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On Facebook as "Saint Patrick Catholic Church"

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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter – May 7, 2017

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

Joining us for the first time?

Welcome, and as you prepare for Mass, please recollect your thoughts in prayer.

Prepare to receive general absolution at the beginning of Mass in this way.

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 2:14a, 36–41; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:20b–25; John 10:1–10

• In Acts, Peter evokes a theme which proclaims. Far from being a community turned in on itself, the church should offer the world an embrace as wide as the crucified Jesus' outstretched arms: "The promise is made to you and to your children and to all those far off, whomever the Lord our God will call" (2:39).

• The First Letter of Saint Peter echoes Acts: Christ "bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness," and anticipates the Gospel: "For you had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd" (1 Peter 2:24, 25). Both readings thus call us to live in a love that gives and forgives, like Jesus the "shepherd and guardian of our souls" (2:25).

• John's Good Shepherd imagery combines loving intimacy with unflinching courage: Jesus not only "calls his own by name" but is also protective "gate." Across the sheepfold's opening, the devoted shepherd lies down to sleep each night, his own body keeping predators out and straying sheep in. He thus literally "lays down" his life for his sheep. Through Jesus, we come in to be nurtured within the community and go out to bear witness in passionate conviction and compassionate service. For Jesus has come not only to guide and protect the sheep, but to make sure we flourish: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). The Gospel notes, sadly, "The Pharisees did not realize what he was trying to tell them" (10:6). May we realize *and* respond.

Question of the Week

Who have I pushed to the periphery of my life? How can I "call them by name" to be like Jesus, my Good Shepherd?

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 6:1–7; Psalm 33; 1 Peter 2:4–9; John 14:1–12

Announced Masses

Sanctuary Light Memorial – In Prayer for those who are ill within our parish

05/06	5:00	Soul of Valerie Gambuto-Carnevale	by the Chatelle Family
05/07	8:30	Souls of Stephen and Edward Vaccola	by Patricia Forte
	10:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
05/10	6:45	Soul of Michael Ferguson	
05/13	5:00	Soul of Peter Pond	by Nick Pond
05/14	8:30	Souls of Stephen and Edward Vaccola	by Patricia Forte
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	by the Chatelle Family
05/17	6:45	Soul of Fr. Leon Maynard	

Parish Activities and Announcements

Seeking the Lost. Have you ever searched to find someone who was lost? The challenge is always in two

From the Pastor's Desk

parts, first the seeking out of the lost and then the protecting of the one found, guarding against them becoming lost again. While hardly a family anywhere has not experienced a momentary lost child other forms of becoming lost a far more serious, such as individuals with diminished mental capacity, wandering lost without mental awareness. Being lost comes in all shapes and sizes and appears in many differing ways even without us knowing or realizing it. This is the importance of this Sunday's celebration, Good Shepherd Sunday for we consider all of the lost and then look to the Good Shepherd who dedicated himself to finding us/them and when found, guarding us with courage and strength against becoming lost again. As much as this is

God's plan for us in his relationship with us, it is also an example for us to follow in our seeing the lost relationships and friendships of our lives. Where the Good Shepherd leads, it is up to us to follow.

God bless you all *Fr. Roger*

April Financial Report

Stewardship Offerings	\$5,858.00
Other Offerings	130.90
Special Collection	1,240.00
Total Offerings	\$7, 228.90
Actual Cost (1/12 th Budgeted)	\$9,167.00
Resulting Operational Loss	\$1,938.10
Given to Charity	599.00
Diocesan Tax	539.00
Net Income to the Parish	\$6,090.90

Thank you for your continuous and generous support

Help with an outdoor project Our church sits on a postage stamp of land and there is really nothing that can be done with the front of the building, other than to maintain the property. We are interested in installing a walkway on the side of the church to allow easy access into the back yard now that we are planning on having social events there. We would like to know if anyone has experience or expertise in this area or if anyone knows someone who could assist/advise the Operations/Maintenance Committee in this matter. If so, they can contact Russ Landy by phone (401) 615-9089 or by email: barbaralandy36@yahoo.com.

Greetings from Bishop Gregory Freshly returned from the spring clergy conference in New Paltz, New York, I bring you the best wishes and blessing of Bishop Gregory who did inquire about the parish and also looks forward to seeing us again.

TEXTING in Church

401-345-9934.

Feel it...think it...share it with us!

Please view the Lenten Video of the Week

<https://youtu.be/MuT3Wul4M10>

A thought provoking video appropriate for Lent

A new video will be recommended each week.

Parish Council Meeting There will be a meeting on May 21st at 9:20. All are invited.

Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's

Weekly Religious Education – Schedule at this link:

<http://freepdfhosting.com/12b6c91d92.pdf>

Religious Education meets at 6:00

Bible study with Deacon Noel

Join us at 7:15....bring a friend

Special Collection During May, our special collection benefits the parish and assists with its utilities which cost us all about \$8,500 per year Thank you for your support, big or small, it does make a difference.

Painting Help Periodically, we have painting chores at church and this spring is no exception. Our handrail in front of the church is in need of sanding, wire brush and painting. In addition, our front door needs some sanding and polyurethaning. I am putting this out to the parish before hiring anyone. If you have some free time and could help out, it would be appreciated, otherwise, someone will be hired to complete the work.

Do you shop at these merchants?

Panera Bread \$10/\$25

Shell Station (Gas / Repairs) \$50 / \$100

CVS (Supplies / Drugs / Prescriptions) \$25 / \$100

Legal Seafood \$25 - Stop and Shop \$50 / \$100

Your support in purchasing these cards

is greatly appreciated and benefits the parish. Thank you!

Healing Service / Adoration Join us as we celebrate God's healing love through the conferral of Anointing of the Sick. The next celebration is May 8th, following the 10:30 Mass. Holy Hour devotion will follow as well.

Parish News of Interest to all

Please keep this partial list in your prayers

Dorothy Diaz, Deb Bucu, Dotty Dias, Jinny Van Haelen, Maureen Mazika, Mary Laplante, Patti Jo Siner, Mary Steinkamp, Geri Bergreen, Dan Barchie, John McGarrahan, Gina Mazika, Fr. Peter Scagnelli, Rose Pagano, Alaina Dieffenbach, Christopher Reynolds, Marilyn, Jake Williams, Helen Petrone, 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 DellaPosta, Joe Bruni (7), Even Wolfe (10), Bennjamyn Ariujo (10), Geri Lemay (27).

May God bless you now and in the year ahead!

Lead by example and not just by word!

Our parish is always in need of both Mass intentions and Memorials for the

Mass Intentions



Sanctuary Light. Please speak with Fr. Roger to request either.



Remembering Saint Patrick One lasting way to make a difference in the life of this community is to remember us in your will...please consider this during your family planning and name us a beneficiary. Your gift will live on and make a difference. Thank you!

Remember

Evangelization is everyone's business and as soon as people find this parish, they often visit and are usually pleased with what they discover:

Please spread the word!

Invite a friend to Mass with you!

The challenge of Discipleship: Moving from Mass to Mission

Why St. Patrick's Church? When people are considering making a faith community their "spiritual home," they often ask themselves why this particular community rather than another...or no community at all! When this happens, a kind word of support for Saint Patrick's can make a wonderful difference.

YOUR invitation can make the difference!

We are accepting of our members and visitors and offer an ideal home to couples of "mixed faiths." Our practice of an open Communion to the baptized sets us apart from our Roman cousins and we offer bible based preaching within Mass.