

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

Mr. Rich Stoops: (860) 693-1913

Men's Retreat

Mr. Moe Poirier: (860) 693-4692

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

CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 202-9802

Women of St. Patrick's

860-693-8727



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi"—which translated means Teacher—"where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." - Jn 1:38-39a

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1988, 1976 ICEL

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 13
 5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's
Sunday January 14
 8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's
 10:00 am Marcel Robacynski
Monday, January 15
 8:00 am No Mass
Tuesday, January 16
 8:00 am No Mass
Wednesday January 17
 8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's
Thursday, January 18
 9:00 am No Mass
Friday, January 19
 800 am No Mass
Saturday, January 20
 5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's
Sunday January 21
 8:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's
 10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Faith Formation Calendar

Jan 14	Confirmation Y1	In Person @11:15-12:15
	Confirmation Y2	In Person @12:30-1:30
Jan 20	6 th grade	Virtual @8 am
Jan 21	3 rd , 4 th , 7 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
Jan 22	First Holy Communion	In Person @6 pm
Jan 28	1 st , 4 th , 6 th , 8 th grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
Jan 29	First Holy Communion	In Person @6 pm
	5 th grade	Virtual @6 pm

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



*Thank you! Thank You!
 Thank You !!!*

The names are too many to list

Please know how grateful we are to all who volunteered during Advent and Christmas.

What a wonderful December we had here at St. Patrick's with the Advent Wreath Candle-Lighting, Gingerbread Fair, the Children's Christmas Pageant, and Christmas Music Concert and Reception!

We would also like to thank everyone that donated to our Christmas Flowers & Decorations!

We truly appreciate your service. and your donations! May God Bless each and every one of you!

Parish Support

Week of 1/4/24 to 1/10/24

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 1,118.00
 Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,344.00
Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 2,462.00

Facilities \$ 60.00

Monthly- Snow Plowing

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 270.00
 Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 450.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ 720.00

Grand Total: \$ 3,242.00

Note: The collection totals for envelopes & cash are only for Saturday, Jan 6th. On Sunday, Jan 8th both masses were cancelled due to the snowstorm. Online Giving totals include Sunday, Jan 8th.

Word of Life † January 14th

“When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others’ lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
 “How to Build a Culture of Life” (respectlife.org/culture-of-life)



St Patrick's 2024 Calendars Are Here!!

Don't forget to pick up a St Patrick's 2024 calendar. They are located by each of the church doors!!



Human Needs Committee

Thank you for your help with the **Giving Tree and Family to Family** this Christmas season. **For the Giving Tree**, we helped sponsored 4

families from Burlington which included 3 children and 3 teenagers. For Canton we collected 26 gift cards totaling \$1,185 as requested by Canton Senior & Social Services. These gift cards were distributed to Canton families in need as identified by Canton Senior & Social Services. **For Family to Family**, we sponsored 11 families from the Maria Reina de la Paz Parish in Hartford for a total of 98 people.

Thank you for your generosity especially during this year and for your continued support of our ministry.

Being a Witness of Christ

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ —. Then he brought him to Jesus. [John 1:40-42](#)

Andrew was a follower of Saint John the Baptist until John directed him to Jesus. One day John saw Jesus walk by and pointed to Jesus, telling Andrew and another disciple, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples followed after Jesus. After spending the day with Jesus, Andrew was so impressed that the next day he excitedly went to find his brother, Simon Peter, to tell him about Jesus. As is mentioned in the passage above, he enthusiastically tells Peter, "We have found the Messiah." Then, once Peter meets Jesus, Peter also becomes His disciple.

A similar experience occurs between the brothers Philip and Nathanael (see [John 1:43-51](#)). Jesus calls Philip to follow Him, and he does. After coming to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, Philip goes to tell his brother Nathanael that he has found "the one about whom Moses wrote in the law, and also the prophets." Nathanael believes and follows our Lord. Thus, a series of conversions began after John the Baptist gave testimony that Jesus was the "Lamb of God."

Though we can be certain that Jesus did not need the testimony of John the Baptist to convert Andrew, nor the testimony of Andrew to convert Simon Peter, nor the testimony of Philip to convert Nathanael, this is how it happened. Jesus chose to use these three to bring about the conversion of others.

In God's divine plan of salvation, He regularly uses the mediation of others to bring forth the conversion of hearts. We see this on many levels. First and foremost, He uses our Blessed Mother as the Mediatrix of Grace to bring forth His grace upon us all. She is the instrument and Jesus is the source. Through her mediation, there are other saints who act as intercessors. And there are countless angels who also act as distributors of God's grace and mercy. God is the source of all but uses the heavenly hosts to bring forth His grace upon us all.

The same is true within our earthly existence. In addition to the numerous angels and saints who act as intercessors and mediators, God uses each one of us to bring about His Kingdom here and now in the lives of many. Every time we speak God's words or witness to God through our actions, we become instruments of God's mercy. And if we fully commit ourselves to the divine will, there are many who will be converted by God's grace through us.

Reflect, today, upon the holy and sacred calling you have received to act as a mediator of God's infinite grace and mercy. First, think about the many people God wants to touch through you. Also think about the fact that those people might never be drawn to God if you fail to act. God can do all things and touch many people in varied ways, but the fact remains that He does want to use you for His mission. Say "Yes" to that mission so that you, like many others, will share in the glorious calling of being an intercessor and a mediator

of God's grace.

Most glorious Lord, You are abundantly generous in Your grace and mercy and desire to bestow Your love on all people. Please use me for Your divine mission of evangelizing the world. I say "Yes" to You, dear Lord. Use me as You will. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Parish Office Notes

Fr Collins is away and will be back towards the end of January 2024. Msgr. Joseph Disciacca is covering the masses and celebrating other sacraments that require the ministry of a priest. Please note the following:

1. We will have only **one weekday mass** on **Wednesdays** at 8:00 am on, **January 17th** and **January 24th**.
2. Our weekly Wednesday, **Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration** at 7:00 pm continues as usual.

Thank You!

We express our gratitude to the Women of St Patrick's for their support of our parish. They made a generous donation of \$2,340.75 to defray the cost of repairing the

dishwasher and updating the electrical system in the church kitchen. We thank them for their gifts.

Take and blessings,
Fr Collins



St Matthew's School Open House

Are you looking for an *exceptional* school for your child in Pre-K3 through Grade 8? Join us at **St. Matthew School** in Forestville, CT for an **open house** on **Sunday, January 28 between 9:30am-12:00pm** to discover our outstanding early childhood, elementary, and middle school programs. For more information, visit us at smsct.org, call 860.583.5214, or email kricci@smsct.org. We look forward to sharing more about SMS with you!



Several of you may use our online giving platform for your weekly/monthly contributions but continue to receive Offertory envelopes in the mail. If you use the online giving platform and would like to discontinue the Offertory envelopes please contact Terry St Gelais at 860-764-4426 or at aa@sp4c.org so we can remove you from our distribution list.

JANUARY

January 10	Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
January 11	Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Church



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

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



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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