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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 Epiphany of the Lord – January 7, 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 baptistry area.

Text Message Feedback Line

(401) 345 9934

We want your feedback – Good and Bad

ALL ARE WELCOME 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; 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

Isaiah 60:1–6; Psalm 72; Ephesians 3:2–3a, 5–6; Matthew 2:1–12.

In the readings today God is revealed to foreigners in a special way. In Isaiah, the glory of the Lord is a source of light for a restored Jerusalem after the Exile, attracting all nations to her. Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians speaks of Gentiles being "coheirs", equally eligible for salvation (Ephesians 3:6). The first people to visit the newborn Jesus in Matthew are the magi, wise men who have traveled from afar. Later, both the magi and the Holy Family flee Judea because of Herod, the Holy Family becoming foreigners themselves. In fact, not only do they become foreigners, they become refugees, as they have fled their homeland for their own safety.

Those in power are perpetually threatened by anyone who might usurp that power. So it is today and so it was then. Not only King Herod, but "all Jerusalem with him" was also "greatly troubled" (Matthew 2:3). This newborn king could eventually threaten all of them. What they did not realize was the kind of power Jesus would exercise. But ironically, even though he was not to be a political threat, they were right to be troubled.

Realizing that they were best off avoiding Herod, the magi end up returning home another way. They had planned to return the same way they came, via Jerusalem, as Herod had asked them to do. But they change their plans after encountering the Lord. They have a conversion of sorts. They can no longer return the same way.

Question of the Week

Is there something I realize that I changed after encountering the Lord? Is there something I realize now that I should change?

Next Sunday's Readings

1 Samuel 3:3b–10, 19; Psalm 40; 1 Corinthians 6:13c–15a, 17–20; John 1:35–42

Announced Masses

Sanctuary Light Memorial – In Prayer for the Soul of Theresa Chamberland by the Chatelle Family

01/06	5:00	Good Health/Healing Beth Hayes	By The Chatelle Family
01/07	8:30	Good Health/Healing of Anne Hayes	By The Chatelle Family
	10:30	Soul of Erza Saccoccio	By Elizabeth Reis
01/10	6:45	Souls Chris Grady and Dominic Martin	
01/13	5:00	For Blessings Received	By Raheem Onibudo
01/14	8:30	For Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Holly Homer Furtado	
01/17	6:45	Soul of Fr. Vern DeCroteau	

Parish Activities and Announcements

From the Pastor's Desk
A Light to the Nations. Have you ever noticed how so much of what we do as "Christians" revolves around not keep the fact that we are, a secret? Today's feast of the Epiphany highlights this and completes our Christmas celebration by showing Christ of humble Jewish origin (Shepherds and Manger) and now the object of homage by those who are "non Jewish." Those we have come to know as the astronomers from the East. This feast does lead to the conclusion that the Christ was born to fulfill his mission to all people, Jews and non-Jews alike. As much as Christ's presence was made know to all people, the reality of his mission continues in our lives as we accept that light to the nations and manifest it in our lives each day. For it is infinitely more important for each of us to live out the mission than it is to simply speak of it to those around us. Our light is

called to be a bright one, not, as Matthew would say, hidden under a bushel. As we move forward in 2018, why we don't all resolve to make that light a bright one for all to see and in the radiance of that light see Christ alive in our everyday activities.

God bless you all and happy New Year. *Fr. Ryan*

Stewardship Appeal 2018 Follow up letters were sent out to the many we have not heard back from. Please reply. Please keep in mind **Our parish budget for 2018 remains at \$110,000** or \$925 per parishioner / \$18.00 per parishioner, per week, every week, whether or not they attend church. We need hear back from everyone.

Annual Meeting St. Patrick's community has an annual meeting each year on the final Sunday of the month, this year, that meeting will follow the 10:30 Mass on Sunday

Join us
for your Annual Meeting.
Don't miss it!

January 28th. 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 You give so much to the parish every week, join us on Friday January 26th at the Rosario Club *for an appreciation party* from 6 to 8. This is an open invitation. Please let the office know name and number



attending. Information on the Bulletin Board If by txt only to this number: (401) 345 9934

>> Sign up available at the Bulletin Board <<

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 adrien.mercure@gmail.com. Thank you.

2018 Calendars They are available at the door and we offer them to you with our compliments.

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.

Offering Envelopes They have been prepared for all those requesting them. A few have also been mailed out for January. I will try to get envelopes to you at the Masses when I see you.

Letter to the Membership In advance of the annual meeting, a cover letter, financial report and tax letter will be sent out. These should reach you during the week.

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.

2018 Expanded Notification New in 2018, reminders and timely messages will also be issued by TXT from the office cell# (401) 345 9934. Better communications!

Dunkin Donuts 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** <

Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration
January 14th following the 10:30 Mass
Join us for Healing and for Prayer

Wine Club Our wine club meets on Friday, January 19th at 6pm. This month. our topic will be cabernet



saUVignon wines and will be hosted by the Landy's It should be great fun and a wonderful opportunity to learn about this grape and sample wines with very modest costs. This is a social event and an

opportunity to meet new parishioners. If you would like to join us, email Barbara at barbaralandy36@yahoo.com.

Musical "Notes" from Justin This week's offertory is "Rise Up in Splendor." It was written by Aaron Thompson, with lyrics adapted from this week's reading from Isaiah.

Wednesday Evenings at Saint Patrick's
Religious Education at 6:00
Mass at 6:45
Bible Study at 7:15
Religious Ed Schedule at this link:
<http://freepdfhosting.com/9feb17dec7.pdf>

Parish Prayer and Birthday List

Please keep this partial list in your prayers

Beth Hayes and Anne Hayes, 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 January: (15) Raheem Onibudo, (16) Dr. Frank Rainone, (17) Dotty Diaz.

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

This Week at St. Patrick's
Today....Social Committee at 9:30
Tuesday....Membership Committee at 7:00
Meetings occur as scheduled in the church office
All are invited to attend and to participate
Take possession! It's your parish

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.



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