

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

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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

860-693-8727



SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

Scripture from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1999, 1970 CCD.

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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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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

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, July 15

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday, July 16

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am John Nowak as requested by Lori Kluessendorf

Monday, July 17

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Tuesday, July 18

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Wednesday July 19

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Thursday, July 20

8:00 am No Mass

Friday, July 21

8:00 am No Mass

Saturday, July 22

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday July 23

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Donald Buchta as requested by Lori Kluessendorf

Faith Formation Registration

Registration for the 2023-2024 Faith Formation year will open on **Thursday, June 1, 2023** and will close on July 20, 2023. This includes general Faith Formation classes, First Holy Communion, and the Confirmation Program.

Registration can be completed on our church website (www.sp4c.org) or by filling out a paper form (found in the vestibule of the church) and returning it to the rectory.

Registration fees can be paid through the *online giving link* on our website or by sending a check (made out to St. Patrick's Church) to the rectory. (Please register early as a **\$25 late fee** will be added per child registered **after July 20**).

23-24 Registration Fees

1st Child: \$100

2nd Child: \$85

3rd Child: \$70

(The maximum fee per family is \$255)

We look forward to seeing your children when classes resume in September! If you have any questions, please contact our Faith Formation Coordinator, Jessica Sanzo, at ffd@sp4c.org.



In Loving Memory "Cynthia Trumbull"

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

Parish Support

Week of 7/5/23 to 7/12/23

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,252.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 2,894.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$5,146.00

Facilities \$ 355.85

Monthly- N/A

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ **0.00**

Grand Total: \$ **5,501.85**

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

Word of Life † July 16th

"Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation.... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions." Read more at www.respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing"



2022 Mission Cooperative Appeal Collection

Next Weekend: July 22 & 23, 2022

The 2022 Mission Cooperative Appeal Collection will be taken as a second collection next weekend. The ministries of **Catholic**

Diocese of Sunyani will benefit from our parish's generosity. The **Catholic Diocese of Sunyani**, Ghana West Africa, was founded in 1973. Most of it's situated in poor rural areas where most of the people are peasant farmers. This region does not have the necessitates of life such as clean drinking water, healthcare, and quality Catholic education. The focus is on three primary areas: primary evangelization, provision of portable drinking water and quality healthcare of the rural communities.

Remembering the words of Jesus, "I was hungry and You fed me, thirsty, you gave me water....Whenever you did this to one of the least to my brother's and sisters, you did it to me (Mt 25:36-46)

Please make checks payable to **St. Patrick's Church** and write "**Mission Cooperative Appeal**" on the memo line.

On behalf of **Catholic Diocese of Sunyani**, Ghana West Africa thank you!





Growing Rich in Grace

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

"To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because *they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand.*" [Matthew 13:12-13](#)

How is it that someone can look without seeing or hear without listening or understanding? This is only possible when one's eyes and ears are working properly, but the mind is distracted, not attentive to what is seen or heard. For example, say you were listening to a book being read and suddenly you realized that even though you heard what was read, your mind was elsewhere and you had no idea what was spoken. This is a common experience for everyone from time to time.

This portion of the Gospel quoted above comes immediately after Jesus spoke the Parable of the Sower to the crowds from a boat. In that parable, seed fell on the path, on rocky ground, among thorns and in rich soil. Only the seed on the rich soil grew and produced good fruit. Therefore, Jesus' teaching quoted above, as well as His parable spoken before it, teach that there were many who heard the Word of God and witnessed Jesus' miracles but failed to allow His teachings and miracles to produce faith in their hearts.

This Gospel passage is especially important for those who have been Catholics for many years but have become stagnant in their faith. When someone goes to Mass every week, listens to the Gospel and shares in the Eucharist but fails to continually grow in holiness and understanding of the Mysteries of Heaven, then they will slowly lose even the little faith they have. They will become lukewarm Catholics who go through the motions but fail to produce the good fruit that comes from authentic faith.

When you look back at your life as a practicing Catholic, what do you see from year to year? Was there a time when you were strong in faith but have slowly closed your ears to the Gospel and have drifted away from a deep and prayerful interior engagement with our Lord? Or when you look back do you see that the Lord has continuously given you more and more, leading you to a life of true spiritual riches? Has the Gospel entered not only your ears, but also your mind and your understanding? Do you both see and perceive the action of God in your life and in the world around you? Are you actively engaged with the life of grace and find that you grow closer to God every day? Or, sadly, have you lost interest and zeal and now find yourself slowly drifting away from the fruitful practice of your faith?

Reflect, today, upon these important questions and strive to answer them honestly. If you do not see yourself growing in faith every year and becoming truly rich in the grace of God, then know that something needs to change. Stagnation and lukewarmness in the faith are not good. They lead to the slow loss of everything. As you reflect upon your own faith journey, recommit yourself to a zealous embrace of

the Gospel so that your soul will be truly rich soil that continually produces an abundance of good fruit.

Lord, You desire that all people hear Your Word and see Your action in their lives. Please continue to pour forth Your grace into my life so that I will continually grow rich in Your mercy. I pray that my eyes and ears will be open to You more fully every day. Jesus, I trust in You.

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SUMMER HELP!

This summer many people are going away for vacation, or to the beach for the weekend, or just out of town for a couple days; that's GREAT! Enjoy! You can usually find a local church through the APP [Masstimes.org](#) (or the website.).

Please remember our bills at St Patrick's Parish do not go on vacation and your help is the only thing we have for paying them.

Whether you donate online, double up another time, or find another means; please remember your St Patrick's family parish is only able to keep being here because your support continues to be here.

All you do for our parish is appreciated!



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Parable of a sower planting seeds

Matt 13:3-9: Jesus said, "A sower went out to sow. Some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil, so it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirty fold. Whoever has ears ought to hear. Plant seeds in your relationship on rich soil and produce fruit.

Come experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience where the seeds are planted on rich good soil. The dates are:

August 11-13, 2023 in Storrs, CT

August 25-27, 2023 in Vermont

September 22-24, 2023 in Huntington, NY

October 20-22, 2023 in Vermont

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church.

Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>,



July 19	Holy Hour and Adoration 7:00 pm
July 20	Bell Choir Rehearsal Church 7:00 pm



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

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