

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

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

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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



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 20

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday January 21

8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Monday, January 22

8:00 am No Mass

Tuesday, January 23

8:00 am No Mass

Wednesday January 24

8 :00 am Healing mass for Lois Fee as requested by Jane Lamberty

Thursday, January 25

9:00 am No Mass

Friday, January 26

800 am No Mass

Saturday, January 27

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday January 28

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Faith Formation Calendar

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 , 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
Jan 31	4 th grade	Virtual @ 6 pm
Feb 4	3 rd , 7 th , 8 th grades	In Person @8:55-9:55 am
	YOUTH MASS	10 am
	Confirmation Y1	In Person @11:15-12:15
	Confirmation Y2	In Person @12:30-1:30
Feb 7	4 th grade	Virtual @6 pm

*Class dates/times are subject to change.

Word of Life † January 21st

“There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: *We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem.* In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is *always and radically incompatible* with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image.”

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
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Parish Support

Week of 1/11/24 to 1/17/24

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

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,184.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 5,042.00

Facilities \$ 760.00

Monthly- N/A

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ **0.00**

Grand Total: \$ **5,802.00**

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

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 24th**.
2. Our weekly Wednesday, **Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration** at 7:00 pm continues as usual.



Human Needs Committee Hosts “Gimme 5”

Exploring the Issues of Food Insecurity and Donations

Teresa Dotson is a Registered Dietitian who has a passion for food security, she has worked with CT Foodshare and SNAP-ed providing practical ideas on stretching food dollars and creating nutritious and delicious meals. She is a lifelong member of St Patrick's church and the Farmington Valley Health District Community Health Improvement team.

She will present issues related to food insecurity specific to the Farmington Valley, incorporating helpful tips for both donors and food pantry clients. Come with an open mind, leave with ideas how you can make your food budget stretch and better serve the community. This will be a hands-on interactive session for all ages and community members.

Join us for this fun and educational presentation!! We encourage you to bring a \$5 donation or 5 food items to donate to the Food Bank

When: Wednesday, Jan 24th at 5:30 pm or Sunday, Jan 28th at 11:30 am

Where: St Patricks Church, Parish Hall



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



True Fulfillment

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." [Mark 1:14-15](#)

Jesus begins His public ministry immediately after being tempted by the devil while in the desert for forty days. As He begins His ministry, He declares: "This is the time of fulfillment." First, the beginning of Jesus' public ministry was, historically speaking, the "time of fulfillment," in that the new era of the Gospel and grace had just begun. But the "time of fulfillment" of which Jesus speaks also refers to each and every time that we hear the Gospel and respond. We do this by sincerely repenting of our sins and by becoming a fuller member of God's Kingdom. But ponder for a moment the specific word "fulfillment." What does this mean?

The word "fulfilled" can be contrasted with its opposite "unfulfilled." To be unfulfilled is always undesirable. In this world, many people find themselves unfulfilled and try to fill this void with many things. Interestingly, the three temptations that Jesus had just experienced in the desert are among the temptations that so many people give into during their search for fulfillment in life.

First, Jesus was hungry, and the devil tempted Him to turn stones into bread to satiate that hunger. This is a temptation to fleshly fulfillment. Second, the devil tempted Jesus to throw Himself off the pinnacle of the Temple to prove He was the Son of God. This is a temptation to fulfillment by pride—pride to convince another of one's importance and identity. Third, the devil showed Jesus all the nations of the world and promised them to our Lord if Jesus worshiped him. This is a temptation to fulfillment by obtaining earthly wealth and power. Of course, Jesus rejected all three temptations as a way of showing that none of these truly fulfill us. And He did this just prior to the beginning of His public ministry so as to then go forth preaching the true message of fulfillment. "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

True fulfillment is only found in the Gospel, the message of Truth that Jesus shared during His three years of public ministry and then brought to completion by His sacrificial death and resurrection. Only those who heed His words and open themselves to the grace poured forth from the Cross are able to find the fulfillment that they seek.

Reflect, today, upon your own interior desire for fulfillment in life. How do you try to satiate this desire? Do you allow the evil one to trick you into thinking that fleshly desires, pride or wealth are the answer? Reject those temptations with our Lord and then immerse yourself in His Gospel message, which is the only source of fulfillment in life.

Lord of true fulfillment, You and You alone are the source of the fullness of life. I believe that with all my heart. Please give me the grace I need to reject all temptations in life and

to cling only to Your holy Word and the grace given to all who follow You. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Northwest Catholic High School

is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 academic year! We educate the whole person, mind, body, spirit,

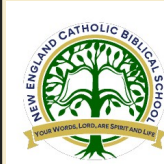
and imagination. Discover the depth and breadth of a Northwest Catholic education by scheduling a tour at www.northwestcatholic.org/admissions.

Please save the date for some more fun admissions events:

April 3, 2024: 7th Grade Experience Day

April 21, 2024: Spring Open House

For any inquiries, please reach out to Amy Mandrola, Director of Admissions, at 860-236-4221 ext. 140 or at amandro-



Open House

The New England Catholic Biblical School (NECBS) invites you to come visit an in-person or virtual class to see how studying all 73 books of the Bible can change your life! Come visit a class any time between January 22 -

May 1st.

www.NewEnglandCatholicBiblicalSchool.com or call 860-242-5573.



**ST. PAUL CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL**

St. Paul Catholic High School has announced its **open house campus tour dates for the new year.** If

you or someone you know has a prospective student looking to attend St. Paul in the 2024/2025 school year this is the open house you'll want to visit. All tours are by appointment and each family will take a guided tour around our campus building.

Visit spchs.com/openhouse to register for an appointment time on **Saturday, January 27 with appointments beginning at 10:00am.**

Also, St. Paul Catholic High School has scheduled a date for prospective students going into 9th or 10th grade to take the **Placement Exam on Saturday, February 10 at 8:00am.**

The Placement Exam is a standardized test that incoming students take which evaluates their performance levels in math, language and reading. To register, visit spchs.com/placementexam.

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.

JANUARY

January 24	Human Needs Food Insecurity Presentation Parish Hall 5:30-6:30 pm
January 24	Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
January 25	Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Church
January 28	Human Needs Food Insecurity Presentation Parish Hall 11:30 am



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/1YFHzbjWd3Bc\[wBp9](https://forms.gle/1YFHzbjWd3Bc[wBp9)

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