

# 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."*

Serving the communities of Avon, Burlington, Canton, Collinsville and St. Thérèse, Lilavois, Haiti



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## 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**

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



## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. - Mk 1:44-45b

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 020311, 1998, 1992 OGD

### **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, February 10

5:00 pm Christopher Ivan Neal as requested by David Neal

### Sunday February 11

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Christopher Ivan Neal as requested by David Neal

### Monday, February 12

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

### Tuesday, February 13

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

### Wednesday February 14

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

7:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

### Thursday, February 15

9:00 am No Mass

### Friday, February 16

800 am No Mass

### Saturday, February 17

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

### Sunday February 18

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

## Faith Formation Calendar

<b>Feb 11</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <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>Feb 12</b>	First Holy Communion	In Person @ 6-7 pm
	5 <sup>th</sup> grade	In Person @6-7 pm
	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	Virtual @6:30 pm
<b>Feb 24</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> grade	Virtual @8:00 am
<b>Feb 25</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> grades	In Person 8:55-9:55 am
	7 <sup>th</sup> grade	Virtual @6:30 pm

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

### 2024 Catholic High School Collection: Thank you for your support!

On behalf of the students, teachers, and staff of the Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese, we extend our deepest gratitude to all who contributed to 2024 *Catholic High School Collection*. Your generosity supports a culture of Catholic faith and academic excellence in our Catholic high school tradition



### Reminder!!

Be sure to pick up your Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls today located at the front entrance of the church!

*Sponsored by the Human Needs Committee.*

## Parish Support

### Week of 2/1/24 to 2/7/24

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 3,422.75

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,617.00

**Facilities** \$ 90.00

### Monthly- Snow Plowing

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 731.76

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 330.00

**Monthly Collection Total** \$ **1,061.76**

**Grand Total:** \$ **6,191.51**

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

**COME TO PRAY** The church is opened from 8:00 am—4:00pm, Monday through Wednesday for anyone who wishes to come & pray. Please use the side door near the water fountain.

### *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. See this weekend's insert for our Lenten program schedule.



**February 14, 2024**

**MASS TIMES 8:00 am & 7:00 pm**

*Please note there will be no Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration on February 14, 2024*

### Regular Bulletin Deadline — Tuesdays, 12 pm

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## Restoration

*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)*

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." [Mark 1:40-41](#)

In the Old Testament, Leviticus 14, God gave Moses a purification rite to be used for those who were cured of leprosy. This detailed rite that spanned several days was used to reintegrate a healed leper back into society. After Jesus healed the leper in today's Gospel passage, He ordered him to "go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." Thus, Jesus not only healed the man but instructed him that he was ready to be restored to the community.

At that time, leprosy was a horrible disease, not only for its physical effects, but also because the leper was not permitted to be a part of the society. This was because leprosy was quite contagious. By keeping those infected separate, the disease did not spread as easily to others.

As we ponder this healing, try to imagine not only the pain caused by the leper's disease, but especially the pain caused by his isolation. Obviously, there were no phones at that time, no video chatting, and no means of communication from a distance. Therefore, isolation would have meant a complete loss of the person's relationship with his family and friends, as well as his former livelihood, home and all that was a part of his life.

On a spiritual level, the various illnesses that Jesus cured are, in part, to be seen as symbols of sin. In the case of leprosy, we should see this illness as a symbol of the effects of mortal sin. And mortal sin, unless it is cured by God's forgiveness, has the effect of completely isolating a person from the life of grace. One becomes cut off from a relationship with God, as well as every other relationship that is centered in Christ. When one commits mortal sin and remains in that sin, that person is not capable of true love, since all grace is gone from their life. Therefore, their relationships become self-centered, demanding and unholy.

For those who have fallen into mortal sin, this leper is a symbol of the way out. First, he came to Jesus and knelt down before Him. He humbled himself before our Lord, acknowledging that Jesus was the answer to his ailment. He then begged Jesus for help. But the way he begged Jesus is also revealing: he did not demand a healing but instead simply professed his faith in the fact that Jesus could heal him. And then he knelt there in trust and hope. This leper teaches us the perfect way to approach our Lord when we struggle with serious sin.

Reflect, today, upon this leper. Try to understand his isolation and loss. Try to understand his humility and faith. And seek to imitate the way that he comes to our Lord. Do not be afraid to humble yourself before God as you acknowledge the sins and other needs you have. Profess your faith in His almighty power and love and place yourself into His hands of merciful

love. He will not let you down. .

*Most merciful Lord, You desire all of Your children to be healed of the many sins that keep them from communion with You and with Your people. Please give me the faith and trust I need to always be able to humble myself before You so as to receive the restoration to Your grace I so desire. Jesus, I trust in You.*

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## Word of Life † February 11th

"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together."

USCCB, *Married Love and the Gift of Life*



## WOMEN OF ST PATRICK FEBRUARY MEETING

Tuesday-February 13,2024-6:30pm



All women of the parish are invite to attend the WSP meeting . Join us for an informative and fun evening. Come learn what the WSP have planned for the upcoming months!

This is a great opportunity to meet other parishioners and make new friends! Following the business meeting , light refreshments will be served and the opportunity to socialize ! Hope to see you there!

## Blessing Bag Project

The *Faith Formation Program* will be collecting different basic-need items each week of Lent. On Palm Sunday, students will use these items to make care packages for those in need within our community. If interested in participating, please place donated items in the basket labeled "Blessing Bag Project" located in the vestibule of the church. **Thank you for supporting our Lenten project!** Please email our Faith Formation Coordinator, *Jessica Sanzo*, with any questions at [ffd@spcolct.org](mailto:ffd@spcolct.org).

**Week 1** (2/17-2/18) – Toothbrush and Toothpaste

**Week 2** (2/24-2/25) – Men's & Women's Deodorant

**Week 3** (3/2-3/3) – Thick/Warm Pair of Socks

**Week 4** (3/9-3/10) – Travel-sized Facial Tissues & 'Chapstick' w/SPF

**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").



# February


February 13	WSP Meeting 6:30 pm Parish Hall
February 14	Ash Wednesday, 8:00 am & 7:00 pm
February 15	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/1YFHzbjWd3Bc\[wBp9](https://forms.gle/1YFHzbjWd3Bc[wBp9)

QR CODE:



[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PfiK131WBT2RezanP6bjutzUySqiffxx/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PfiK131WBT2RezanP6bjutzUySqiffxx/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


Fellowship & Snacks,  
 Guided Bible Discussions,  
 Small Groups  
 and Prayer

ALL HIGH SCHOOL AGED TEENS WELCOME

Legacy Bible Study

# Lent

“Come to me...and I will give you rest.” MT 11:28



**Two part Lenten Bible Study for Teens**

6:30 -7:45pm  
 @ St. Patrick’s Hall

Feb 21 - What is Lent? and Why do we need Lent?


Mar 13 - Jesus’ love for us

Questions & RSVP  
 Chloe - (860)9904691  
 ym@spcolct.org



**THINK SPRING!**  
*Save The Date!!!*  
**St Patrick’s Parish Annual Spring Luncheon Saturday - April 20, 2024**


Ticket sales will begin in March . Watch the bulletin for more information!



**Baptism**

Congratulations to the parents of  
 Camila Annette Jusiega

Both were baptized here on January 28, 2024



**In Loving Memory**  
**“Lois Ann LeBelle”**

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