

# 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

ym@spcolct.org

### **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. Rob Dupre: (860) 299-3335

### **Imago Dei (Pro-Life) Ministry**

Mrs. Carline Thurston: (860) 693-4231

### **Rosary at Cherry Brook**

Mrs. Carline Thurston: (860) 693-4231

### **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



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.  
- Mk 9:7-8

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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.



# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, February 24**

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Sunday February 25**

8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Monday, February 26**

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Tuesday, February 27**

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Wednesday February 28**

8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Thursday, February 29**

9:00 am No Mass

**Friday, March 1**

800 am No Mass

**Saturday, March 2**

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

**Sunday March 3**

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

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

## Faith Formation Calendar

<b>Jan 21</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
	Confirmation Y1	In Person @11:15-12:15
	Confirmation Y2	In Person @12:30-1:30
<b>Jan 22</b>	First Holy Communion	In Person @6 pm
<b>Jan 28</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
<b>Jan 29</b>	First Holy Communion	In Person @6 pm
	5 <sup>th</sup> grade	Virtual @6 pm
<b>Jan 31</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> grade	Virtual @ 6 pm
<b>Feb 4</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
	<b>YOUTH MASS</b>	<b>10 am</b>
	Confirmation Y1	In Person @11:15-12:15
	Confirmation Y2	In Person @12:30-1:30
<b>Feb 7</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> grade	Virtual @6 pm

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



### March Youth Mass

Please join us for our next *youth mass* scheduled for **Sunday, March 3, 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.

## Parish Support

### Week of 2/15/24 to 2/21/24

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 3,858.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,344.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 2,462.00

**Facilities** \$ 690.00

### Monthly- Facilities Fund

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 0.00

**Monthly Collection Total** \$ 720.00

**Grand Total:** \$ 3,242.00

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

## The Season of Lent



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, **February 14th, 2024** and ends just prior to the Mass of the Lord's Supper on **Thursday, March 28th, 2024**.

For those whose health permits, **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are **days of fasting** and **abstinence**. All **Fridays** in Lent are days of **abstinence**. **Fasting** means refraining from eating foods between meals and eating only one full meal with the other two being lighter meals. It is required of those who are aged 18 to 59 on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**. **Abstinence** means to refrain from eating meat. It is required of those aged 14 and old on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday** and all **Fridays** in Lent.



### Stations of the Cross

Throughout the Lenten Season, Stations of the Cross will be held every **Friday at 7:00 pm**.

**Please join us !**



### CONFESSION

In addition to Saturday, 4pm confessions, we will have Confessions every Monday, 6pm-7pm throughout the Lenten Season, beginning Monday, February 19th. Come and experience the Mercy of God through the power of the Sacrament.



## Glory Overshadowing the Cross

Second Sunday of Lent (Year B)

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. [Mark 9:2-3](#)

Just six days prior to this glorious event of the Transfiguration, Jesus spoke for the first time to His disciples about His pending crucifixion and death. He taught them that “the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days” ([Mark 8:31](#)). Recall that Peter had a difficult time accepting this teaching. Jesus went on to rebuke Peter for his refusal to accept this prophetic teaching and further explained that “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me” ([Mark 8:34](#)). These disciples then had six days to ponder this prophecy of our Lord before witnessing the Transfiguration.

In your life, is there something that God is trying to say to you that you have difficulty accepting? If so, it will most likely be related to God’s call to you to take up your cross and follow Him. The Cross of Christ comes in many forms throughout life. It might be experienced when we allow the passion of anger to die so that pure mercy can be offered to one who has hurt us. Or it might be that God is calling you to step out in faith to embrace some endeavor that requires courage and trust. Or it might be that God is calling you to accept some hardship in life that is difficult to accept, such as the loss of a loved one, an illness, the loss of a job or any other difficulty that you struggle to accept with love and trust. Bitterness, resentment, anger, fear and the like are often the most difficult crosses we are called to embrace and let die.

If this resonates with you, then this story of the Transfiguration is for you. After giving these disciples six days to ponder the difficult news of His coming Cross, Jesus gives them hope and inspiration through this sacred encounter. Though it lasted for only a short time, this manifestation of Jesus’ glory was all that these disciples needed to begin to accept Jesus’ prediction of His passion. On one hand, they feared what Jesus said was going to happen. But on the other hand, they saw His glory and majesty. By combining these two experiences, these disciples were given a new hope and strength to trust that whatever was to happen in the future, God was in control.

We also need the consoling revelation of our Lord’s glory to help us navigate the difficulties we will endure. For some, life is good, very good, and they walk with joy and ease with our Lord. But for others, life has taken a difficult turn and confusion has set in. If life is good for you right now, then rejoice that you are currently sharing a taste of the glory of the Transfiguration. Give thanks to God and tell Him with Saint Peter, “Rabbi, it is good that we are here!” Give thanks to him for the joy and consolation you currently experience. But if life is difficult for you right now, ponder those six days during which the disciples struggled with the prediction of the Lord’s passion. Think about their confusion, doubts and fear.

As you do, turn your eyes up the mountain. Know that the glory of God awaits you and that He wants to free you from all fear and anxiety. The mountain is climbed by a firm faith that is grounded in prayer. Make that journey with our Lord through prayer.

Reflect, today, upon this holy mountain to which you are called. Know that as you climb it with perseverance and determination, hope and joy will be given to you. Pray for the ability to trust in the God Who not only died a cruel death but also is radiant in glory for all eternity. Trust Him, turn to Him and commit to the journey ahead.

*My Transfigured Lord, You revealed Your glory to these disciples as a way of helping them accept Your Cross. Help me to also embrace Your Cross in my life and to see clearly the glory that results from its embrace. I trust in You, dear Lord; help me to trust You more. Jesus, I trust in You.*

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### Word of Life † February 25th

“The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is **cherished.**”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent  
[usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection](https://usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection)



## February & March



February 28	Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
February 29	Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Church
March 5	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 pm Parish Hall



### 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:



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### 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