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Coordinator Needed

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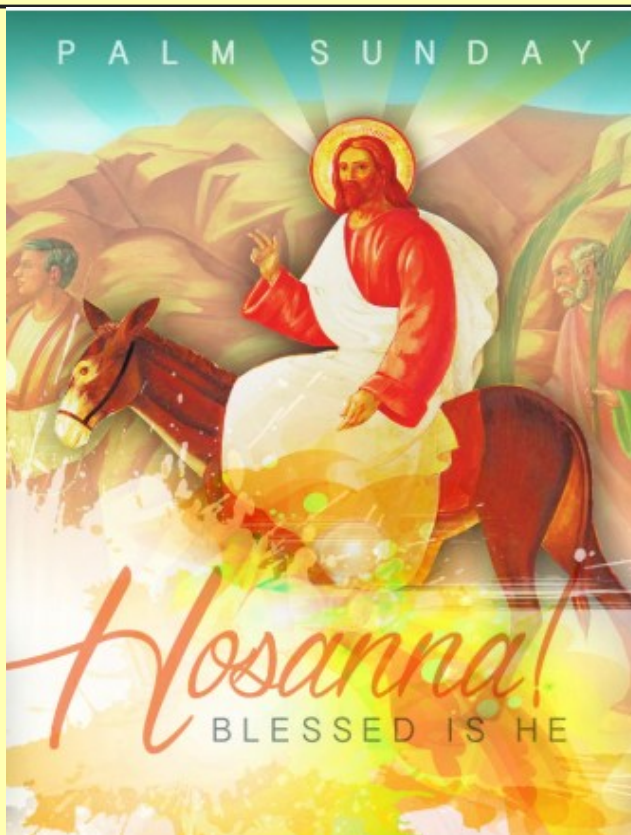
CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

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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.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 28

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Patrick

Sunday, March 29

8:00 am Stanislaw Piendak as requested by the Collins Family

10:00 am Special Intention as requested by Lori Kluessendorf

Monday, March 30

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

Tuesday, March 31

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

Wednesday, April 1

8:00 am Parishioners of St Patrick

Thursday, April 2

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 3

3:00 pm Liturgy

Saturday, April 4

8:00 pm Paul Muhs as requested by the Bangs Family

Sunday, April 5

8:00 am Paul & Beverly Bangs as requested by the Bangs Family

10:00 am Enderline Anaeché

Faith Formation

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mar 29	9-10 am	Blessing Bag Project - All Grades
Apr 3	7 pm	YOUTH STATIONS OF THE CROSS
April 5 - April 18 NO CLASSES Easter & April Vacation		
Apr 19	11:15 am	Confirmation Year 1
	12:30 - 2 pm	Confirmation Year 2 - Check-ins
	6-7:20 pm	First Holy Communion Mandatory Rehearsal
Apr 26	9-10 am	Group A Classes
	2:30 pm	Celebration of Confirmation
	4:45 pm	Celebration of First Reconciliation
	6-7:30 pm	Group B Classes
May 1	5:15 pm	Mandatory Rehearsal & Celebration for FHC



Easter Youth Choir

The Youth Choir will meet immediately following the 10:00 am mass in the choir loft. It will meet from 11:00 am till 12:00 noon for the next three weeks. This choir will be singing for the 10:00 am mass on Easter Sunday. For additional information contact our Music Director, Chris Casey at keystcasey@aol.com.

Parish Support

Week of 3/19/26 to 3/24/26

Weekly Collections (Envelopes & Cash): \$ 4,012.00

Weekly Collection (Online Giving): \$ 1,157.00

Weekly Collections Total (Env./Cash/Online): \$ 5,169.00

Facilities \$ 0.00

Monthly - Facilities Fund

Monthly Collection (Envelopes & Cash) \$ 466.00

Monthly Collection (Online Giving) \$ 15.00

Monthly Collection Total \$ 481.00

Grand Total: \$ 5,650.00

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

We Need You!

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU OR YOUR CHILD JOIN OUR

Altar Serving Ministry

Please scan the QR code for more information!



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

YEAR A PALM SUNDAY PASSION OF THE LORD MARCH 29, 2026

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR

As a Catholic, I am very grateful for the wonderful expression of the Mass. When united in this liturgical experience, we are not only present to the reality of the bread and wine becoming the real presence of Jesus, but are also connected spiritually to the institution of the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper and to the future heavenly banquet at the end of time. During the Eucharistic Prayer, this is a time to be truly as mindful as we can to what is happening in our midst. Our effort to completely surrender ourselves to the moment is a true act of stewardship.

When we hear the Gospel reading of the passion and death of Jesus at Mass, we are also being called to give of ourselves completely to the moment and to be truly caught up in the story. We should strive to be there at the events of over two thousand years ago, but also to what the reality of those events mean for us today. To do this effectively, we need to spend more time reflecting on the dynamics of the events of Jesus' passion. Hopefully, our Lent has been fruitful and we have spent time with devotions like the Stations of the Cross. Maybe we have taken time to read Scripture slowly and deliberately, taking time to let each aspect sink into our mind and spirit. If Lent has been instead a time of too much business and not much prayer and reflection, the good news is that it is never too late.

During this Holy Week, take some time to enter into the story of the Passion. Good stewardship calls us to not only give of that which can be seen, but also that which cannot be seen. Surrender your mind, body, and spirit to Jesus. He carries his cross before you and beckons you to follow him.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Bringing Up the Gifts this weekend of Mar 28/29

5:00 Mass -First Communion Candidates
Jonathan & Brandon Casano, James Marich, Yvette Comer

8:00 Mass -First Communion Candidates -Mary Hollenbeck, Gavin Niemann, Ophelia Jamieson, Kaylee Belmonte, Peter Slavin

10:00 Mass -First Communion Candidates—Mina LeBlanc, Sophia Lee, Jacob Manion, Stephen & Sean Janecko, Michael & Daniel Violante



CONFESSION

In addition to Saturday, 4 pm confessions, we will have Confessions every **Monday, 6 pm-7 pm throughout the Lenten Season**. Come and experience the Mercy of God through the power of the Sacrament.



Stations of the Cross

Throughout the Lenten Season, Stations of the Cross will be held every **Friday at 7:00 pm**.

Please join us!



ACTIVITIES FOR THE

HOLY WEEK 2026

Holy Thursday April 2

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM

Holy hour follows immediately

after the 7:00 PM mass

Good Friday April 3

Liturgy at 3:00 PM

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday April 4

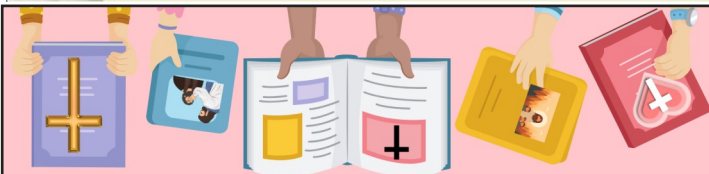
Easter Food Basket Blessing - 10:00 AM

Easter Vigil Mass - 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday April 5

Masses at 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

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Collinsville, CT



Catholic BOOKS!

St. Patrick's Little Free Catholic Library has been restocked & is waiting for you! Come check out the beautiful titles; there's something for everyone!

Please enjoy the books for as long as you like but please return them when you're done!

Our Little Free Library is located on the side lawn between the church & the rectory.



Readings for the week of March 29, 2026

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66

or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2 and 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17 and 25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: *Easter Vigil*: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/

Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/

Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/

Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/

Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

(3)/

Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/

Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-(24)

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9

or Mt 28:1-10 Or Lk 24:13-35

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE-

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Matthew 26:14-27:66

Just prior to this week's Passion narrative in St. Matthew's Gospel, there is a small, striking story describing a woman's scandalous action toward Jesus: **"A woman came up to him with an alabaster jar of costly perfumed oil, and poured it on his head"** (Matthew 26:7). The ointment was pure nard, worth more than 300 denarii. A year's wages. Maybe a dowry, maybe a family inheritance. In any case, she breaks it. She does not measure or ration. She pours it all out, irreversibly, over Jesus. Why does this image begin Holy Week?

Because what she does with the jar, Jesus will soon do with his life. The jar must be broken so the fragrance can be released. Jesus' body will be broken so his priceless divine and human love can be poured out. She gives everything, just as he is about to give everything. And He sees it: **"She has done a good thing for me"** (Matthew 26:10). Her act is lavish, impractical, scandalous in its apparent wastefulness. And he loves it. It is what Holy Week is all about.

What jar are you still holding onto? Your time? Your comfort? Your plan for how life should go? Don't just wave palms today. Let yourself be broken open so your love, too, can be poured out.

Lenten Challenge: Offer something costly to Jesus this Holy Week — not out of guilt, but love. Your attention. Your forgiveness. Your time. Break the jar. Trust that nothing poured out for him is ever wasted.

— Father John Muir

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Saint of the week - St Gladys

Saint Gladys, also known as Gwladys, was a 6th-century Welsh queen and Christian saint. She was the daughter of King Brychan of Brycheiniog in Wales. Her life is intertwined with legend; notably, she was abducted by King Gwynllwg of Gwynllwg, leading to a legendary battle involving King Arthur and his knights. Later, Gwynllwg embraced Christianity and became a hermit, influenced by Gladys and their son, Saint Cadoc. Gladys herself lived a life of piety, founding a hermitage at Pencarn in Bassaleg, South Wales. She is venerated in the Roman Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion, with her feast day celebrated on March 29.

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 wklimczk57@gmail.com



EASTER BASKET FOOD BLESSING

Holy Saturday~ April 4 ~ 10:00 am

The **"Blessing of the Easter Basket"** is one of the most beloved and enduring traditions of Eastern Europeans on Holy Saturday during Easter. Baskets contain a sampling of Easter food and are brought to church on Holy Saturday to be blessed. The Easter food items and other items have a specific significance.

Please plan on creating your own family Easter basket and bring it to **St Patrick's Church** to be blessed on Holy Saturday!



Save THE Date
JULY 16 2026

Save the date for the 4th Annual Sparkle for Hope to Benefit Divine Hope Mission on Thursday, July 16, 2026 at the beautiful Raymond Family Farm in New Hartford. More details will follow. For more information about Divine Hope Mission visit www.divinehopemission.com



April 4	EASTER BASKET FOOD BLESSING 10:00 am
April 6	Human Needs Committee Meeting Parish Hall 7:00 pm
April 7	Parish Council Meeting Parish Hall 6:30 pm
April 14	WSP Meeting Parish Hall 6:30 pm



Women of St Patrick Scholarship Applications Now Available

Applications for the WSP Memorial Scholarship are now available in the vestibule of the church. The WSP will be presenting scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are active members in St Patrick Parish and plan to further their education in the Fall 2026, This includes a four or two year college, vocational school or training and online study. The scholarships are given in memory of the deceased members of the WSP and Ladies Guild.

Completed scholarship applications are due by **APRIL 23, 2026 at 12 noon!** Completed application may be submitted any time before April 23 2026 at Noon and are to be placed in the designated box located in the vestibule of the church (Monday – Wednesday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm or during normal mass hours) or in the marked box on the front porch of rectory (Monday – Thursday 10:00 am – 3:30 pm). **NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

New Member Registration /Change of Registration

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.

It may also be mailed to:

St Patrick Church, 50 Church St, Collinsville, CT 06019

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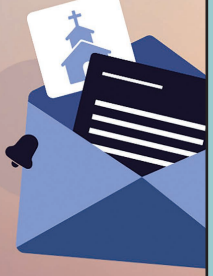
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