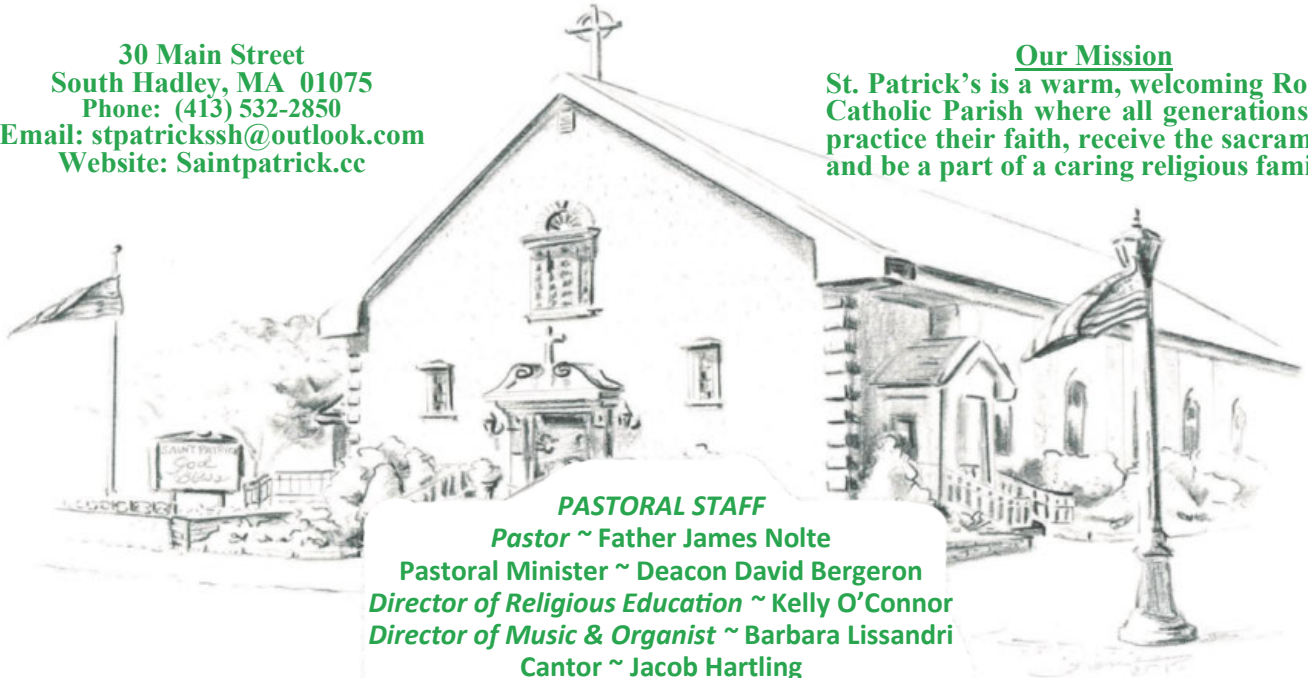


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## Our Mission

St. Patrick's is a warm, welcoming Roman Catholic Parish where all generations can practice their faith, receive the sacraments and be a part of a caring religious family.



## PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor ~ Father James Nolte**  
**Pastoral Minister ~ Deacon David Bergeron**  
**Director of Religious Education ~ Kelly O'Connor**  
**Director of Music & Organist ~ Barbara Lissandri**  
**Cantor ~ Jacob Hartling**  
**Administrative Assistant ~ Gwen Blanchard**  
**Facilities Manager ~ Thomas Vautrin**

## Sunday Masses

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

## Weekday Masses

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

## Holy days

Vigil: 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.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation 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](mailto: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](mailto: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)

Spiritual Life Program- 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

**Mass Intentions  
For The Week**



**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

**Monday, August 26**

**7:00 AM— Betty Riley**

By Barbara Riley Ripa

**Tuesday, August 27**

**7:00 AM— Lee Haczynski**

By John and Rosemary Hart

**Wednesday, August 28**

**7:00 AM— Service**

**Thursday, August 29**

**7:00 AM— Parishioners**

**Friday, August 30**

**7:00 AM— The Doonan Family**

By Family

**Saturday, August 31**

**4:00 PM— Octavien Lavallee**

By his Daughter

**5:30 PM— Emma Bettencourt**

By Family

**Sunday, September 1**

**7:00 AM—John Hart Jr.**

By John, Rosemary and Anna

**9:00 AM—Madeleine Chretien**

By Family

**11:00 AM—Hop Tran Joseph & Tan Vu Mary**

By Family

**FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK**

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The famous Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoyevsky said, "Love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing." In the Gospel reading this week, Jesus does something harsh and dreadful — he watches his own disciples abandon him. What could possibly be loving about that?

Well, we notice the context is Jesus' teaching about eating and drinking his body and blood. His followers hear this and say, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" (John 6:60). We shouldn't imagine we'd do anything different, because not even the ones who stay, like Peter, seem to understand what Jesus is saying. Then we hear this devastating line, "Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him" (John 6:66). Besides the night of the Last Supper, only now do Jesus' disciples abandon him. And, painfully, Jesus just lets them go.

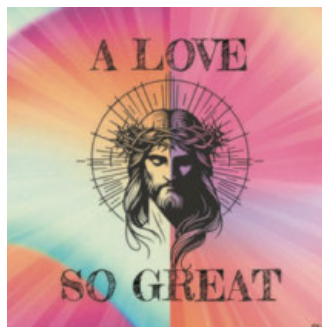
The best way to make sense out of this is love. Jesus is God's love in action. He wants to become one with those whom He loves. He wants to love them as His own body. Yes, the oneness manifested in the Eucharist sounds harsh and dreadful because it is rooted in love which is willing to risk abandonment and separation to attain its goal: to be one body with the beloved. It is both terrifying and wonderful that Jesus will risk losing us in order to be one with us. Our response? Lord, we cannot grasp a love so great, but please help us never to abandon it, either.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

*Remember in Your Prayers Those Who Have Died:  
John Mielnikowski*

Today's Prayer

Joshua confronts the tribes of Israel: Will you desert your covenant with Yahweh (1)? The desertion of disciples is a prelude to the paschal mystery (3). With Peter, however, let us profess our faith in the Lord (Ps), who gave himself up for us all (2).



*Our Tabernacle Lamp burns  
this week for the intention of*

**Mr. & Mrs. John M. Mahoney  
By Family**

*Please call the Rectory to reserve the lamp*

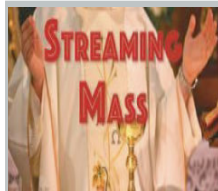
**Our  
Weekly Offering**



**August 17th & 18th  
\$6853.00**

**Parish Events**

- 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: St. Monica Service after 7am Mass
- Aug 27: Hatha Yoga 5:30pm Social Center
- Aug 27: Prayer Service & Rosary 6pm Church
- Aug 28: Parish Office closed
- Aug 29: Toddler Playgroup 9:30am Social Center
- Aug 30: Adoration 3-4:30pm Church
- Aug 30: Confessions 5-7pm 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 18<sup>th</sup>, Sacrament of the sick will take place the following Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> after the 11am Mass or by appointment.

**Vocation to the Priesthood**

"You have the words of eternal life." Could God be calling you to be a vessel of his eternal love and wisdom that guides and inspires others? Follow Him into a life of service to others as a priest or religious brother or sister. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 413-248-7034 or via email: [vocations@diospringfield.org](mailto:vocations@diospringfield.org).



**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

**Readings for the Week**

- 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
- Aug 26: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5  
Mt 23:13-22
- Aug 27: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13  
Mt 23:23-26
- Aug 28: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5  
Mt 23:27-32
- Aug 29: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 6:17-29
- Aug 30: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11  
Mt 25:1-13
- Aug 31: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21  
Mt 25:14-30
- Sept 1: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a  
Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27  
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



**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](tel:1-800-470-2230), email [helds4marriage@gmail.com](mailto:helds4marriage@gmail.com) or go to our website [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

**Special Collection at Mass**  
There will be small baskets at the church entrances to donate to Fr. Jude and the Archdiocese of Abuja for those who missed it last weekend. Thank you.



**Summer Office Hours**  
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 12th, 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.

**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](http://www.polishcenter.net) Applications are to be submitted no later than September 15, 2024.

**Hibernians of Hampden/Hampshire Counties Halfway to St. Patrick's Day**

The Public is invited to an evening of celebration and fun featuring Dee Reilly at the Glendale Ridge Vineyard 155 Glendale Rd Southamptn, Mass. Admission is free; Tuesday September 17<sup>th</sup> 5-7pm; Food and wine for Purchase (Cash Only); Rain or Shine; Sponsored by the Hibernian Community, Lastly, Everyone is encouraged to bring a non-perishable food items for Kate's Kitchen.

**FREE SUNDAY MOVIE MATINEES**

are returning in September!!! We'll be showing ALL Seasons of the critically-acclaimed series, "The Chosen", beginning with Season 1 – "Behold, I Am Doing a New Thing" on Sunday, September 8, 2024, at 2:00pm, in the St. Catherine Classroom.



Season 1 introduces you to people such as Simon Peter, Nicodemus, Mary Magdalene, Matthew, and of course, Jesus in a way never before seen on film. It's a great way to spend a couple of hours on Sunday afternoon.... AND THERE'S FREE POPCORN AND LIGHT BEVERAGES!!!

**An Uncommon Love**

Each year on October 15, Founders' Day celebrates the founding of the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1650 in LePuy, France. Rev. Mark Stelzer, Elms College chaplain and pastor of St. Mary's in Hampden, MA, has edited a book honoring the legacy of Sr. Mary Dooley and Sr. Eleanor Dooley. Sister Mary Dooley, the sixth president of Elms College, and Sister Eleanor Dooley, a longtime professor at Elms, served at Elms for many years and left an imprint on people all over the world. The book launch will take place at Elms College on Tuesday, October 15 at 2:00 P.M. in Veritas Auditorium. Books will be available for purchase for \$24.95. Proceeds from the sale of the book will benefit the Compassionate Hearts Fund, which subsidizes college service learning trips for students during the semester break.

**An Uncommon Love**

*The Life, Legacy, and Lessons of Sisters Mary and Eleanor Dooley*

SAVE THE DATE  
Book Launch  
October 15, 2024  
2:00 PM  
Elms College  
Veritas Auditorium

Edited by Father Mark S. Stelzer, STD

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ANNOUNCING AN UPCOMING RETROUVAILLE  
**MARRIAGE HELP PROGRAM**



**MARRIAGE HELP PROGRAM**  
**WEEKEND DATE:** September 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
**Location:** Hotel near Bradley International Airport

**NO LONGER FEELING HAPPY IN YOUR MARRIAGE OR NEED TO RECONNECT? MANY COUPLES CONTINUE TO STRUGGLE IN THEIR MARRIAGE BUT ARE NOT WILLING TO GIVE UP ON EACH OTHER. THERE IS HOPE!**

If you are reading this, consider taking this step. Ask your spouse to consider attending a Retrouvaille program. Retrouvaille is a Catholic-based, communication-focused program designed to make marriages stronger! After the initial weekend, there are a series of weekly sessions for the subsequent couple of months designed to help a husband and a wife rediscover the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is held internationally and is highly successful in saving struggling marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, Call 1-800-470-2230 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE: [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org)**

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



Addiction is not only a physical or psychological disease,  
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Join us on Tuesday August 27<sup>th</sup>

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 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the church.**

# Will you sit with the Lord?

On the First Friday of each month,  
Adoration will be held from  
11:30am-4:30pm.

*The Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
will be prayed aloud  
together at 3:00pm*



We need at least 2-3  
people for each hour  
to be present with  
the Blessed Sacrament.

A sign-up sheet can be  
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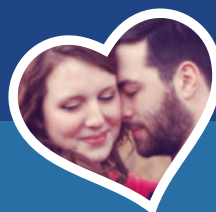
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