

# St. Patrick's Church

Collinsville, Connecticut

Dedicated 1852

*"It is here that through the strength of Heaven, we teach the Word, Jesus Christ, the Tradition of His Church and celebrate His Divine Mercy."*



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Serving the communities of Avon, Burlington, Canton, Collinsville and St. Thérèse, Lilavois, Haiti

## Parish Ministries

### **Altar Server Ministry**

Mrs. Sharon Mazzo: (860) 693-0166

### **Choir Director**

Mr. Chris Casey: (860) 904-8138

### **Facilities Committee**

Call Rectory: (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: (860) 693-1913

### **St Patrick's Youth Ministry Team**

#### **Confirmation Program**

Brian Curran 860-422-0490

Sandy MiCari 860-302-2797

#### **Legacy Youth Program**

Wendy & Mike Gacek

860-675-4081

#### **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

#### **Parish Council President**

Mr. Mark Niehaus: (860) 944-1458

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

Mrs. Carline Thurston: (860) 693-4231

#### **Rosary at Cherry Brook**

Mrs. Carline Thurston: (860) 693-4231

#### **Social/Hospitality Ministry**

CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

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

CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

#### **Usher/Greeter Ministry**

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 202-9802

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

Email: WSP@sp4c.org



SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;  
listen to him." - Mt 17:5b

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

### **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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*Admin Assistant*

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### **Jessica Sanzo**

*Faith Formation*

*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**

Wednesday 7:00 - 8:00pm

### **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



**Saturday, March 4**

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Sunday, March 5**

8:00 am Frank Lauretti as requested by the Masotti Family

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Monday, March 6**

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Tuesday, March 7**

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Wednesday March 8**

8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Thursday, March 9**

8:00 am No Mass

**Friday, March 10**

8:00 am No Mass

**Saturday, March 11**

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Sunday March 12**

8 :00 am Jane Lamothe as requested by Robert Lamothe

10:00 am Andrew & Dorothy DeVito as requested by the DeVito & St Gelais Families

## Faith Formation Calendar

March 11	6th Grade	Virtual at 8:30am
March 12	1st, 5 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
March 13	First Holy Communion	In Person @ 6:00pm
	4th grade	Virtual @6:30pm
March 15	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	Virtual @6:00pm
March 18	5th grade	Virtual @8:00am
	7th grade	Virtual @8:30am

\*Class dates/times are subject to change.



*"Finding Renewal through the Psalms"*

**Lenten Talk Series**  
Presented by

**Maureen O'Brien**

Monday evenings at 6:30 PM  
St Patrick's Parish Hall

March 6<sup>th</sup>, March 13<sup>th</sup>, March 20<sup>th</sup>, March 27<sup>th</sup>, April 3<sup>rd</sup>  
This is a free program. All are welcome!

<https://www.facebook.com/StPats4c/>

## Parish Support

**Week of 2/23/23 to 3/1/23**

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,202.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$1,622.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$3824.00

**Facilities-** \$ 50.00

**Monthly- N/A**

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 35 .00

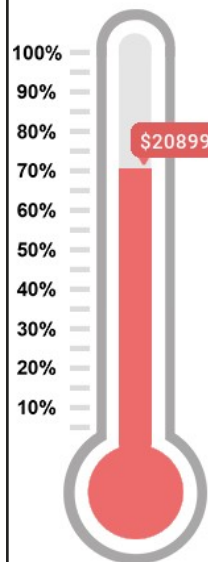
Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 105.00

**Monthly Collection Total \$ 140.00**

**Grand Total: \$4014.00**

*Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our St Patrick's Family*

Goal: \$30000



**2022 ANNUAL PASTOR'S**

**APEAL**

As of 3/1/23, we have raised \$20,899 towards our goal of \$30,000.

**Thank you to those who have already contributed!**

If you have not already done so, please prayerfully consider making a donation to the Pastor's Appeal. Donations of any amount are appreciated and will go towards covering the cost of a digital Carrillons bell system for the church tower and also for retiling the Parish Hall.

*Thank You!*



**St Patrick's Church -Monthly Collections for January, February and March 2023**

Due to the offering envelope mailing issue , it was requested that the upcoming monthly collections be listed in the bulletin so parishioners would know of them ahead of time.

March 5 Snow Plowing  
March 12 Facilities Fund  
March 19 AOH Catholic Relief Services  
March 26 Easter Flowers & Decorations



**St Patrick's Day Dinner - March 18<sup>th</sup>**

Revival of a parish tradition! Dinner will be following 5 pm mass in the Parish Hall. Corned beef, chicken or pasta served family style. Get your tickets now through March 12<sup>th</sup>, Adults \$20, children free.



**Continuing the Mission**  
*Second Sunday in Lent (Year A)*

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. [Matthew 17:1-3](#)

This was not the first time that the Son of God spoke to Moses and Elijah on a high mountain. Recall that Moses was called up to Mount Sinai (also called Horeb) to be with the Lord for forty days and forty nights, during which time the finger of God inscribed the Law on tablets, given to Moses to give to the people. During that time, the Israelites, from the base of the mountain, saw the summit consumed in fire. Similarly, Elijah, the great prophet, was called up that same mountain to encounter the Lord. He entered a cave and waited. Elijah then encountered a strong and violent wind, an earthquake and a fire. But God was not in any of them. Then Elijah heard a light quiet sound, a whisper, and he hid his face out of reverence as the Lord spoke to him.

In the experience of the Transfiguration, which we ponder today, the Son of God, now in the flesh, allowed His glory to once again shine forth. As He did, He conversed with Moses and Elijah in the presence of three of His disciples. These disciples were in awe, just as Moses and Elijah had been during their first encounters with God on Mount Sinai. These two great Old Testament figures now stand as witnesses of God's unfolding plan, revealing by their presence that Jesus is the fulfillment of all they had been entrusted to teach in their lifetime.

Moses' encounter with God on the mountain provided the foundation of the Law for the people of Israel. This Law guided them for centuries and ultimately came to fulfillment in Jesus, Who transformed the Law and elevated it to a new level by grace and mercy. Elijah's encounter with God on the mountain gave him direction to anoint kings to lead the people and to anoint Elisha as the prophet to succeed him. Elijah and Elisha continually preached to the people, calling them back to fidelity to the covenant God had made with them.

On the Mount of the Transfiguration, Jesus prepared three new disciples to continue the mission He began through Moses and continued through Elijah. Jesus gave these disciples the New Law of grace and mercy that He came to institute. The disciples were also entrusted with the prophetic mission of Elijah to call people to repentance and to fidelity to the covenant.

Today, our Lord calls all of his faithful servants up a spiritual mountain with Him so as to entrust to them the ongoing mission given to these great servants of old. Through prayer, God will manifest His divine presence to each of us if we are willing to make that journey. As He does, He will entrust to us His New Law and inscribe it on our hearts. He will command us to embrace the perfection of the love of God and the bestowal of mercy on others. He will entrust us with the prophetic.

mission of calling others back to God and will empower us to fulfill that mission in accord with His perfect will.

Reflect, today, upon this glorious scene of the Transfiguration. This image teaches us about the entire plan of God throughout time. Prayerfully ponder the idea that Jesus is inviting you to make the arduous journey up the mountain of prayer, self-discipline, virtue and holiness. Pray that your eyes will be open to see His glory and that this experience will inspire you and strengthen you to continue to fulfill the mission of God started long ago, until it comes to completion when He returns at the end of time.

*My Transfigured Lord, You spoke Your divine will to the great leaders of old on a high mountain. You also entrusted Your mission to the disciples on a holy mountain. Please give me the grace and determination I also need to journey with You up the mountain of prayer so that I will be entrusted with the mission You give to me. Jesus, I trust in You.*

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**HIS SACRIFICE AND OURS!**  
**Archbishop's Annual Appeal**

The 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish. Our goal is to engage our entire parish family in this year's Appeal and to pray for the success of the Appeal, both here in our parish and across the three counties of the Archdiocese. If you would like to make a gift, please mail in your pledge card. You may also visit the Archdiocesan website at [www.archdioceseofhartford.org](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org) or call the Appeal Office at (800) 781-2550. All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/>. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.



**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**ST. PATRICK PARISH  
SPRING LUNCHEON**

Saturday ~ April 22, 2023 ~ 11:30 am  
*See next weeks bulletin for exciting details!!!*

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 7pm throughout the Lenten Season.



**WOMEN OF ST PATRICK  
MARCH MEETING & BINGO**  
**Tuesday - March 14, 2023 - 6:30pm**

All women of the parish are invited to attend the WSP March meeting! Following the business meeting, light refreshments will be served and BINGO. This is a great opportunity to enjoy a night out, meet new friends and learn what the WSP have planned for the upcoming year.

*Hope to see you there!*



Mar 6	Confession 6:00pm-7:00pm
	Lent program with Maureen O'Brien 6:30 pm Church Choir Loft
Mar 7	Holy Hour/ Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
Mar 8	Bell Choir Rehearsal Church 7:00 pm
Mar 10	Stations of the Cross 7:00pm
Mar 12	Women of St. Patrick March Meeting at Bingo 6:30pm
Mar 13	Lent program with Maureen O'Brien 6:30 pm Church Choir Loft
Mar 15	Holy Hour / Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
Mar 16	Bell Choir Rehearsal Church 7:00 pm
Mar 18	Saint Patrick's Day Dinner-Following 5pm Mass - 6:00pm



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**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

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

New Registration  Change of Information  Request Envelopes



**Almsgiving Project**

The *Faith Formation Program* will be collecting different self-care items each week of Lent. At the conclusion of Lent, students will use these items to make care packages for the homeless in our community. If interested in participating, please place donated items in the basket labeled "Almsgiving Project" located in the vestibule of the church. Monetary donations will also be graciously accepted (please label donations "FF Almsgiving Project"). Thank you for supporting our Lenten project! Please email our Faith Formation Coordinator, *Jessica Sanzo*, with any questions at [ffd@sp4c.org](mailto:ffd@sp4c.org).

**Week 2** (3/4-3/5) – Warm Pair of Socks  
**Week 3** (3/11-3/12) – Stick of Deodorant or Body Spray  
**Week 4** (3/18-3/19) – Travel Shampoo or Soap  
**Week 5** (3/25-3/26) - Comb or Small Brush  
**Week 6** (4/1-4/2) – Individually Wrapped Snacks



**We Want to Hear From You!**

The Parish Council invites you to share your questions and/or suggestions via an online form to improve communication as a parish and better serve the needs and wants of our people. The form can be completed Anonymously or you can choose to include your contact information. The link will be regularly posted in our Bulletin and on our website along with a QR code you can scan using your phone's camera and following the link. The council will review and address the questions at our beginning of the month meetings and any notes to be addressed will be published in the Bulletin.

We look forward to hearing your input!

LINK:

<https://forms.gle/1YFHzbjWd3BcjwBp9>

QR CODE:



[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PfiK131WBT2RezanP6bjutzUySqiffxx/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PfiK131WBT2RezanP6bjutzUySqiffxx/view?usp=share_link)



**CONFESSION**

In addition to Saturday, 4pm confessions, we will have Confessions every Monday, 6pm-7pm throughout the Lenten Season. Come and experience the Mercy of God through the power of the Sacrament.