

# Saint Patrick Catholic Church 2068 Cranston Street Cranston, Rhode Island 02920

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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.

## The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 30, 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 7:00 (Summer) 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 <u>Red Worship Book</u>
Hymns numbered on <u>RED</u> refer to the same <u>Worship Book</u>
Hymns on <u>TAN</u> refer to the tan <u>We Celebrate Book</u>

# Reflections on the weekend Scriptures 1 Kings 3:5, 7–12; Psalm 119; Romans 8:28–30; Matthew 13:44–52

- Matthew's community, like ours, featured varying personalities who had arrived by dramatically differing paths. For some, the Kingdom is a surprise discovery, "a treasure buried in a field;" for others, a prized acquisition secured after a painstaking search, "a pearl of great price" (Matthew 13:44, 46). We even have a third group Matthew didn't know, "cradle Catholics." No wonder Jesus' image of "a net thrown into the sea" rings true (13:47). So today's Gospel repeats last Sunday's caution. If we've forgotten we're in that mixed haul and instead fancy ourselves qualified or empowered to separate its contents into Good and Bad, Jesus warns, judgment postponed, separation deferred, until "the end of the age," and even then, not by us: "The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous" (13:49).
- What if God dared offer us Solomon's choice? We'd say, "Bring on the bling! A long, happy life for me! A shorter life for this 'special' list I've been compiling for years." Too harsh? Or too true? What do we treasure? "An understanding heart . . . to distinguish right from wrong" (1 Kings 3:9)? We have before us a living treasure: God's word, which can shape us to the image of our Elder Brother, and that Word made flesh in Jesus' Body and Blood.
- "Do you understand all these things?" Jesus asks (Matthew 13:51). We may never understand all, but we can bring wisdom "new and old" (Jesus' Torah/ Moses' Torah) to bear on life's dilemmas. And consider the great wealth already ours: "predestined, called, justified, glorified" (cf. Romans 8:30).

## **Question of the Week**

In a world divided by economics and education, social status and political opinions, race and religion, what can I do this week to bring people together?

## Next Sunday's Readings

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 97; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9

## **Announced Masses**

## Sanctuary Light Memorial - In Prayer for the Soul of Theresa Chamberland by Jeanne D. Chatelle

07/29	5:00	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	By Jeanne D. Chatelle
07/30	8:30	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland (Bd Rem)	By Jeanne D. Chatellee
08/02	7:00	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	
08/05	5:00	Soul of Linda Kaul Crowshaw	By Pat Crowshaw
08/06	8:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	By Jeanne D. Chatelle
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Bouchard	
08/09	7:00	Soul of Roland Gaulin	By Pat Crowshaw

## **Parish Activities and Announcements**

Where is YOUR treasure? Rounding out the three weeks we have spent on Jesus' sermon in parables

From the Pastor's Desk

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ultimate value we place on the kingdom of heaven....as a hidden treasure or an item of great value and this begs the question of all of us....How do we value the Kingdom of Heaven....do we see it a something of great value, or perhaps just something given to us at the completion of our lives here on earth. The answers to these questions and I hope that you will think about them, should be revealed in our behavior because whatever we do value in life is something which must, by necessity, require action and sacrifice on our part.

You cannot get the one without the other. There is no "quick pick" available in the heaven lottery, only an invitation to enter it and to purchase tickets through sacrifices and dedicated service. Heaven is won, it is achieved through sacrifice, not luck.

God bless you all Fr. Rager

Ministry Opportunities We could use assistance with



both readers for Mass and with Acolytes. Could you possible

help us? Speak with Fr. Roger/Deacon Noel.

Lead by example and not just by word!

Summer Picnic Our annual picnic will take place at Geri Bergreen's home on Sunday. August 20<sup>th</sup> from

2pm. There is a signup so we get an idea as to numbers attending annual...always a pleasant afternoon and good food, relaxation and conversation.



Project Progresses Your parish council has decided to advance plans to finish the property behind the church for a memorial garden and reception area. It will be a great use of the property and add to the beauty of the church. Does anyone has experience or know 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.

#### Parish Activity this week

#### **Grounds Committee...Tuesday at 7PM**

Meetings occur as scheduled at the church office

All are invited to attend and to participate

Take possession: It's your parish

Mission Trip Snacks Both Deacon Noel and Elizabeth will be participating in the upcoming Mission trip to Sanford, Maine. There will be a lot of teen aged kids looking for snacks. Can you help? The food collection bin will be utilized to receive small snacks, chips, cookies, brownies, etc. Anything will help the effort and be assured of our gratitude.

**Design Help** We are composing a mailing piece for distribution. Does anyone have experience with work such as this? Please speak with the pastor.

Email Reminder Each week, we send out electronically events to everyone on our email contact list. If you do not receive it, it means that we do not have your email or more likely, it would have changed since we recorded it. Please send us an email and we will add you to the list.

## Recommended Video of the Week

## https://youtu.be/si1AeZ2ciTs

A thought provoking video to aid in our prayer life A new video will be recommended each week.

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### There is one space left....is it for you?

Special Collection During July, our special collection benefits parish utilities. Thank you for your support, big or small, it does make a difference.

Mission Project Our diocese is sponsoring a short Mission project to aid Prince of Peace parish in Sanford, Maine. It will occur between August 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. We need volunteers (High School / Adults) to assist in a variety of

construction projects. There is a cost of \$600 for students/ \$400 for adults for cost incurred. Materials supplied. Sign up at https://christtheking.aware3.net/form/dT3zGcz

# Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's Mass continues at 7pm

We are on summer break for Religious Education and Bible Study until September

# Parish Prayer and Birthday List Please keep this partial list in your prayers

Deb Buco, Dotty Diaz, Jinny Van Haelen, Chris Grady. Maureen Mazika, Patti Jo Sriner, Mary Steinkamp, Geri Bergreen, Dan Barchie, John McGarrahan, Gina Mazika, 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

サ In your charity, please remember our deceased サ parishioner

Margaret Pitts (7/7)

Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord

<u>Birthdays during July:</u> (3) Margaret Cooney and Tomma Botelho, (8) Lauren Callahan, (11) Greg Richards, (16) Arlene McGarrahan, (18) Abigail Bruni, (21) Pat Crowshaw and Jonathan Rojas, (24) Mary Bruni, (27)Ean Rojas. 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.

#### 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 others and we offer bible based preaching within Mass.

For many, our parish is the ideal fit

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!

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

Mass Intentions Sanctuary Light, Please



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



## 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: