

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

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Social/Hospitality Ministry

CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

SPYRIT 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Youth

Group

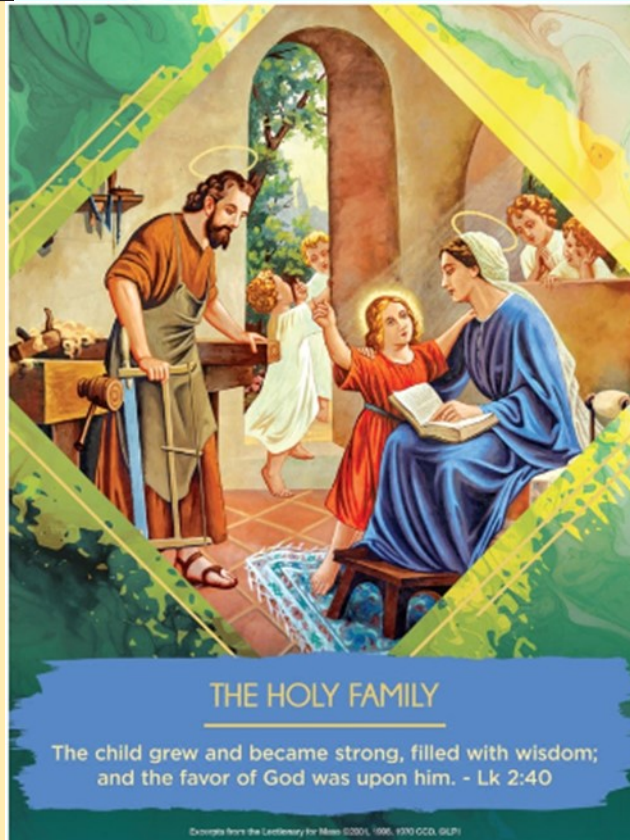
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 202-9802

Women of St. Patrick's

860-693-8727



THE HOLY FAMILY

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:40

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, December 30

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday December 31

8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Monday, January 1

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Tuesday, January 2

8:00 am No Mass

Wednesday January 3

8 :00 am Thomas Tully as requested by Jane Lamberty

Thursday, January 4

9:00 am No Mass

Friday, January 5

800 am No Mass

Saturday, January 6

5:00 pm Marcel Robacynski as requested by the Family

Sunday January 7

8:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Faith Formation Calendar

CHRISTMAS BREAK – CLASSES RESUME JANUARY 7



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| Jan 7 | 1 st , 3 rd , 6 th , 8 th grades | In Person @8:55-9:55 am |
| | 7 th grade | Virtual @6:30 pm |
| Jan 8 | First Holy Communion | In Person @ 6pm |
| | 5 th grade | In Person @6 pm |
| Jan 9 | 4 th grade | Virtual @ 6 pm |

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



**Retreat Ministry– Holy Family
Retreat Center 2023-2024**

Theme: Only Say the Word

Our retreat theme this year, *Only*

Say the Word, is based on the belief that God can and will heal us.

Each retreat starts with a buffet dinner at 6:00 on Friday and concludes on Sunday with the celebration of the mass. **Would you like to attend your first retreat cost free?**

Men's Retreat Jan 12-14, 2024

Women's Retreat Jan 5-7, 2024 (See Moe Poirier for additional dates during the 2024 year)

Moe Poirier: Mpoirier@Holyfamilyretreat.org -(860-693-4692)

Tom Turick: Tturick@yahoo.com (860-605-9092)

Parish Support

Week of 12/12/23 to 12/20/23

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,982.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,277.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 4,259.00

Facilities \$ 261.00

Monthly- N/A

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$.00

Monthly Collection Total \$.00

Grand Total: \$ 4,520.00

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



**2023 Gingerbread Fair
Teacup Auction Winners
Congratulations!!!**

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| Snack Basket | Jeff Leduc |
| Shop Rite Gift Card | Rose Marie Howes |
| Lamothe Sugar House Maple Basket | Gideon Banville |
| Fidget Toy Basket | Teresa Dotson |
| Saybrook Fish House Gift Card | Greg Sims |
| Mystery Basket | Erin Yeomann |
| Chocolate Basket | Mary Lou Rotondo |
| Tower Farms Gift Card | Sue Grise |
| Italian Basket | Farrah Boucher |
| Coffee Basket | Matt Chait |
| George's Pizza & Restaurant | Sharon Fuller |
| Hogan's Cider Mill Mini Golf Gift Card | Donna Geffert |
| Tea Time Basket | Lynn Bodamer |
| Wine Basket | Bridget Komidor |

Thank you for all of the donations from the local businesses and individuals listed above.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



Welcome New Parishioner!

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

David & Patricia Jusiega & Family



The Family as a Communion of Love

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Sunday within the Octave of Christmas (Or, if there is no
Sunday, December 30)*

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him. [Luke 2:39-40](#) (Gospel Year B)

Today we honor family life in general by pausing to ponder the particular and beautiful hidden life within the home of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. In many ways, their daily life together would have been very similar to other families at that time. But in other ways, their life together is entirely unique and provides us with a perfect model for all families.

By God's providence and design, the family life of Jesus, Mary and Joseph was spoken of in the Scripture very little. We read of the birth of Jesus, the presentation in the Temple, the flight into Egypt and the finding of Jesus in the Temple at age twelve. But other than these stories of their life together, we know very little.

The line from today's Gospel quoted above does, however, give us some insight worth pondering. First, we see that this family "fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord..." Though this is in reference to Jesus being presented in the Temple, it should also be understood to apply to all aspects of their life together. Family life, just like our individual lives, must be ordered by the laws of our Lord.

The primary law of the Lord regarding family life is that it must share in the very unity and "communion of love" found in the life of the Most Holy Trinity. Each person of the Holy Trinity has perfect respect for the other, gives selflessly to each other without reserve, and receives each person in their totality. It is their love that makes them one and enables them to act together in perfect harmony as a communion of divine Persons. Though Saint Joseph was not immaculate in his nature, the perfection of love did live in his divine Son and in his immaculate wife. This overwhelming gift of their perfect love would have daily drawn him into the perfection of their lives.

Ponder your own closest relationships today. If you are blessed with a close family, ponder them. If not, ponder the persons put into your life who you are called to love with familial love. Who are you to be there for in good times and in bad? Who are you to sacrifice your life for without reserve? Who are you to offer respect, compassion, time, energy, mercy, generosity and every other virtue? And how well do you fulfill this duty of love?

Reflect, today, upon the fact that God wants you to share in a communion of life, not only with the Most Holy Trinity but also with those around you, especially your family. Try to ponder the hidden life of Jesus, Mary and Joseph and seek to make their family relationship the model for how you love others. May their perfect communion of love be a model for us all.

Lord, draw me into the life, love and communion that You lived with Your Immaculate Mother and Saint Joseph. I offer You myself, my family and all those to whom I am called to love with a special love. May I imitate Your family love and life in all my relationships. Help me to know how to change and grow so that I may more fully share in Your family life. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Donor Benefits

- **Convenient.** Anytime, anywhere access through the internet
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- **Simple.** No need to contact your bank or the church office

Church Benefits

- **Stabilize Contributions.** Regularly scheduled gifts occur automatically. Allows church to effectively manage monthly expenses.
- **Secure and Confidential.** No need to store member account information.
- **Efficient.** Participation saves time and expense in bookkeeping.
- **Current.** A tool for people who prefer to use electronic services.

You can go to our website at :
<https://www.sp4c.org/> and click the
Giving menu item and then **Getting
Started with Online Giving**



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 3rd, January 10th, January 17th and January 24th.**
2. Our weekly Wednesday, **Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration** at 7:00 pm continues as usual.
3. On **New Year's Day**, Monday, January 1st there will be an 8:00 am mass.

HAVE A BLESSED
new year



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| December 27 | Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm |
| December 28 | Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm |
| January 1 | New Year's Day Mass 8:00 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:

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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