ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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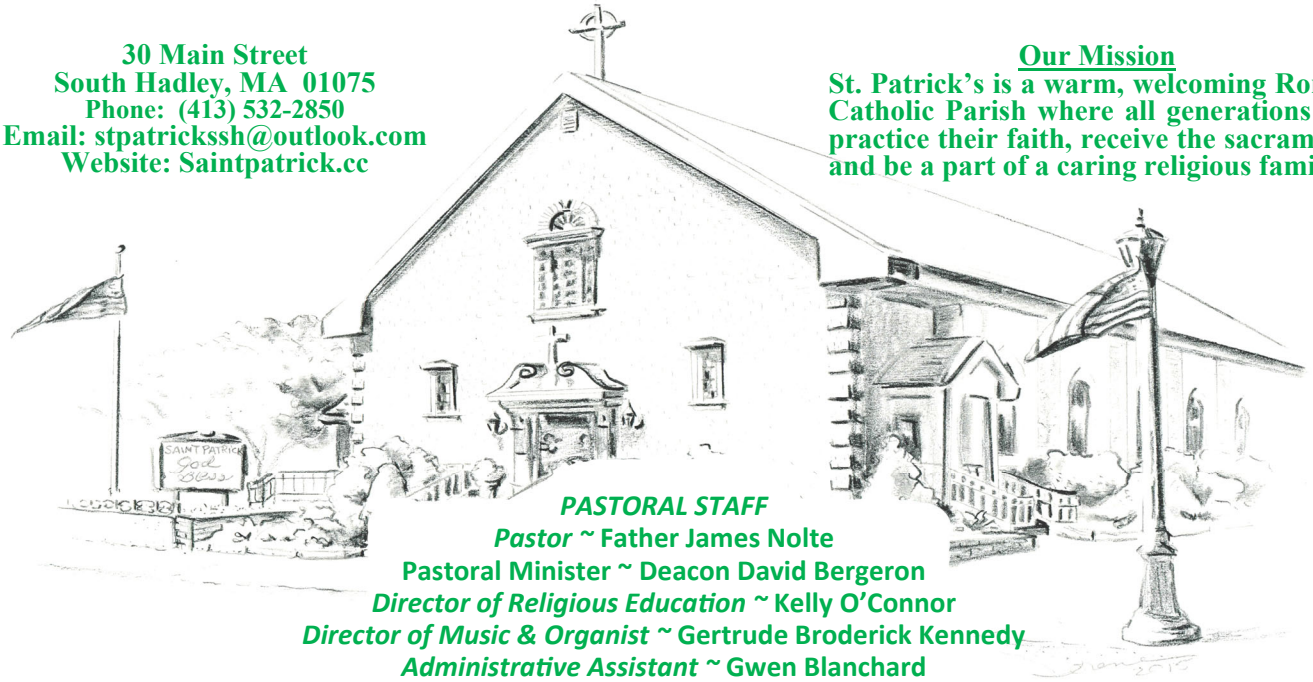
Our Mission
St. Patrick's is a warm, welcoming Roman Catholic Parish where all generations can practice their faith, receive the sacraments and be a part of a caring religious family.



PASTORAL STAFF
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Pastoral Minister ~ Deacon David Bergeron
***Director of Religious Education* ~ Kelly O'Connor**
***Director of Music & Organist* ~ Gertrude Broderick Kennedy**
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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:
Saturday: 9:00am - 10:30 am…..Grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11
Sunday: 9:00am - 11:00 am…….Grades preK, K,1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
(9:00am Family Mass, followed by 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, Diane Godek, Linda Komer, Rochelle Langevin, Kara Mercier, Art Monfette, Cathy Monfette, Fr. James Nolte, Kelly O'Connor, Nicole Percy, Steve Werenski

Mass Intentions For The Week

Saturday, November 26
4:00 PM—Brad Winfield
By Family
5:30 PM— David Francis Stark
By Family
Sunday, November 27
7:00 AM— Eugene and Josephine Baranowski
By the Baranowski Family
9:00 AM— Donald and Ann(Landers) Lavallee
By William and Michelle Marcisz
11:00 AM— Hop Tran Joseph and Tan Vu Mary
By Family
Monday, November 28
7:00 AM— Lena Gagne Ducharme
By Family
Tuesday, November 29
7:00 AM— The Doonan Family
By Family
Wednesday, November 30
7:00 AM— Service
Thursday, December 1
7:00 AM— Parishioners
Friday, December 2
7:00 AM—Zachary Deforge
By his Godparents
Saturday, December 3
4:00 PM—Kenneth Landry
By wife Nancy
5:30 PM— Sylvio Belisle
By Family
Sunday, December 4
7:00 AM— Mary Olechny
By the Kelly Family
9:00 AM— Charlie Allard
By Family
11:00 AM— Michael Sypek Jr.
By Family

Our Tabernacle Lamp burns this week for the intention of

Ronald Garneau
Requested by his Spouse

Please call the Rectory to reserve the lamp

Our Weekly Offering

November 19th & 20th
Amount unknown at print time.

FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK

Do What You Can

The reading from the prophet Isaiah this Sunday contains a remarkable prediction—the end of war between nations (Isaiah 2:4). While most of the good predictions of the prophets were fulfilled in Jesus, we still await the end of all wars. So why hasn't that one been fulfilled? We can look to the second reading and the Gospel for some hints.

Both readings talk about being awake and ready for our salvation (Romans 13:12) or the coming of the Son of Man (Matthew 24:39). Being awake doesn't mean consuming lots of coffee or turning the music volume all the way up. Paul calls it "putting on the Lord Jesus Christ" as a soldier would put on armor before a battle. He even mentions rivalry and jealousy as attitudes to avoid. Both of those vices have been the cause of many wars in our history. What if we not only avoided them, but also taught our children to avoid them? What if everyone eventually learned not to be jealous and hateful?

We are a long way from ending all wars. There are still people who teach hate to the poor instead of helping to feed them. There are still people who get rich selling the weapons of war. This brings us back to the first reading, in which Isaiah speaks of beating swords into plowshares. Do we have enough faith in God's love to stop building weapons and use those resources to feed the hungry or cure diseases in underprivileged countries? Until we convert everyone to following Jesus, that's not likely. The Gospel calls us to be ready. Maybe we need to be ready to share our faith. Maybe we have to be awake to any opportunity to show God's love to those around us. Are we afraid to offer to pray for someone in need? Maybe we need to put on the "armor of light," as St. Paul calls it. Instead of trying to stop all wars, could we at least show forgiveness to someone who has hurt us?

Jesus never said to do the impossible. If we can be ready to see Jesus in those around us, to show his love to those who need it, or just be patient with other people's faults and weaknesses, we may not stop all wars, but we will be prepared for the coming of the Prince of Peace.

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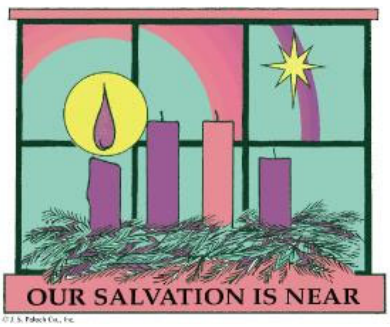
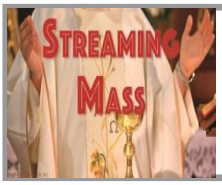
Today's Prayer

We must be on guard (3) for the Day which is to come when all will be fulfilled (1). As we await the coming of Christ, let us love one another (2) observing his covenant and decrees (Ps).



Parish Events

Nov 27: Take & Eat 8am Social Center
Nov 27: Contemporary Choir 9am Mass
Nov 28: Lectio Divina (bible sharing)Classroom 6pm
Nov 29: St. Monica Service after 7am Mass
Dec 1: Kate's Kitchen Social Center 8:30am
Dec 2: Adoration Church 3-4:30pm
Dec 2: Confessions Church 5-7pm
Dec 2: Baptism Prep Meeting Chapel 5:30pm
Dec 3: Rel. Ed. Grades 7-11 Social Center 9am
Dec 4: Rel. Ed. Grades K-6 Mass then class 9am
Dec 4: Contemporary Choir 9am Mass
Dec 4: Baptisms Church noon
Dec 4: Deanery Advent Penance Service 2pm at Our Lady of the Cross, Holyoke



Live Stream Mass Schedule

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

Human Development Campaign

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. If you missed the collection, it's not to late to give. Thank you.

Lectio Divina- Bible Sharing

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.

Advent Wreath Lighting

Individuals and families are needed to participate in lighting our Advent Wreath. A sign up sheet will be posted this weekend. It will be located near the Tabernacle. Thank You!

Faith in Action

Will be selling T-Shirts and Golf Shirts, after each Mass, on the weekend of November 26th and 27th, in the vestibule. They would make great Christmas gifts. The cost of the T-Shirts are Medium to Extra-Large, $18 and 2XL, $20 and the Golf Shirts are Medium to Extra-Large, $27 and 2XL, $29. Get 'em while supplies last. All proceeds will help fund Charitable Acts that we have planned for the future.

Vocations to the Priesthood

"Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom." Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered as a priest, or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Jonathan Reardon 413-248-7034, or write: vocations@diospringfield.org

Readings for the Week

Nov 26: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
Nov 27: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44
Nov 28: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Nov 29: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Nov 30: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Dec 1: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Dec 2: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Dec 3: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
Dec 4: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Stille Nacht Young Adult Retreat

Join the diocesan wide Young and Catholic community for their 2022 Advent Retreat, "Stille Nacht," Saturday December 3rd 11am-4pm at Our Lady of the Valley in Easthampton. The retreat will be open to young adults ages 18-40 and feature Mass, Confessions, talks by Fr. Michael Pierz, time for discussion, fellowship, personal meditation and a special catered hot buffet. The retreat costs $15. More info or RSVP at www.youngandCatholic.org/adventretreat

St. Anthony's, Chicopee Online Store

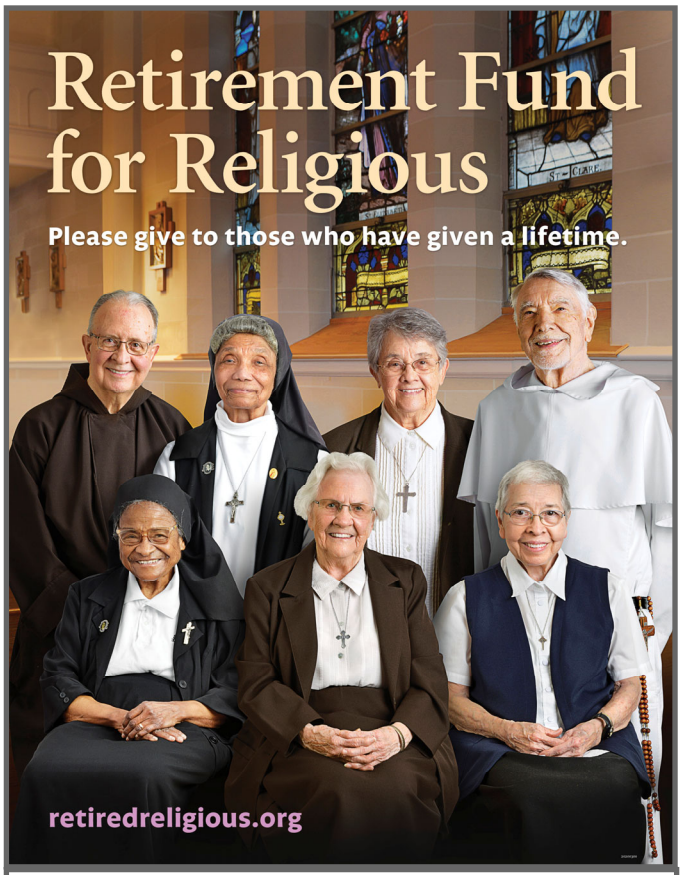
There were problems with the online store: www.stanthonychicopee.com for which we apologize, but now we have a new website: https://stanthonychicopee.square.site and we are updating this website all the time. We invite you to visit this website and share with your friends. In this way you are helping our parish community. Everything we sell is to keep our parish active. Thank you for your generosity. Many blessings to you and your loved ones. Fr. Jacek

Ushers/Greeters Needed

We are in need of ushers/greeters at Mass. Being an usher/greeter would entail arriving at Mass about 20 minutes prior to the start of Mass, greet people as they enter, if necessary help find a seat. Other responsibilities would include asking 2 people to bring up the offertory gifts, hand out bulletins after Mass and straighten out/tidy up pews after Mass. If you have any questions you can contact Deacon Dave or Fr. James at the rectory. Thank you!

St. Jude Thrift Store

Located in Holyoke is in need of gently used large size boys, and small/medium men's clothing particularly pants, jeans, shirts, sweatpants and sweatshirts. If you have any items like these you are able to donate you may drop them off on the parish rectory porch and they will be delivered to St. Jude Thrift Store. Thank you!



Retirement Fund for Religious

An abbot writes "Your gift helps ease our worldly burdens and allows us to continue living out our mission of seeking God and serving the Church." Donations to the retirement Fund for Religious collection help hundreds of US religious communities to provide for their aging members. Please give generously.

Faith in Action

Is looking for your help in supporting the efforts of Bethlehem House. Water jugs will be at all the church entrances until November 26-27. All donations will benefit the Bethlehem House. There will also be a crib set up by the Baptismal font to collect new items to benefit Bethlehem House. **Items specifically needed include: Dove Soap (unscented for sensitive skin), Baby bottles 3 PK, plastic 8oz or 4oz, Baby wash-unscented, Disposable diapers, size-1, 4, 5 and 6.**

Theology on Tap

Looking to learn more about the faith, but not sure where to look for answers? Want to talk about the Catholic faith in a casual setting? Join us for our next Theology on Tap at a restaurant, bar, brewery, or coffee shop near you. Featuring relevant speakers, q&a, and sometimes live music, Theology on Tap is an extraordinary opportunity you won't want to miss. Find out more about our movement at theologyontap.org. See you soon!

Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you to those who have made a gift to the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal "Transformed in Christ." As of November, 296 families have contributed $128,318. in gifts & pledges. No contribution, no act of charity is ever too small or insignificant. Thank you.

Hospital and Homebound Visits

As we continue to navigate through these uncertain and challenging times, between the privacy laws & regulations and the Covid pandemic, it is increasingly helpful to notify Fr. James and/or Deacon Dave of a parishioners hospital stay, time in rehabilitation, or in long term care. When someone is admitted to the hospital it is uncertain that upon intake the individual is even asked if they practice or identify with a specific religion, and if they would like a visit from someone from their parish or faith community. If you have a family member or loved one who is in the hospital, receiving care outside the home, or is homebound and would like a visit or receive Holy Communion please let Deacon Dave know, 413-213-6625.

Online- Giving

If you'd like to participate in our e-giving program, please complete the two page form found on our website at www.saintpatrick.cc, listed under Parish/ About us, and submit it or return it to the rectory. This service is without cost to you or the parish and your entire gift goes to the parish. Once the form is received, we can begin the service the following month. If you have questions, please call the rectory. Copies also available at the rectory porch.

Keeping Advent at St. Patrick's

Advent Wreath– We invite our parishioners to light the Advent wreath at the beginning of Mass. Sign-up sheet is near the Tabernacle.

Advent Liturgical Dance– Our young people will assist in the lighting on Sunday, December 11th at the 9am Mass.

Advent Penance Service– Our Deanery Advent Penance Service will take place on Sunday, December 4th at 2pm at Our Lady of the Cross. We will have priests available for the celebration of the sacrament of penance. We hope you'll join us.

Advent reminds us that we are household servants who keep the lamps trimmed and the fires burning as a way of life, with a spirituality of mindfulness and vigilance. Parents who leave a light on in the hall for a son or daughter coming in late know the anxious edge of watchfulness.

What makes Advent joyful is that at the end of our watchfulness is good news, a birth announcement, new life and fresh hope for a tired, anxious world. Jesus' birth 2,000 years ago revealed that God is with us, is one of us. The Incarnation is a continuous process of transformation, of new creation within the shell of the old.

Advent spirituality can see in the dark, can find hope when mere optimism is not enough, interprets breakdown as breakthrough and hears bad news as a chance to show compassion, to accompany others as they search for God in suffering. Advent people demonstrate that patience and faith are better than anger and cynicism in times of trouble. One leads to wisdom, the other to burnout. They say: Wait and see what God can make out of a bad situation, how love over time turns hearts of stone into hearts of flesh, how even a small light can overcome the darkest night.

Watch and pray. Don't fall asleep. God may appear at any time. Blessings flow during the odd hours, the unexpected moments when "nothing" happens or we are distracted by false lights and empty promises. Advent signals us to be ready. Something wonderful is about to happen.

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All are welcome

Our Second annual GIVING TREE Confirmation Service Project kicks off on November 27th

Parishioners are invited to take a Christmas Wish Ornament from the trees, located by the Baptismal Font, beginning November 26th, and purchase the item written on it.
(You may take more than one ornament)
Please place your gift under the trees with the wish ornament firmly attached by December 18th.

Gifts will be distributed to local children in need in cooperation with Providence Ministry.
Any gifts received after December 18th will have to be held until next Christmas.
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