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Saint Patrick's is a welcoming Catholic Community.
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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time –September 2, 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

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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

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8; Psalm 15; James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

• We learn more about another person by watching what they do than by listening to what they say. So James is clear in saying that it is not enough to listen to God's word, one must put it into action. "Be doers of the word and not hearers only," he admonishes (James 1:22). Specifically, he encourages the early Christians to care for the most vulnerable among them. This is what he refers to as living out their faith, "pure and undefiled" (James 1:27). Putting faith into action is essential.

• Jesus sees through the Pharisees and the scribes at once, calling them out as hypocrites because they follow the letter of the law and not the spirit. In the previous chapter of Mark, Jesus had sent out the disciples two by two and they preached the word of God, drove out demons, and healed the sick. But they eat with unclean hands, and this is all the Pharisees choose to see. It is easy to judge based on the letter of the law; it takes time and wisdom to judge on the spirit of the law. When we are quick to judgment, we may be making the same error the Pharisees do.

• Moses tells the people that other nations will envy them for observing the commandments because they will conclude that no other nation "has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call" (Deuteronomy 4:7). How fortunate we are, then, that we have a God who is incarnate in the world. How fortunate we are to have a God whom we receive in the Eucharist. How fortunate we are to have a God who moves among us, lives within us, and is revealed to others when we do God's work in the world.

Question of the Week

How can I avoid hypocrisy and embrace the spirit of God's commands? Am I merely fulfilling my Sunday obligation or am I a "doer of the word," putting God's word into action?

Next Week's Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37

Announced Masses

Sanctuary Light Memorial – In Prayer for Beth Hanson by the Chatelle Family

09/01	5:00	Soul of Michael Neri (1 st Anniv)	by Nancy Santiago – Neri
09/02	8:30	Soul of Frank Reis	
	10:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
09/05	6:30	Soul of Valerie Gambuto Carnevale	
09/08	5:00	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	
09/09	8:30	Soul of Msgr John Moore	
	10:30	Soul of Frank Reis	By Ann-Marie Krzan
09/12	6:30	Soul of Fr. William Baker	

Parish Activities and Announcements

A call to genuine conversion. Having for several weeks considered the Bread of Life as presented by St. John's Gospel, we now are brought back to the reality of the

From the Pastor's Desk

required conversion necessary to attain this Bread which will never leave you hungry and that conversion is not in the externals of our lives, but in the internal elements which mark real change within us. The question for all of us is then, since change (conversion) is necessary, is it worth it to us to make the effort? Do we care enough about attaining this Bread of Life? One place to begin has to be in worship practices. People experiencing genuine conversion show it by worshipping regularly, it is the manner of reinforcement of faith and love for God. Another area to consider is in our sharing with God from the bounty of our lives, that is, our offerings. Adopting a sacrificial stance here and

giving from our need and not just our over abundance shows conversion of heart and genuine concern for God and desire to receive the Bread that will fill us forever. There are other things we can also do, but, perhaps these two are a great place to start.

God bless *Fr. Roper*

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 8, 2018 – 3 volunteers needed

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.

In Memoriam Elizabeth Reis recently lost her father Frank. The funeral was earlier this week. Please keep Elizabeth and her family in your prayers.

Financial Report for the month of August

Stewardship Offerings	\$5,021.00
Other Offerings	82.00
Special Collection	\$1,029.00
Total Offerings	\$6,132.00
Actual Cost	\$9,583.00
Resulting Operating Loss	\$3,451.00-
Given to Charity	\$ 510.00
Diocesan Tax	\$ 459.00
Net Income to the parish	\$5,163.00

As always, we thank you for your continued support and remind you that it would be great if parishioners made up offerings when returning to church from summer break.

**Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's
Religious Education at 5:45 & Mass at 6:30**

Bible Study at 7:00

Studying Church History – Materials will be supplied

2018-19 Religious Ed Schedule at this link:

<http://freepdfhosting.com/45f116df28.pdf>

Religious Education and Bible Study Both of these begin **THIS COMING WEDNESDAY, September 5th**. Please consult the online schedule. Thank you.

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

Dunkin Donuts 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 **permanent part of our Memorial Garden and Pavilion** by purchasing a commemorative tile or granite bench. The commemorative tiles will be installed on the face of raised garden beds and



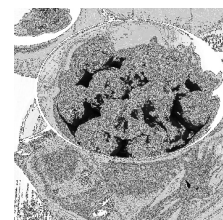
the granite benches will be distributed around the gardens and pavilion. **This beautification and memorial project is presently underway!**

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 16th 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 23rd, 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
September 8th following the 10:30 Mass
Anointing is available at any other time by request

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 Siner, 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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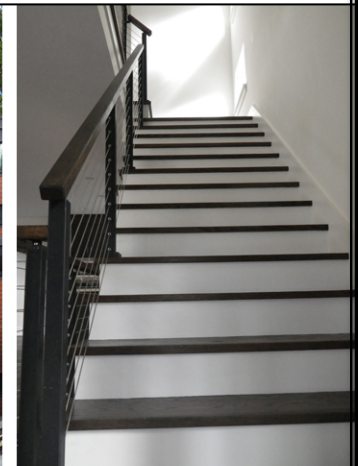
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