

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

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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.*

## **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 13, 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 ***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

**1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a; Psalm 85; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33**

Whether we see the disciples' boat as symbolizing the Church or our own lives, we can relate to Matthew's image: a tiny boat, big waves, roaring wind, disciples left alone throughout the night. We can't see Jesus or the shore we've left or the port we seek. When Jesus finally does appear, it's in night's deepest, darkest hours, and he seems unreal, "a ghost" (Matthew 14:26). Seeking proof, we echo Peter's challenge: "Lord, if it is you, if you're *really* with us, do this, or that, or both" (cf. 14:28)!

As always in Ordinary Time, the Old Testament reading illumines the Gospel. Elijah's encounter with God begins with a catalogue of the "special effects" associated with divine epiphanies: wind, earthquake, fire. But God's actual self-revelation is not in anything that dramatic, and Jesus' question to Peter and us is quietly simple: "Why did you doubt?" (Matthew 14:31). Why, after centuries of winds and waves, do we fail to see the countless forms Jesus' outstretched hand takes? Too easily impressed by life's "special effects," we, much like Elijah, can hardly hear the "tiny whispering sound" (1 Kings 19:12).

Yet the sound is there, or rather, here. So is Jesus. "It is I," literally, I AM, the Divine Name (Matthew 14:27). "I AM with you always," Jesus promises, "until the end" (28:20). However perilous the waves or chaotic the wind, Jesus, right here, whispers in night's silence, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid" (14:27). We have only to stay right here, in the storm-tossed but infinitely precious boat, the Church, the community Jesus never abandons.

### Question of the Week

When was the last time I experienced God as really absent from my life? Really present? To whom am I called to be Jesus' outstretched hand of strength and support?

### Next Sunday's Readings

**Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Psalm 67; Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 Matthew 15:21-28**

## Announced Masses

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

08/12	5:00	Soul of Peter Pond	By Nick Pond
08/13	8:30	Soul of Fr. Peter Scagnelli	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	By Jeanne D. Chatelle
08/15	7:00	Soul of Fr. Vern DeCoteau	
08/16	7:00	Soul of Fr. Leon Maynard	
08/19	5:00	For Blessings Received	By Raheem Onibudo
08/20	8:30	For the Soul of Carol Petrone	By Marilyn Graf
	10:30	For the Soul of Florence Mazika	By the Labonte Family
08/23	7:00	For the Souls of John and Paula Galvin	

## Parish Activities and Announcements

**Sermons.** When you come to Mass here, as at most parishes, you are prepared to sit for a length of time and

### From the Pastor's Desk

to listen to a sermon. It strikes me that we have all heard many of them over our lives. This past week though, we were the beneficiary of a different type of sermon and at the same time, a challenge. We had parishioners actively working in Sanford, Maine in what can only be called a *sermon of action*. Rather than hearing it, we saw it. People actively working to accomplish a common good which will not benefit them directly, doing good by the sweat of their brow for no other reason than to say it was the right thing to do, the right end to accomplish and a job which simply needed

to be done. I spent only one day with them and I assure you it was a long day, from sun up until its set with numerous projects all in need of being done. Many thanks to those who "preached this sermon" of action to all of us left behind and congratulations on a job well done.

God bless you all *Fr. Roper*

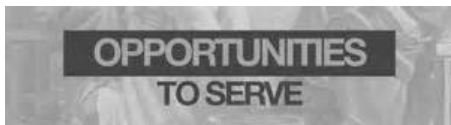
**Summer Picnic** Our annual picnic will take place at Geri Bergreen's home on Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> from 2pm. There is a signup so we get an idea as to numbers attending. Join us for a wonderful and restful afternoon of good food, libation and spirited conversation!



**Holy Day Mass** In celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Please join us!

**Anointing / Holy Hour** As is our normal custom for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, Anointing will follow the 10:30 Mass and if there is desire, a Holy Hour will be celebrated before the Blessed Sacrament.

**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!***

**Mission Project Report** Our diocesan summer mission project in Sanford, Maine went very well and is now over. A crew of 35 or so gathered daily in prayer, work, relaxation and worship to achieve something which everyone can be proud of: a renovated Prince of Peace Church and associated school classrooms. I thank our members who sacrificed time and talent this past week, especially Deacon Noel who took a lead in guiding this project and I thank you all for your financial support which aided this effort. Thank you all again.

**Property 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](mailto:barbaralandy36@yahoo.com).

### ***Parish Activity this week***

#### ***There are no meeting scheduled***

*Meetings occur as scheduled at the church office*

*All are invited to attend and to participate*

***Take possession: It's your parish***

**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://vimeo.com/89206917>

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

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YEAR and is pro-rated. This presents a great value and opportunity to attract new customers. Advertise with us this year....support the parish, build your business

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

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

***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 Bucu, Dotty Diaz, Jinny Van Haelen, Chris Grady, Maureen Mazika, Patti Jo Srinier, Mary Steinkamp, Geri Bergreen, Dan Barchie, John McGarahan, 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***

***Birthdays during August:*** (2) Kathy Cooney; (3) Marc Hannan; (7) Stephen Massarone; (18) Russell Landy; (25) Felicia Petrone; (28) Elizabeth Sanchez and (30) Dorothy Collins.

*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 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:

***Please spread the word!***