

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

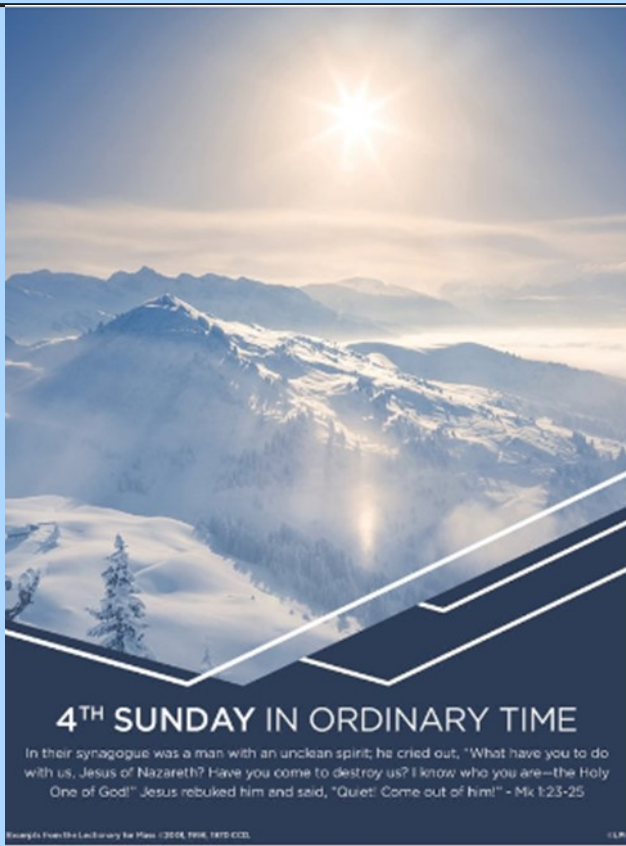
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 202-9802

Women of St. Patrick's

860-693-8727



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet. Come out of him!" - Mk 1:23-25

Example from the Lectionary for Mass © 2004, 2016, 1975 CEBL

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 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

Monday, January 29

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Tuesday, January 30

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Wednesday January 31

8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Thursday, February 1

9:00 am No Mass

Friday, February 2

800 am No Mass

Saturday, February 3

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday February 4

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

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Faith Formation Calendar

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
Feb 11	1 st , 6 th , 8 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

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



February Youth Mass

Calling all Families of St Patrick's! Please join us for our next monthly "Youth Mass" scheduled for **Sunday, February 4, 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.



Welcome New Parishioners!

Please join us in welcoming the following newly registered parishioners to St Patrick's Parish

Hailey & Brendan Smith
Jim Corrigan & Kalyn Johnson

Parish Support

Week of 1/18/24 to 1/24/24

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 1725.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,337.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): **\$ 3,062.00**

Facilities \$ 60.00

Monthly- N/A

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ **0.00**

Grand Total: **\$ 3,122.00**

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



Welcome Back

The following men of St. Patrick's return from a very powerful and spiritual retreat at Holy Family Retreat Center. The theme for this retreat, "Only Say The Word" focused on seeking God's Healing Hand! Early feedback has been very positive with the men getting closer to God while caring for each other. A total of 102 Men attended the retreat including 18 from "St. Patrick's"

Kevin Brophy, John Carchedi, Bill Connon, Bill Egan, Peter Fortier, Mark Homan, Jeff LeDuc, Greg McMahon, Al McGunnigle, Art Murelli, Mike Poirier, Moe Poirier, Bob Russo, Richie Stoops, Larry Sullivan, Tom Turrick, Tom Whalen, Bob Wilusz. Congratulations to Bill Egan who completed his 41th retreat and Moe Poirier and Mike Poirier, each with 35. We're delighted that Bill Connon and Greg McMahon joined us for their first retreat.

Special thanks to Mark Homan for his photography skills.

Men of the Parish who had a conflict for Jan 12-Jan 14 may attend a similar retreat on March 8-10. Several parishioners have signed up already.

Next year's retreat dates will be Jan 10-Jan 12, 2025. We hope to encourage more Fathers/Sons to attend next year.

Retreat Ministry Chairmen : Moe Poirier and Tom Turrick.



In Loving Memory

"Joseph Lesieur"

May his soul rest in peace. May God grant comfort and consolation to his family and friends



The Subtleties of Grace

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. [Mark 1:23-26](#)

It's interesting to note that this unclean spirit immediately knows Who Jesus is. This is because each of two opposites emphasizes the other very clearly. For example, the color black is most clearly seen when it is placed in front of something white. Or something hot is most noticeable after experiencing something very cold. And a loud noise is most jarring when someone is sitting in silence. And so it is with Jesus and evil. Jesus, the Holy One of God, is most clearly seen when He comes in contact with an unclean spirit.

This fact gives us some wonderful insights into our journey toward the heights of holiness. Oftentimes, when one experiences a profound and transforming conversion, it is because they were first living a life of sin. When one who is living in sin encounters the saving grace of God, it is quite noticeable. And that is good.

But there is also another spiritual insight we can take from this. To further the analogy, it is also true that when the color black is put next to something dark blue, or something hot is touched after holding something quite warm, there is less notice taken. So it is with the spiritual life. When we are striving to obtain true holiness of life, and when we are already living the many virtues to which we are called, the next step closer to God might not be nearly as noticeable. Instead, growth in perfection for one who is already striving for perfection will be very subtle. And that is also good.

This is important to understand because sometimes, when a person has gone through a powerful conversion earlier in life, they want to return to the experience they had when they initially converted. But that should not be our goal. Instead, we should continually strive to experience these more subtle changes that take us from a life of holiness to one of even greater holiness. In this case, if you do not sense a powerful contrast of spiritual experiences within you, that may be simply because there are no serious sins you are trying to overcome. Thus, the ideal for every Christian is to eventually experience less contrasting spiritual experiences and more that are gentle and subtle as our Lord continues to gently perfect you in many ways.

Reflect, today, upon your own spiritual journey toward holiness. If you do see serious sin in your life, know that God wants to profoundly free you and draw you through a major conversion. If you do not see serious sin in your life and if you already strive daily to become holy, then rejoice if your spiritual consolations and communications from God are much more subtle and, at times, undetectable. Keep working at perfection and rejoice that you are on the correct path.

Lord of all holiness, please continue to draw me into the life of perfection. Help me to grow in every virtue and to continually be aware of every gift of grace I am given. Please help me, especially, to be attentive to every small and subtle grace and to respond to those graces with a truly open and grateful heart. Jesus, I trust in You!

2024@The Catholic Life, Inc.

Word of Life † January 28th

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.
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NWC Northwest Catholic High School

LIONS

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 amandrola@nwcath.org.

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....

17,492 pounds of clothing were donated to your shed in 2023

This was enough to clothe and estimated 3.222 people over the world

Based on this volume of clothing your organization received \$700

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

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





January 28	Human Needs Food Insecurity Presentation Parish Hall 11:30- 12:30 pm
January 31	Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
February 1	Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Church
February 6	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/1YFHzbjWd3Bc\[wBp9](https://forms.gle/1YFHzbjWd3Bc[wBp9)

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