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## **The 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 5<sup>th</sup>, 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**  
 Holy Day Mass **7:00 pm** or as announced

### **Pastoral Staff**

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Patti Demarest – Office Assistant (Office: 10-2 / M-F)	

### **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

**Exodus 16:2–4, 12–15; Psalm 78; Ephesians 4:17, 20–24; John 6:24–35**

- The Israelites did not initially recognize the manna that God gave them to eat. “What is this?” they asked when seeing the flakes that resembled frost (Exodus 16:15). (In fact, the Hebrew, *man hû*, is translated as “What is it?”) They failed to recognize the Lord’s hand in answering their need. They failed even to recognize that this was food. It seems difficult to believe, considering how hungry they were. But we can be blind to a solution that doesn’t look like we expected. Moreover, we can fail to see God’s grace behind the blessings we receive.
- Lest anyone misunderstand the source of heavenly blessings, Jesus declares that it was his Father, not Moses, who gave the Israelites the bread from heaven. The bread—this basic form of sustenance—came from God. It is a short stretch, then, to identify himself as “that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world” (John 6:33). This extraordinary form of sustenance, coming from God, is also bread, but special bread: the Bread of Life.
- Paul tells the Christian community at Ephesus how fundamental a change they must make to their identity. They are to “put away the old self . . . and . . . put on the new self,” making a total conversion (Ephesians 4:22–24). This is what the acceptance of Christ entails. This is the difference between working for “food that perishes” and “food that endures for eternal life” (John 6:27). Like the Ephesians, we are called to change our very selves.

### Question of the Week

What nourishment have I received in the Eucharist today? How will that sustain me as I “put on” my new self this week?

### Next Week’s Readings

**1 Kings 19:4–8; Psalm 34; Ephesians 4:30—5:2; John 6:41–51**

#### Announced Masses

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

08/04	5:00	Souls of Russell and Jeanne LaMountain	by the Labonte Family
08/05	8:30	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	by the Chatelle Family
08/08	7:00	Soul of Dominic Martin	
08/11	5:00	Soul of Helen Petrone (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv)	by the Family
08/18	8:30	Soul of Fr. Leon Maynard	
	10:30	Soul of Theresa Chamberland	by the Chatelle Family
08/15	7:00	Souls of John and Paula Galvin	

## Parish Activities and Announcements

**The process of transformation.** We are now in the middle of a series of Gospel readings all focused upon Christ, our Bread of Life. This week and for the next

#### From the Pastor’s Desk

couple of weeks, we will be seeing how difficult a concept it was for those in Jesus’ own day to accept and understand, and poses no less a challenge for us today. It occurred to me that the entire challenge of necessary faith really comes down to a single word: transference. The task of transferring self reliance to divine reliance, self care to divine care and transference from bread which feeds us for a day to bread which will feed and sustain us forever. From our infancy, many of us are taught to be self reliant, to take care of ourselves in life. While this is important on a human level, we also discover that for many of life’s problems there are no easy answers, easy “fixes.” It is when we consider these problems that the challenge of letting go (and

letting “God” as the old saying goes) comes into play. The difficulty is that most people only accept part of the equation....turning to God when there is a problem, while God expects our reliance when things are good too! Our scriptures once again provide a wake up call and remind us of the prophet Job “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked I will leave this life. *The Lord gives, and the Lord takes away.* Blessed be the name of the Lord. Amen indeed!

God bless *Fr. Ryan*

**Service Opportunities** There are opportunities to assist at Amos house in Providence on 3 Saturday mornings coming up. The service time required is 9am to 1pm.

**August 11, 2018 – 3 Volunteers needed**

**August 18, 2018 – 3 volunteers needed**

**There is a signup sheet in the hall**



### July Financial Report

Stewardship Offerings	\$6,240.00
Other Offerings	\$ 86.27
Special Collection	\$ 806.00
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$7,132.27</b>
Actual Cost (1/12 Annual Budget)	\$9,167.00
<b>Resulting Operation Loss</b>	<b>\$2,034.73-</b>
Given to Charity	\$ 633.00-
Diocesan Tax	\$ 569.00-
<b>Net Income to the parish</b>	<b>\$5,930.27</b>

**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!



**Bulletin Advertiser** Annual advertising on the back of our bulletin is available now.

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**Autumn Get Together** Please join us on Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup> for this social event at Geri Bergreen's home, 36 Butler Street, Cranston, 2-5 for an open house and relaxing time together. There is a sign up in the church bulletin board. Members and friends are invited.



**Special Collection** The special collection taken up during the month of August 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.

### Religious Education at St. Patrick's

The Fall is coming quickly and we are using these weeks to prepare for 2018-2019 Religious Education Schedule.

#### Sacramental Instruction

**Instruction is necessary** for those receiving either First Holy Communion or Confirmation, usually celebrated in the Second grade or Sophomore year of High School. Instruction is also available for other years enriching the faith life of the student and providing Christian instruction. There is no registration or other fee for religious education.

#### What we need from you

- That you are willing to commit to a schedule of instruction for your child(ren) and to regular attendance at Mass.
- That you be registered here as a parishioner and maintain an active membership within this parish.

#### What we need from our parish

- Your prayerful support for the growth and enrichment of our children receiving religious education instruction.
- Active participation by one or two adults to assist Elizabeth Sanchez in instruction of the children.

#### Registration or Classroom help

Please either contact the office or contact Elizabeth directly at 401-261-2420. Contact info on page 1 of the bulletin

**Thank you and we look forward to a wonderful year!**

**Anointing of the Sick / Holy Hour of Adoration**  
**August 12<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 Mass**  
**Anointing is available at any time by request**

**Wine Club** Our next wine club meeting will be a *parish event* following the 5pm Mass on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Join us as we explore "red blend" wines and a pot-luck dinner.

### Parish Prayer and Birthday List

**Please keep this partial list in your prayers**

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 August:** (2) Kathy Cooney (3) Marc Hannan, (7) Nancy Santiago, (18) Russ Landy, (19) Alexis Impagliazzo, (25) Felicia Petrone, (28) Elizabeth Sanchez and (30) Dot Collins

*May God bless you now and in the year ahead!*





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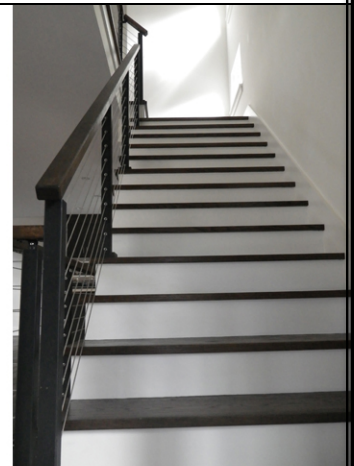
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