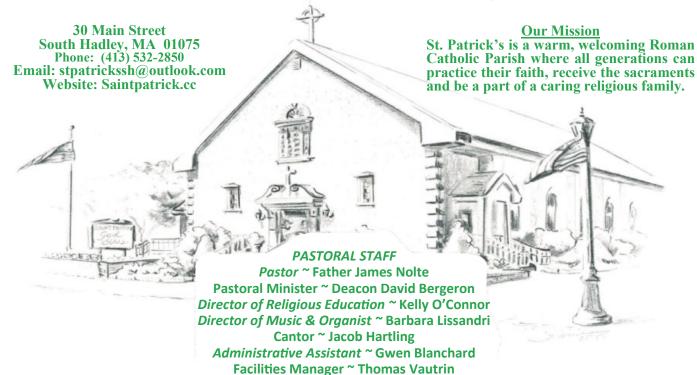
ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH



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:

9:00am - 10:30 am.....Grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Saturday: 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, 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, April 27

4:00 PM— William "Bill" Jozefczyk

By mother Nancy Landry

5:30 PM— Emma Bettencourt

By Family

Sunday, April 28

7:00 AM—Johnny Johnson

By Peg Johnson

9:00AM— Lester Levreault

By Family

11:00 AM— Colin Pedigo

By Family

Monday, April 29

7:00 AM— Raymond McIsaac

By Charlie and Sandra Kimball

Tuesday, April 30

7:00 AM— John and Margaret Walsh

By the Keohan Family

Wednesday, May 1

7:00 AM— Service

Thursday, May 2

7:00 AM— For the Intention of

Rebecca Koske

By Dad

Friday, May 3

7:00 AM— Parishioners

Saturday, May 4

4:00 PM— Richard Lacoste

By Wife and Family

5:30 PM— Kathryne Van Handle

By Family

Sunday, May 5

7:00 AM—Muriel and Leo Marcoux

By Pierrette Blanchet

9:00AM— Richard "Butch" Benoit

By Cindy, Melanie, Tanya and Mario

11:00 AM— Tan Vu Mary and

Hop Tran Joseph

By Family



Our Tabernacle Lamp burns this week for the intention of

William "Bill" Jozefczyk By mother Nancy Landry

Please call the Rectory to reserve the lamp



FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK

5th Sunday of Easter

My friend and fellow pastor, Father Paul, noticed unsightly, overgrown trees near his parish church. He asked the maintenance crew to cut back the growth, which they happily did, telling him the trees would be much healthier and even fuller after a good pruning. A few days later, Father Paul received a letter from an irate man in the neighborhood who wrote, "Jesus would never prune trees like that. He loves trees, unlike you."

I suspect that the neighbor was not familiar with this week's Gospel in which Jesus says of his Father, "He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit" (John 15:2) I don't mean to pick too much on that fellow. He was perhaps ignorant of arboriculture. But I'd wager his main confusion was the pruning and removing quality of God's love. That confusion afflicts us all to some degree, doesn't it? It is just so darn easy to react negatively when God cuts something out of our lives and assume it's not his work at all. In the moment, all we see is the loss, and not the loving desire for future flourishing.

The cross is the great pruning of Christ's body. Jesus' rising is the brand-new growth. It is God's promise to us that all the painful pruning in life is leading us somewhere beautiful. What has been cut back or out in your life? A friend, an opportunity, a sense of certainty, a job, health, a relationship? This week, offer those dry branches to the one who lovingly prunes us in order to make our lives burst with verdant growth.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Today's Prayer

Saul witnesses the risen Jesus and boldly proclaims his Lordship (1). We proclaim our belief in Jesus by our love for one another (2). He is the vine and we the branches (3). Together let us praise his name in our assembly of worship (Ps).



Fifth Sunday of Easter -April 28, 2024

Parish Events

Apr 27: Rel. Ed. Gr. 7-10 Social Center 9am

Apr 28: Take & Eat Social Center 8am

Apr 28: Rel. Ed. PreK-Gr 6 Mass then Class 9am

Apr 28: Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass Snack Bar

Apr 28: Prayer Service & Rosary Church noon

Apr 29-May 1: First Communion rehearsals 6pm

Apr 29: Lectio Divina (bible sharing)6pm Classroom

Apr 30: St. Monica Service after 7am Mass

May 1: Knitting Group 10am Chapel

May 1: Adult Choir rehearsal 6:30pm Chapel

May 2: Kate's Kitchen 8:30am Social Center

May 2: Toddler Playgroup 9:30am Social Center

May 3: Adoration 11:30am-4:30pm Church

May 3: Confessions 5-7pm Church

May 4: First Communion 10am Church

May 5: Crowning of Mary 9am Mass

May 5: Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass Snack Bar

May 5: Baptism noon Church



Live Stream Mass Schedule

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



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.



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

Mother's Day Cards

The Ladies Guild will be selling their beautiful Mother's Day cards in the vestibule after all Masses for two weeks—April 27th/28th and May 4th/5th. Give your loved ones, living or deceased, the spiritual gift of being remembered at all the Masses at St. Patrick's Church on Mother's Day. Cards are also available at the rectory. Price is \$3.00 each.

St. Patrick's Church ~ South Hadley, MA

Readings for the Week

Apr 27: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 14:7-14

Apr 28: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-3(26a) 1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

Apr 29: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 Jn 14:21-26

Apr 30: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 Jn 14:27-31a

May 1: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 Jn 15:1-8

May 2: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

May 3: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

May 4: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

May 5: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-1

Thank You

Thank you to the St. Patrick Ladies Guild for the Lenten lunch donation of \$1029.84. It is greatly appreciated.

Bishop Byrne Special Collection Letter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Greetings in the name of the Lord! On the weekend of April 27-28, 2024, a special collection will be taken-up for our Seminarian/Vocation

Fund and for our Retired Priests Fund.

Your financial support for the Seminarian/Vocation Fund helps the education and training of men who love the Lord and have been called to leave everything behind and follow Him in the Priesthood. Funds collected through this special collection help defray the expenses of formation and seminary education such as room and board, tuition, fees and health insurance for each seminarian. The cost for our young men studying at a seminary is nearly \$3,000.00 per month, per seminarian. This fund is used solely for seminarians of the Diocese of Springfield.

On the same weekend, we will be taking-up a collection for our Retired Priests Fund, which will benefit the retired priests from our own Diocese. Your gift to the Retired Priests Fund helps to provide for the ongoing needs of our retired priests and offers a way for us to give back to the priests who have served our Diocese so well.

Please consider donating to these special funds, for use here in our own Diocese, as an investment for the future and as just reward for the past.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support. With every good wish, I am

Your friend in Christ,

Most Reverend William D. Byrne

Bishop of Springfield



April Baptisms

St. Patrick's welcomes to our parish our newly baptized children:

Violet Frances Hoy Leilani Rose Jacobson



Coffee and Donut Reminder

Please join us in the social center snack bar Sunday's after the 9am Mass for Coffee and Donuts on: April 28, May 5, 19. It will then be scheduled to return in the fall.

Ladies Guild Scholarships

This year, St. Patrick's Ladies' Guild offers \$1000. scholarships for parish graduating seniors or nontraditional students who are planning to continue their education in a two or four year college. Applicants must be regular communicants as well as active in the St. Patrick's Parish community. Applications are available at the rectory porch or can be printed from the parish website: Saintpatrick.cc. They must be returned by Friday, May 3rd to the rectory porch drop box or via email to stpatrickssh@outlook.com.

Vocations to the Priesthood

"He had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus." Pray for those whom God is boldly calling forth to serve Him and His people as religious brothers. If you are considering this joy-filled vocation, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 413-248-7034 or via email: vocations@diospringfield.org.

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



Addiction is not only a physical or psychological disease, but a Spiritual disease

Join us on Sunday April 28th

At 12-noon 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



First Friday of the month Adoration



On the First Friday of each month

Adoration will be held from 11:30am-4:30pm

We will need at least 2 - 3 individuals each hour to be present with the Blessed Sacrament during this time.

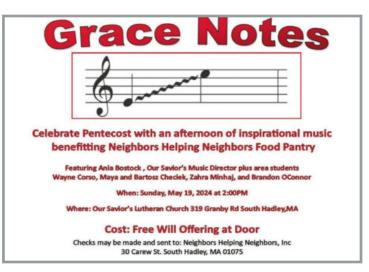
During First Friday Adoration the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed aloud together at 3pm.

A sign-up sheet will be on the table by the Tabernacle for Adoration and leading the Chaplet of Divine Mercy Prayers

Adoration will remain from 3pm-4:30pm all other Fridays

Easter Season Mission at Our Lady of the Cross

On Sunday, **April 28** and Monday, **April 29**, Our Lady of the Cross parish in Holyoke will be having an Easter Season Mission entitled "Igniting the Light of Christ Within You." The Mission begins at 6:30 pm on both evenings and will be given by Paul Koleske. Paul is a contemporary Catholic inspirational speaker, composer and recording artist from Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Paul has shared his ministry in all 50 states and has appeared on EWTN. All are welcome, the Mission is free.





St. Patrick's Ladies Guild Fun May Picnic Night May 15, 2024 Social Center

Come and enjoy a night together

Appetizers

Chips, Pretzels, and Salsa & Queso Tortilla Chips

Main Meal

Roasted Hot Dogs, Sliders - roast beef w/ Swiss cheese; ham w/ American cheese & turkey w/ provolone,
Potato Salad, Fruit Salad, Macaroni Salad, and Baked Beans

Dessert

Make Your Own Sundaes

Beverages

Water, Soda, & Seltzer Drinks or BYOB

The evening will begin with Mass at 5:30, followed by the meal.

Cost: \$10.00 per member Payment due by: May 8, 2024



Please join us for the evening

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RETURN WITH PAYMENT

Payment can be :

Mailed to: Sheila Bourbeau, 264 Ingleside St., Holyoke, MA 01040

Put in the collection basket

Put in the Drop Box on the Rectory Porch

Mailed to: The Ladies Guild c/o St. Patrick's Church at 30 Main St., South Hadley, MA 01040

NAME	
AMOUNT:	



Please fill out this form and place in the collection basket or drop in the Rectory Dropbox by APRIL 28TH, in order for us to have an appropriate count.

_____ Number of ADULTS & CHILDREN over 12

Number of CHILDREN under 12

CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

NEXT WEEKEND IS COMMITMENT WEEKEND!

During Mass, Fr. James will ask every family to join him in support of the campaign by turning in or filling out a pledge card. Every gift of every size is needed.

Together, as a parish family, we can make this campaign a resounding success!





"Do things for people not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are."

-Mother Teresa

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