

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

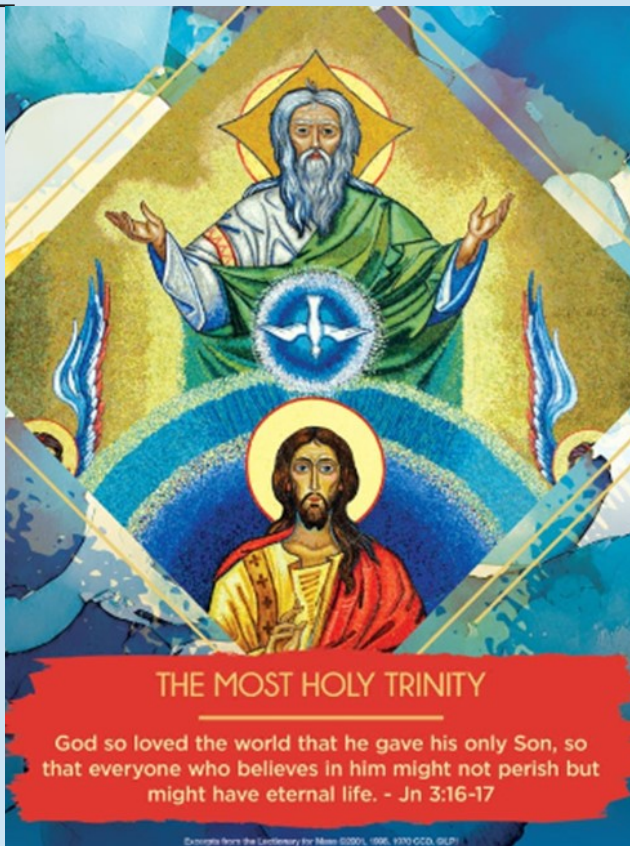
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 202-9802

Women of St. Patrick's

860-693-8727



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16-17

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, June 3

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday, June 4

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am John Nowak as requested by Lori Kluessendorf

Monday, June 5

8:00 am Attilia LoMonaca as requested by Jane Lamberty

Tuesday, June 6

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Wednesday June 7

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Thursday, June 8

8:00 am No Mass

Friday, June 9

800 am No Mass

Saturday, June 10

5:00 pm Pietro & Dora DiTommaso as requested by Farren Family

Sunday June 11

8:00 am Raymond & Michael Bussolini as requested by the Bussolini Family

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

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.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

Parish Support

Week of 5/25/23 to 5/31/23

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,151.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,222.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$3,373.00

Facilities- \$.00

Monthly- N/A

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$.00

Monthly Collection Total \$.00

Grand Total: \$ 3,373.00

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



**GRADUATION MASS
WSP Memorial
Scholarship Presentation**



The WSP Memorial Scholarships will be presented on Sunday, June 11th after the 10:00 am mass. All graduating seniors are encouraged to attend and receive congratulations and God's blessing as they go forward!

Word of Life † June 4th

"The Catholic Church has a long history of service to those who are most vulnerable and remains the largest private provider of social services in the United States. Through the sacrificial efforts of faithful Catholics, the Church serves millions through diocesan ministries and agencies, Catholic hospitals and healthcare systems, immigration clinics, shelters, and Catholic schools and parishes. ...The Church consistently bears witness in word and deed to the beauty and dignity of every human life—including both mother and child."

USCCB Committee Chairmen, "Standing with Moms in Need"

 * **Save the Date** * **Outdoor Masses and Church Picnic** *
 * Sunday, June 25th we will celebrate our *
 * masses outdoor. *
 * Following the 10:00 am mass *
 * everyone is invited for a parish picnic. *
 * More details to follow!! *

**INVITE THE HOLY SPIRIT
INTO YOUR LIFE**



The Essence of the Most Holy Trinity

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

"All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." [Matthew 28:19-20](#) (Year B Gospel)

Of all the great feasts we celebrate within the Church throughout the year, today's Solemnity presents us with a Mystery that is so deep and transcendent that our eternity will be spent in perpetual contemplation. The Trinity, the life of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, will never get old, never be fully understood, and will be the cause of our everlasting adoration and joy. Though the Church has used philosophical concepts to explain the Trinity, no human concept or description will ever fully explain Who God is. Though we can point to some general truths about God, we will never be able to fully depict the inner essence, depth, beauty and omnipotence of the Trinity.

As we consider that fact, it's important to understand that the Trinity is not *first* a theological mystery we try to define. Rather, the Trinity is *first* a communion of Persons we are invited to know. We do not primarily come to know God through intellectual deduction. We come to know God through prayerful union with Him. Though theology is exceptionally useful and important, the essence of God is beyond any and every philosophical concept we can define.

The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are Persons. And as Persons, they want to be known. And they want to be known primarily through a life of deep and intimate prayer. Praying to One Person, of course, is praying to all, since they are One God. But we are, nonetheless, called to a relationship of love with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. And though our feeble minds may not be able to fully comprehend the essence of God, He will draw us deeper and deeper into a knowledge of Him if we let Him.

Prayer often begins by saying prayers, by meditating upon Scripture, and by listening. But true prayer is something much deeper. True prayer is contemplative prayer that ultimately leads to divine union. Only God can initiate this form of prayer in our lives, and only God, through this deep form of prayer, can communicate Himself to us as He is. Some of the greatest mystics of our Church, such as Saint John of the Cross and Saint Teresa of Ávila, explain in their mystical theology that the deepest knowledge of God does not come through concepts or images. In fact, if we wish to obtain a knowledge of God in His essence, we must allow Him to purge every concept of Who He is so that the pure light of His essence can be poured forth upon our minds. This knowledge, they say, is beyond knowing "about" God. It's the beginning of a knowledge "of" God.

Reflect, today, upon the Most Holy Trinity. As you do, say a prayer to God asking for a deeper and more intimate

knowledge of Him. Ask Him to communicate to you His divine love and to open your mind and heart to a deeper understanding of Who He is. Try to humble yourself before the great Mystery of the inner life of God. Humility before the Mystery of God means that we know how little we know about Him and how little we know of Him. But that humble truth will help you move closer to the deeper relationship of love to which you are called.

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, please draw me into a relationship of love with You Who are one God and three divine Persons. May the mystery and beauty of Your life become more known and loved by me each day through the gift of transforming mystical prayer. Jesus, I trust in You.

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St. Matthew School in Forestville CT. is

excited to welcome three- and four-year-olds to our Pre-Kindergarten program for 2023-2024!

Our classrooms are warm and inviting, designed for little ones, and provide opportunities for each child to flourish with a traditional, yet innovative approach.

In addition to Pre-K, we have limited openings in Grades K-8. Please visit us at stmatthewschool.com and reach out to Kate at 860.583.5214 to learn more.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter - Most Holy Trinity

2 Corinthians 13:11-13. "Brothers and Sisters, rejoice. Mend your ways. Encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you..." Let the God of love and peace be with your marriage by signing up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The dates are:

Jun 23-25, 2023 in Huntington, NY

August 11-13, 2023 in Storrs, CT

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://wwwmectw.org/>.



FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

All Parishioners are invited to attend our Parish Council meetings. Meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 6th. .

Parish Council meeting minutes are available to all parishioners upon request. To obtain a copy of our most recently approved meeting minutes, or for general questions please email Mark Niehaus, President at mniehaus83@yahoo.com .



June 6	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 PM Parish Hall
June 7	Holy Hour & Adoration 7: 00 pm
June 8	Bell Choir Rehearsal Church 7:00 pm
June 8	Men's Fraternity Marriage & Family Life Program 6:30 pm Parish Hall
June 11	Recognition of WSP Scholarship Recipients 10:00 am mass
June 13	WSP Communion Supper 5:00 mass . Followed by dinner at Saybrook Fish House
June 25	St Patrick's Outdoor Masses and Church Picnic (after the 10:00 am mass)



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/1PflK131WBT2RezanP6bjutzUySqiffxx/view?usp=share_link

Mass Intentions Available

You may honor a special family event, a deceased loved one, or someone you know who needs healing with a Mass intention! The suggested donation is \$20 for a weekend Mass or \$10 for a weekday Mass. Please contact the parish office to schedule.