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## Parish Ministries

### **Altar Server Ministry**

Mr. Peter Hollenbeck: (860) 693-8499

### **Choir Director**

Mr. Chris Casey: (860) 904-8138

### **Building & Grounds Committee**

Peter Hollenbeck: (860) 693-8499

### **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: (203) 910-5588

### **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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CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

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

#### **Group**

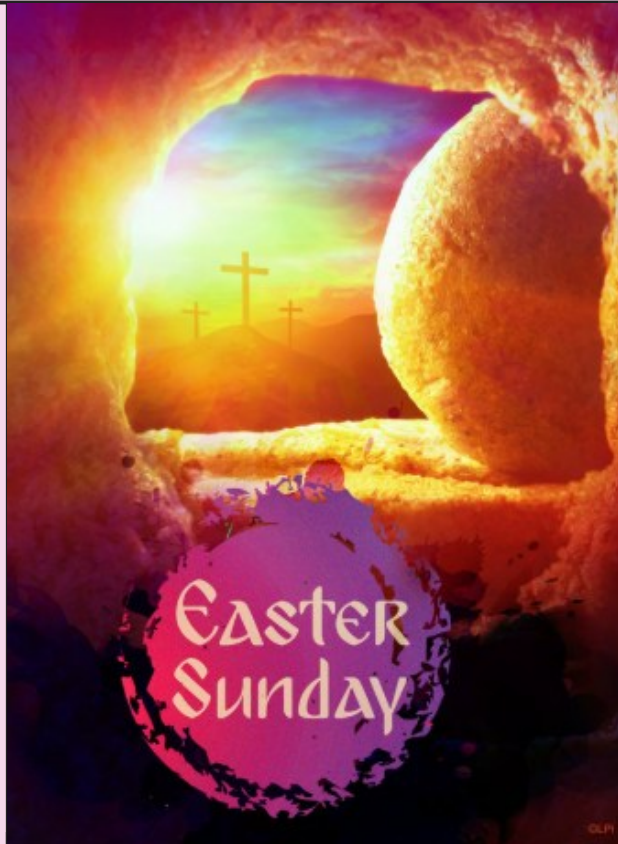
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

### **Usher/Greeter Ministry**

Mr. David Sherman: (860) 810-8594

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

(860) 693-8727



### **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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*Faith Formation*

*Coordinator*

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### **Coordinator Needed**

*Youth Ministry &  
Confirmation Coordinator*  
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### **Chris Casey**

*Music Director*

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### **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, April 4**  
 5:00 pm Paul Muhs as requested by the Bangs Family

**Sunday, April 5**  
 8:00 am Paul & Beverly Bangs as requested by the Bangs Family  
 10:00 am Enderline Anaeché

**Monday, April 6**  
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

**Tuesday, April 7**  
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

**Wednesday, April 8**  
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

**Thursday, April 9**  
 8:00 am No Mass

**Friday, April 10**  
 8:00 am No Mass

**Saturday, April 11**  
 5:00 pm Healing Mass for Susan Graham as requested by the Beup Family

**Sunday, April 12**  
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick  
 10:00 am Patricia Fournier as requested by Peter & Irene Fortier

# Parish Support

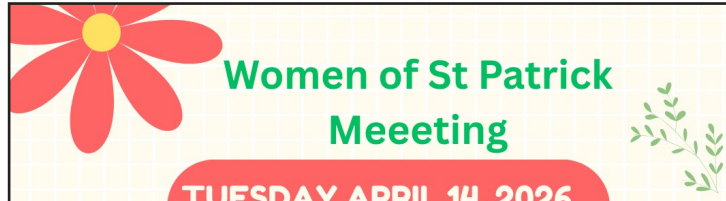
**Week of 3/25/26 to 3/30/26**

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash):	\$ 3,220.10
Weekly Collection (Online Giving):	\$ 1,260.00
<b>Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online):</b>	<b>\$ 4,480.10</b>
<b>Facilities</b>	\$ 10.00
<b>Monthly - N/A</b>	
Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash)	\$ 0.00
Monthly Collection (Online Giving)	\$ 0.00
<b>Monthly Collection Total</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$ 4,490.10</b>

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

# Faith Formation

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Apr 3	7 pm	YOUTH STATIONS OF THE CROSS
April 5 - April 18 NO CLASSES Easter & April Vacation		
Apr 19	11:15 am	Confirmation Year 1
	12:30 - 2 pm	Confirmation Year 2 - Check-ins
	6-7:20 pm	First Holy Communion Mandatory Rehearsal
Apr 26	9-10 am	Group A Classes
	2:30 pm	Celebration of Confirmation
	4:45 pm	Celebration of First Reconciliation
	6-7:30 pm	Group B Classes
May 1	5:15 pm	Mandatory Rehearsal & Celebration for FHC
May 2	10 am	Celebration of First Holy Communion



## Women of St Patrick Meeting

**TUESDAY APRIL 14, 2026**

**6:30 PM**

**PARISH HALL**

All WSP members & all women of St Patrick's are invited!

We'll be discussing future plans for the upcoming year and plans for the 2026 Gingerbread Fair!!

Following the business meeting ...  
 Light refreshments. ....

Catch up with your WSP Sisters of Faith!  
 join us for an evening of meeting other women of the parish and learning about the WSP !



### Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration

Our Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration will be held on the last Wednesday of the month.

### Schedule of Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration

April 29	7:00 PM	May 27	7:00 PM
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### Bringing Up the Gifts this weekend of April 5

8:00 Mass -First Communion Candidates -  
 Mary Hollenbeck, Ophelia  
 Jamieson & Kaylee Belmonte,

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR**

At Easter, we celebrate that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, conquered death, rose from the dead, and remains very much alive. To the world of non-believers: what!? It is quite a big reality to swallow. But for the believer, it is a reality that inspires us to the point where we find ourselves constantly sharing the Gospel with everyone we meet! Right?

So what does Easter mean to you? The question is not what do you believe. The question is what impact does Easter have on you? How do your actions demonstrate the power of Easter? What does it mean we you hear that we, the Church, are an Easter people?

You may be saying right now that you have no intention of becoming an evangelist, passing out Bibles to all you meet. But I would like to suggest that you actually have a more powerful way of evangelizing others: everyday stewardship. Actions speak louder than words and the way you live your life can be a great testimony to all those you encounter. By acknowledging the gifts you have been given, cultivating those so they grow to an increase, and then sharing them fully with God and with others in God's name will give testimony to your belief that Jesus is alive and seeking a relationship with each of his people.

If more of us won't live our lives in this manner, then non-believers and non-intentional disciples will ask the question, "What difference does Easter make anyway?" Jesus died and rose for you and me. To be sure, it DOES make a difference.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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**Word of Life † April 5**

"Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end' (*Spe salvi* 31)."



**Women of St Patrick Scholarship Applications Now Available**

Applications for the WSP Memorial Scholarship are now available in the vestibule of the church. The WSP will be presenting scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are active members in St Patrick Parish and plan to further their education in the Fall 2026, This includes a four or two year college, vocational school or training and online study. The scholarships are given in memory of the deceased members of the WSP and Ladies Guild.

Completed scholarship applications are due by **APRIL 23, 2026 at 12 noon!** Completed application may be submitted any time before April 23 2026 at Noon and are to be placed in the designated box located in the vestibule of the church (Monday - Wednesday 8:00 am - 3:30 pm or during normal mass hours) or in the marked box on the front porch of rectory (Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 3:30 pm). **NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!**



*In Loving Memory  
"Joyce Gilchrist Rotondo"*

*Whose funeral mass was on March 27 here at  
St Patrick's*

*May her soul rest in peace. May God grant comfort &  
consolation to her family and friends*



**Catholic BOOKS!**

St. Patrick's Little Free Catholic Library has been restocked & is waiting for you! Come check out the beautiful titles; there's something for everyone!

Please enjoy the books for as long as you like but please return them when you're done!

Our Little Free Library is located on the side lawn between the church & the rectory.



## Readings for the week of April 5, 2026

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 Or Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE-

### Easter Sunday- John 20:1-9

Zander Price was the fastest kid at my grade school. He won every race on Field Day. To me, his swiftness meant he was the greatest. Zander was the best.

It's the same with the speediest Apostle on Easter morning. John tells us he "**ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first.**" (John 20:4) But only *after* Peter entered did John go in, see the burial cloths, and believe. Here is a symbol of two dimensions of the Church. John, the beloved disciple, represents the contemplative, mystical life: affection, prayer, intimacy. Peter, the rock, represents the Church's institutional life: steady, authoritative, structured...but slower.

Of course, John runs faster! Love is the heartbeat of Christian faith, so love will always arrive first. Peter's role is, in a sense, secondary. He arrives later, but is still very much needed. John waits for him. The Church must be built, balanced, protected, and led. Love without structure can vanish; structure without love becomes lifeless.

This dynamic is not just historical — it is personal. In you, there is a John who longs to run to the tomb in love. Let him run! Pray, sing, love Jesus. There is also a Peter, who eventually gets to the tomb and takes charge. The Risen Christ wants both. Remember: if you want to get to the mystery of Jesus' resurrection *fast*...love him, for love is best.

— *Father John Muir*

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### Easter Blessing

Dear Lord,  
Where there has been death, bring new life!  
Renew and redeem the sorrow in our stories with Your goodness and grace.  
Bless our hearts and homes this Easter and always.  
Amen.

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## Saint of the week - Saint Vincent Ferrer

Fourth child of the Anglo-Scottish nobleman William Stewart Ferrer and his Spanish wife, Constantia Miguel; his father is reported to have had a dream in which he was told that Vincent would be a world famous Dominican friar. The boy joined the Dominicans in 1367. Received his doctorate of theology from the University of Lleida. Priest. Missionary. Taught theology. Adviser to the King of Aragon.

During a severe fever in 1398, Vincent had a vision of Christ, Saint Dominic de Guzman and Saint Francis of Assisi. It was a life changing experience - Vincent received supernatural gifts and believed that he was a messenger of penance, an "angel of the apocalypse" sent to prepare humankind for the Judgment of Christ.

Great preacher who converted thousands in Spain, France, Italy, Germany, the Netherlands, England, Scotland, and Ireland. Invited to preach in Muslim Granada. Counselor to Pope Benedict XIII. Travelled through Spain, France, Switzerland, and Italy, working to end the Western Schism. Slept on the floor, had the gift of tongues (he spoke only Spanish, but all listeners understood him), lived in an endless fast, celebrated Mass daily, and known as a miracle worker; reported to have brought a murdered man back to life to prove the power of Christianity to the onlookers, and he would heal people throughout a hospital just by praying in front of it. He worked so hard to build up the Church that he became the patron of people in building trades.

*Catholic Saints.Mobi*

## PLEASE VOLUNTEER

# WE NEED YOU!

The Parish Council needs 2-3 young parish members to serve on the Parish Council.

Should be at least a sophomore in high school, confirmed or in confirmation studies.

If you have questions, are interested or know someone who is please contact, Walter at [wklimczak57@gmail.com](mailto:wklimczak57@gmail.com).



# Save THE Date

JULY 16 2026

Save the date for the 4th Annual Sparkle for Hope to Benefit Divine Hope Mission on Thursday, July 16, 2026 at the beautiful Raymond Family Farm in New Hartford. More details will follow, For more information about Divine Hope Mission visit [www.divinehopemission.com](http://www.divinehopemission.com)



April 6	Human Needs Committee Meeting Parish Hall 7:00 pm
April 7	Parish Council Meeting Parish Hall 6:30 pm
April 14	WSP Meeting Parish Hall 6:30 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  
<https://forms.gle/PMvLTppxPxfCKGH7>  
to get started.

**Open to ALL PARISHIONERS**  
*Young & Old Alike!*

*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.  
It may also be mailed to:  
St Patrick Church, 50 Church St, Collinsville, CT 06019

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