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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.

Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 6, 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 10:25–26, 34–35, 44–48; Psalm 98; 1 John 4:7–10; John 15:9–17

It is typical to think of love as a feeling, the way we feel about a spouse, a parent, a child, a close friend. Yes, this is love, but this is not the sense that Jesus is using when he says, “Love one another as I love you” (John 15:12). Love in this sense is a permanent condition, a part of one’s character. As a part of our character, it can’t help but flow out of us when we interact with others. Remember, Jesus began the Last Supper by washing the feet of the disciples, then telling them to do the same. *This* is the way we are to love one another.

Jesus tells his disciples that “No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (John 15:13). Fortunately, most of us will never be faced with actually putting our life on the line to save someone else. However, we can all accept the challenge of sacrificing some part of ourselves to give over our time and energy to someone else.

Cornelius was a recently converted Roman centurion, and normally an observant Jew like Peter would not enter the house of a Gentile. But Peter’s focus was on others, not himself. Still, Peter was astounded to see the Holy Spirit descend upon these Gentiles just as it had on the disciples. So too may the Holy Spirit astonish us when we reach out to others outside our comfort zone.

Question of the Week

Can I improve my character so that I focus more on others’ needs and less on my own needs? To whom can I reach out this week with my attention, time, and energy?

Next Week’s Readings

Acts 1:1–11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:17–23; Mark 16:15–20

Announced Masses

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

05/05	5:00	Soul of Fr. Vern DeCoteau	
05/06	8:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	by the Chatelle Family
05/12	5:00	Soul of Benjamin Petrone (30 th Anniv)	by Felicia Petrone
05/13	8:30	Soul of John Securo	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	by the Chatelle Family
05/16	6:45	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	

Parish Activities and Announcements

Preparing for the Ascension. Our readings this weekend focus upon two notable things which have characterized Christians from the very beginning: the ongoing presence of the Holy Spirit and the love received from God and shared with all with the hope of bearing enduring fruit. The challenges of the early church, characterized in this parish’s mission statement: love God, love neighbor and make disciples remain with us to this very day. We all seek out God’s will for us and I hope pray that God accompany us in our efforts on his behalf. However, the challenge of enduring fruit is a bit different, for it takes commitment and dedication to produce such fruit. These are the qualities we need to work on in our own lives as they make a lasting difference and lead to deeper spiritual growth. Loving God, Loving your neighbor and Making disciples are wonderful ideals, but they only bear fruit from inner dedication and a decision to amend our lives

From the Pastor’s Desk

for the better, for from inner growth other results bear witness and blossom. God bless *Fr. Roper*

May Breakfast Join us today as we bring a special treat for May to our parish, a wonderful “May Breakfast.” This morning, between the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses (allowing some to stay, others to arrive early), we will have a variety of items for your breakfast. Stop down and stay a bit and enjoy home cooked favorites. Special thanks to Geri



and Marilyn for spear heading this effort and also to everyone who cooked and made the morning special! Well done!

Amos House We are collecting toiletries for Amos House Social Services to be distributed to the needy. Items such as soap, toothpaste and related things are all helpful. There are boxes at the rear of the church for these items.

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

Wednesday Evening Notice Due to a diocesan Spring Clergy conference in New York, Wednesday evening Mass, May 9th, will be cancelled as well as Religious Education and Bible Study. The conference begins Thursday morning and we will be traveling at that time. Regular schedule returns the following week. Pastor and Deacon Noel will be away, returning Friday/Saturday.

Music Changes You may have noticed a few changes in our music program which will continue and grow over time. Occasionally, a thematic hymn will replace the Responsorial Psalm; introduction of more piano and some contemporary Christian music will be heard as we try to reach out, trying new things, fine tuning our music program. We would love your feedback. Thanks

Property Update We are moving along with plans to create a focal point in the rear of our property. New access will be added from the front of the church. A pavilion built and a memory garden planted and memorialized. At the entrance to the church, you will see information regarding memorial bricks/tiles and a well done projection for the completed project. We are excited and hope you are too!

Financial Report for April (includes Easter)

Stewardship Offerings	\$6,690.00
Other Offerings	\$ 182.50
Special Collection	\$1,295.00
Total Offerings	\$8,167.50
Actual Cost (1/12 Annual Budget)	\$9,167.00-
Resulting operating loss	\$1,000.00-
Given to Charity	\$ 687.00-
Diocesan Tax	\$ 619.00-
Net income to the parish	\$6,861.50

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.

Email Update We are in touch weekly and if you presently do not receive communications from us, there is a reason for this: **We do not have your address.** Send us an email at StPatrickRIOoffice@aol.com Many thanks!

20th Anniversary Meeting Notice to members who have shown an interest in help in planning St Patrick's 20 Anniversary. Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 8th, 6:30 pm. At Church downstairs Please respond to Geri (tbgeri@aol.com) or Adrien adrien.mercure@gmail.com If you can attend this meeting. Bring your ideas to make our 20th memorable one.

Religious Education Help St Patrick's continues to grow and we are reaching out early to find a volunteer willing to assist with Religious Education. Please get in touch with Elizabeth Sanchez for details. This is for the fall.

Over-comers Retreat Fr. John Van Haelen has tentatively scheduled a 12-Step oriented retreat for October 25 – 27th

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.

Outreach Opportunity On Saturday, June 16th, 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.

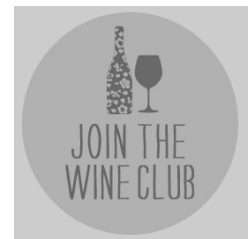
Social Media We are seeking assistance managing our Social Media We will be hiring soon and are seeking your input and suggestions.

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

Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration
Sunday, Today following the 10:30 Mass
Anointing is available at any time by request



Wine Club Our next wine club meeting will be on Friday, May 18th. The next meeting will be hosted by Fr. Roger and will feature Chardonnay 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.



>>>Note the change of Date for May<<<

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 May: (2) Michael Bruni; (4) Jennie Martinez; (7) Joe Bruni; (10) Evan Wolf; (14) Steve Whalen; (27) Geri Bergreen and (30) Lauren McDonnell.

May God bless you now and in the year ahead!

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. If you love this parish, tell your friends and neighbors and if not, please tell the pastor or deacon so that we can work on improving your experience here.



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