

# **Saint Patrick Catholic Church** **2068 Cranston Street** **Cranston, Rhode Island 02920**

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 On Facebook as "Saint Patrick Catholic Church"

We are in Communion with the Charismatic Episcopal Church  
*An international Catholic denomination*

Saint Patrick's is a Catholic Community with sacraments accessible to all who desire them, welcoming to Communion all who are baptized regardless of church affiliation, including the divorced and remarried.

*The church is accessible to wheel chairs with assistance.*

## **The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 10, 2017**

### **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 7:00 (Summer)  
 Holy Day Mass 7:00 pm or as announced

### **Pastoral Staff**

Father 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***

## **Joining us for the first time?**

*Welcome*, and as you prepare for Mass, please recollect your thoughts in prayer.

Prepare to receive general absolution at the beginning of Mass in this way.

**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

**Ezekiel 33:7–9; Psalm 95; Romans 13:8–10; Matthew 18:15–20**

Ezekiel charges believers to “speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way” (33:8), and the process Jesus outlines in today’s Gospel seems designed not to exclude but to reconcile. The goal of correction is to restore the offending party to the community in a “win-win” resolution: “You have won over your brother,” not shown him who’s boss (Matthew 18:15). Jesus’ pointedly uses “brother” (sister) to emphasize that the offender is still family. Moreover, discretion reigns: Reconciliation begins privately, between victim and offender, protecting even the disruptive member from public humiliation. If the community must become involved, there is still no “ganging up” or taking sides. Both parties are embraced equally in seeking justice, reconciliation, restoration.

If Jesus’ final disposition of an unrepentant disciple sounds harshly definitive at first hearing—“Treat [them] as you would a Gentile or a tax collector” (Matthew 18:17)—remember how Jesus did, in fact, treat Gentiles and tax collectors. He praised a Gentile woman’s “great faith” (cf. 15:28) and missioned the Eleven to “make disciples of all nations” (Gentiles) (28:19). Indeed, Matthew himself was a tax collector (Roman collaborator), who celebrated his newly-embraced discipleship by gathering “many tax collectors and sinners” to eat with Jesus in his ritually unclean home (9:10).

Thus, in Jesus’ community, mutual correction is never punishment, revenge, or settling scores, but rather the victory of love. As Paul puts it, “Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law . . . Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law” (Romans 13:8, 10).

### Question of the Week

Who in my life right now do I need to “win over” for the Lord?

### Next Sunday’s Readings

**Sirach 27:30—28:7; Psalm 103; Romans 14:7–9; Matthew 18:21–35**

### Announced Masses

#### **Sanctuary Light Memorial – In Prayer for the members of our parish who are ill**

09/02	5:00	Soul of Deborah Lema	By the Landy Family
09/03	8:30	Soul of Louise Nascenzi	
	10:30	Soul of Helen Petrone	
09/06	6:45	Soul of Rita Rose	
09/09	5:00	Soul of Clementine Landy	By the Family
09/10	8:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Clara Frio	
09/13	6:45	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	

### Parish Activities and Announcements

**Reconciliation.** This week, be begin looking at Jesus’ model for the church he left behind and it all seems to

#### **From the Pastor’s Desk**

revolve around the activity of reconciliations: the act of making things right again among the brothers and sisters who are his disciples and are members of his community of faith. Reconciliation is a great place to begin because it is an action which we can all relate to. To be human is to have faults and failings and these lead to disagreements and bad feelings between people all the time. Getting there is never a problem, for it simply happens, but the manner of making things right again is the difficulty we all deal

with every day of our lives, and on a higher level, effects our relationship with God as well. Jesus’ instruction in the Gospel is clear and direct: Reconcile with your brother and if necessary have the church assist you in this activity. Our main focus should be on seeing the need, recognizing the fault and searching out the proper and correct way to be reconciled...such actions make us all better people and assuredly place us right with God. God bless you all *Fr. Ryan*

**Tools for school** Each year, we organize and collect items for school for local elementary students to help them “have the tools” to do well. We are in need of all school materials, especially backpacks and notebooks.



*There is a collection bin at the back of the church for this use. Thank you. **Program runs through September.***

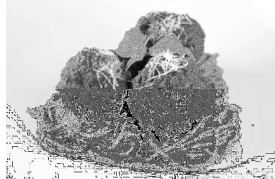
>>>Quick Update and thanks to those who have dropped off materials to date. We have brought some over and will continue to do so during the month of September.<<<

**Ministry Opportunities** We could use assistance with both readers for Mass and with Acolytes. Could you possible help us? Speak with Fr. Roger/Deacon Noel.



### ***Lead by example and not just by word!***

**Meatballs Galore** It is that time of year when we pay tribute to wonderful Italian food with our Italian Dinner with meatball competition. If you are new to the parish, THIS is what all the talking is about....who makes the best meatballs! On Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2-4, we have a simple Italian dinner and entered pot-luck meatballs with all attending given the opportunity to judge them! There is no cost but please sign up so we can plan appropriately. Signup at the stairs and lower hall. Buon Appetito!



**Design Help** We are composing a mailing piece for distribution. Does anyone have experience with work such as this? Please speak with the pastor.

**Cans and bottle Reminder** We are always in need of cans and bottle marked for redemption. We package these and return them for credit. Each year, we try to raise at least \$1,000 doing this. We need your help. Please just drop them off when visiting for Mass. Thank you!

**Email Reminder** Each week, we send out electronically events to everyone on our email contact list. If you do not receive it, it means that we do not have your email or more likely, it would have changed since we recorded it. Please send us an email and we will add you to the list.

Recommended Video of the Week

<https://youtu.be/hnA4cjEzGgI>

A thought provoking video to aid in our prayer life  
*A new video will be recommended each week.*

**Special Collection** During September, our special collection benefits parish utilities. Thank you for your support, big or small, it does make a difference.

**St. George's Maronite Catholic Church**  
**Annual Lebanese Festival**  
**FRIDAY, SEPT. 15 - 4PM -11PM**  
**SATURDAY, SEPT. 16-12PM -11PM**  
**SUNDAY, SEPT. 17 -11:30AM -7PM**

***Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's***  
***Religious Education at 6pm***

**Mass at 6:45pm**

**Bible Study begins at 7:15**

**Rel Ed Schedule at this link:**

**<http://freepdfhosting.com/9feb17dec7.pdf>**

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

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

Deb Buco, Dotty Diaz, Jinny Van Haelen, Chris Grady, Maureen Mazika, Patti Jo Srinier, Mary Steinkamp, Geri Bergreen, 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 September:*** (10) Antonia Sparrer and Debbie Horbert, (11) Kathleen Faccenda, (12) Nick Pond, (18) Adrien Mercure, (19) Ann Marie Krzan, (21) Bob Buonaccorsi and Bernie Blumenthal, (22) Evelyn Cionci and (23) Fran Chatelle.

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

**All Saints Party** >Save the Date< Saturday, November 4, 2017 at the Rosario Society Hall in Silverlake. Join us for an evening of fun, light buffet and music, 6:30 til 11. Tickets now available.

Contact Geri 401-523-6240.



**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.

**YOUR invitation can make the difference!**

We are accepting of our members and visitors and offer an ideal home to couples of "mixed faiths." Our practice of an open Communion to the baptized sets us apart from others and we offer bible based preaching within Mass.

***For many, our parish is the ideal fit***

**Remembering Saint Patrick** One lasting way to make a difference in the life of this community is to remember us in your will...please consider this during your family planning and name us a beneficiary. Your gift will live on and make a difference. Thank you!

**Our parish is always in need of both Mass intentions and Memorials for the Sanctuary Light. Please speak with Fr. Roger to request either.**



### ***Remember***

**Evangelization** is everyone's business and as soon as people find this parish, they often visit and are usually pleased with what they discover: