



**Saint Patrick Catholic Church  
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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.*

**Second Sunday of Easter – April 8, 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 4:32–35; Psalm 118; 1 John 5:1–6; John 20:19–31*

Earlier in John's Gospel, at the Last Supper, Jesus had promised the disciples that God would send them the Spirit, an Advocate, to be with them always and to guide them in truth. No wonder that this is the first thing Jesus does when he appears to the disciples after the Resurrection in John's Gospel. He breathes on them and they receive the Holy Spirit, God's gift—then and now—to all who believe.

In Genesis, God breathed into the human person created out of clay and thus gave life. Here, in Jesus' first appearance to the disciples after his resurrection, he breathes on them and gives them the Holy Spirit. It is a re-creation of sorts. The breath of life in the Spirit creates the community of believers who are "begotten by God" (1 John 5:1) and "of one heart and mind" (Acts 4:32). In so doing, Jesus gives us life as God gave Adam life. In turn, we witness to the Spirit's presence when we treat each other with the love and mercy we have been shown by God, realizing that since we are all God's children we are all sisters and brothers.

Today, we celebrate the boundless mercy of God, who throughout history has forgiven those who have turned away. Jesus preached forgiveness extensively in his ministry, enshrining it in the prayer he taught his disciples. Now he tells his disciples, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them" (John 20:22–23). God's mercy is both a gift of which we are unworthy and a model for us to follow.

### Question of the Week

Whom can I forgive who has hurt me or someone I love? Can I put my trust in God, the author of all mercy? Can I believe that by forgiving my neighbor I am allowing the Spirit to work through me and am participating in the gift of God's mercy?

### Next Week's Readings

*Acts 3:13–15, 17–19; Psalm 4; 1 John 2:1–5a; Luke 24:35–48*

## Announced Masses

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

04/07	5:00	Soul of Ronald Rounds	
04/08	8:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	
04/11	6:45	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	
04/14	5:00	Soul of Peter L. Pond	by Nick Pond
04/15	8:30	Soul of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	by the Chatelle Family

## Parish Activities and Announcements

**After the Resurrection: Healing.** The next weeks were very rough for the Apostles and disciples and perhaps they are here to give us a teaching we can all take home with us. While Jesus did the "hard part" in dying and rising, now resurrected from the tomb, he is only planning to be here for 40 days and then returning to the Father. So the question remains: how are the fractured humans he organized into his group of followers, those who Mark's gospel told us "fled" as Jesus was arrested, those men who are to be the future of all that Jesus began, going to pull it together and regroup and organize for the work which awaits. This is the exact same question asked by anyone in a relationship when something happens. When there is a substantial falling out, a fracturing of a relationship. What Jesus is doing is not unique. The 12 and the other disciples are

### From the Pastor's Desk

aware of their faults and failings and they are afraid of how Jesus will react, that is, Jesus' anger and retribution against them. They are human, and they know how humans react when hurt and betrayed by actions. Jesus, facing the reality of those who failed him could have been angry and set the bar high in forgiveness, but he did not. His appearances following the resurrection were all about forgiveness, reconciliation and building up strength rather than compounding weaknesses and faults. Perhaps in our personal relations, we have much to learn from the Savior of the world? God bless *Fr. Ryan*

**Flower Memorials** Many thanks to all who chose to remember loved ones with a memorial gift used to add beauty to our sanctuary.



*Easter Memorial  
Flowers*

### March Financial Report

Stewardship Offerings	\$8,205.00
Other Offerings	110.92
Special Collection	644.00
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$8,959.92</b>
Actual Cost (1/12 <sup>th</sup> Budget)	\$9,167.00-
<b>Total Operating Loss</b>	<b>\$ 207.08-</b>
Given to Charity	\$ 832.00-
Diocesan Tax	\$ 748.00-
<b>Net Income to the parish</b>	<b>\$7,379.92</b>

*Thank you very much for your continued support!*

**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.

**Special Notice** Deacon Noel is on vacation for two weeks. He will not be available during that time.

**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](mailto:adrien.mercure@gmail.com)) or Geri Bergreen ([tbgeri@aol.com](mailto:tbgeri@aol.com)). So many thanks!

**Overcomers 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. **Updated**

**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.

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

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

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

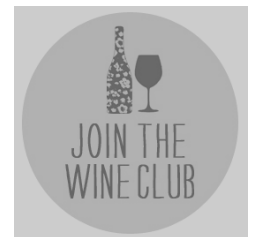
**Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration**  
**Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 Mass**  
**Anointing is available at any time by request**



**Musical "Notes" from Justin** The communion anthem, "In the Garden" was written by C. Austin Miles in 1912. Told from the point of view of Mary Magdalene, it describes the joy she must have felt when she first saw Jesus, risen from the dead.

**Church History** The history of Christianity began following the resurrection and ascension of Christ and is traced throughout the chapters of the Acts of the Apostles. Each week, sections will be read as the first reading for Mass (as opposed to an Old Testament reading). A reminder that Wednesday evening bible study will be examining the Acts of the Apostles throughout the Easter Season. If you desire a good examination of history of Christianity, I recommend the following: Christianity: The First Thousand years ( <https://youtu.be/GV20nBgPkDc> ). As a follow up, Christianity: The Second Thousand years ( <https://youtu.be/zxEeBYWkLog> ) presents an excellent examination up to the year 2,000.

**Wine Club** Our next wine club meeting will be on **Friday, April 13th**. This month, it will be hosted by Jennie and Noe Martinez and will feature Riesling 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.



### **Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's** **Religious Education at 6:00 & Mass at 6:45**

*Dean Noel's class is cancelled on April 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> while he is away*

**Bible Study at 7:15**

*Please read Acts Chapters 1 - 6*

**Religious Ed Schedule at this link:**

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

### **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 April:** (7) Natalino Mizzoni, (11) Catherine Mizzoni, (16) Marilyn Graf and Melissa Whalen, (18) Deb Couture, (24) Katherine McDonnell and (28) Missy Cupp

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



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