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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.

# 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time –September 9, 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

### **Pastoral Staff**

Rev. Roger H Durand, Pastor<br/>Rev. John Van Haelen, In ResSaintPatrickri@aol.comRev. Noel Sanchez, Deacon<br/>Justin Kisch – Parish Musician<br/>Elizabeth Sanchez – Rel Ed<br/>Patti Demarest – Office AssistantFrjohnvh@gmail.com<br/>jkisch@gmail.comJustin Kisch – Parish Musician<br/>(Office: 10-2 / M-F)

## 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 WELCOMED</u> 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; <u>YOU are *invited*</u>, *welcomed*, *accepted*, *loved* and *respected* here.

Thank you today for joining us!

<u>Please look to the "Hymn Board" to the front left.</u> <u>The Upper left number</u> 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** Isaiah 35:4–7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1–5; Mark 7:31–37

• In this passage from his Gospel, Mark is very detailed in his description of where Jesus travels. The cities and districts he mentions are in Gentile territory. Mark wants to emphasize that Jesus' mission was to all the world, to Jews and Gentiles alike. Last week we heard Mark report Jesus saying, "Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person" in reference to the Judaic practice of ritual hand washing (Mark 7:15). Now Jesus travels outside Jewish territory and performs miracles to great acclaim among foreigners. Jesus values those who are outside, travels to them, and reaches out to them in mercy and love. There is no outsider, no foreigner, to God.

• James picks up on this theme in his letter. "Show no partiality," he insists (James 2:1). He condemns those who would regard a visitor in shabby clothes as beneath them, for "Did not God choose those who are poor in the world?" (James 2:5). The least we can do is accept those who are poor in the world's eyes and avoid making judgments.

• Mark chose to keep the word *Ephphatha* in its original Aramaic, the language Jesus spoke, rather than translate it into Greek. "Be opened!" Jesus said to the deaf man regarding his ears. Perhaps Mark did so because he is also suggesting that Jesus asks us to be open to those who are outside our own communities, who speak a different language. Perhaps Mark is also asking us to be open to listening for God's word. After all, the first words the formerly deaf man heard after his ears were opened were the proclamations of the crowd of the wonders that Jesus has done.

## Question of the Week

How have I failed to be open to those who were outside my present community? How can I welcome those who are outsiders?

## Next Week's Sunday's Readings Isaiah 50:4c–9a; Psalm 116; James 2:14–18; Mark 8:27–35

Announced Masses Sanctuary Light Memorial – In Prayer for Beth Hanson by the Chatelle Family			
09/09	8:30	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	I
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09/12	6:30	Soul of Fr. William Baker	-
09/15	5:00	Soul of Frank Reis	By Pat Saccoccio
09/16	8:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Frank Reis	By Marilyn Graf
09/19	6:30	For our Religious Education Students	
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## **Parish Activities and Announcements**

*The Journey Concludes.* While it has been over 2 months now that we began our treatment of the Bread of Life from John's Gospel with the feeding of the

From the Pastor's Desk

multitudes with very few resources through

Jesus' declaration that He desires to feed us forever with himself and now at the completion, Mark's curing the deaf man with the speech impediment. Our conflusion really summarizes the story well...let all with ears...hear what Jesus has told us and asks of us. In the end, though, we are here to face a question which the disciples faced themselves as the crouds, then the murmuring Jews and finally the twelve faced Jesus' call to faith: Do you to desire to leave? It is a deep question which requires deep thought as it is THE question which frames our lives. If we join the multitudes and simply "return to our former ways of life," then the bread we sought was food for today, and if we can with our hearts proclaim that "we have come to believe and are convinced that you are the holy one of God," then our ears are open and our speech clear as we love God, love neighbor and make disciples.

God bless Fr. Roger

#### Service Opportunities...making a difference

There are opportunities to assist at Amos house in Providence on a few Saturday mornings coming up. The service time required is 9am to 1pm.



September 22, 2018 – 2 volunteers needed There is a signup sheet in the hall

**Bulletin Notice** Any additions to the Bulletin must be received in the office by Wednesday, the latest, to be included in the weekly bulletin. Thank you.

#### Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's <u>Religious Education at 5:45 & Mass at 6:30</u> <u>Bible Study at 7:00</u>

Studying Church History – Materials will be supplied 2018-19 Religious Ed Schedule at this link: http://freepdfhosting.com/45f116df28.pdf

Wednesday Mass Notice Just a *reminder* that Wednesday evening Mass when we have religious Education is at 6:30, and at other times, at 7pm.

**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!

**Choir Volunteers** If you enjoy singing, we would love to have you join our wonderful parish choir. Please speak with Justin.

**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 <u>**Tools for School**</u> program. There is a collection bin at the back of church for this purpose....your support is always appreciated.

Thank you for your many donations This program continues until the end of September <u>They offer thanks for items given to date!</u>

<u>Dunkin Donuts</u> 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 <u>permanent</u> <u>part of our Memorial</u> <u>Garden and Pavilion</u> 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. <u>This beautification and memorial</u> <u>project is presently underway!</u>

**New Audio System** The years have gone by and people have become softer spoken. In order to enhance the experience of the Word of God, we this week, installed an audio system and will be trying it out this week at Masses. Please give us some feedback if you can hear more clearly. It is a definite improvement at St. Patrick's.

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 a Winery Tour / Tasting at *Carolyn's Sakonnet Vinyards* in Little Compton on **Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 3pm**. If you have interest, please feel free to join us.

Meatballs Galore Our annual salute to the Italian heritage of Cranston will happen here on Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 2 – 5 in the afternoon. The church provides the basics, salad, pasta, gravy and desert.....You enter your



potentially award winning meatballs in competition, with all voting. Join us, it is a lot of fun and filling!

Signup at the church entrance!

Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration <u>September 8<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 Mass</u> Anointing is available at any other time by request

#### Parish Prayer and Birthday List

<u>Please keep this partial list in your pravers</u> 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 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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