

received Eucharist for the first time

during the month of May. May you come often to the table of our Lord.





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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 PM Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM Monday– Wednesday 8:30 AM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Pre school	Sunday	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Kindergarten	Sunday	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
First Grade	Sunday	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Grades 2 & 3	Sunday	11:15 AM - 12:15 PM
Grades 4 & 5	Sunday	9:00 AM - 9:50 AM

Children are to attend the 10:00 am Mass and take part in the Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Grades 6, 7 & 8 Monday –6:45 PM - 8:00 PM Formal High School Classes will take place September-December at varied times. Special Sessions take place throughout the year check the weekly schedule for times.

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Welcome New Parishioners and Visitors

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Sacrament of Baptism: For information concerning our Parent and Godparent Preparation Program, please contact the Parish Office approximately three to six months before the child is born.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions are offered every Saturday from 3:30 - 4:00 PM in the Church or by calling the Parish Office for an appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Couples should contact a Parish Priest as soon as they decide to marry and before any other arrangements are made. The Diocesan policy requires a minimum one-year period of preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick & Homebound Visits

Please inform us when a family member is admitted to the hospital. Communion visits to the aged, sick, convalescing and homebound are a major concern to us. Please call the Rectory at 508-234-5656 to arrange these ministerial visits.

RCIA *The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* teaches the history, traditions and Sacraments of the Roman Catholic Church. Non-Catholics or Catholic Adults seeking information about full initiation into the Catholic Church, through Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation, should contact Fr. Tomasz at the Parish Office (508-234-5656) or Ed or Pauline Rutana at 508-234-7089.

Music Ministry

Cantor Rehearsal: First and Third Tuesdays 7:00-8:30 PM Contemporary Music Ensemble Rehearsals: Second & Fourth Tuesday 7:00-9:00 PM

Shamrocks: Students age 6-12 Watch Bulletin for rehearsal times and events.

New Members are Always Welcome in any Music Ministry.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

As a parishioner of St. Patrick's, you can request a Prayer Shawl for someone whom you feel needs comfort by calling or e-mailing Lucille at 508.234.2255 or blharper@verizon.net or call Shelly or Jackie at the rectory at 508.234.5656

SPiN--St. Patrick's in Action—Contact Shelly

Mombourquette to find out about this monthly service of giving back to our community.

NAC Food Pantry 508-234-4599

Open Tuesdays 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

& Thursdays 1:00-3:00 PM

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Contact Noreen Landry for support in times of need.

Bulletin Information Deadline

Information may be e-mailed to Nancy@mystpatricks.com or dropped off at the rectory by Monday evening.

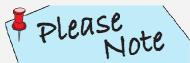
Members of the family requesting the Mass are asked to bring the gifts of bread and wine to the altar. Please make yourselves known to the lector and sit near the gifts.



The Mass book is open for the months of April-June. If you would like to book a mass in memory of a loved one please call the rectory at 508-234-5656.

Saturday May 16	4:30 PM	† Marie Rose Lachance	By Roger & Pauline Lachance	20th Anniversary
Sunday May 17		† Anna Slavkovsky † Patricia Lord	By her Family By William Lord	1st Anniversary
Monday May 18	8:30 AM	† Holy Souls In Purgatory		
Tuesday May 19	8:30 AM	†		
Wednesday May 20	8:30 AM	†		
Thursday May 21	No Mass			
Friday may 22	No Mass			
Saturday May 23	4:30 PM	† Graduates of 2015	By St. Patrick Parish	
Sunday May 24	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	† † Dorothy & Donald Forgit	By Children & Grandchildren	





Second Collection Schedule

May 17—Utilities
John 21 Community Breakfast (May)
June 7-Communication Campaign

Please remember that John 21 donations can be dropped in the collection baskets at any Mass during May. There are extra envelopes in the bulletin racks if you wish to use them or you may go on line to make your donation. Thank You for supporting our Ministry.

Sunday May 17	Polish Picnic Preparation Baptism Family Meeting SPiN Action	1:00 PM 1:15 -4:30 PM`	Center
Monday May 18	Liturgy Formation Team Meeting	7:00 PM	
Tuesday May 19	Cantor Rehearsal	7:00-8:00 PM	
Wednesday May 20	Prayer Group/Bible Study	7:00 PM	Chapel
Thursday May 21			
Friday May 22			
Saturday May 23	John 21 Community Breakfast YNIA Car Wash Graduation Mass	8:00-10:00 AM 8:30-2:30 AM 4:30 PM	Center Church Parking Lot Church



The Young Neighbors In Action 2015 and Anne Haas will be collecting bottles and cans to help defray the cost of the service trip to Chicago, Ill. this summer. Please drop off your clean cans and bottles in the Parish Center. If you would like to have someone pick them up at your home, please call Anne Haas at 508-234-9163.

Thank you for supporting our Young Neighbors In Action Ministry.



Our Scripture readings this week speak to the fact that we are all called to conversion in light of Jesus' Ascension into Heaven. As the disciples of Jesus witnessed his ascending to the Father, Angels remind the disciples that they

must be on their way to spread the good news they have beheld. "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky," remark the men clothed in white garments? In other words, "Hey – get going! This is not a spectators sport. You have work to do now." Who are the men of Galilee? Who are Jesus' disciples? WE ARE. We are called to heed the message of Jesus to his disciples found in the Gospel of Mark, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." We are called to engage in acts of mercy which reflect the love Christ has for his people. These acts of mercy are divided into two categories: Corporal and Spiritual.

Corporal Works of Mercy:

Feed the Hungry
Give drink to the thirsty
Clothe the naked
Give shelter to the homeless
Visit the sick
Ransom the captive
Bury the Dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy:

Instruct the ignorant
Counsel the doubtful
Admonish sinners
Bear wrongs patiently
Forgive offenses
Comfort the afflicted
Pray for the living and the dead.

In light of Jesus' resurrection and ascension into Heaven, we are called engage in both corporal and spiritual acts of mercy, with those among us and in the world at large. Let us pray that Jesus will give us the strength to begin this work as his disciples.

Peace.

Chris Finan



Please don't forget to register on-line for fall Religious Education Classes. Class days and times are

on the inside cover of the bulletin or visit our website at mystpatricks.com.



Save the Dates June 6th and 7th!

June 6th 5K: Go to https://racewire.com/register.php?
id=4807 to register to race.

Help us as we race to Poland.

June 7th Polish Picnic: We invite all who are interested to attend and join the fun!!

If you would like to help at either the Picnic or the 5K please call Shelly at 508-234-5656.



Young Neighbors In Action Car Wash

Saturday May 23th 8:30AM-2:30 PM Church Parking Lot \$7.00 per car

Please feel free to bring along those empty clean bottles and cans to donate.

All proceeds will help sponsor our Young Neighbors in Action service trip to Chicago in July



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If you have any questions, call Jackie Trottier at 508-234-5656 or email her at Jackie@mystpatricks.com.



Seventh Sunday of Easter

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." (1 John 4:15) How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to defend your faith or clarify a question about your faith, do

you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in your faith and share your witness with others.



Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2015 Partners in Charity Annual Appeal. St. Patrick's has pledged or raised \$26,385.00 towards our goal of

\$42,000.00 which is the same goal we met last year. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the bulletin racks, drop a check in the basket or visit www.partners-charity.net.

Partners in Charity, is the Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Worcester, serving 28 charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries. Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Worcester County through outreach, formation, evangelization, and worship. Locally Partners helps supports Catholic Charities.

Did you know that----- Catholic Charities on Spring Street in Whitinsville- provided Basic Human Needs Services to over 3,000 people last year?

Did you know that----- 100 families applied for the Federal Fuel Assistance Program this winter at Catholic

Did you know that----- 26 families received assistance with Snap Applications (formerly Food Stamps) since **December at Catholic Charities?**

Did you know that ----- Catholic Charities provides Case management to MS patients through the National MS Society?

Did you know that----- Catholic Charities provides Assessments to clients of three local food pantries- at no cost to the client or community.

Did you know that----- The staff of Catholic Charities has an excellent working relationship with the staff and parishioners of St. Patrick's?

Did you know that----- Your local Catholic Charities office depends upon support from the Partners in Charity?

Did you know that ----- Catholic Charities Staff is grateful to be able to provide services to you, your friends or your neighbors.

" did you know".... Catholic Charities operates a Homecare Program for the elderly and disabled?

"did you know" that the 9 Spring Street Whitinsville location of Catholic Charities has 3 supervisory staff in the Homecare program that are responsible for the provision of quality care.

"did you know" ... The Catholic Charities Homecare Program has 55 Homecare Aides and 2 Registered Nurses who provide services to 319 clients in 33 towns.

"did you know from July 2014 through March of 2015, Catholic Charities Homecare Program provided 25,879 hours of service to the elderly and disabled in the Southern Worcester County area?

Feel free to contact us at (508)234-3800.



This Week At Home

Monday, May 18: Our Refuge

Though they try, the Apostles in today's Gospel cannot yet understand what Jesus is saying. They may grasp what he means when he says "the hour is coming" or that they will leave him alone. Still, he offers them consolation by telling them, "in me you may have peace." We, too, can be consoled by this. At times, we will seem alone; however, we can always take refuge in Christ. Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68; John 16:29-33

Tuesday, May 19: Glory in the Cross

In today's Gospel, Jesus shows his readiness for the Cross as he prays that the Father glorify him. The discourse notes that Christ already has been glorified in his followers, who have received Jesus' words and know that all comes from the Father, "Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." Acts 20:17-27; Psalm 68; John 17:1-11a

Wednesday, May 20: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

St. Bernadine (1380-1444) certainly carried out Paul's instructions in today's reading from Acts. He tended the flock in many ways. As a young man, he traveled on foot throughout parts of Italy, preaching devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus. Taking a break from traveling, he wrote on theology and established schools to teach the friars. Within two years before his death, he returned to preaching and died while preaching on his way to Naples. Acts 20:28-38; Psalm 68; John 17: 11-19

Thursday, May 21: St. Christopher Magallenes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Today we honor twenty-two priests and three lay people killed during the religious persecution in Mexico between 1915 and 1937. Christopher Magallenes, whose name represents the group, was targeted after he taught seminarians displaced when the government closed seminaries. He and the other martyrs tended to the sacramental needs of Catholics while opposing the use of violence. Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Psalm 16; John 17:20-26

Friday, May 22: St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Rita of Cascia (1377-1457), an Italian Augustinian nun, is the patron of abused wives and mourning women. She had been abused by her husband, and after his death and the death of their two sons, entered the Augustinian Order. In today's Gospel, Jesus gives three commands to Peter. He tells him to "feed my lambs," "tend my sheep," and "follow me." St. Rita followed Jesus as she cared for sick nuns and counseled individuals. How is Christ calling you to act in the world when he says, "feed my lambs"? Acts 25: 13-21; Psalm 103; John 21:15-19

Saturday, May 23: Follow Me

It can be helpful to see that Jesus' first followers were sometimes caught up in their all too human concerns. Jesus has just told Peter to follow him when Peter asks about John. Jesus instructs Peter not to be concerned about John's role and again says, "follow me." We need to stay focused on how we follow Jesus. Concentrating on another's path will be a detriment to our own vocation. Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 114; John 21:20-25



Our Lady of the Valley Golf Tournament

The Our Lady of the Valley Regional School is having its 19th Annual Golf Tournament at Blissful Meadows in Uxbridge on **Friday**, **May 29th**. We are looking for golfers, sponsors and donations for one of the largest fundraisers for the OLV Parents' Guild! This is a

Florida-style/Scramble, four-person tournament with a shotgun start at 9:00 AM. Entry fee is \$140/player, and includes green fees, cart, lunch and dinner, as well as great prizes! Register your foursome today! Send your registration and check payable to:

OLV Parents' Guild Our Lady of the Valley C/O Golf Tournament Committee 75 Mendon Street Uxbridge, MA 01569 Alumni and parents of Alumni who register by May 1st will receive a special gift that day. Forms for golf can be found on the Parent's Guild website: www.ourladyofthevalleyregional.com/ParentsGuild/OLVGolfTournament

Sponsorships are also available including banners, tee signs, drink carts, lunch table, as well as family/student tee sign messages. A full list of sponsorships donations is available upon request, and many include golfer fees. We are also looking for donations. Ideas include sports or golf items, vacation home weekends, event tickets, electronics, wine/whiskey baskets, a grill/grilling items and gift certificates to area businesses. For more information contact the school at 508-278-5851 and leave a message for Melissa DaCosta, event chairperson, or email her at meldc2@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!



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First plant five rows of peas: Preparedness, Promptness, Perseverance, Politeness, and Prayer. Next to them, plant three rows of Squash, Squash

Gossip, Squash Criticism, and Squash Indifference.
Then five rows of Lettuce: Let us be Faithful,
Let us be Unselfish, Let us be Loyal, Let us be
Truthful, Let us Love One Another.

And no Garden is complete without Turnips: Turn up for Church, Turn up with a Smile, Turn up with Determination.





Prayer for Those in the Service



Almighty God, we stand before you asking for your divine mercy and protection.

Embrace with Your invincible armor our loved ones in all branches of the service.

Give them courage and strength against all enemies both spiritual and physical and hasten their safe journey back to their homes and families. Amen

Please remember the following service personnel in your Prayers as they serve and protect our country

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Monteville, Afghanistan. Corporal Jesse Coggins
Marines, Okinawa.



Building Fund Progress

Goal: \$370,000.00 Pledged: \$315,642.56 Balance: \$54,357.44 gifts or pledges

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Jackie@mystpatricks.com or drop a check in the basket with Building Fund in the memo or go to our website at www.mystpatricks.com.



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10 in the fall. Campers create a six-course schedule, choosing from more than 100 fun and informative classes in art, dance, music, drama, and related arts. The camp runs 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday-Friday, July 20-31. Tuition of \$350 includes materials. For more information, go to http://www.mountsaintcharles.org/fineartssummercamp



Thank you to all the St. Patrick parishioners who generously supported the Knights of Columbus #365 Mumford council's Baby Shower for the mothers of Problem Pregnancy. Your support goes a long way

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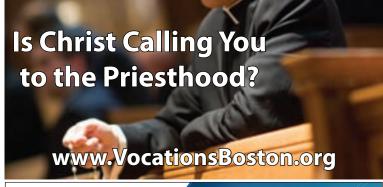
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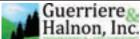
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