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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.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 28, 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

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*

<u>ALL ARE WELCOME</u> No matter what your present church status, your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, and regardless of personal worthiness; <u>YOU are *invited*</u>, *welcomed*, *accepted*, *loved* and *respected* here.

Thank you today for joining us!

<u>Please look to the "Hymn Board" to the front left.</u> <u>The Upper left number</u> 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

Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 95; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28

They say that naming something can give you power over it. The unclean spirit in Mark's Gospel tries to do just that, crying out, "Jesus of Nazareth . . . the Holy One of God" (Mark 1:24). But Jesus has the authority of God and this triumphs over the unclean spirit. Mark portrays Jesus as the prophet promised to Moses and the people in the first reading, "I will raise up for them a prophet . . . and will put my words into his mouth" (Deuteronomy 18:18). This gives Jesus the authority to drive out unclean spirits, as well as to teach with authority in the synagogue.

The passage from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians can be understood in the light of his belief that the Second Coming was imminent. Considering the importance of this event, Paul wanted the faithful to spend less time worrying about the day-to-day concerns of this world.

We don't hear what Jesus taught in the synagogue, but Mark tells us that "he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes" (Mark 1:22). What would the scribes have said about a man with an unclean spirit in the synagogue? Probably that he was corrupting the place with his presence and that he should be cast out. But Jesus chooses to cast out the unclean spirit, not the person. He is not concerned, as the scribes would be, of becoming unclean himself. He teaches—and acts—with greater authority than the people had ever witnessed.

Question of the Week

What kind of "unclean spirits" afflicting some people do I encounter? Do I risk becoming unclean myself when encountering those who are afflicted? Can I overcome that risk?

Next Sunday's Readings

Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 147; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39

Announced Masses

Sanctuary Light Memorial – In Prayer for the ill of our parish

01/27	5:00	Soul of Ronald Barber	By the Sanchez Family
01/28	8:30	Soul of Lydia Parisi	By the Parisi Family
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	By the Chatelle Family
02/03	5:00	Soul of Thomas Crowshaw	
02/04	8:30	Soul of Paul Matarazzo	By Cathy Parisi
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	By the Chatelle Family
02/07	6:45	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	

Parish Activities and Announcements

A new year begins. Following our 10:30 Mass this morning, we hold our annual meeting and I want you all

From the Pastor's Desk

to know that you are invited to attend. We

completed 2017 in the red for the year due primarily to the need to replace our boiler. It was the last "mechanical" left in the building original to the purchase and the time had come to be sure. But, it does point out one truth: The parishes finances remain after all these years so fragile that an expense of about \$10,000, not budgeted for, is enough to throw us into the red for the whole year. In other words, our finances are tight, perhaps too tight. Each year, we ask all of our active parishioners to rise to the occasion in support of the mission of this parish family pledging financial support and while active members do, the resulting pledges since they amount to about half of our small budget essentially leave us sweating month to month to see if we are going to financially survive the year. The year ahead and thereafter will be more costly to the parish as we work towards making more residents aware of us and extend invitations for them to visit. There will be an increase in membership as well as expense and this is unavoidable, but necessary to the life of this parish. I can only ask that if you made a pledge of any amount that you please try to be generous beyond that figure perhaps looking towards 1% of your income as a goal to achieve in your sharing in the mission of the parish and return to God for the blessings of this life received.

God bless you all and happy New Year. Fr. Roger

Flu Notice We continue to not share the Sign of Peace and refrain from the Cup at Holy Communion when feeling ill while the Flu runs its course. Annual Meeting St. Patrick's community has its annual meeting each year on the final Sunday of the month, this

year, that meeting will follow the 10:30 Mass today. At this meeting, the pastor shares his thoughts on the parish and a tone is set for the year ahead. Also, active parishioners are invited to



voice concerns on anything affecting the parish. The election of parish council takes place (if necessary) and usually is concluded in under an hour. Please join us and take an active role in YOUR parish community.

Parish Appreciation Party Our first Appreciation Party was a success with many in attendance. Thanks to all who took time to celebrate with us at the Rosario Club. Thank you for all you do all year long and we look forward to repeating this event yearly giving back to you for all you do for us.

Saint Patrick Day Dinner Our Annual celebration will take place at the Rosario Club on Sunday, March 18^{th} from 2 – 5 in the afternoon. Details and tickets available soon, during the week.

Pot-O-Gold Raffle Our Annual Saint Patrick's Day Split the Pot Raffle will be drawn at the dinner on March 18th. Tickets are now available and have been distributed. Please make returns quickly and as always, cost remains at \$1.00 a ticket to benefit the parish. May you have the luck of the Irish!

Parish Council Our Annual Meeting approaches and your parish council is seeking interest from among the members. There are three openings. If you would like to join our active team, please drop a note to our president at <u>adrien.mercure@gmail.com</u>. Thank you.

Special Collection The special collection taken up during the month of January is forward to the national church to aid in the Pro-Life activities of the church. We ask that you please be generous.

Valentine's Day Competition On Sunday, February

Valentine's day CONTEST

18th, we are holding a "two forked" event featuring competition for the *best appetizer* and then *best desert* in honor of Valentine's Day. Join us...no expense...sign up

on the board and in the lower church.

Welcome to the Parish We welcome the Whalen family to the parish and thank Steve, Melissa and Madison for walking in faith with us.

Living Lent Retreat We will be sponsoring a 1 day retreat in preparation for Lent on Saturday, February 3rd here at church. Kara Marziali will be leading the retreat and Fr. Roger will participate. There is a flyer in the bulletin for this event and we hope that many will join us.

<u>Dunkin Donuts</u> Gift Cards are now on sale For face value of \$10.00. Sales benefit the parish **Stonewall Kitchen Fine Products!** Fine gourmet food items from the famous *Stonewall Kitchens of York, Maine*. We are offering them at substantial discount to normal prices....check them out, pick some up for the house or for gift giving.....as their quality is second to none and all sales benefit our parish and help us.

> Clearance Sale - Half Off remaining inventory <</p>

Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration <u>Sunday, February 11 following the 10:30 Mass</u> Join us for Healing and for Prayer

Wine Club Our next wine club meeting will be on Friday February 9th at 6pm. This month, it will be hosted



by the Sanchez family and will feature Merlot wines. This is an open meeting and if you would like details or like to join us, please contact Elizabeth at

<u>Izbthj@hotmail.com</u>. It is a lot of fun as we explore inexpensive wines and learn a bit about different grapes and varieties of wine.

Musical "*Notes*" from *Justin* The anthem this week is "Speak, O Lord" by Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend. These British-Irish songwriters have composed several contemporary hymns.

Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's <u>Religious Education at 6:00</u> <u>Mass at 6:45</u> <u>Bible Study at 7:15</u>

Please prepare Matt 23 and 24 for the evening Religious Ed Schedule at this link: http://freepdfhosting.com/9feb17dee7.pdf

Parish Prayer and Birthday List

<u>Please keep this partial list in your prayers</u> Beth Hayes and Anne Hayes, Armand Lefebvre, Bernie Blumenthal, Deb Buco, 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 January: (14) Vanessa Norcliffe, (15) Raheem Onibudo, (16) Dr. Frank Rainone, (17) Dotty Diaz, (21) Carolyn Corley. May God bless you now and in the year ahead!

✤ In your charity, please remember our deceased ♣ parishioners Tom Moon (01/09) Paula Galvin (01/27) Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord