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New Parishioners

Welcome! Please pick up a parish census card at the church entrance to register. Complete it and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory.

Parishioners should introduce themselves to the Pastor in order to arrange for the sacraments of Baptism and Marriage, obtain Baptism and Confirmation Sponsor Certificates, enroll in the Faith Formation Program, and for emergencies.

St. Patrick Cemeteries

Our parish has two cemeteries in Collinsville and Burlington.
Call the business manager for more details.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Closed Friday

Saint Patrick Parish

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

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March 2, 2014

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 p.m.: Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday 8:30 a.m.

Holy Days: Vigil Mass 6:30 p.m.

8:30 a.m. on the Holy Day

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms occur on the second and third Sundays of the month at twelve o'clock or during Sunday Mass. Please make arrangements with the parish secretary. The pre-baptismal program is held on the first Sunday of the month at 11:30 a.m. in the Rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please make arrangements at least six months in advance.

Ministry to the Homebound

We will help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church because of illness or age. If you wish to receive communion, please call the rectory. Please notify the rectory of any hospitalization so that we may help.

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CONFESSIONS DURING LENT

MONDAYS 6 - 7 PM

Every Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Hartford

The Archdiocese of Hartford is happy to provide weekly Lenten Confessions again this year, as a way for Catholics to prepare for Easter. Beginning Monday, March 10th every Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Hartford will be open from 6 to 7 p.m. on **Mondays** during Lent. The confessions are designed to make it simple for you to drive to any church in the Archdiocese of Hartford on your way home from work, or on your way from running errands. It's also a way to welcome those who have not received the Sacrament in a while back to the Church to experience God's forgiveness.

ST. PATRICK PARISH



Mass Intentions

- Saturday..... Mar. 1** 5:00 p.m. A Deepening of Faith for All Believers
- Sunday..... Mar. 2** 8:00 a.m. Birthday Blessings for Art Merz
10:00 a.m. In Memory of Hilman Knapp, requested by Ellen Bowdon
- Monday Mar. 3** 8:30 a.m. Mass
- Tuesday..... Mar. 4** 8:30 a.m. Mass
- Wednesday .. Mar. 5** 8:30 a.m. Mass & Ashes
12:00 p.m. Distribution of Ashes
5:00 p.m. Distribution of Ashes
- Thursday Mar. 6** No Mass Scheduled
- Friday Mar. 7** No Mass Scheduled
- Saturday..... Mar. 8** 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday..... Mar. 9** 8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. In Memory of Joan O'Connor, requested by family and friends

Pew Marker: If you have requested the Mass intention, please bring up the gifts for the offertory. See the ushers for the pew marker.

Mass Intentions: You may honor a special family event or a deceased loved one with a mass intention by contacting the Parish Office at (860) 693-8727 or at www.sp4c.org, click on the "About" tab and fill in the "Contact Us" form with your request.



For your advance planning, Ash Wednesday is March 5. St. Patrick's will offer the following services:

- 8:30 a.m. Mass with Ashes
- 12:00 p.m. Distribution of Ashes
- 5:00 p.m. Distribution of Ashes

"Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel."



This weekend marks the start of the 2014 Archbishop's Annual Appeal in our parish. If you haven't already, you will receive a letter from Archbishop Blair seeking your support. Together we can impact the lives of thousands. Our work as a Church in social services, healthcare, and pastoral services is exciting, challenging, and fulfilling. It is work we must do together in **Building Hope...Providing Help** out of love for one another and for God.

Please respond as generously as you are able.

2014 WEEKLY REVENUE UPDATE

ACCOUNT	WEEK 7	TOTAL	Last Y.T.D.	Change
4000 · Offertory Income (AOH)	\$ 5,637	\$ 33,725	\$ 35,594	(5%)
4100 · Investment Income (AOH)	-	(3,420)	5,674	(160%)
4200 · Net Rental Income (AOH)	-	-	300	(100%)
4400 · Stole Fees (AOH)	-	175	350	(50%)
4500 · Gifts and Donations (AOH)	10	152	5,756	(97%)
4550 · Temp Restricted Donations (AOH)	-	805	6,978	(88%)
4600 · Program & Event Revenue (AOH)	-	-	-	0%
4700 · Religious Education Fees (AOH)	666	1,047	1,519	(31%)
4800 · Cemetery Revenue	-	10,530	4,895	115%
4900 · Miscellaneous Income (AOH)	39	195	284	(31%)
TOTAL:	\$ 6,352	\$ 43,209	\$ 61,350	(30%)

The monthly collection is designated for snow plowing. We are grateful for your generosity.



Parish Ministries

Parish Council President

Mr. Rob Dupré: (860) 693-3476

Art & Environment Ministry

Please call the parish office.
(860) 693-8727

Bereavement Ministry

Ms. Dory Dzinski: (860) 693-2840

Haitian Ministry

Mr. Tim Healy: (860) 693-8562

Human Needs Ministry

Mrs. Terry St. Gelais: (860) 693-2883

Men's Fraternity

Mr. Brian Driscoll: (860) 675-5786

Women of St. Patrick's

Mrs. Annamae Rotondo: (860) 693-8220

Women's & Men's Retreat Ministry

Mrs. Colleen Ververis: (860) 673-8689

Mrs. Sherry Pesino: (860) 675-5269

Mr. Moe Poirier: (860) 693-4692

Mr. Peter Fortier: (860) 693-3800

Social/Hospitality Ministry

Mr. Joe Gurtowsky: (860) 482-9810

Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. Mike Sinacori: (860) 693-9204

Altar Server Ministry

Mr. Rob Dupré: (860) 693-3476

SPYRIT 7th & 8th Grade Youth Group

Mrs. Sherry Pesino: (860) 675-5269

LEGACY High School Youth Group

Mrs. Michele Brophy: (860) 693-9082

Facilities Committee Chairman

Mr. Richard Dimeo: (860) 673-3230

Cemetery Committee Chairman

Mrs. Kathy Corkum: (860) 693-8612

Finance Council President

Mr. Brian Driscoll: (860) 675-5786

Bulletin Deadline – Tuesday, 12:00 p.m.

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Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers

Please contact the Parish Secretary with any conflict you may have for the 2nd Quarter Schedule (April through June) by Wednesday, March 12. Thank you!



Memorial Scholarship Applications

The Women of Saint Patrick's are pleased to announce that applications for the 2014 Memorial Scholarships are available in the vestibule and the Parish Office. Three scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors who are attending an institution of higher education in the fall of 2014.

- * Please read and follow application directions carefully.
- * The application deadline is Monday, May 5, 2014.

Be sure to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity!

Make a Card for a Veteran

The Women of St. Patrick's is sponsoring a card-making craft night to honor our veterans on Tuesday, March 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Cards will be delivered to the Connecticut Veterans homes. All women of the parish are invited. If you happen to have any of the following items, please bring them:

- * New or used cards
- * Sequins & thin ribbon
- * Glue gun & glue sticks
- * Pinking shears or pattern-cutting shears

Please join us for a lively, fun-filled evening that will bring a smile to our veterans!

St. Patrick Haiti Ministry Annual Report 2013

2013 was another successful year for our Haiti ministry – the fifteenth since we began our twinning covenant with Ste. Thérèse in 1999. Carefully balancing the support provided by your legendary generosity and grants from philanthropies, we again fulfilled our promise to provide daily hot meals to the 300+ students of Ste. Thérèse parish school, and help finance the salaries of the teachers.

Additionally, we successfully concluded two very important projects: the construction of a sheltered kitchen, and decent bathroom facilities at the school at a combined cost of \$9,400. For the coming year, we are already aware of a need to replace the batteries for the solar panel system. That installation was financed by our parish several years ago, and provides the power for the school and church facilities. The estimated cost for this maintenance project is \$3,000 and reminds us that our sister parish needs our continued support.

A team from St. Patrick's made a mission visit to Ste. Thérèse in February and we are hoping that Fr. Bichara, the parish priest of Ste. Thérèse, will make a visit to St. Patrick's this summer. Another visit to Haiti is being planned for the end of this year. If you are interested in joining a mission visit you should contact Deacon Tim for preliminary details.



ST PATRICK'S FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Growing In Faith Together (GIFT)

Sacraments & Holy Orders

Beginning this weekend, our *GIFT* theme will focus on the Sacraments and Holy Orders. Sessions begin on Sunday, March 2. Please see the "Week Ahead" column on page 4 to find a session that fits in your family's schedule, put it in your calendar and come grown in faith.

If you have any questions about *GIFT* or sacramental preparation, please contact Peter Fortier, Director of Faith Formation, at (860) 693 8727 ext. 6 or e-mail at peter.fortier@sp4c.org.



Dear Emily, Molly, Sarah, Matthew, Mario, Sam, Rico and Francesca,

Thank you for all you did today! It is so difficult to maintain the church through these winter months with all of the salt and sand that is brought in. The church is so much cleaner than it was before you worked on it!

Thanks for giving up your Saturday morning to serve our parish community.

Sincerely,

Your Parish Family

(On Saturday, 2/22/14, these confirmation candidates earned service hours through an activity that improves life for all of us at St. Patrick's.)

Haiti Ministry News

Lenten Haiti Prayer Exchange

As part of the spiritual dimension of our twinning relationship with Saint Thérèse in Lilavois, Haiti, we've placed a box at the entrance to the church, next to the regular parish prayer log, into which you can place either request for prayer from our friends in Haiti, or to tell them about your own prayers for them such as safety, enough food, jobs, a good education. The prayers will be translated into Creole by one of our Haiti Ministry members and sent off to Lilavois. We expect that we'll receive requests back from them, too, which we will share with you. Please consider adding our friends to the list of people for whom you pray this Lent. It's a good way to remain mindful of our special relationship to the poorest of the poor. Thank you!

MARCH 2, 2014

The Week Ahead...

The Women of St. Patrick's host the **Mardi Gras Pot Luck Supper** in the **Parish Hall** after the **5:00 p.m. Mass** on **Saturday, March 1.**

Sunday 1 and **Sunday 2 GIFT** sessions begin on **March 2** at **11:15 a.m.** and **3:00 p.m.** respectively.

Monday GIFT session meets on **March 3** at **5:30 p.m.** in the **Parish Hall.**

Human Needs Committee meets on **Monday, March 3** at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Rectory**

Parish Council meets on **Tuesday, March 4** at **6:30 p.m.** in the **Parish Hall.** All parishioners are welcome to attend!

Distribution of Ashes – see page 2 of the bulletin.

Wednesday GIFT session meets on **March 5** at **5:30 p.m.** in the **Parish Hall.**

Saints & Angels Playgroup meets on **Tuesday, March 4** at **10:00 a.m.** in the **Parish Hall.**

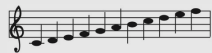
St. Patrick's Youth Easter Choir rehearses on **Thursday, March 4** from **4:30** to **6:00 p.m.** in the **Choir Loft.**

St. Patrick's Adult Choir rehearses on **Thursday, March 6** From **7:00 p.m.** to **8:15 p.m.** in the **Choir Loft.**

Saturday GIFT session meets on **March 8** at **9:00 a.m.** in the **Parish Hall.**

Sunday 3 GIFT session meets on **March 9** at **11:15 a.m.** in the **Parish Hall.**

MUSIC NOTES



Dear Parishioners,

Singing is a very important form of prayer and worship. We encourage you to sing--even if you aren't all that confident in your abilities, sing anyway. To quote Amy Grant, "We pour out our miseries, God just hears a melody."

If you are not in the habit of singing at mass, perhaps the approaching Lenten season is a good time to make singing in church part of your prayer!

Ellen Bowdon, Music Director

Rehearsals for the Easter Children's Choir will begin on Thursday, March 6 at 4:30 p.m. in the Choir Loft. Please contact the Parish Office to express your child's interest in participating. This choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday – April 20. Participants should be proficient readers through eighth grade.

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

