

# ST. PATRICK ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am – 12 Noon  
& 1 - 5pm; Friday 9am - 12 Noon**

## MISSION STATEMENT

**St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church is a welcoming community in a traditional and Eucharistic setting focused on prayer, service, and life-long faith formation on the values and teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church.**

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## OUR CHURCH'S SACRAMENTAL LIFE

**BAPTISM:** We rejoice with parents as their family is blessed with children. Parents are encouraged to initiate arrangements for the Baptism of their child as soon as possible. Call the Parish Office for information or visit the parish website

**RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION:** Individual Confessions are available every Saturday afternoon in the Confession Room from 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm or by appointment with the pastor. Additional opportunities for confession during the Advent and Lenten seasons.

**MASS TIMES:** The Eucharist is to be the source and summit of the spiritual lives of Catholics. Sunday Masses are celebrated weekly on **Saturday at 4:00 pm and Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am.** Weekday Masses are celebrated usually on **Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 7:30am and Wednesdays at 5:30pm.** Please consult the bulletin or website weekly for schedule changes. First Friday Mass and Holyday Mass is celebrated on the Holy Day at 5:30pm.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** An Intentional Holy Hour is provided on the First Friday of the month following the 5:30pm Mass from 6:00-7:00pm.

**MARRIAGE/WEDDINGS:** A wedding is a special time of joy for the bride and groom and their families. Engaged couples should contact the Pastor as soon as possible (at least 6 months before the desired date) to set the date and plan for the wedding. Couples should not make commitments with a reception venue until the wedding date is confirmed with the Pastor. The preparation process is available on the parish website.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** If you are anticipating surgery or experiencing serious health issues, for you or a loved one who is near death, please contact the office or the pastor personally to make arrangements for this sacrament of healing and hope.

**MASSES ARE STREAMED ONLINE  
ON THE PARISH WEBSITE  
[www.spccnh.org](http://www.spccnh.org)**

# 6th Sunday of Easter- May 10, 2026 MOTHER'S DAY

**During the phase II of the construction  
MONDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY Masses  
will be celebrated in the St. Patrick Center on  
the second floor**

## MASS INTENTIONS -

May 11-17, 2026

**MONDAY: Weekday—May 11**

7:30AM—All souls

**WEDNESDAY: Our Lady of Fatima—May 13  
in the church)**

5:30PM— For the soul of Stella Russell by her son, Peter and for Jean-Pierre Lamarre by the family

**THURSDAY: Weekday May 14 (in the Church) ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

5:30PM—For the Parishioners of St. Patrick Church

**FRIDAY: St. Isidore —May 15 (in the Center)**

7:30AM—All souls

**SATURDAY: 7th Saturday of Easter —**

**May 16**—For the soul Louis Brodeur by Diane Ducharme

**SUNDAY: 7th Sunday of Easter —May 17**

8:00AM— For the people of St. Patrick Church

10:30AM— For the soul of MaryBeth Conrad, Mary Elizabeth, Lawrence & Courtney Ronzio by the family

Please  
Pray  
for...



Roberta Nadeau, Richard L. Maiocco, Jr., Paul Gonsalves, Joanne Ouellette, KerriAnn Coronato, Baby Genevieve Maher, Bill & Ursula Loscocco, Baby Milo Pelletier, Leo Salafia, Ralph Turner, Gus Dreher, Steve, Alexandria Popores, Ken & Theresa Chad, Michael, Brad Bennett, Dorothy Turner, Joel Yeaton, Katie, Francesca, Bob Reece, Bob deHaan, Ron Vigneault, Roland Montminy, Kay Dedrick, Griffith, Maggie Richardson, Butte Darling, Christine Burkey, Beverly Balfour, Ruth Senecal, Conrad Ducas, Mackenzie, Nancy Hogan, Najada Dalipi, Tiffany, Tiana, Kai, David Lewis, Barbara Bianchi, Claudette Coughlin, Conrad Bergeron, Alicia Hill, Jack, Amelia DiBurro, William Gartner, Cecilia Beck, Aileen Cormier, Sophia Doyle, Rev. Don Keegan, Joanne Gallagher, Frank Lake, Tabias Wood, Tony Richazzi, Priscilla Scott, Paige DiPietro, Linda Asselin, Joseph & Brenda Janikas, Robert Ferreira, Konstantin & Marko Bushuyev, Elijah Huang, Neil Gade, Orlando Lopez, Julie & David Spokane, Julie Hammond, Mark Blamy, Ashley Holland, Bettina Mace, Chery Lounsbury, Shawn Dufraire, John Coleman, Bruce Gade, Pamela Wood, Patricia Barrett, Cameron Conley, Maureen Belair, Mary Ann Hower, Eva, Thomas Burkardt, Mike Paxton, Isabelle Miller, Ann Ronsov, for the men and women who are serving our country.

*Please call the parish office at 673-1311 when someone can be taken off the prayer list.*

After six months of thoughtful planning and with the generous gift of time, talent, and funding from the Currid Family, we are grateful to share that our new website will officially launch on May 1st.



This renewal reflects our ongoing mission to welcome, serve, and stay connected as a community of faith. With a more modern, accessible, and organized experience, we hope the website becomes a meaningful resource for both our parish family and all who seek God, fellowship, and a deeper life of faith.

We have also shortened our website URL from (<https://saintpatrickmilfordnh.org>) to ([www.spcnh.org](http://www.spcnh.org)). The old website address will continue to work and redirect seamlessly to the new site.

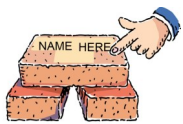
We invite you to explore and connect:

[www.spcnh.org](http://www.spcnh.org)

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Abby Buchholz at [pffcab-by@gmail.com](mailto:pffcab-by@gmail.com).

## BAPTISM

Congratulations and welcome to the Parish Community  
Celeste Eve, daughter of  
Max & Shannon Hove



Bricks for Sale

If you have not bought a brick yet there is still time to do so.

As part of the Stepping into the Future Campaign, we are selling

engraved bricks for \$150 each.

For more info call the office 603-673-1311 or email Pauline at [pnepvu54@gmail.com](mailto:pnepvu54@gmail.com).

We also have registration forms in the vestibule & in the church hall.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 11-17, 2026

### **TUESDAY, May 12**

6:30pm—Bible Study—SPC

### **WEDNESDAY, May 13**

6:15pm—OCIA—SPC Conference Room

6:30pm—Council & Finance meeting— SPC

7:00pm—Scouts—C/H

### **THURSDAY, May 14**

9:30am—Bible Study— SPC

10:00am—Prayer Shawl—SPC

5:30pm—Mass **ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

6:15PM—Knights of Columbus 4th degree—C/H

6:30pm—Confirmation Rehearsal—Church

7:15pm—Knights of Columbus 3rd degree—C/H

### **FRIDAY, MAY 15**

6:00pm—1st Communion/Confirmation celebration— Church

### **SATURDAY, May 16**

7:30am—Men of St. Joseph Prayer group—C/H

## SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the soul of Jean-Pierre Lamarre by the family

## NH CATHOLIC APPEAL



**(NHCA): Future of Our Faith II, *Jesus, I trust in You.*** The NHCA is the Church in New Hampshire's annual campaign to support essential ministries and programs of our faith. Last year, our parish along with the other 87 parishes raised more than \$4.4M. The appeal was very successful thanks to all who donated and prayed for the appeal. The NHCA supports the Community Services program at Catholic Charities NH, the care for our retired and elderly priests, seminarian education and vocations, Catholic education, faith formation, evangelization through *Parable* magazine, and more! Every registered parishioner will receive a letter from Bishop Libasci along with appeal materials in the mail soon. Please keep the Church in New Hampshire in your prayers that we may join together as one body in Christ to support these ministries that serve, comfort, and bring hope to those who need it most. For more information, go to [www.catholicnh.org/nhca](http://www.catholicnh.org/nhca)

## SHARE

### **NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS ONLY**

**FOOD ITEMS:** Canned Ham, Canned Meats/tuna/chicken, Mac and Cheese, Pasta (all sorts), Progresso and Chunky Soups

**These items can be dropped off at the SHARE OFFICE. PLEASE CALL FIRST: 673-9898.**

## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Bishop Libasci invites couples celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, etc. years of marriage in 2026 to a Mass in celebration of wedding anniversaries. The Mass will be held on **Sunday, June 7, at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Joseph Cathedral, Manchester.** To register, please contact your parish office by **May 15th.** The parish office will gather and submit all necessary information. Once registration has been completed by the parish office, all couples will receive a mailed invitation to this special celebration. To those celebrating significant anniversary years, congratulations and we look forward to seeing you at the Cathedral this summer!

## PRAYER REQUEST

**email or call:** [diane.st.patoffice@gmail.com](mailto:diane.st.patoffice@gmail.com)  
603-673-1311

## CEMETERY



Our cemetery is located on Merrimack Rd in Amherst.

It is always the right time to invest in a plot and prepare for your final resting place.

Joseph Fischer, our Sexton would be happy to show you different available sections at the cemetery. To schedule an appointment email [jfi23acy@yahoo.com](mailto:jfi23acy@yahoo.com) or call the office (603) 673-1311

**Listed below are the donations received during the Month of April**

Sunday Offertory- in church	\$17,863	
- Vanco online	\$12,065	\$29,928
Facilities Repair-in church	\$3,120	
-Vanco online	\$820	\$3,940
Heating & A/C- in church	\$50	
-Vanco online	\$185	\$235
Easter - in church	\$13,003	
- Vanco online	\$535	\$13,538
CRS Rice Bowl - in church	\$3,589	
-Vanco online	\$210	\$3,799
Holy Land - Good Friday - in church	\$1,497	
- Vanco online	\$25	\$1,522
Easter Flowers - in church	\$25	
- Vanco online	\$20	\$45
Misc Parish Collections - in church	\$50	
-Vanco online	\$0	\$50
Misc Diocesan Collections - in church	\$50	
- Vanco online	\$10	\$60
<b>TOTAL MARCH DONATIONS</b>		
- in church	\$39,247	
-Vanco online	\$13,870	\$53,117
<b>CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:</b>		
<b>PLEDGES - GOAL</b>	\$2,300,000	
<b>RECEIVED</b>	\$2,468,342	107%
<b>YTD PAYMENTS RECEIVED</b>		
	\$1,908,275	
-Vanco online	\$363,826	\$2,272,102



**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

**Knitting Ministry every Thursday from 10-11:30am in the Center.**

If you love to knit or crochet, consider joining our team in making warm comforting shawls for the sick and the poor. The comfort of our blessed shawls can not only warm the body but heal the heart. Join us in our mission to nourish the soul and care for others within our community. Need instructions? Pick up a brochure in the back of the church.



Registrations 2026-27 are available at the entrance of the church, on the website and at the office during office hours. Try to register early. For more information email Abby at [pffcabby@gmail.com](mailto:pffcabby@gmail.com) or call the office 603-673-4797.

**SAINT PATRICK HELPERS**



Do you have a small project or a list of projects that you need completed around your house? The Knights of Columbus offers handy-man services to the community. Proceeds are donated to the parish – **Facilities Fund.**

If you would like to learn more or if you think that you have the “perfect project” please contact Pauline Nepveu at [pnepveu54@gmail.com](mailto:pnepveu54@gmail.com) or 603-672-0564.

For information about the Knights or to help, contact Mike at [mg60mg@gmail.com](mailto:mg60mg@gmail.com)

*blessed is she*

## The Work of Motherhood

*If motherhood is hard at times, it's probably because it allows us, without going terribly far out of our way, to mimic Christ. [Motherhood is, in fact, a cross](#), and not just a cross, but for us as women, the sweetest cross, the sweetest suffering.*

## The Family Sanctifies

Those two words don't usually get put together: sweetness and suffering. Here's what I mean by the sweetest cross: the cross is chosen perfectly for you. It is *your* cross, not anyone else's cross. Christ chooses the particular cross that he wants you to bear in motherhood. He promises that His yoke will be easy and His burden light. But that promise is true only if you take up the yoke that He has fitted perfectly to your shoulders. It only works if you don't try to take on someone else's yoke, someone else's idea of perfect motherhood. And sometimes that even means your own idea of perfect motherhood, if it conflicts with the motherhood that God has in mind for you.

Motherhood is a path for mothers to sanctify their families, and for mothers, in turn, to be sanctified by and through their families. And moms, in order to do this, God gives you the family that you need. I want to reemphasize that. He gives you the family that *you* need. He doesn't give you your neighbor's family, or your best friend's, or your frenemy's.

He may not even give you the family you want, the family you hoped and prayed for, the family you dreamed of since you were a young girl. For many of us, it means a family bigger or smaller than we imagined. But He gives you the family that will sanctify you.

Now the next logical question is, how does that sanctification happen? How do we cooperate with it in our roles as mothers? It starts in our [being faithful in the mundane](#), repetitive tasks of our daily lives. We as mothers are uniquely suited to the work of receiving and bearing Christ's love to the world. We are designed to receive grace, in our souls and especially in our bodies, and to bear it forth to others.

## The Sanctifying Work of Motherhood

That is why the work of our bodies matters so much, why so much of mothering is about the care and feeding of bodies. The wiping of sticky hands. The making of casseroles. The baths, the dressing, the undressing, the tucking in. I sweep the kitchen floor, and I sweep it again, and when I turn around 10 minutes later it is dirty, so I sweep it again to keep the baby from choking to death on a raisin. We work with our feet firmly planted on the ground and our hands at the service of our families. But at the same time, our minds and hearts must be constantly turned toward Heaven. Just as we are called to be faithful in the ongoing tasks of our daily lives, we are called to offer all of it to God. We know, by faith and by practice, that there is more to our work than what is happening with our bodies. We know that as our bodies move, our souls are moved too. It matters! And what matters is not how perfectly our days are going according to plan, but how perfectly we are surrendering our plans to Him.

## WHAT IS BLESSED IS SHE?

**The community we're building is deeper than friendship. We desire to vulnerably share who we are and what God has done in our lives so that you can, too. It's not about *us*, it's all about *Him*.**

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