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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.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 4, 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

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*

<u>YOU ARE WELCOME</u> No matter what your present church status, your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, and regardless of personal worthiness; <u>YOU are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here.</u>

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 <u>Red Worship Book</u>

Hymns numbered on <u>RED</u> refer to the same <u>Worship Book</u>

Hymns on TAN refer to the tan <u>We Celebrate Book</u>

Reflections on the weekend Scriptures

Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 147; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39

Job is in the throes of despair. His days are miserable, his nights are troubled. He fears that his life will end before he is ever happy again. Yet, he is addressing this lament to God. Somewhere inside he must have some little glimmer of hope—hope that God will hear him.

"The whole town was gathered at the door" (Mark 1:33). Jesus was curing people all evening, healing illnesses and driving out demons. He probably could have stayed there for weeks as word spread throughout the region. After all, people of Capernaum were already coming to him rather than the other way around. And last week we heard that his fame spread throughout all of Galilee. But the Jesus portrayed in Mark is not one to stand still. Sure enough, the next morning, Jesus retreats to a deserted place and prays to his Father. He returns, telling his disciples, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come" (Mark 1:38). Jesus had a mission, a mission from God, and this mission meant going out to others and spreading the gospel.

Jesus' mission to go out and preach impacts those who encounter him. Saint Paul takes the mission to preach the gospel to heart and it becomes his life's calling. Simon Peter's mother-in-law, when cured of her fever, immediately gets up to serve her guests. The word Mark uses to describe her action is *diakoneo*, a word also used to describe ministry or discipleship.

Question of the Week

What does it mean to be a disciple? How do I serve God and serve others?

Next Sunday's Readings

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; Psalm 32; 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1; Mark 1:40-45

Announced Masses

Sanctuary Light Memorial - In Prayer for the ill of our parish

02/03	5:00	Soul of Thomas Crowshaw	
02/04	8:30	Soul of Paul Matarazzo	By Cathy Parisi
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	By the Chatelle Family
02/07	6:45	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	
02/10	5:00	In Thanksgiving for Blessing Received	By the Martinez Family
02/11	8:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	In prayer for a blessed Lenten Season	
02/14	7:00	In prayer for a blessed Lenten Season	

Parish Activities and Announcements

It's like a Marriage. Following up my recent reflections about our parish, I wanted to pose an important question.

From the Pastor's Desk

What really matters to you? To many it is

expressed well in marriage, because to most couples, their spouse, "really matters to them." This is good, expected and places a value on the other which makes them very important. Now, fast forward into the world of St. Patrick's parish community. When we "united" together as a parish, it was in many ways like a marriage. You cared for the church and the church sacramentally nourished you, the Word of God and the preached word completed "the meal.". Every one worked together to nourish and strengthen the "family." We did this because it mattered to us. So, what has happened? In many ways, this marriage, this family is more and more distant. We have a tendency to see each other less often. The basics are still there, but that

"newlywed" charm in the eye has worn off to a large degree. My question to you today is: Why is this happening in our parish? Why does our church family matter less than it used to? Why do we see each other far less frequently....why does church matter less than it used to and what can we do about it? I want you to think about this, especially during the Season of Lent and do feel free to share reflections with me, because it matters and a strong marriage benefits us all and strengthens our relationship with God.

God bless you all. Fr. Roger

Flu Notice We continue to not share the Sign of Peace and refrain from the Cup at Holy Communion when feeling ill while the Flu runs its course.

Saint Blaise – Blessing of Throats In remembrance of the Feast of St. Blaise, throats will be blessed individually, at the conclusion of Masses this weekend.

Saint Patrick Day Dinner Our Annual celebration will take place at the Rosario Club on Sunday, March 18th from 2 – 5 in the afternoon. Cost is \$18/12 and tickets are available right now…let's celebrate our parish anniversary together!

Split the Pot Raffle will be drawn at the dinner on March 18th. Tickets are now available and have been distributed. Please make returns quickly and as always, cost remains at \$1.00 a ticket to benefit the parish. May you have the luck of the Irish!

Anniversary Committee St Patrick's continues to grow and touch lives. What started modestly back in 2000 is quickly approaching its 18th anniversary as a parish. As such we are looking for volunteers to help plan and mark our 20th year as a special one. If you are interested in helping plan events and activities to commemorate our 20th year (which starts in March 2019) please contact Adrien Mercure (adrien.mercure@gmail.com) or Geri Bergreen (tbgeri@aol.com). So many thanks!

Parish Council We welcome Tim and Michelle Corley to the Parish Council and thank them for coming forward in service to each of us.

Penny Social Donations We are in need of donations of "penny social" items for the coming dinner in March. If you can help, it would be great. Thank you.

Social Media / Web Site We are seeking assistance with a "make over" of our website and assistance with managing Social Media We will be hiring soon for both and are seeing your impute and suggestions.

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

Valentine's Day Competition On Sunday, February



18th, we are holding a "two forked" event featuring competition for the *best appetizer* and then *best desert* in honor of Valentine's Day. Join us...no expense...sign up

on the board and in the lower church.

January Financial Report

Stewardship Offerings	\$6,110.00
Other Offerings	218.88
Special Collection (national collection)	213.00*
Total Offerings	\$6,541.88
Actual Cost (1/12 th Annual Budget)	(\$8,750.00)
Resulting operational Loss	(\$2,421.12)
Given to Charity	\$ 633.00
Diocesan Tax	\$ 570.00
Net income to the parish	\$5,125.88

We are 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. Living Lent Retreat We had about 15 participating yesterday in our pre-Lenten retreat. Thanks to all who attended and especially to Kara who shared so much of her time, talent and insight in organizing the day.

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

Stonewall Kitchen Fine Products! Fine gourmet food items from the famous *Stonewall Kitchens of York, Maine*. We are offering them at cut rate prices!

> Clearance Sale - Half Off remaining inventory <</p>

Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration

<u>Sunday, February 11 following the 10:30 Mass</u>

Join us for Healing and for Prayer

Wine Club Our next wine club meeting will be on Friday February 9th at 6pm. This month, it will be hosted

WINE

by the Sanchez family and will feature Merlot wines. This is an open meeting and if you would like details or like to join us, please contact Elizabeth at lzbthi@hotmail.com. It is a lot of fun as

we explore inexpensive wines and learn a bit about different grapes and varieties of wine.

Musical "Notes" from Justin The offertory this week is "Be Still, My Soul!" The words are by Katharina von Schlegel (1752) and the music is adapted from the orchestral piece Finlandia (1899) by Jean Sibelius.

Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's <u>Religious Education at 6:00</u> <u>Mass at 6:45</u> Bible Study at 7:15

We are continuing St. Matthew's Gospel

Religious Ed Schedule at this link: http://freepdfhosting.com/9feb17dee7.pdf

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 Pittmen, John Trudeau, Kathy Wikstrom, Mark H.Collins, Diana Marrocco

Join me in prayer for their recovery

Birthdays during February: (11) Dcn Noel Sanchez, (16) Trudy Mandeville, (25) Nathan Rojas and (26) Kara Marziali

May God bless you now and in the year ahead!



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