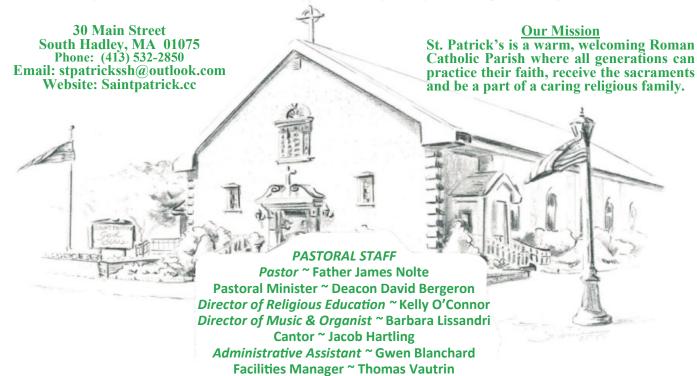
ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH



Sunday Masses Saturday: 4:0 4:00pm and 5:30pm Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am

Weekday Masses 7:00am: Mond Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday Wednesday Communion Service

7:00am:

Holy days

5:30pm

Holy Days: 7:00am and 5:30pm

Sacrament of Baptism
First Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon. Parents are asked to contact the rectory to schedule their child's Baptism.

<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u> Fr. James 413-213-6635 Fridays at 5-7pm or call for a more convenient time.

Sacrament of the Sick Fr. James 413-213-6635 Third Sunday of each month following the 11am Mass or call if in need.

Sacrament of Marriage Engaged couples are invited to contact the Rectory as soon as the decision to marry has been made. Please consider a visit with us before making additional arrangements, at least 9 months in advance of the wedding date desired.

Home and Hospital Visits Deacon David - 413-213-6625

Please notify us if anyone is ill, in the hospital, or at home and if anyone is unable to come to church because of illness, handicap, or age.

St. Patrick's Prayer Line
If you or somebody you know needs our prayers, please feel free to call or text THE PRAYER LINE, so that we can pray for your intention. Call or Text 532-PRAY (7729) or Email: st532pray@gmail.com.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - 413-532-2850

Bulletin Deadline- The deadline for copy material is ten days before the Sunday it will appear.

Religious Education Program - 413-213-6624

stpatdre@outlook.com

Classes held in the Social Center:

Sunday: 8:00am - 9:45 am.....Grades 7-12 (Class then Mass) Sunday: 9:00am - 11:00 am...Grades preK- 6 (Mass then Class)

<u>Spiritual Life Program-</u> Deepens appreciation of Sacraments. Sacred Scripture, Church Life and Prayer with programs and outreach to all families of the parish.

Eucharistic Prayer and Adoration - St. Patrick's Church will be open from 8:00am to 3:00pm weekdays. You may enter through the side door nearest the rectory. Eucharistic Adoration and Exposition takes place on Friday's from 3-4:30pm.

Parish Membership

We welcome all newcomers to our parish community and we hope that you will take an active part in the life of the parish. Kindly register at the rectory.

E-Giving- If you'd like to participate in our E-Giving program, please complete the form found on the rectory porch and return to the collection basket or rectory. This service is without cost to you or the parish and your entire gift goes to the parish. If you have any questions, please contact the rectory.

St. Patrick's Pastoral Council

Deacon David Bergeron, Anne Blaney-Perez, Diane Godek, Linda Komer, Rochelle Langevin, Kara Mercier, Art Monfette, Cathy Monfette, Nina Nedrebo, Fr. James Nolte, Kelly O'Connor, Nicole Percy, Steve Werenski



Saturday, August 17

4:00 PM— Kenneth Landry

By Nancy Landry

5:30 PM— Leo F. Sobon and Mary C. Sobon

By the Sobon Family

Sunday, August 18

7:00 AM—Johnny Johnson

By Peg Johnson

9:00AM-John E. Weir

By Patrice Patla

11:00 AM—Ruth Hartling

By the Harrington Family

Monday, August 19

7:00 AM— Theresa Siniscalchi

By her Daughter

Tuesday, August 20

7:00 AM— Richard Carrignan

By the Pont Family

Wednesday, August 21

7:00 AM— Service

Thursday, August 22

7:00 AM— Parishioners

Friday, August 23

7:00 AM— The Doonan Family

By Family

Saturday, August 24

4:00 PM— Leo and Mary Sobon

By Kristine

5:30 PM— Amy Dorsett By her Family

Sunday, August 25

7:00 AM—Theodore & Gary Grant and

Deacon John & Irene Bledsoe

By Family

9:00AM—Clement Blanchet

By his Wife and Children

11:00 AM-Mr. & Mrs. John M. Mahoney

By Family



Our Tabernacle Lamp burns this week for the intention of

Kenneth Landry By Nancy Landry

Please call the Rectory to reserve the lamp



August 10th & 11th \$6384.00

FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A priest I know was asked by a door-to-door evangelist, "Do you believe in Jesus?" He answered, "Yes, I do. But if I may ask you," he continued, "Where do you experience Jesus' body and blood?" His interlocutor responded somewhat confusedly, "I don't. I just believe in him. That's all that is needed." Later my priest friend would relate to me, "The more I thought about it, that response struck me as totally inadequate. As human beings, we need to encounter Jesus' body and blood, not just hear about him and mentally believe. Otherwise, Jesus is just a ghost."

This week we see this central point as we arrive at the climactic moment of Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist. Jesus has established the importance of believing in him as the "bread of life come down from heaven." Belief deeply matters because it leads to a real, bodily encounter with Jesus through eating and drinking. That's why Jesus emphasizes to an almost outrageous degree the non-metaphorical necessity to "eat my flesh and drink my blood" (John 6:54). The real presence of Jesus' body and blood — he himself, truly, really, substantially — has been the Church's treasure since Holy Thursday. Internal belief in the heart and the ritual act of eating and drinking the Eucharist, the Church has stubbornly insisted on *both*, not just one or the other.

This is not meant to criticize non-Catholic Christians who deeply trust and love Jesus, nor is it a triumphal elitist claim about the Catholic Mass. Rather it is a humble, trusting acknowledgement that God in Jesus comes to us in a way most proper to human beings: in our hearts and our bodies, faith and the Eucharist.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Today's Prayer

Wisdom has prepared a banquet of food and wine (1), an image expressive of God's communion with us. For those who desire life (Ps), Jesus gives his own flesh and blood (3). Thus we shall be filled with the Spirit (2).



St. Patrick's Church ~ South Hadley, MA

Parish Events

Aug 18: Parish Picnic 12-3pm SummitView, Holyoke

Aug 18: Book Club Event 6pm St. Catherine Class

Aug 20: St. Monica Service after 7am Mass

Aug 20: Hatha Yoga 5:30pm Social Center

Aug 21: Parish Office closed

Aug 21: Knitting Group 10am Chapel

Aug 21: Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Chapel

Aug 22: Toddler Playgroup 9:30am Social Center

Aug 23: Adoration 3-4:30pm Church Aug 23: Confessions 5-7pm Church

Aug 25: Take & Eat 8am Social Center

Aug 25: Sacrament of the Sick after 11am Mass

Aug 25: Book Club Event 6pm St. Catherine Class

Aug 27: Prayer Service & Rosary 6pm Church



Live Stream Mass Schedule

Live Stream—YouTube St Patrick South Hadley Monday-Friday 7:00am Daily Mass Sunday 9:00am Sunday Mass



Please Note:

Lectio Divina bible sharing sessions will return on Monday, September 9th. Lectio Divina takes place on Monday's at 6pm

in the Social Center classroom. Please use the entrance facing Main Street. We read, meditate and share our experiences of the Gospel reading for the next Sunday's Mass. No preparation is necessary and there is no homework.

Sacrament of the Sick-Date Change

Please note: Due to the parish picnic on Sunday, August 18th, Sacrament of the sick will take place the following Sunday, August 25th after the 11am Mass or by appointment.



Toddler Playgroup St. Patrick's Social Center

Please use School Street entrance, Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:30am, come 'n go as you please, but not a drop off daycare service. All are welcome (ages 0-5 recommended) Snack time provided. Free event, donations appreciated. Any questions, contact the rectory 413-532-2850

Food Donations

We are thankful for the food donations receive at St. Patrick's throughout the year, however we are not able to accept anything perishable: fruits, veggies, meats, etc. Thank you.

Readings for the Week

Aug 17: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Aug 18: Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-5

Aug 19: Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 Mt 19:16-22

Aug 20: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Aug 21: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Mt 20:1-16

Aug 22: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Mt 22:1-14

Aug 23: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Mt 22:34-40

Aug 24: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 Jn 1:45-51

Aug 25: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69



Marriage Help Program – September 6-8, 2024 If communication in your marriage is a struggle, or things have become troubled, unloving or uncaring, the Retrouvaille program can help. Retrouvaille, a Catholic-based ministry, provides tools to help you communicate better, resolve conflicts, and rediscover a loving marriage. The next local weekend is September 6-8, 2024. For information, call confidentially 1-800-470-2230,

email <u>helds4marriage@gmail.com</u> or go to our website www.helpourmarriage.org.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

Charismatic Prayer Group meets every Thursday night at the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Stockbridge. Prayer & Praise 7-7:30; Scripture & Prophecy 7:30-8, Mass at 8pm. All are welcome!



Monday - 9:00am-3:00pm

Tuesday - 9:00am-3:00pm

Wednesday - CLOSED (July 10-Aug 28)

Thursday - 9:00am-3:00pm Friday - 9:00am-12:00pm





Beacon of Faith

Beacon of Faith is raising funds towards various important needs of our diocese which include: Support to our retired priests, Development & training of church leaders and

seminarians, Religious Education, Parish-based evangelization, Camp Holy Cross, 2024 Annual Appeal, and also a young adult minister for St. Patrick's parish. As of August 5th, 192 families have pledged \$729,200.33. If you have not given your gift or pledge, you may put it in the collection basket or send it to the Diocese directly. If you have misplaced your pledge envelope, they are available at the church entrances. Thank you.



Coffee and Donuts - Returns Soon Starting on Sunday, September 15th, coffee and donuts will return in the social center snack bar after the 9am Mass. Hope to see you there.

Yoga Classes Tuesday Evenings

St. Patrick's will be hosting traditional Hatha Yoga classes on Tuesday evenings throughout July and August led by Michaela Driscoll of Total Body Yoga and Pilates Fitness Studio (TBYP). Classes will be from 5:30-6:30 in the St. Catherine classroom. Please use the back entrance to the Social Center closest to Main St. Price for each class is a free will donation with a suggested price of \$5-\$10. Classes are open to those 15 years and older. Classes are on a drop in basis, no pre-registration is required. You will need to bring your own yoga mat and light blanket. Yoga blocks/strap can be used if desired.



Tag Sale Belchertown - August 24th

St. Francis Parish of Belchertown will hold its annual Tag Sale on the Belchertown Common and inside the Parish Social Center, on Park Street, from 8am-2pm. Raine or Shine. Seven large tents and over one hundred tables loaded with jewelry, toys, small appliances, furniture, sports items, knick-knacks, antiques, kitchen ware, crafts, linens--and much, much more. Hot beverages and doughnuts will be on sale for the early shoppers. Hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and beverages will be on sale for lunch.

Part Time Job Posting

Blessed Sacrament Parish in Holyoke is looking for a part time custodian to clean Blessed Sacrament School, Monday-Friday from 4:00-7:00PM. Retirees are welcome to apply! Please call the rectory at 413-532-0713 if interested.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Chicken Dinner

Sunday, August 25th 12-4pm Rain or Shine. \$15 includes half chicken, baked potato, corn, dessert & bottled water. Hamburgers, hot dogs, raffle prizes, baskets, bake sale, games, DJ music and more. Springfield Thunderbirds Mascot "Boomer" making an appearance at 2pm. Fun for the Family.

Polish Center Scholarships

The Polish Center of Discovery & Learning is accepting applications for scholarships for undergraduate or graduate college students of Polish heritage. Info and forms may be obtained at www.polishcenter.net Applications are to be submitted no later than September 15, 2024.

Final SSJ Golf Classic

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Springfield will hold the 27th and Final SSJ Golf Classic on Monday, August 26th, 2024 at the Springfield Country Club. Proceeds to benefit the care of our infirmed Sisters. Morning and Afternoon tee times, barbecue lunch, social hour and awards dinner. Contact: Sr. Eleanor Harrington, SSJ at 413-536-0853 for more details.

Vocations to the Priesthood

"Always give thanks for all things." Give thanks to the priests, sisters, and brothers who answered God's call with open hearts to serve Him. Is Christ calling you to serve as a priest or in consecrated life? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 413-248-7034 or via email: vocations@diospringfield.org.



OPERATION BACKPACK

Sponsored by St. Patrick's Church

REMEMBER INVESTING IN OUR STUDENTS NOW WILL LEAD TO A BETTER FUTURE FOR ALL OF US.

This is the annual effort to provide backpacks and required school materials to families who struggle. Please join us as we work together to invest in our children. Wish list of items needed:

Backpacks for all grades – Rulers – Colored Pencils – Crayons – Markers – Scissors – Pencil Sharpeners – Yellow Highlighters – Post It Notes – Subject Dividers – 1" Ring Binders – Lined Filler Paper – Calculators – Zippered Pen & Pencil Holders – USB Zip Drives – Black Composition Books – 1,2,3 Subject Note Books – Portfolio Folders w/Pockets

Drop Off Locations for School Supplies

St. Patrick's Church	30 Main St. South Hadley
NHN Food Pantry	30 Carew St South Hadley
Sheila Adams	36 Chestnut Hill Rd. South Hadley
Newton Street Dental	488 Newton St, Suite 1, South Hadley
Westfield Bank	32 Willimansett St. South Hadley

Lamb St. South Hadley

Contact Person- Sheila Adams (413) 536-5316 Checks can be made out to: Operation Backpack and mailed to: Sheila Adams, 36 Chestnut Hill Rd. South Hadley, MA 01075

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If you are in need of a backpack or school supplies, please contact Sheila at shoperationbackpack@yahoo.com or 413-536-5316.

St. Patrick's Church South Hadley Prayer Service and Rosary for Addiction Recovery



Addiction is not only a physical or psychological disease,

but a Spíritual disease

Join us on Tuesday August 27th

At 6pm in the church

as we pray for those who struggle with the disease of addiction

and those who love them.

Know that you're not alone

All are welcome



Please note the day and time change for the summer months. Tuesday August 27th at 6pm in the church.

Office of Religious Education



Ms. Kelly O'Connor, DRE

Cell: (413)213-6624

Email: stpatdre@outlook.com

Now registering for 2024-2025 classes starting Sunday, September 15



- 9th -12th grade
 - o Confirmation in May 2025
- 8th grade
 - Confirmation Prep 2: Morality
- 7th grade
 - o Confirmation Prep 1: Creed

Now on 2 Sundays a month with class & Mass 8:00am-9:45am

We will be rotating the hosting parish for Confirmation each year at the request of the bishop.

This year's Confirmation will take place at Blessed Sacrament, Holyoke - May 2025.

Registration Fee:

1 student = \$40.00 2 students = \$60.00 3+ students = \$75.00 Family Max

**Sacramental Retreat Fee: \$20.00 for all First Communion Students and High School Students (Confirmation)



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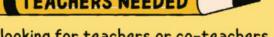
Sundays 10:00am-11am



Elementary 1st - 6th Grade

Sunday Mornings Family Mass - 9:00am Class - 10:00am-11:00am

TEACHERS NEEDED



We are looking for teachers or co-teachers, classroom aides, and hallway monitors.

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