

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

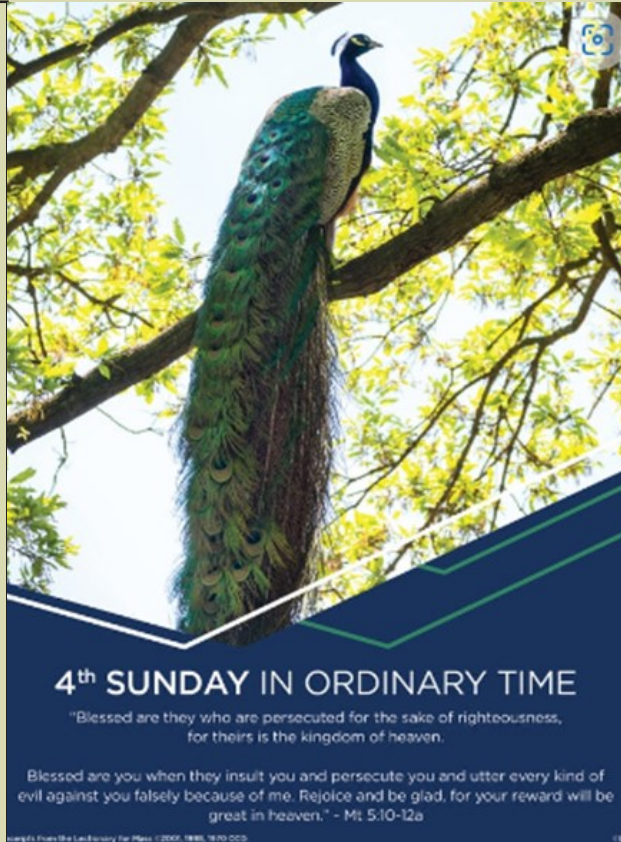
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 202-9802

Women of St. Patrick's

Email: WSP@sp4c.org



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



Saturday, January 28

5:00 pm Arlistomanis Panagakas as requested by the Family

Sunday, January 29

8:00 am Claudia Reed as requested by the Russo Family

10:00 am Claudia Reed as requested by the Russo Family

Monday, January 30

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Tuesday, January 31

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Wednesday February 1

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Thursday, February 2

8:00 am No Mass

Friday, February 3

8:00 am No Mass

Saturday, February 4

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday February 5

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

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Faith Formation Calendar

January 30	First Holy Communion	In Person @6 pm
February 5	5 th , 7 th , 8 th grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
	YOUTH MASS	@10 am
	Confirmation	In Person @11:30 am
February 8	3 rd grade	Virtual @6pm
February 12	1 st , 3 rd , 4 th , 6 th	In person @8:55-9:55 am
February 13	First Holy Communion	In Person @6pm
February 19	Confirmation Retreat	

*Class dates/times are subject to change.



February Youth Mass

Please join us for our next *youth mass* scheduled for **Sunday, February 5, at 10 am**. All young parishioners are invited to attend with their families.

Children and young adults are welcome to sing during this mass. If you would like to sing, please arrive at 9:15 am to rehearse in the music loft.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm for Eucharistic Adoration.

Parish Support

Week of 1/19/23 to 1/25/23

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,588.25

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$1,265.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$4,891.00

Facilities- \$ 60.00

Monthly- AOH Catholic High School

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 576.50

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$.00

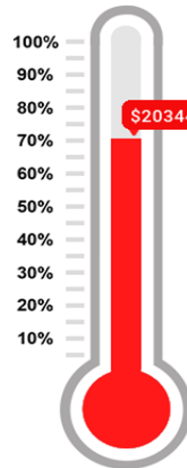
Monthly Collection Total \$ **.00**

Grand Total: \$ 5,186.00

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

Goal: \$30000

2022 ANNUAL PASTOR'S APPEAL



As of 1/25/23, we have raised \$XXXX 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.

January 22	Archdiocese Catholic High School
February 5	Snow Plowing
February 12	Facilities Fund
March 5	Snow Plowing
March 12	Facilities Fund
March 19	AOH Catholic Relief Services
March 26	Easter Flowers & Decorations



SAVE THE DATE!!!

**ST. PATRICK PARISH
ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON**

Saturday ~ April 22, 2023 ~ 11:30 am

~Watch the bulletin for more information !~



The Journey to Perfection

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." [Matthew 5:1-3](#)

The Sermon on the Mount begins with today's reading in Chapter Five of Matthew's Gospel and continues through Chapter Seven. This beautiful sermon presents us with many familiar teachings of Jesus, such as the Beatitudes, the Lord's Prayer and the Golden Rule. Jesus begins His sermon by going up a mountain and sitting down. The mountain is believed to be just north of the Sea of Galilee, just a few miles from Capernaum where Jesus often stayed during His public ministry. Today's Gospel presents us with the glorious and very high calling of the Beatitudes. This teaching on the Beatitudes sets the stage for the many other lessons Jesus taught.

The Beatitudes are certainly a teaching about morality, but the lessons are not the same as many of the moral teachings that the people were familiar with. Up until that time, morality was primarily seen as a list of forbidden practices. "Thou shall not..." was the general tone. However, the Beatitudes take morality to a much higher level. In this new teaching, Jesus did not start with that which was forbidden or that which was a violation of God's Law. Instead, He explained that reaching for these ideals brought forth the greatest fulfillment in life. Morality was not only a list of regulations one needed to avoid. At the heart, morality was now presented by our Lord as a glorious journey to perfection. The result of this journey was the attainment of the Kingdom of Heaven.

When you consider the moral life, how do you look at it? Do you see it more as a list of things you can't do? Or do you see it as a journey up the mountain of true holiness and fulfillment? The Christian life certainly forbids us to engage in many forms of sin and violations of God's Law. But unless we understand that the highest form of morality is given to fulfill us on the deepest level, then it will be easy to become discouraged by our calling.

Reflect, today, upon Jesus calling you to follow Him up the mountain of the Beatitudes. As you do, begin by considering this journey first from a physical point of view. It would have been much easier for His first hearers of this sermon to simply stay in Capernaum and recline at table, listening to Jesus speak. But the physical journey up the mountain gives insight into the high calling of the moral life. It requires effort and determination. From there, try to imagine yourself listening to Jesus preach. Remind yourself that the Christian life is one of perfection in every way. This is our calling. But the fruit of perfection is the fulfillment in which God wants us to share. The easy life of sin leaves us dry and interiorly dead but the hard journey to perfection leads us to the deepest fulfillment we could ever attain. Commit yourself to the journey and

do not hesitate on the way, and you, too, will be rewarded with the Kingdom of Heaven.

Lord of perfection, You call me to journey with You up the high mountain of holiness. May I always see this journey as one that is glorious and fulfilling. I choose the life of perfection to which I am called and pray that I will always be open to the deepest moral truths You wish me to live. Jesus, I trust in You!

@ 2023 My Catholic Life, Inc.

Attention : Church Envelope Mailing Issues!

We received word that our church envelope company is having delays in offering envelope mailings. The offering envelopes will resume and be delivered by the first Sunday in March. Quarterly supply will restart in April.

You may place your donation in any plain white envelope, putting your name & offering envelope number on it.

Or your offertory donations can be made online by clicking the link on our website or by visiting: <https://osvhub.com/sp4c/funds>.



Baptism

Congratulations to the parents of
Eloise Mauve Kaminski

Who was baptized here on January 22, 2023

Word of Life † Jan 29th

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion": <http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Thank You from St Pauly Textile Inc.

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! We're excited to share with you the impact your clothing shed made over the last year...

19,161 pounds of clothing were donated to your shed in 2022

This was enough to clothe an estimated 3,530 people all over the world.

Based on this volume of clothing, your organization received \$766.42.

Thank you so much for everything you do to support the clothing shed program.

Sincerely—*The Team at St Pauly Textile, Inc.*



February

Feb 1	Holy Hours and Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
Feb 2	Bell Choir Rehearsal Church 7:00 pm
Feb 5	Confirmation Parish Hall 11:00 PM
Feb 7	"No Greater Love" Bible Study at Trinita 6:30 PM

No Greater Love -A Biblical Walk through Christ's Passion

Our Lady of Hope Parish will be offering a five-part Bible study starting Feb 7th at 6:30 PM at Trinita. *No Greater Love, A Biblical Walk through Christ's Passion*, covers every step of the way thru the passion the last days of Jesus life.

The suggested donation for text and hospitality is \$30. For more information or to register contact Yvonne or Richard Stoops (ystoops@gmail.com) or 860-693-1913 or Ken Foisie at 860-678-7922.

Note: You can register and donate at the first class on Feb 7th.

Regular Bulletin Deadline — Tuesdays, 12 pm

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St Paul's High School

St Paul Catholic High School will hold a **Placement Exam** for prospective students grade 9 and grade 10. The Placement Exam is a standardized test that incoming students take which evaluates their performance in math, language and reading. This exam will be held on Saturday, February 11 at 8 am. To register visit <https://spchs.com/placementexam>.

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