

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



SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." - Jn 12:23-24

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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, March 16

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday March 17

8 :00 am Ilean Lamothe as requested by Rob Lamothe

10:00 am Enderline N. Anaeché

Monday, March 18

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Tuesday, March 19

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Wednesday March 20

8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Thursday, March 21

9:00 am No Mass

Friday, March 22

800 am No Mass

Saturday, March 23


5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday March 24

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Enderline N. Anaeché

Faith Formation Calendar

March 17	1 st , 6 th , 7 th , 8 th grades	In Person 8:55-9:55 am
March 18	3 rd grade	Virtual @ 6:30 pm
March 24	BLESSING BAG PROJECT - All grades should come! Families are invited to help too! 8:55-9:55 am	
March 25	First Holy Communion	In Person @ 6 pm
 March 29 – March 31 - No Classes for Easter The Faith Formation Team wishes you and your family a blessed Easter!		
Apr 1	First Holy Communion	In Person @6 pm
	5 th grade	In Person @ 6 pm
April 6 – April 13 – No Classes for Spring Break		
April 14	Confirmation Y1	In Person 11:15 – 12:15 pm
	Confirmation Y2	In Person 12:30 – 1:30 pm

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



St Patrick Parish Annual Spring Luncheon

Please plan on attending a relaxing afternoon at the Annual Spring Luncheon on **Saturday, April 20, 2024** in the Parish Hall. Ticket sales will be on sale after all masses.. For more information or questions, please contact Brenda Sullivan at 860-693-2847. Tickets are limited!!

Parish Support

Week of 3/7/24 to 3/13/24

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 3,653.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,264.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 4,917.00

Facilities \$ 95.00

Monthly- Catholic Relief Services

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 873.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 353.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ 1,226.00

Grand Total: \$ 6,238.00

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



A Day of Prayer and Adoration

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

Following the 8:00 am Mass on Wednesday, March 20, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar and will be there throughout the day with communal evening prayer and benediction. Please sign up for some personal time of prayer with the Lord.

The sign- up sheet is located at the main entrance of the church and includes 30 minute time slots. You may sign up for as many slots as you wish. If the time you want is already signed for, please feel free to still join us. We would like to see very time slot filled so as not to leave the Blessed Sacrament without company.

At 7:00 pm we will have **Praise and Worship** . During the **Praise and Worship** service, **Fr Anthony Frederico** will give a talk on **"Discovering Oneself in Christ: A Journey of grace and Courage Through Life's Twist and Turns."** Following the talk, we will conclude the day with benediction.



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.



Welcome New Parishioners!

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

Cathy Peet

Jason & Farah Boucher & Family

Stations of the Cross

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



Suffering Transformed by Glory

The Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year B)

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." [John 12:27-28](#)

Our Lord's human soul was "troubled." Other translations state that His soul was in agony. After expressing His interior suffering, Jesus identified the human temptation caused by this suffering: to flee from His "hour." Of course Jesus dismisses this temptation as a way of teaching us a lesson from His human experience.

As God, Jesus had perfect strength and always remained faithful to the mission He received from the Father. But as a human, Jesus permitted Himself to experience temptation and human suffering for many reasons. One reason was so that He could relate to us in every way. That includes being able to relate to interior human suffering. In doing so, Jesus also made it possible for us to imitate Him and to share in the strength and determination He had as He perfectly fulfilled the will of the Father. Jesus allowed Himself to endure the agony caused by foreseen suffering because we will endure similar temptations through life.

What is it that causes you fear and anxiety as you look into the future? If there is something that immediately comes to mind, try to look at that within the light of Jesus' own experience above. The first thing Jesus does is identify the temptation to fear. He does this by identifying the interior suffering He experiences and then by looking at the cause: His coming "hour." The "hour" of Jesus in the Gospel of John is a reference to His crucifixion and death. This was the reason He came to us. He came to suffer the consequences of our sins and to destroy death itself. But this mission of His was the cause of true human suffering and was also a temptation toward fear. But it was a fear that He perfectly overcame.

As you look at anything that tempts you to give into fear and anxiety, first ask yourself whether it is the will of God that you fulfill that action. If we are fearful of something that is not the will of the Father, then we should reject it. But very often the plan God has for our lives will include acting with courage in the face of some pending cross and suffering. Experiencing fear is normal, but fear will not turn into anxiety if we imitate our Lord and choose the will of God no matter the cost.

Jesus also embraced His Cross by looking at it through the lens of glory. He understood that His suffering and death would glorify the Father in Heaven. Therefore, He allowed Himself to see the Cross as a glorification of the Father. The same must happen in our lives. No matter what we face in life, no matter the cross we are given, if it is the will of God that we embrace it, then we must see it not only as a suffering we must endure but primarily as an act by which God will be glorified in our lives. This truer perspective will bring with it hope, joy and strength which will free us from anxiety caused by fear.

Reflect, today, upon the ways in which God is calling you to the cross. As you do, don't allow fear to deter you. Instead, look at every pending suffering as an opportunity to glorify God in your life. See your crosses with gratitude and joy, and allow this new perspective to give you the strength you need to fulfill the mission given to you by the Father in Heaven.

Most glorious Father, Your will is perfect. You called Your Son to the suffering of the Cross. Through that act of perfect love, the suffering Your Son endured gave You perfect glory. Lord Jesus, please give me Your courage as I face my own sufferings in life and help me to imitate Your perfect obedience to the Father's will in all things so that I, too, may give Him glory. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Blessing Bag Project

The **Faith Formation Program** will continue to collect self-care items for the less fortunate during Lent. Please place donated items in the basket labeled "Blessing Bag Project" located in the vestibule of the church. Email our Faith Formation Coordinator, *Jessica Sanzo*, with any questions at ffd@spcolct.org. Thank you for your support!



Week 5 (3/16-3/17) - 'Band-aides' & Travel-sized Hand Sanitizer

Week 6 (3/23-3/24) - Individually Wrapped Snacks

*Monetary donations, to purchase supplies, will also be graciously accepted (please label donations "FF Blessing Bag Project").



Haiti Ministry Update:

Thank you for the generosity of St. Patrick's parishioners (\$2,125) and the Women of St. Patrick's (\$1,000) for your recent contributions to the Haiti Ministry. Your donations will be used to support the feeding program for students and to support teacher salaries of the Ste. Thérèse School in Lilavois, Haiti. If you are interested in joining the Haiti Ministry, please contact Sharon Fuller (860) 916-7610.



You Asked—We Answered!

The Parish Council received a question requesting opportunities for hands-on service to support current ministries. Thank you for your interest! Please reach out to the following parishioners for opportunities to serve in this capacity:

- Human Needs Ministry - Contact: Terry St. Gelais (860) 916-6163.
- Haiti Ministry - Contact: Sharon Fuller (860) 916-7610.
- Parish Council - Rob Dupre (860) 299-3335.

Thank you for your interest and support. Additional opportunities may be available throughout the year from other Parish Ministries. Contact information is listed on the Weekly Bulletin.





March 20	A Day of Prayer and Adoration following 8:00 am mass Praise & Worship at 7:00 PM
March 21	Bell Choir Seder Dinner 5:30 pm Parish Hall
March 22	Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm



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