greatly value each of you!

Thank you, also, to the Knights of Columbus, Mumford Council for sponsoring this wonderful community event. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

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## REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

Some of our parish staff members are traveling to Timonium, MD on Saturday, May 31 for a Conference offered by The Church of the Nativity. This conference brings church staff together from all over the country to grow in faith, and to strengthen their skills to be able to better serve their parishioners and parishes. Please keep St. Pat's staff members in your prayers as they travel.

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## ST. PATRICK'S MINISTRIES

St. Patrick's has a great deal of ministries and each is always looking for more members. Do you enjoy baking? Join the bereavement ministry! Are you interested in gardening? We have a community garden! Perhaps you'd like to be a part of our Masses... become a lector or Eucharistic minister. Were you aware that we have a prayer shawl ministry? Share your talents if you knit or crochet, or come learn a new skill. These are just a handful of the ministries that our church offers.

If you would like to become more involved in our church, make friends, and have a wonderful time then please call the rectory at 508-234-5656, or chat with us after Masses. All are welcome and we look forward to hearing from *you*!

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## The ASCENSION OF THE LORD

*"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."* (Revelations 22:13) This is a reminder of how we should live our lives 24 hours a day, 7 days a week – putting God first in all that we do. Not only when I am at Mass and parish activities, but when I am in the world, at work, or at school. Living gratefully and generously is an intentional lifestyle. Every decision you make either moves you closer to God or farther away. Choose wisely!



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**The 2025/26 Partners in Charity Campaign is underway!**

***This year, our parish goal is \$50,000.***

**So far we have raised \$30,552 with 73 donors contributing.**

**We can reach our goal with *your* help!**

**Please prayerfully consider donating to this worthy cause.**

**There are envelopes at the church entrances for  
your convenience. You may also donate by going to**

**[www.partners-charity.net/donate](http://www.partners-charity.net/donate)**

### Upcoming Collections

**June 8: Building Fund    June 15: John 21 Community Breakfast    June 22: Air Conditioning**

#### 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:  
**@mystpatrick**s

**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
4/20/2025	\$7,345.00	\$3,744.20	\$11,089.20	\$8,700
4/27/2025	\$3,510.00	\$1,973.27	\$5,483.27	\$8,700
5/4/2025	\$7,104.00	\$7,873.94	\$14,977.94	\$8,700
5/11/2025	\$4,885.00	\$3,101.46	\$7,986.46	\$8,700
5/18/2025	\$3,433.00	\$3,521.92	\$6,954.92	\$8,700

Average Weekly To-Date FY 2025	\$4,844.79	\$3,831.62	\$8,676.41	\$8,700
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## St. Patrick's John 21 Community Garden

The John 21 Community Garden season has begun and garden beds have been planted. We currently have 13 volunteers in our **Garden Gang** but we are always looking for new members to water plants, weed the beds and harvest produce.

If you are interested, visit [www.mystpatrickss.com](http://www.mystpatrickss.com), click on **Home** then **John 21 Community Garden** then **Signup**. You will see a list of dates from May 19, 2025 through Sep 30, 2025 for which you can sign up. Water is available in the garden area.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact John Zywien (AKA Mr. Green Jeans!) at [jjzywien@gmail.com](mailto:jjzywien@gmail.com).



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## Youth Summer Programs

Registration for **YIA Jr.** is open. It is our summer service and fun program for all students in 5th through 8th grades. With local service work in the morning and fun, faith-based summer activities in the afternoon, students learn teamwork, leadership, and community through the lens of Catholic social justice teachings. Weather permitting, we will spend our last day at Breezy Acres water slides. YIA Jr. will take place from July 28 through August 1, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Registration for **Scuba Vacation Bible School (VBS)** is open. Our VBS program is for children from Preschool through the end of 4th grade. This year we will be *diving* into our relationship with God. Each day students will participate in theme-related story time, crafts, singing and dancing, outdoor activities and snack time. VBS will run from August 11th through the 15th, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

If you would like to volunteer for any summer program, please call the rectory and speak with Shelly.

*To register for YIA Jr. or Scuba VBS please visit*  
[www.mystpatrickss.com/summer-programming](http://www.mystpatrickss.com/summer-programming)

## Agape Café

St. Patrick's again has opened up our AGAPE (Love) Café where you can enjoy coffee and donuts along with baked goods and fruit.

This takes place after the 10 a.m. Mass, downstairs in the Parish Center.

We hope that all will attend and have a great time catching up with old friends and making new friends.

***Please come to socialize and enjoy.***



***All are welcome!***

## Give Hope to the Homeless

The Blackstone Valley Emergency Shelter has received requests from local police departments for gas cards to provide to those without homes in our community. If you are able to help, donations of \$20 gift cards from Crystal Gas in Whitinsville on Church Street are being requested. You may also go to [www.bvemergencyshester.org/donate](http://www.bvemergencyshester.org/donate) or use the QR code below. Thank you!



## Weekly Divine Mercy and Adoration



As a reminder of the importance of the Eucharist and the true presence of Jesus Christ we have an opportunity to sit quietly in the Divine Presence. As part of this adoration we recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet beginning this time of adoration at 3 p.m. in which we pray for the parishioners, the world, the sick, and other Intentions that are close to our hearts. Come join this gathering as a renewal of faith and an opportunity to visit our friend above all friends, **Jesus**.

## 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.



***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, U.S. Army, So. Korea; U.S. Marine L. Cpl. Kevin James Sabin, Lejeune, NC;  
Command Master Chief U.S.C.G. Ben Richards, Charleston, South Carolina;  
Marine Corps PFC Nathan Kozlowski, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

### Safe Environment

As a reminder, our parish follows the guidelines of the national Charter for Protection of Children and Young People approved by the U.S. Bishops and the policies of the Diocese of Worcester in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. Call

Judith Audette, Victims Service Coordinator for our Diocese at  
508-929-4363 (direct line & confidential voicemail.)

### Office of Healing and Prevention Diocese of Worcester

Victim's Assistant Coordinator Judith Audette:  
508-929-4363 or go to [WorcesterDiocese.org](http://WorcesterDiocese.org)  
for more information.