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We are in Communion with the Charismatic Episcopal Church

*An international Catholic denomination*

**Love God ♦ Love Neighbor ♦ Make Disciples**

Saint Patrick's is a welcoming Catholic Community.  
*The church is accessible to wheel chairs with assistance.*

**The Ascension of the Lord – May 13, 2018**

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm  
Sunday Masses 8:30 and 10:30 am  
coffee hour follows both Sunday Masses  
Wednesday evenings at 6:45  
Holy Day Mass 7:00 pm or as announced

**Pastoral Staff**

Rev. Roger H Durand, Pastor  
Rev. Noel Sanchez, Deacon  
Justin Kisch – Parish Musician  
Elizabeth Sanchez – Religious Education  
Patti Demarest – Office Assistant  
(Office open weekdays 10am – 2pm)

**Sacramental Information**

**Baptism**

*Congratulations!* At the family's convenience after consultation with the Pastor usually during a weekend Mass

**Marriage**

*Congratulations!* Celebrated at the couple's convenience after consultation with the Pastor

**First Communion / Confirmation**

Celebrated annually following appropriate instruction

**Anointing and Pastoral Care of the Sick**

Home, hospital, nursing home visits gladly made upon notification by the family

**Parish Membership**

We welcome you to join our growing parish family!  
Registration Cards available at church entrance  
Offering envelopes available as desired

**Celiac Disease**

We gladly provide Gluten Free (99%)  
Host for Communion if needed  
Please speak with the Pastor before Mass

**Cry Area**

We welcome all children, but should a child become difficult, feel free to take the child to the baptistery area.

**Text Message Feedback Line**

**(401) 345 9934**

***We want your feedback – Good and Bad***

**YOU ARE WELCOMED No matter what your church status, your current family or marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, and regardless of personal worthiness; YOU are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here.**

***Thank you today for joining us!***

**Please look to the "Hymn Board" to the front left.**

The Upper left number on the board refers to the Mass Readings from the ***Red Worship Book***

Hymns numbered on **RED** refer to the same ***Worship Book***

Hymns on **TAN** refer to the tan ***We Celebrate Book***

## Reflections on the weekend Scriptures

*Acts 1:1–11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:17–23; Mark 16:15–20*

“It is not for you to know the times or seasons,” Jesus tells the disciples in the first reading (Acts 1:7). After Jesus had left them, many wondered when he would return. Some thought it would be a very short time. This could have paralyzed them and the mission of the church. After all, why plan ahead if the end of the world could come any day, at any moment? So the angels immediately rebuke the loitering disciples: Why are you just standing around staring after him? He’s gone now; get to work.

The size and scope of the work he’s left is awesome. They are asked to proclaim the gospel, baptize the believers, give witness, prophesy, evangelize, pastor, teach. And all of this they are to do throughout the whole world, to the ends of the earth. But this work was not to be completed only by those disciples who lived at the same time as Jesus. It is to be completed by all disciples throughout all time. So it is also our mission today to do these things as well.

But we are not called to do all this on our own. The Holy Spirit, whom Jesus breathed on the apostles, who comes to us in baptism, whose arrival we celebrate on Pentecost Sunday, is with us. “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you,” Jesus said (Acts 1:8). When the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles, they were able to speak in tongues and be understood by people all over the world. May the words we speak today have the power to comfort, to challenge, and to heal, the power to continue Christ’s mission.

### Question of the Week

How often do I just stand around looking when there is work to be done, when there is injustice occurring, or when there is someone in need? What can I do so that I am spurred to act day in and day out?

### Next Week’s Readings

*Acts 2:1–11; Psalm 104; 1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13; John 15:26–27; 16:12–15*

## Announced Masses

*Sanctuary Light Memorial – In Prayer for the Good Health of Anne Hayes by the Chatelle Family*

05/05	5:00	Soul of Fr. Vern DeCoteau	
05/06	8:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	by the Chatelle Family
05/12	5:00	Soul of Benjamin Petrone (30 <sup>th</sup> Anniv)	by Felicia Petrone
05/13	8:30	Soul of John Securo	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	by the Chatelle Family
05/16	6:45	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	

## Parish Activities and Announcements

**What are YOU looking at?** The feast of the Ascension is always a mixed bag of emotions and properly situated towards the late spring. It is kind of a graduation

### From the Pastor’s Desk

ceremony, when we look with pride upon what has been achieved while bravely facing the challenges ahead. Following the “graduation” we have a brief period of rest before beginning the new challenge (which for us, comes with Pentecost). So, it seems to me that we can either bravely face the future and accept the great commission, or join the Apostles and Disciples who stood by, awestruck, staring into the sky. Are we still there staring? Kind of waiting for something to happen *to us*, or are we commission minded, placing into action the things we intend and should *get done*? Our great commission began the day of our baptism and continues until the end of time or our lives whichever

comes first. When we graduate from something, there is always a degree of excitement directed towards the future. That same excitement should greet us every single day as we take up our share in the great commission to the end of the world as we know it. Make it happen!

God bless *Fr. Ryan*

**May Breakfast** So many thanks to everyone who both helped out and also did attend the May Breakfast last week! Between 40 and 50 enjoyed a delicious assortment of foods, each other’s presence and wonderful conversation. It was a great opportunity to build the community that we all love and share. Special thanks to Geri, Marilyn, Dotty and Adrien for organization and execution.

**Amos House** We are collecting toiletries for Amos House Social Services to be distributed to the needy. Items such as soap, toothpaste and related things are all helpful. There are boxes at the rear of the church for these items.

**Dunkin Donuts Gift Cards are now on sale**  
**For face value of \$10.00. Sales benefit the parish**

**Bishop Gregory's Greetings!** Just back from the Cathedral, I bring you Bishop Gregory's greetings and blessings! It was a wonderful time to share conversation and discussions with other New England pastors. The bishop looks forward to visiting with us for the Sacrament of Confirmation and pastoral visit in June.

**Happy Mother's Day** Today we remember our mother's and all those who were nurturing towards us on our way to who we are today. Enjoy your special day and God bless you!

**Property Update** We are moving along with plans to create a focal point in the rear of our property. New access will be added from the front of the church. A pavilion built and a memory garden planted and memorialized. At the entrance to the church, you will see information regarding memorial bricks/tiles and a well done projection for the completed project. We are excited and hope you are too!

>>See memorial information at rear of the church<<

### **Mother's Day / Spring Tulip**

**Fundraiser** Today, we have available for you cut tulips in vases in celebration of the day and the season. Supply will be limited and we ask a donation of \$15.00 to benefit the parish. Thank you!



**Parish Support** We remain grateful to those of you who support the parish when unable to attend Mass. We are an active parish supporting many ministries, needs, and social services within our community. Thank you for your generosity.

**Email Update** We are in touch weekly and if you presently do not receive communications from us, there is a reason for this: **We do not have your address.** Send us an email at [StPatrickRIO@com](mailto:StPatrickRIO@com) Many thanks!

**Religious Education Help** St Patrick's continues to grow and we are reaching out early to find a volunteer willing to assist with Religious Education. Please get in touch with Elizabeth Sanchez for details. This is for the fall.

**Over-comers Retreat** Fr. John Van Haelen has tentatively scheduled a 12-Step oriented retreat for October 25 – 27<sup>th</sup> in Connecticut. Information is available on the bulletin board and right now, we are looking for interest from among our parish and friends for this retreat. If you feel it interests you, please let Patti know in the office by email or call and Fr. John will be in touch with you.

**Outreach Opportunity** On **Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**, we will be volunteering to assist in the preparation/serving of breakfast and lunch at Amos House on Friendship Street in Providence. Separate volunteers are needed for each shift. Details and sign up available on the bulletin board....make a difference, and assist those in need.

**Musical "Notes" from Justin** In honor of Mother's Day, we are singing two different hymns to Mary: Schubert's "Ave Maria" and "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman." Both are based on Luke 1:28 and 1:42-43, although one is in Latin and one is in English.

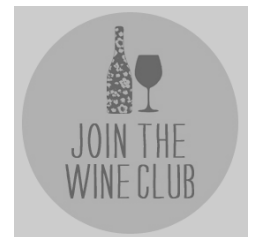
**Social Media** We are seeking assistance managing our Social Media. We will be hiring soon and are seeking your input and suggestions.

**Special Collection** The special collection taken up during the month of May will be used to assist the parish in our utility expenses. Please be generous.

**Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration**  
**Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 Mass**  
**Anointing is available at any time by request**



**Wine Club** Our next wine club meeting will be on **Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**. The next meeting will be hosted by Fr. Roger and will feature Chardonnay wine. Regular members are invited to assist with some food stuffs. Wine is provided by the host. A great opportunity to learn a bit and enjoy each other's company. New members are always invited as this is an open club.



>>>Note the change of Date for May<<<

### **Parish Prayer and Birthday List**

**Please keep this partial list in your prayers**

Beth Hayes and Anne Hayes, Armand Lefebvre, Bernie Blumenthal, Deb Bucu, Dotty Diaz, Dino Galiano, Jinny Van Haelen, Maureen Mazika, Patti Jo Sriner, Dan Barchie, John McGarrahan, Gina Mazika, Rose Pagano, Alaina Dieffenbach, Christopher Reynolds, Marilyn, Jake Williams, Lou Pagano, Raheem Onibudo, Sean Ryan, Felicia Petrone, Jeanne Chatelle, Elizabeth Reis, Yamilet, Sharon Pittmen, John Trudeau, Kathy Wikstrom, Mark H. Collins, Diana Marrocco .

**Join me in prayer for their recovery**

**Birthdays during May:** (2) Michael Bruni; (4) Jennie Martinez; (7) Joe Bruni; (10) Evan Wolf; (14) Steve Whalen; (27) Geri Bergreen and (30) Lauren McDonnell.

*May God bless you now and in the year ahead!*

**Why St. Patrick's Church?** Many people are seeking a church to make their spiritual home. When aware of this, a kind word of support for Saint Patrick's can make a wonderful difference. If you love this parish, tell your friends and neighbors and if not, please tell the pastor or deacon so that we can work on improving your experience here.



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