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Mr. Rob Dupre: (860) 299-3335

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Mr. Mike Archangelo: (860) 693-8727

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Mrs. Sharon Fuller: ((860) 916-7610

Human Needs Ministry

Mrs. Terry St. Gelais: (860) 916-6163

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Mr. Rich Stoops: (860) 693-1913

Youth Ministry Program

Coordinator Needed

ym@spcolct.org

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

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Mr. Rob Dupre: (860) 299-3335

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Mrs. Carline Thurston: (860) 693-4231

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CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

SPYRIT 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Youth

Group

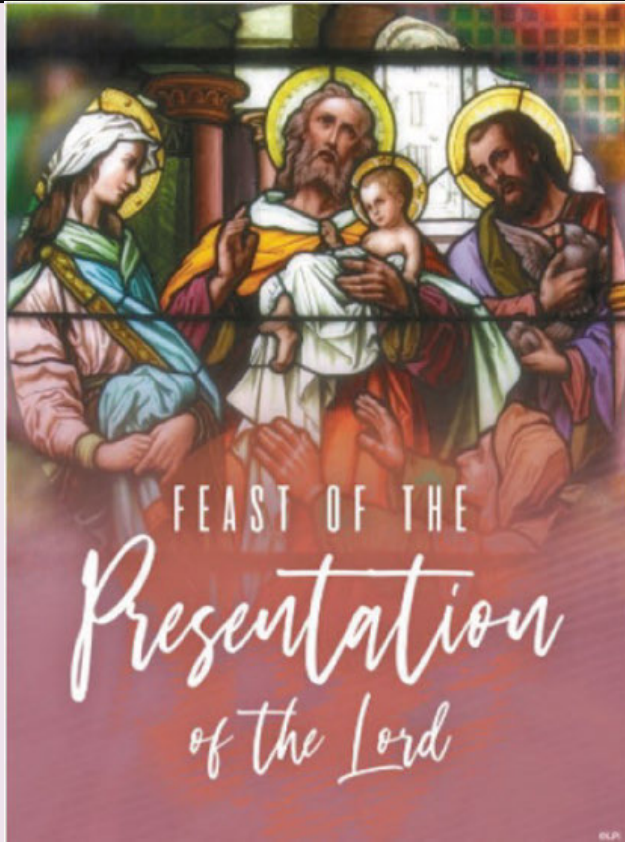
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 202-9802

Women of St. Patrick's

860-693-8727



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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Confirmation Coordinator

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Music Director

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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

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, February 1
 5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday February 2
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's
 10:00 am Wendy Surpynowicz as requested by John Hayes

Monday, February 3
 8:00am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Tuesday, February 4
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Wednesday February 5
 8 :00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Thursday, February 6
 8:00 am No Mass

Friday, February 7
 8:00 am No Mass

Saturday, February 8
 5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick's

Sunday February 9
 8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's
 10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Faith Formation News

Feb 2	1, 3, 4, 5 grades	9-10 am
	6,7,8 grades	6-7:30 pm
Feb 4	First Holy Communion	6-7 pm
Feb 9	1, 3, 4, 5 grades	9-10 am
	Confirmation Y1	11:30 – 12:45 pm
	Confirmation Y2	12:50 – 2:05 pm
Feb 11	First Holy Communion	6-7 pm
Feb 16	No Faith Formation – President's Day Weekend	
Feb 23	1, 3, 4, 5 grades	9-10 am
	Confirmation Y1	11:30 – 12:45 pm
	Confirmation Y2	12:50 – 2:05 pm
	6,7,8 grades	6-7:30 pm

**Class date/time are subject to change*

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Parish Support

Week of 1/23/25 to 1/29/25

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,977.80
 Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 975.00
Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 3,952.80

Facilities \$ 30.00

Monthly- N/A

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 0.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ **0.00**

Grand Total: \$ **3,982.80**

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



WOMEN OF ST PATRICK! MEETING & VALENTINE BINGO



Tuesday ~February 11, 2025~
6:30 pm

All women of the parish are invited to attend the WSP February Meeting & BINGO!

We will meet in the **upstairs of the church at 6:30 pm** for the business meeting. Following the business meeting, we will gather in the **church hall for light refreshments and several games of BINGO!**

Come join the WSP for a fun and informative night! This is a great way to meet other parishioners and make new friends! Plan to attend and bring a friend! ☺



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!! ST PATRICK GINGERBREAD FAIR 2025

SATURDAY ~NOVEMBER 15, 2025
SUNDAY ~NOVEMBER 16, 2025

It's time to start thinking about how **YOU** can help make the 2025 Gingerbread Fair a big success!!

Homemade Gifts, Gift Baskets, Baked Goods & Treats and more are greatly appreciated! *Please start planning and creating something special for the fair!!!*



St Patrick's Parish Office Update!

Terry St. Gelais, our Parish Office Administrative Assistant, is away and will return to the office on **March 5, 2025**. The regular office hours of **Monday through Thursday, 10 am to 4 pm** will remain unchanged. **Jodi Dickson** will be helping us with covering the office tasks Mon - Thurs during this period. If you call when no one can answer the phone immediately, please leave a message with your number, or you can send us an email at aa@sp4c.org. We will certainly get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you for your patient understanding and cooperation.



The Culmination of a Life of Faith

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, February 2

“Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.” [Luke 2:29-32](#)

At the time of Jesus’ birth, there was a man named Simeon who had spent his whole life preparing for one significant moment. Like all faithful Jews at the time, Simeon was waiting for the coming Messiah. The Holy Spirit had revealed to him that he would indeed see the Messiah before his death—and so this happened when Mary and Joseph brought Jesus into the Temple to offer Him to the Lord as an infant.

Try to imagine the scene. Simeon had lived a holy and devout life. And deep within his conscience, he knew that his life on earth would not come to an end until he was privileged to see the Savior of the World with his own eyes. He knew this by a special gift of faith, an interior revelation of the Holy Spirit, and he believed.

It’s helpful to think about this unique gift of knowledge that Simeon had throughout his life. Normally we gain knowledge through our five senses. We see something, hear something, taste, smell, or feel something, and as a result come to know it to be true. Physical knowledge is very reliable and is the normal way we come to know things. But this gift of knowledge Simeon had was different. It was deeper and was spiritual in nature. He knew he would see the Messiah before he died, not because of some external sensory perception he had received but because of an interior revelation from the Holy Spirit.

This truth begs the question, which type of knowledge is more certain? Something you see with your eyes, touch, smell, hear or taste? Or something that God speaks to you in the depths of your soul by a revelation of grace? Though these types of knowledge are different, it’s important to understand that the spiritual knowledge that is given by the Holy Spirit is far more certain than anything perceived through the five senses alone. This spiritual knowledge has the power to change your life and direct all your actions toward that revelation.

For Simeon, this interior knowledge of a spiritual nature suddenly united with his five senses when Jesus was brought into the Temple. Simeon suddenly saw, heard and felt this Child Whom he knew he would one day see with his own eyes and touch with his own hands. For Simeon, that moment was the culminating moment of his life.

Reflect, today, upon anything that our Lord has spoken to you in the depths of your soul. Too often we ignore His gentle voice as it speaks, preferring instead to live only in the sensory world. But the spiritual reality within us must become the center and foundation of our lives. It is there where God speaks and it is there where we, too, will discover

the central purpose and meaning of our lives.

My spiritual Lord, I thank You for the countless ways in which You speak to me day and night in the depths of my own soul. Help me to be always attentive to You and to Your gentle voice as You speak to me. May Your voice and Your voice alone become the guiding direction of my life. May I trust in Your Word and never waver from the mission You have given to me. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Word of Life † February 2

“A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned.”

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter: The Presentation of the Lord

1st Reading: Malachi 3:1-4: "The Lord God says I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, the Lord whom you seek and the messenger whom you desire. For he is like the refiner's fire. He will sit refining and purifying silver, and will purify the sons of Levi." The messenger, Jesus, can refine and purify our marriage. As you seek and trust him, He will show you the way. Attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** (WWME.org) **can help refine and purify your marriage**. It can help you in your communication, teach you many skills, and also help you to grow in intimacy and in faith with one another. Some of the dates to sign up are:

February 7-9, 2025 in Long Island, NY
March 21-23, 2025 in Burlington, VT
April 25-27, 2025 in East Sandwich, MA

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call **Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447** or <https://wwmectw.org/>.



February 4	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 pm
February 5	Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm
February 6	Bell Choir Rehearsal Church 7:00 pm
February 11	WSP Meeting 6:30 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>

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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

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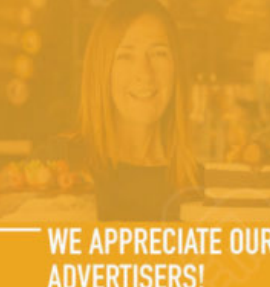
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