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Parish Ministries

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Mr. Peter Hollenbeck: (860) 693-8499

Choir Director

Mr. Chris Casey: (860) 904-8138

Building & Grounds Committee

Peter Hollenbeck: (860) 693-8499

Haitian Ministry

Mrs. Sharon Fuller: (860) 916-7610

Human Needs Ministry

Mrs. Terry St. Gelais: (860) 916-6163

Lectio Divina

Mr. Rich Stoops: (203) 910-5588

Youth Ministry Program

Coordinator Needed

ym@spcolct.org

Liturgy Committee

Call Rectory: (860) 693-8727

Men's Fraternity

Mr. Rich Stoops: (203) 910-5588

Men's Retreat

Mr. Moe Poirier: (860) 693-4692

Tom Turick: (860) 605-9092

Parish Council President

Mrs. Sarah Hollenbeck: (860) 693-8499

Imago Dei (Pro-Life) Ministry

Mrs. Carline Thurston: (860) 899-4044

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CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

SPYRIT 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Youth Group

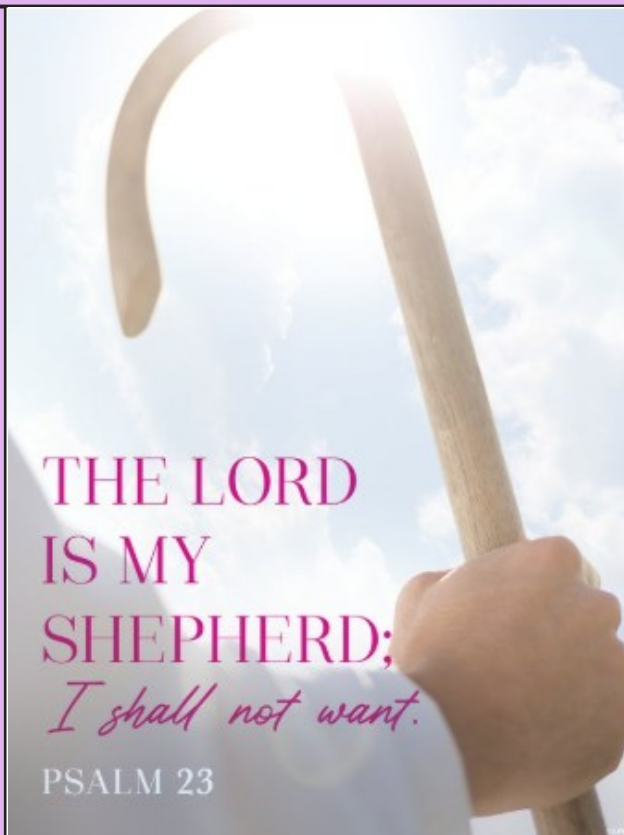
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Usher/Greeter Ministry

Mr. David Sherman: (860) 810-8594

Women of St. Patrick's

(860) 693-8727



St Patrick's Cemeteries

Our parish has two active cemeteries Calvary Cemetery in Collinsville and St Patrick's in Burlington. Call the Office for more details.

Handicapped Access

Please enter through the rear entrance of the Church

Allergies

Parishioners suffering from gluten should speak to the Pastor about their needs. We have low gluten options available.

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Chris Casey

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

10:00am - 4:00pm

Closed Friday

Ordinary Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am

Mon, Tues, Wed 8:00am

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Please see bulletin for times.

Holy Hour & Adoration

Typically, the last Wednesday of every

Month from 7:00 - 8:00 pm

(Please check the bulletin for any schedule changes.)

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm

Ministry to the Homebound

If you wish to receive communion,
please call the Rectory.

Baptism

Please call the Rectory

Marriage

Please make arrangements at least six
months in advance.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 25

5:00 pm Peter Zoni

Sunday, April 26

8:00 am Frank Laurette III as requested by Christine & Richard Masotti

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick's

Monday, April 27

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patricks

Tuesday, April 28

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patricks

Wednesday, April 29

8:00 am Edward & Rita Kozlak & son John as requested by the Kozlak Family

Thursday, April 30

8:00 am No Mass

Friday, May 1

8:00 am No Mass

Saturday, May 2

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patricks

Sunday, May 3

8:00 am Buddy Lester as requested by Donna Potwin

10:00 am Parishioners of St Patricks

Parish Support

Week of 4/16/26 to 4/22/26

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 2,733.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,137.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 3,870.00

Facilities \$ 35.00

Monthly - Lawn Care

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 1,203.06

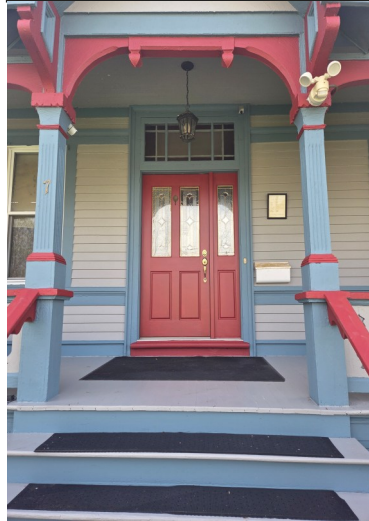
Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 59.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ 1,262.00

Grand Total: \$ 5,167.00

Thank you for your generous and continued support of our St Patrick's family!

Have you noticed the new paint job on the Parish Rectory?



The painting of the rectory is officially completed. This project ensures the longevity of the building and keeps the campus looking beautiful!



Faith Formation

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Apr 26	9-10 am	Group A Classes (9:15 - First Grade Parent Mtng)
	2:30 pm	Celebration of Confirmation
	4:45 pm	Celebration of First Reconciliation
	6-7:30 pm	Group B Classes
	7 pm	6th, 7th, & 8th Parent Meeting
May 1	5:15 pm	Mandatory Rehearsal & Celebration for FHC
May 2	10 am	Celebration of First Holy Communion
May 3	9-10 am	Group A Celebration
	10 am	Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass
		Recognition of newly Confirmed
	6-7:30 pm	Group B Celebration



Bringing Up the Gifts this weekend of April 25/26

8:00 Mass -First Communion Candidates - Mary Hollenbeck, Ophelia Jamieson ,

10:00 Mass- First Communion Candidates -

Sophia Lee, Mina LeBlanc- Nair, Stephen Janecko, Sean Janecko & Jacob Manion

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR

In the past year, my wireless provider introduced something called HD Voice. Suddenly, the voice I heard on my phone was unbelievably clear and it felt at times like both the caller and I were in the same room. The best aspect of this feature is that it didn't cost the customer any additional fees and it didn't require any changes to the phone. I could say it was free, but I suspect I was already paying for it in my monthly bill anyway. At least it felt free.

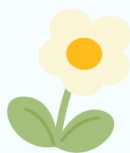
The clearer the voice calling you, the easier it is to recognize who it is on the other end of the call. How clearly can you hear the voice of Jesus Christ? In John's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the gatekeeper who opens the gate and calls for his sheep. They respond because they know his voice. Others try to lure the sheep when the gatekeeper is not there, but the sheep find their voices unclear or unfamiliar.

Jesus is our gatekeeper, but unlike receiving something for free from a wireless company, to be able to hear his voice we need to pay attention and practice listening. By developing a stewardship way of life that is mindful and prayerful, we become attuned to his voice and are able to discern when the call is from our Lord and when it is from an imposter. It is great to talk about all the things we can do and all the gifts we can share, but if we are not listening for his call to hear where our offerings are needed, we can end up like a lost sheep searching for the gatekeeper.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS THAT HELP WITH THE " SPRING CLEANING " OF THE CHURCH & RECTORY GARDEN BEDS! EDGING , WEEDING & MULCHING THE GARDEN BEDS!

Our volunteers were Dave Sherman, Rob Dupre, Pete, Sarah, Ben & Mary Hollenbeck, Walter Klimczak, Dcn Ken Bangs, Jeff Leduc, Bryce Floyd, Ralph Vilardi and our garden mascot Amaretta Bella!

Thank you for helping to beautify our beautiful St Patrick Church!!!🌱

Today is:



Our Lady of Knock Parish - Unionville & St. Patrick Church - Collinsville Haiti Ministry
Invites you to attend its



BENEFIT NIGHT

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

at

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us on Wednesday, April 29, 7:00pm for
Eucharistic Adoration

Readings for the week of April 26, 2026

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/ Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18
(second choice)

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/ Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a/ Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/ Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/ Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

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

Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 26, 2026 4th Sunday of Easter John 10:1-10

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11

My most boring job was working at an insurance company as a college student. My main task? Filing. Now imagine if I had told my supervisor, "I just want you to know, I'm willing to die for these files." She would have called a psychiatrist — or at least security.

There is something absurd in Jesus' words in today's Gospel: **"I am the good shepherd... I lay down my life for the sheep."** (John 10:11) It sounds noble, until you think about it. No one dies for sheep. Not a hired hand. Not even a good shepherd. Sheep are important, sure, but not worth a human life.

And yet, Jesus insists: *I will die for them.* The crowd understandably responds: **"He is out of his mind."**

C.S. Lewis once said that Jesus does not leave us the option of calling him merely a good teacher. If someone speaks like him, he is either lying, crazy, or telling the truth. John's Gospel won't let us stay sentimental. Jesus means it. He reveals a love that surpasses logic — a love that measures worth not by strength or success, but by the willingness to suffer unto death.

The Good Shepherd's madness is mercy. His cross makes no earthly sense and yet it makes divine sense. He lays down his life not for kings or saints but for sheep — for the ordinary, the unworthy, for you and me.

Think of someone who may feel unworthy of love. Do something simple and generous for them, not because they deserve it, but because Jesus did the same for you.

— Father John Muir

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In Loving Memory

"Ann Golder"

Who funeral mass was held here on Saturday.

April 18

May her soul rest in peace. May God grant comfort & consolation to her family and friends

Saint of the week - St Catherine of Siena



St. Catherine of Siena (1347–1380) was a 14th-century Italian mystic, Dominican tertiary, and influential theologian who played a key role in returning the papacy from Avignon to Rome. Known for her intense asceticism and charity, she was declared a Doctor of the Church and is a patron saint of Italy.

Born to a large family in Siena, she began having mystical visions at age six and pledged her life to Christ, later joining the Sisters of Penitence of St. Dominic. Known for extreme fasting and prayer, she experienced a "spiritual espousal" to Christ and was later known to bear the marks of the stigmata. She was active in politics, urging Pope Gregory XI to return the papacy from Avignon to Rome and negotiating peace for the Papal States. She authored *The Dialogue of Divine Providence* and hundreds of letters, which are considered masterpieces of spiritual theology. She died at age 33 and was canonized in 1461, later declared a Doctor of the Church in 1970. She is remembered as a "holy woman" (santa donna) who combined a profound interior life with active service to the Church.

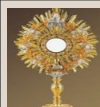
PLEASE VOLUNTEER

WE NEED YOU!

The Parish Council needs 2-3 young parish members to serve on the Parish Council.

Should be at least a sophomore in high school, confirmed or in confirmation studies.

If you have questions, are interested or know someone who is please contact, Walter at wklimczak57@gmail.com.



Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration

Our Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration will be held on the last Wednesday of the month.

Schedule of Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration

April 29	7:00 PM	May 27	7:00 PM
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Word of Life † April 26

"Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and they inaccurately believe that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'"

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Every Suicide is Tragic" uscbb.org/every-suicide-tragic



April 29	Holy Hour and Eucharist Adoration 7:00 PM
April 30	Bell Choir Church Loft 7:00 PM
May 3	May Crowning 10:00 am mass

Saint Patrick Parish

We Want Your Questions!
Have comments or suggestions?
Yes, we take those too!

We want to hear from you.
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If you are new to the Parish, or have a new address, email or phone number, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket.

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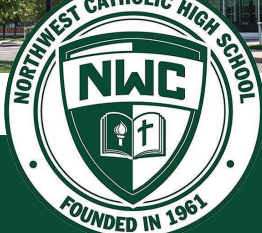




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