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### **Altar Server Ministry**

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### **Choir Director**

Mr. Chris Casey: (860) 904-8138

### **Building & Grounds Committee**

Mr. Mike Archangelo: (860) 693-8727

### **Haitian Ministry**

Mrs. Sharon Fuller: (860) 916-7610

### **Human Needs Ministry**

Mrs. Terry St. Gelais: (860) 916-6163

### **Lectio Divina**

Mr. Rich Stoops: (203) 910-5588

### **Youth Ministry Program**

Coordinator Needed

ym@spcolct.org

### **Liturgy Committee**

Call Rectory: (860) 693-8727

### **Men's Fraternity**

Mr. Rich Stoops: (860) 693-1913

### **Men's Retreat**

Mr. Moe Poirier: (860) 693-4692

Tom Turick: (860) 605-9092

### **Parish Council President**

Mr. Rob Dupre: (860) 299-3335

### **Imago Dei (Pro-Life) Ministry**

Mrs. Carline Thurston: (860) 899-4044

### **Rosary at Cherry Brook**

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### **Social/Hospitality Ministry**

CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

### **SPYRIT 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Youth**

#### **Group**

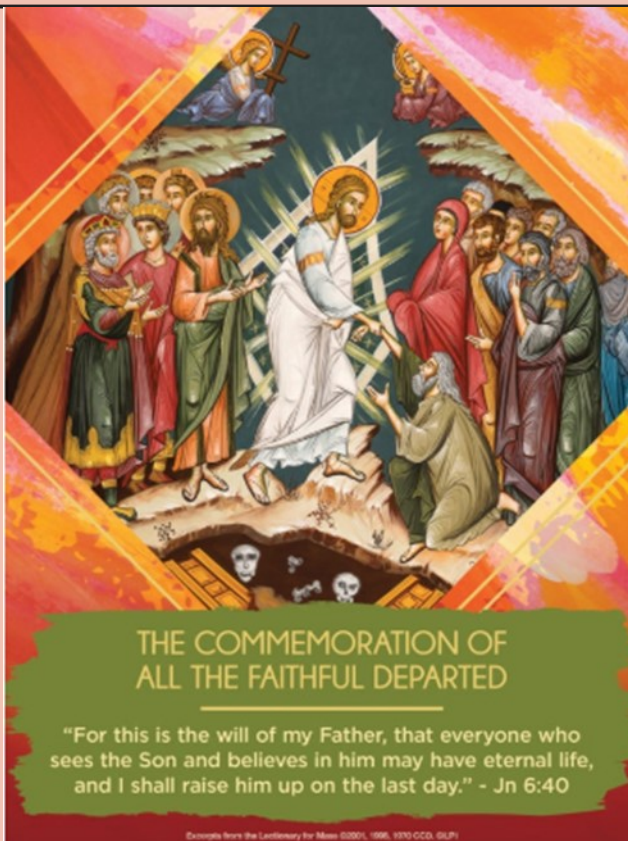
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

### **Usher/Greeter Ministry**

Mr. David Sherman: (860) 810-8594

### **Women of St. Patrick's**

(860) 693-8727



## **THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day." - Jn 6:40

### **St Patrick's Cemeteries**

Our parish has two active cemeteries Calvary Cemetery in Collinsville and St Patrick's in Burlington. Call the Office for more details.

### **Handicapped Access**

Please enter through the rear entrance of the Church

### **Allergies**

Parishioners suffering from gluten should speak to the Pastor about their needs. We have low gluten options available.

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*Coordinator*

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### **Coordinator Needed**

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### **Chris Casey**

*Music Director*

[keysacasey@aol.com](mailto:keysacasey@aol.com)

### **Rectory Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday  
10:00am - 4:00pm

**Closed Friday**

### **Ordinary Mass Schedule**

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am  
Mon, Tues, Wed 8:00am

### **Holy Day Mass Schedule**

Please see bulletin for times.

### **Holy Hour & Adoration**

Typically, the last Wednesday of every

Month from 7:00 - 8:00 pm

(Please check the bulletin for any schedule changes.)

### **Reconciliation**

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm

### **Ministry to the Homebound**

If you wish to receive communion,  
please call the Rectory.

### **Baptism**

Please call the Rectory

### **Marriage**

Please make arrangements at least six  
months in advance.

## ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

### Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

#### Saturday, November 1

5:00 pm John Robert Yurch Sr. as requested by his Family

#### Sunday, November 2

8:00 am Enderline Anaeché

10:00 am Gilma Longevin as requested by her Family

#### Monday, November 3

8:00 am Lois Fee as requested by the Lamberty Family

#### Tuesday, November 4

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

#### Wednesday, November 5

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

#### Thursday, November 6

8:00 am No Mass

#### Friday, November 7

8:00 am No Mass

#### Saturday, November 8

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick

#### Sunday, November 9

8:00 am George Lester as requested by Donna Potwin

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

### Faith Formation

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Nov 2	9-10 AM	Class Group A Bridge Team Meeting
	6-7 PM	First Holy Communion
	6-7:30 PM	Class Group B
Nov 9	9-10 AM	Class Group A
	11:15-12:30 PM	Confirmation Year 1
	12:45-2:00 PM	Confirmation Year 2
	6-7:20 PM	First Holy Communion
Nov 16	6-7 PM	First Holy Communion
	6-7:30 PM	Class Group B
Nov 23	4 PM	Family Mass & Fellowship



#### Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration

Our Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration will be held on the last Wednesday of the month except for the months of November & December.

#### Schedule of Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration for 2025-2026

*November 19,	7:00 PM	March 23,	7:00 PM
*December 17,	7:00 PM	April 29,	7:00 PM
January 28,	7:00 PM	May 27,	7:00 PM
February 25,	7:00 PM	June 24	7:00 PM

## Parish Support

### Week of 10/23/25 to 10/29/25

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,575.55

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 948.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): **\$ 3,523.55**

**Facilities** \$ 25.00

### Monthly -N/A

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 0.00

**Monthly Collection Total** \$ **0.00**

**Grand Total:** **\$ 3,548.55**

*Thank you for your generous and continued support of our St Patrick's family!*

## All Faith Formation Families are invited to our Fall FAMILY MASS & FELLOWSHIP

Mass @ 4 PM  
followed by  
dinner & fun!

**SUNDAY  
NOV 23**

Please RSVP by  
Sunday 11/16

Pasta Bar and Salad provided - please sign up  
to contribute a needed item when you RSVP



**SCAN HERE TO RSVP**

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#### Sympathy and Prayers for the First Family

Our parish family extends heartfelt condolences to **Brian and Kristin First and their family** on the sudden passing of Brian's mother, **Joan First**, last week in Ohio. We hold Brian, Kristin, and all their loved ones close in our thoughts and prayers. May they be comforted by God's healing love and by the support of their St. Patrick's Parish family as we commend Joan's soul to God's mercy.

**Eternal rest grant unto Joan First, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

With prayerful sympathy,  
*Fr. Collins*

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## COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL; DEPARTED NOVEMBER 2, 2025

### Word of Life † November 2

"Palliative care and hospice are precious and crucial instruments in the care of patients with serious and complex chronic or terminal illnesses, and they help provide comfort to both the patients and their families. While palliative care cannot entirely eradicate suffering from people's lives, it provides an authentic expression of human and Christian care—allowing us to 'remain' at the side of a suffering person, as the Blessed Mother and the beloved disciple remained at the foot of the Cross...The path of accompaniment until the moment of death must remain open, with appropriate care for body and soul customized to the personal needs of the patient."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice"

### Why Kneel?

#### Question:

Why do we kneel at Mass?

#### Answer:

Since the beginnings of the Church, kneeling has been a key posture of prayer. We see Sts. Peter and Paul in the Acts of the Apostles kneeling in prayer. Early in the 4th century, the Council of Nicea prohibited kneeling on Sundays and special feasts. Kneeling began more as a posture of penance for our sins, but in the history of the Church, it has become more a posture of reverence and solemn prayer.

You will notice that the times we kneel at Mass are tied to the consecration of the holy Eucharist. We kneel in both anticipation of what will occur and then in awe of what has taken place: Jesus Christ becomes truly present to us under the guise of bread and wine. The profoundness of this event has over time led the Church to mandate in the current General Instruction of the Roman Missal that kneeling is the only posture allowed during this time. The sheer awesomeness of the holy Eucharist leads us to fall to our knees in wonder and thanksgiving.

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### Lectio Divina **"To be ignorant of Scripture is to be ignorant of Christ"** (Saint Jerome)

**Lectio Divina**, *Praying with the Scriptures*, first and foremost, links us directly to Jesus. He is the WORD made flesh. Our eyes are fixed on the Risen Lord as we pray, meditate and contemplate on a Scripture passage and by his grace we become able to Listen to Him as He speaks to our hearts from that Holy Scripture. **Lectio Divina** challenges us to walk our spiritual journeys guided by Jesus's WORD. It draws us out of our comfort zone, invites us to grow, gives us grace to be healed deeply and to experience His presence in the Word. Come join us this month on **Thursday, November 6th** at 6:00pm and on **November 20th** on the stage downstairs. Contact: Yvonne (860) 707-0838 or Rich Stoops (203) 910-5588 for info or questions.



### Save The Date: Men's Retreat Jan 16-18, 2026

Holy Family Retreat Center West Hartford, CT  
(75th Anniversary)

Faith is a journey! We never know where it will take us.. During this year's retreat we can become better Pilgrims of Hope. Hope is a theological virtue given to us as a gift from God. Hope can be difficult to explain but we know that when we have it we never want to lose it! Join us on this journey -a sacred pilgrimage with God.

More information available on these Themed retreats at [Holyfamilyretreat.com](http://Holyfamilyretreat.com)

You may even be able to attend your first retreat without any cost. Come and join the men from your parish and other local churches who will attend the same retreat. Similar retreats are also available for Women, the first one being Jan 9-11

St. Patrick's Chairpersons:

Tom Turick 860-605-9092

Moe Poirier 860-693-4692

**St. Patrick's Annual Christmas Pageant**

## CALLING ALL CHILDREN!

The annual St. Patrick Christmas Pageant will take place at the beginning of the 4:00 Christmas Eve Mass & we need participants like you to make it happen. If you are interested in participating, we would love to have you!

There are many different opportunities for children of all ages, reading abilities, & comfort levels.

Rehearsal dates will be at St. Patrick's from 6:00-7:00 (upstairs) on the following 4 Mondays: Dec. 1, Dec. 8, Dec. 15, & Dec. 22.

Attending at least 3 rehearsals is required for most parts.

Please have a parent scan the QR code below to get started.

Questions? Please contact Sarah Hollenbeck at [shollenbeck923@gmail.com](mailto:shollenbeck923@gmail.com) or through FlockNote.

All children (ages 3 and up) are welcome!

Please sign up no later than Friday, Nov. 28.

### Regular Bulletin Deadline — Tuesdays, 12 pm

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## Readings for the week of November 2, 2025

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Sunday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

### Commemoration of the All Faithful Departed -John 6:37-40

I lost my wallet this year. It was such an annoyance to replace everything in it. A friend, moved by sympathy, gave me a beautiful new one. One month later I lost that one, too, with all my newly replaced cards. No matter what I did, I couldn't find what I had lost. I resigned myself to never seeing either of my wallets again.

Fortunately, the Lord Jesus is not like me in this regard. In today's Gospel (John 6:37-40), he says, **"This is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me."** Jesus, unlike me, is ever vigilant with what the Father has given him. He searches for every lost soul — as the shepherd leaves the ninety-nine to pursue the one lost sheep, or the woman rejoices upon recovering a lost coin — and even descends to the depths of loss on the cross and into the realm of the dead to recover that which seems forever lost.

On All Souls' Day, as we remember our faithful departed, these words kindle a hope beyond hope in our hearts. Even the dead are not lost to Jesus, though they may seem so to us. Nothing entrusted to him by the Father is ever truly lost. So, we may hope that every soul, no matter how wandering or forgotten in life, is secure in his loving care and destined to be raised on the last day. Of what the Father gives him, he loses nothing.



### Welcome Newly Baptized

Congratulations to the parents of

**Hudson James Boston**

Who was baptized here on Sunday,  
October 26, 2025



**COME TO PRAY** The church is opened from 8:00 am—4:00pm, Monday through Wednesday for anyone who wishes to come & pray. Please use the side door near the water fountain.

## Saint of the week —St. Martin de Porres

San Martín de Porres (1579–1639) was a Peruvian lay Dominican friar known for his charity and social justice work, particularly for the poor and marginalized. He is the patron saint of race relations, social justice, and mixed-race people, and is also the patron saint for barbers, innkeepers, and African-Americans, among others. He is associated with many miracles, and it was said his body was incorrupt when exhumed 25 years after his death. He was beatified in 1837 and canonized in 1962. He is often depicted with a broom to symbolize his willingness to serve and with a dog or mouse to represent his compassion for animals. His legacy includes his kindness to animals, his healing abilities, and his dedication to the sick and poor.



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## Gingerbread Fair

St. Patrick's Church  
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**Sat. Nov. 15 2025 - 10 AM to 5 PM**  
**Sun. Nov. 16 2025 - 9 AM to 12 Noon**

Gift Baskets & Bake Sale  
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**"Gingerbread Cafe!!"**  
Relax and enjoy items from our Menu!  
Beverages and Dessert!  
**HOMEMADE Gingerbread with REAL Whipped Cream!**



The **Gingerbread Fair Bake Table** is looking for **your favorite family recipe**. Please consider donating your baked item, whether it be **cookies, breads, bars, pies, jams, candy or pickles**. We welcome your support. These items may be brought to the church hall on **Friday, November 14**

**from 10-4.**

Come and get an early start on your holiday shopping, we have great baskets, crafts and tea cup raffle items. Don't forget to enjoy our wonderful luncheon/brunch and homemade gingerbread served with fresh whipped cream.

**Again, thank you for your support!**



November 3	Human Needs Committee Meeting 7:00 pm
November 4	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 pm
November 6	Bell Choir Rehearsal Church 7:00 pm

*Saint Patrick Parish*

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**We Want Your Questions!**  
**Have comments or suggestions?**  
*Yes, we take those too!*

**We want to hear from you.**  
**We'd LOVE to hear from you!**  
 Please scan the QR code with your phone's camera or visit  
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 to get started.

**Open to ALL PARISHIONERS**  
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*Thank you!*



### New Member Registration /Change of Registration

If you are new to the Parish, or have a new address, email or phone number, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket.

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