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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time –September 30, 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

7:00 pm (6:30 when Religious Education meets)

Holy Day Mass **7:00 pm** or as announced

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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

Wisdom 2:12, 17–20; Psalm 54; James 3:16–4:3; Mark 9:30–37

• What a vivid image James uses of the hearts of the rich being fattened for slaughter! Normally one thinks of animals being fattened for slaughter—animals that will provide food on our plates. But James is talking about people who foolishly and greedily hoard their wealth. Their hearts are not animated by a desire to share with those in need. In fact, they are impoverishing the very people who do the work to increase their profit. This leaves their hearts as bloated as their wallets. Their wealth will rot away. Their wealth is not eligible for eternal life.

• God does not diminish anyone's own gifts when spreading those gifts among a wider population. Did Moses's ability to prophesy weaken after dozens of elders received the same ability? No. Were Jesus's exorcisms less effective because others were doing the same thing in his name? Of course not. God's grace is not a limited resource that can only stretch so far. We cannot put a limit on the gifts God gives.

• Moses's wish that ends the first reading—"Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"—does not go unfulfilled (Numbers 11:29). The Lord has indeed bestowed the Holy Spirit on us all. In baptism we all received exactly what Moses hoped for. We all have the ability to prophesy—to speak the word of God to those we encounter. From time to time we need to be reminded of that gift—and that duty. We are obligated by the presence of the Holy Spirit within us to preach hope to the hopeless and conversion to those whose hearts are in the wrong place.

Question of the Week

How do I put too much faith in those impermanent things that bring me wealth and comfort? How can I express the Spirit who I received in baptism to others?

Next Week's Sunday's Readings

Genesis 2:18–24; Psalm 128; Hebrews 2:9–11; Mark 10:2–16

Announced Masses

Sanctuary Light Memorial – In Prayer for the Ill of our parish

09/29	5:00	Soul of Peter L. Pond	By Nick Pond
09/30	8:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Nicholas Winfield	By Elizabeth Reis
10/3	6:30	Soul of Chris Grady	
10/6	5:00	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	
10/7	8:30	Soul of Rosanna Cambra	
	10:30	Soul of Michael Ferguson	
10/10	6:30	Soul of Rebecca Mosca	

Parish Activities and Announcements

Generosity. Our reading from the Letter of St. James could not really be more blunt as we look at the topic of generosity and greed. In the early church, people just did not decide, as we do today, to follow Christ. Their actions had to accompany their decision. They sold all and placed all of their money at the feet of the Apostles who they trusted to do what was best with what was received. There is even an account in the Acts of the Apostles of a couple "trying to short change" their gift, which resulted in their immediate death. Why is it now that so few give generously, not only here, but in other charities as well? St. James hits it on the head when he says that you cannot take your wealth with you, so why do people try? I think the first problem is that people seem to think they will live forever (as attested to by St. Ann's Cemetery) or that they received the wealth and it belongs to them (me) remember the story of Lazarus and

the rich man, who died and was buried. All this leads to the realization that God expects us all to be generous with our assets in life giving not the bare tiny amount we can, but with a giving and loving spirit, not regretting that we give but rejoicing that our lives have been so greatly blessed that we can share a portion in return. Jesus always told us it is better to give in life, especially considering the precarious place our parish exists in from week to week. Can we not take the words from St. James to heart and really give generously?

God bless Fr. Roger

Bulletin Notice Items for the Bulletin must be received in the office by Wednesday at the latest to be included in the Sunday bulletin. Thank you.



Meatballs Galore Our annual salute to the Italian heritage of Cranston was very well attended last Sunday and saw 13 separate entrants for consideration. With wide range voting, 1st place went to Russell Landy, 2nd to Jennie Martinez and 3rd to John Rossi. Many thanks to the participants and we all had a wonderful time.

Congratulations Armand This Tuesday, Armand celebrates 60 years sobriety and holds the record in the state for this accomplishment. Armand Lefebvre, The Friendly Nursing Home, 303 Rhodes Ave, Woonsocket, RI 02895.

Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's

Religious Education at 5:45 & Mass at 6:30

Bible Study at 7:00

Studying Church History – Materials will be supplied

2018-19 Religious Ed Schedule at this link:

Schedule for First Communion Students

<http://freepdfhosting.com/f3eaf7034f.pdf>

Schedule for Continuing Education Students

<http://freepdfhosting.com/4ebbb2b26f.pdf>

Do we have your email? If you do not receive the bulletin weekly from us, it is because we do not have your email....please drop us one to be added to the list. Changed email? Please give us the new one. Thanks!

Ministry Volunteers Saint Patrick is reaching out to our parishioners for volunteers who would like to read at Mass (**Lector**), serve at Mass (**Acolyte**) or enjoy singing at Mass (**choir**). Our service honors God. Would you like to take part?

Blessing of Animals This year, in remembrance of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we will be offering to bless your pets on Saturday, October 6th, from 11 to 3pm.



2019 Diocesan Mission Trip Next year, Deacon Noel is spearheading a mission trip to El Salvador. The trip, open those aged 15 and above will lead to an understanding of conditions in Central America and will involve labor repairing residential housing. The cost for the trip is \$1,700.00 and parish fundraising will offset some of this cost. Please speak with Deacon Noel for more details. Dates for the trip are July 12 through July 22nd

Looking for bakers This year we are bringing back the Christmas Cookie Trays. If you would like to share your famed Cookie creation (non-refrigerated) In our "Bakers Dozen" dozen (13 kinds) trays to sell this holiday season, please contact Geri Bergreen, 946-8403 or tbgeri@aol.com with your kind, name and phone/email. Need would be estimate of 5-6 dozen depending on sales to be delivered at the church for Friday December 21, 5:00 pm. For tray prep. Fr Roges famous Meat pies will be available again for sale too. Hope you can help in this fundraising project got the church. be beautified as part of the back yard renovation.



Fence Help Many thanks to Tim Corley for his assistance in removing the fence behind the property. This area will

Tools for School August and September are traditionally the time when we begin preparation for school. As a community outreach, we collect school items (back packs, pens, notebooks, etc) for distribution to area children in need, through the **Tools for School** program. There is a collection bin at the back of church for this purpose....your support is always appreciated. Program ends today.

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

Parish Memorial Garden As our 20th anniversary approaches, Saint Patrick Catholic Church invites you to become a **permanent part of our Memorial Garden and Pavilion** by purchasing a commemorative tile or granite bench. The commemorative tiles will be installed on the face of raised garden beds and the granite benches will be distributed around the gardens and pavilion. This beautification and memorial project is presently underway!

Musical "Notes" from Justin Why are we singing the closing hymn to a different tune? The given tune, Rustington, is perfectly nice, but I wanted to use a more familiar melody, Hymn to Joy. I could verify that this tune works with these words by checking the metrical index in the back of the red hymnal. Yes, both melodies fit these lyrics. (In this case, there are eight lines of lyrics, alternating 8 and 7 syllables.)

Special Collection The special collection taken up during the month of September will be used to assist with Parish Utilities, which are quite high. Please be generous.

Parish Pictures If any parishioners has photos for any events or church pictures from the last 19 years, if they could share them with Geri Bergreen by Email or printed copies and forward to Tbgeri@aol.com or my cell is 401-523-6240. The committee for the 20th is looking for photos and or stories of the history of our church. If you have any pictures or even stories of how you come here or events in your life that our church has enriched your life, please share. We would love to include in our 20th Anniversary celebration.

Wine Club Our next wine club meeting will be in October and will be hosted by Deacon and Elizabeth Sanchez. It will occur on October 12th at 6pm.

Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration
October 14th following the 10:30 Mass
Anointing is available at any other time by request

Parish Prayer and Birthday List

Please keep this partial list in your prayers

Beth Hayes and Anne Hayes, Armand Lefebvre, Bernie Blumenthal, Deb Buco, 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 Pittman, 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, (13) Beverly Corley and Katherine Wright, (17) Steven McDonnell, (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!

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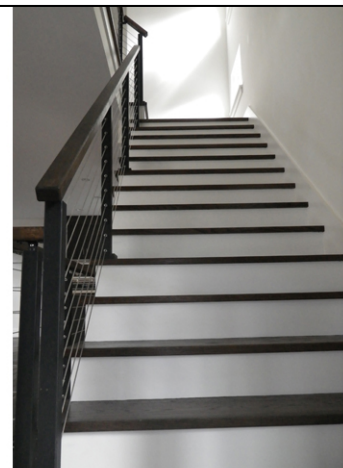
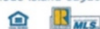
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