

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

Mr. Rob Dupre: (860) 299-3335

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

Youth Ministry Program

Chloe Ferraro

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Liturgy Committee

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Men's Fraternity

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Men's Retreat

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Parish Council President

Mr. Rob Dupre: (860) 299-3335

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

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Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 202-9802

Women of St. Patrick's

860-693-8727



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find." - Mt 22:9

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.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, October 14
 5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday October 15
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's
 10:00 am Ann Guerriero as requested by a Friend

Monday, October 16
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Tuesday, October 17
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Wednesday October 18
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Thursday, October 19
 8:00 am No Mass

Friday, October 20
 800 am No Mass

Saturday, October 21
 5:00 pm Dolly DiMeo as requested by Richard DiMeo

Sunday October 22
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's
 10:00 am Ronald Dionne as requested by Barbara Murphy

Faith Formation Calendar

Oct 15	1 st , 4 th , 6 th , 8 th grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
	Confirmation Y1	In Person @11:15-12:15
	Confirmation Y2	In Person @12:30-1:30
	7 th grade	Virtual @6:30 pm
Oct 16	3 rd grade	Virtual @6:30 pm
Oct 22	3 rd , 4 th , 6 th , 7 th grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
Oct 23	First Holy Communion	In Person @ 6pm
Oct 29	1 st , 6 th , 8 th grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
	Confirmation Y1 & Y2	In Person @11:15-1:15
Oct 30	5 th grade	Virtual @6 pm

**Class dates/times are subject to change.*

Word of Life † October 15

"O Blessed Mother, at the angel's word you went in haste to the aid of your cousin Elizabeth. Although pregnant yourself, you placed her needs before your own. By your example of radical solidarity, teach us to reverence and protect those in need, without conditions or expectations."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
 "Prayer for Radical Solidarity" (respectlife.org/prayer-for-radical-solidarity)

Parish Support

Week of 10/04/23 to 10/11/23

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,121.81
 Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 2,962.00
Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$5,083.81
Facilities \$ 0.00

Monthly-Facilities Fund

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 462.10
 Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 55.00
Monthly Collection Total \$ **517.10**

Grand Total: \$ **5,600.91**

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

NEW DATE

@ ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
 in Collinsville

OCT 22nd 3.30-5pm
 s'mores, apple cider & games

LEGACY BONFIRE



YOUTH GROUP FOR TEENS.
 GRADES 9-12
 BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

RSVP BY OCT 18th
 TEXT CHLOE @ 860.990.4691
 OR EMAIL ymespcolct.org
 [legacyyouthspc](https://www.instagram.com/legacyyouthspc)



Human Needs Committee Art Show The Many Faces of Mary

As a first-century Jewish woman, her features and clothing were indicative of that era.

Yet, in her numerous appearances to us, the ways in which she communicates with us, and how she presents herself to us, **differs from country to country and region to region.** In a sense, she transcends time and culture, immersing herself in our world, while helping us to become immersed in hers. What is it about Mary that is so attractive and surpasses the distinctiveness of each culture?

Join us for an art exhibition on **Friday, October 27, 6:30- 8:00 pm, in the Parish Hall**, that shows beautiful artwork of our blessed Mother Mary as she is seen in different countries around the world. Cider, wine, and cheese will be served.

Bring your family & friends



Reality vs. Appearance

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come." [Matthew 22:1-3](#)

Do you refuse to come? Jesus spoke this parable to the chief priests and elders of the people because, even though they gave the impression to others that they were true followers of the will of God, they were, in fact, among those who refused to come to the wedding feast of the Lamb of God. The chief priests and elders of the people were masters at portraying themselves as something they were not. They knew how to look good in the eyes of the people, how to avoid public criticism, and how to appear as holy men. But they were none of the above. Inside they were hypocrites, liars and murderers.

In this parable, three invitations are sent forth. The first two are given to the invited guests. Though these "invited guests" refer especially to the people of Israel who were raised in the faith handed down from Moses and the prophets, we should also see in it those who have been raised within the Christian faith today. After the first invitation, those invited refused to come. After the second invitation, some who were invited reacted with indifference, while others reacted with hostility. These responses are common today.

When Jesus sends forth His invitation to share in His wedding banquet today, there are many different responses. Some are indifferent to our Lord. These are those who are so consumed with worldly endeavors that they give little time and attention to God. For them, the practice of the faith, such as daily prayer, attendance at Mass and ongoing works of charity, is not important. Making money, obtaining material possessions, indulging in entertainment and other secular pursuits are far more the focus of their time and energy. Others, like the chief priests and elders, are good at playing the part and acting as if they are faithful followers, but they are actually hostile to the will of God. They are concerned only about their appearance and not about the reality of their souls. If they are challenged in any way, they respond with anger and attack. They are not open to the truth of the Gospel and remain self-justified by attacking anything or anyone who dares to call into question the direction they have taken in life.

When the third invitation was sent forth to all people, some responded. How completely do you respond to Jesus' invitation? To answer that question properly, we must "read" the invitation and know what we are invited to participate in. The invitation given to us is an invitation to share in the wedding feast of the Son of God. But to attend that banquet, we must be clothed in the garment of charity. Charity is the form of love that is sacrificial, selfless, and total. This form of love begins by making God the center of our lives and concludes by making His will the sole purpose of our lives.

True charity will have the effect of purging all selfishness from our lives. This is why some were hostile to the invitation. When God invites us to a life of charity, we will be faced with a need to change. For some, this is very difficult. They react either with indifference or become defensive and lash out in hostility so as to protect the life of sin they have chosen.

The parable concludes with one of the invited guests being cast "into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth" because he doesn't have on a proper wedding garment. But this wedding garment is a symbol of true charity that flows from an authentic worship of God.

Reflect, today, upon how charitable you are toward others, for that will determine whether you are fit to share in the banquet of the Lord. True charity always seeks to lavish the greatest good upon others. It seeks to do everything necessary to help others grow in love of God. True charity never leads a person to gaze upon themselves. It is always outwardly focused and selfless in its choices. As you reflect upon your charity, or lack thereof, be open to the purifying invitation from Jesus and do not react in hostility. Welcome His invitation to change and allow your wholehearted worship of Him to transform you into a gift of love for others.

Lord of perfect charity, You have invited all people to share in the glorious banquet of Heaven. The only requirement is that we allow all sin and selfishness to be purged from our lives so that we are covered with the garment of charity. I accept Your invitation this day, dear Lord, and commit myself to the purifying fires of Your perfect love. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Archdiocese of Hartford
MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS
Sunday, October 22, 2023, at 2:00 PM
Cathedral of St Joseph, Hartford

Those in the archdiocese who are observing 25th, 50th, and 60th and other special wedding anniversaries in 2023 are invited to join Archbishop Blair for this special anniversary Mass. Couples are asked to register no later than October 12th online at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/marriagemass>

Save the Dates/ Retreat Information

The Men's Retreat League will host a coffee hour after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on **Sunday Nov. 5, 2023**. Mike Mongillo from the Holy Family Retreat Team will be joining us at the coffee hour to answer any questions you may have about attending a retreat. This year's theme for men and women retreats at Holy Family Retreat Center is "Only Say the Word"


Men's retreat date:: Jan 12-14, 2024

Multiple Women's dates available including:

Sept 22-24, 2023 or Jan 5-7 or Jan 26-28, 2024




October 17	Parish Council Meeting Parish Hall 6:30 pm
October 18	Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
October 19	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

We Celebrate World Mission Sunday Next Week!
 Next week, Sunday , October 22rd we join Catholics around the world for the celebration of World Mission Sunday. We are called to offer our prayers and financial help for the Church's missionary work in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe.

Please be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the Missions. Thank you!



Thank You !!
 On behalf of the students, teachers and staff in the Archdiocese of Hartford's Catholic Elementary Schools, we extend our deepest gratitude to all who contributed to the **2023 HOPES Collection**.

Our parish collected \$887.00, Your generosity supports the culture of faith and academic excellence in our Catholic schools!