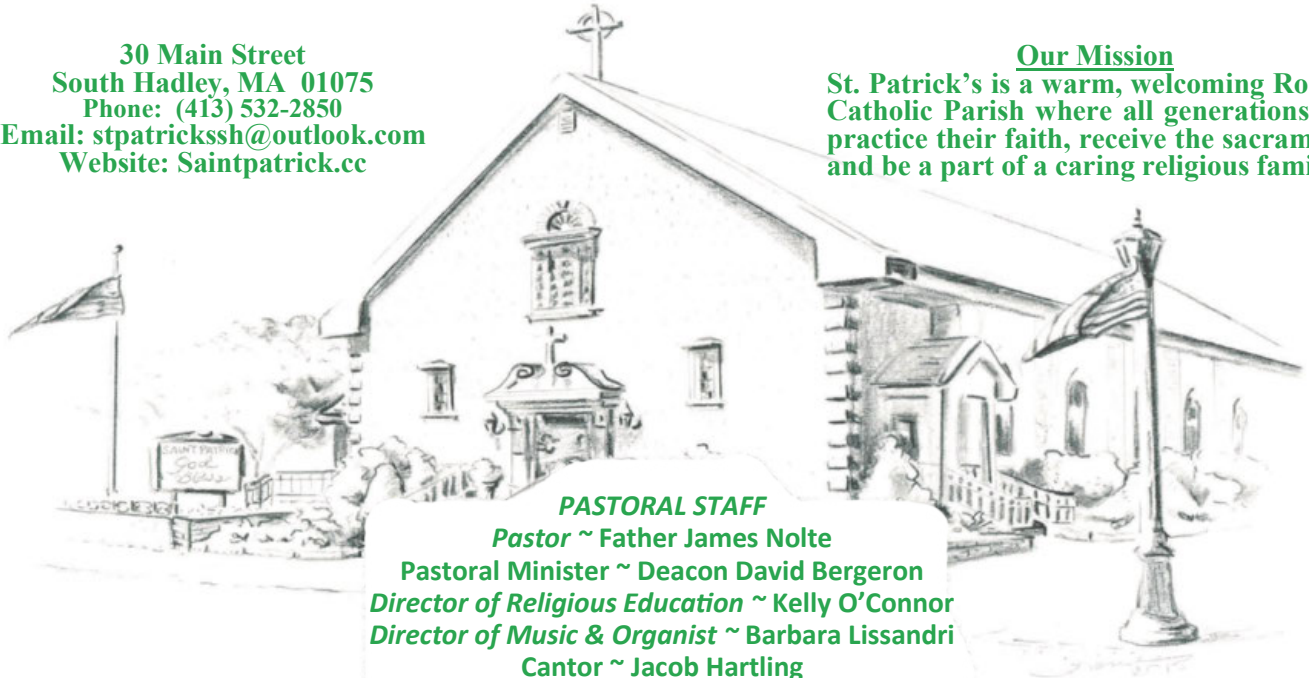


ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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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.

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)

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, Fr. James Nolte, Kelly O'Connor, Nicole Percy, Steve Werenski



Saturday, December 21

4:00 PM— Daniel Landry

By Aunt Nancy

5:30 PM— Brad Winfield

By Family

Sunday, December 22

7:00 AM— Herbert Hadley

By Family

9:00 AM— Richard Russell

By Family

11:00 AM— Kenny McKenna

By Mom, Dad, Kevin, Kelly, Trevor & Chad

Monday, December 23

7:00 AM— Richard & Bernadette Blood, Emile, Mary & Madeleine Chretien

By Family

Tuesday, December 24

4:00 PM— Leo, Mary, Dorothy & Leon Sobon and Jonathan & Myrtle Fontaine

By Family

5:30 PM— Eddie Blain

By Mary Ann Lowe

Midnight— No intention

Wednesday, December 25

7:00 AM— No intention

9:00 AM— Tan Vu Mary and Hop Tran Joseph

By Family

11:00 AM— Joseph and Mary Labrecque

By daughter Vivian

Thursday, December 26

7:00 AM— Sr. Kathleen Wallace, SSJ

By the McClinton Family

Friday, December 27

7:00 AM— Edward Moriarty

By Wife and Family

Saturday, December 28

4:00 PM— John Moriarty

By Cathy Moriarty

5:30 PM— Emma Bettencourt

By Family

Sunday, December 29

7:00 AM— Frank and Rose Harazmus

By Cathy Moriarty

9:00 AM— Mary Ann Larkin

By her Sister

11:00 AM— James and Anna Mungall

By their Daughters



Our Tabernacle Lamp burns this week for the intention of

**John Moriarty
By Wife and Family**

Please call the Rectory to reserve the lamp

Our Weekly Offering



**December 7th & 8th
\$10,587.00**

FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK

4th Sunday of Advent

The Blessed Virgin teaches us the secret to being blessed, happy, and full of joy. When Elizabeth, her cousin, greets her, she calls Mary "blessed" for two reasons, her motherhood of Jesus, and Our Lady's belief that **"there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord"** (Luke 1:45). Mary is "blessed" entirely because of her relationship to the Incarnation of God in Jesus, and for no other. This of course makes perfect sense, because as the Lord, as God-in-the-flesh, her son is the source of all blessedness, life, and joy. Mary is blessed because of her contact with Jesus, and by her faith in him.

So, it is with us, too. We become blessed by our "motherly" contact with Christ in our souls through baptism. He lives in us and grows to maturity within us. We bear him to the world. This requires unshakeable faith that his promises to us will be fulfilled, despite all the problems and difficulties that plague us. We become blessed, happy, and joyful in the measure that we are in contact with Jesus and trust in him.

Advent challenges: 1.) This week go to someone who has borne the love of Jesus to you and tell her or him how they have been a blessing to you. 2.) Name someone in your life now to whom God has sent you to bring Jesus' presence. Pray: "Lord, thank you for the blessing of sending me to bring your presence to this person. Help me bear you faithfully to him/her."

— Father John Muir © LPi

Today's Prayer

From Bethlehem shall come one who will rule Israel (1). Born of Mary, the servant of the Lord (3), he will protect and save us (Ps), offering himself once and for all in doing the Father's will (2).



Parish Events

- Dec 22:** Take & Eat 8am Social Center
- Dec 22:** Coffee/Donuts after 9am Mass Snack bar
- Dec 22:** Baptism noon Church
- Dec 22:** No Chosen movie this week, restarts 1/5/25
- Dec 23:** No Lectio Divina bible sharing for December
- Dec 24:** Lessons & Carols 3pm Church
- Dec 26:** No Toddler Playgroup this week
- Dec 27:** No Adoration this week
- Dec 27:** No Confessions this week
- Dec 29:** Coffee/Donuts after 9am Mass Snack bar
- Dec 29:** Prayer Service & Rosary noon Church
- Dec 29:** No Chosen movie this week, restarts 1/5/25



Live Stream Mass Schedule

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



Bible Sharing

Lectio Divina will not be held during the month of December.



Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for coffee and donuts after the 9am Mass in the social center snack bar. All are welcome.

Volunteer to help with Kate's Kitchen

We are looking for a volunteer to help with the Kate's Kitchen meal on the first Tuesday of each month. Specifically someone to deliver the meal to Kate's Kitchen at approx. 10am and then to return to St. Patrick's and clean up the kitchen in the social center from the meal preparation. The time commitment would be about 90 minutes each month. If you are able to help out contact Deacon Dave at the rectory. Thank you!



Prayer Shawls, Robes, Lap Quilts

Thanks to the time and talent of your fellow parishioners we are blessed to be able to offer Prayer shawls, lap robes and lap quilts to provide joy and comfort to those who are ill, lonely, or grieving. If you know of someone who would benefit from the gift of one of these beautiful creations please let us know by contacting Gwen at the Rectory 413-532-2850.



Readings for the Week

- Dec 21:** Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a
Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
- Dec 22:** Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)
Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-4
- Dec 23:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9,10 and 14
Lk 1:57-66
- Dec 24:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
- Dec 25:** Vigil Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
- Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)
Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
- Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1,6,11-12/Ti 3:4-7
Lk 2:15-20
- Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)
Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
- Dec 26:** Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
- Dec 27:** 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6,11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
- Dec 28:** 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8
Mt 2:13-18
- Dec 29:** 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10
(see 5a)/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Adoration & Confessions

Will not be held on December 27th, but will return the following week, January 3rd.



This Christmas end a quarrel. Seek out a forgotten friend. Dismiss suspicion, and replace it with trust... Write a love letter. Share some treasure. Give a soft answer. Encourage youth. Manifest your loyalty in word and deed. Keep a promise. Find the time. Forgo a grudge. Forgive an enemy. Listen. Apologize if you were wrong. Try to understand... Flout envy. Examine your demands on others. Think first of someone else. Appreciate. Be kind; be gentle. Laugh a little. Laugh a little more. Deserve confidence. Take up arms against malice. Decry complacency. Express your gratitude. Go to church. Welcome a stranger. Gladden the heart of a child. Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth. Speak your love. Speak it again. Speak it still once again.

Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 22, 2024

The Chosen Season 4 – “Rise Up”



We will resume with **Season 4 – “Rise Up”** on January 5 at 2pm in the St. Catherine Classroom. Please join us if you can!!! It’s a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon.....WITH FREE POPCORN, CANDY, AND LIGHT BEVERAGES !!!

Looking for something to do on a Saturday evening?

Join us Saturday January 25th from 6pm – 8pm
St. Patrick’s Social Center
For Game Night

There will be many board games and card games to choose from. Come on out and have some fun!



Hope you can join us!



Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee 2025

July 28 to August 5, 2025. Be a Pilgrim of Hope during Jubilee Year 2025. Travel with our Vicar General Fr. Piotr Calik and John Paul Pilgrimages for a spiritually uplifting Jubilee pilgrimage to Rome and the Vatican. Itinerary is geared to young adults. Limited space. For complete details visit johnpaulpilgrimagesandtours.com 480-626-1266.

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
No Playgroup this week- December 26th.

St. Patrick’s Church ~ South Hadley, MA

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 found by the tabernacle for an hour if you’re able and for anyone who would like to lead the Chaplet of Divine Mercy Prayers.

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NEW YEAR’S EVE

Holy Hour

DECEMBER 31ST
11:00 PM - MIDNIGHT

BASILICA OF
ST. STANISLAUS



Join Young and Catholic as we gather to welcome the New Year in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament for a time of personal renewal and communal prayer in silent adoration. Let’s welcome 2025 with hearts full of faith and thanksgiving!

With God all things are possible,
without God we can do nothing.



PRAYER SERVICE AND ROSARY FOR ADDICTION RECOVERY

Sunday, December 29th at noon
St. Patrick Church
30 Main St, South Hadley

Join us as we pray
for all those suffering with addiction
and those who love them.

Addiction and substance abuse can be a stark reminder of our own struggles, weaknesses, and failings and that it is only in, with, and through God, we overcome them and are healed.

Christmas Schedule

**Tuesday, December 24th
- Christmas Eve -**

Parish Offices Closed

3:00pm - Lessons & Carols

Christmas Liturgy.

4:00pm, 5:30pm, Midnight

**Wednesday, December 25th
- Christmas Day-**

Parish Offices Closed

Christmas Liturgy.

7:00am, 9:00am, & 11:00am

Thursday, December 26th

Parish Offices Closed



HOLY FAMILY HOSPITAL of Bethlehem Foundation



Bless Bethlehem With Your Gift of Christmas Hope

On the very first Christmas, the Holy Family went door to door seeking a safe place to bring the Christ Child into the world. Today, amidst the backdrop of a shuttered economy, food insecurity, and a war in Gaza, families in Bethlehem will be celebrating Christmas much like the Holy Family did. There are few, if any, gifts and modest meals, but a deep sense of true Christmas joy and hope.

Pregnant mothers are arriving to Holy Family Hospital malnourished, increasing NICU admissions by 60%. Despite such hardship, the hope of Christmas endures through the care we provide. **Because of you, Holy Family Hospital remains a pillar of strength in Bethlehem, delivering new life, restoring health, and providing top-quality training and employment.** We have increased our subsidy for medical services from 50% to 75%, ensuring that every family has access to life-saving care.

This Christmas, what gifts will you bring to Bethlehem? Together we magnify hope, building a bridge beyond conflict to peace. Your generosity provides vital medical care today and a better tomorrow. By caring for Bethlehem's greatest resource, families, we ensure a bright future for generations to come.


Because the need is twice as great, we are committed to providing twice the hope with your gift this Christmas. Every donation will be matched up to \$100,000. The greatest gift is that of accompaniment, ensuring that every family knows they are not forgotten. Your prayers and support transform lives just 1,500 steps from where the Prince of Peace was born.

Together we deliver life, peace, and hope in the Holy Land.

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