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In Communion with the Charismatic Episcopal Church
an international Catholic denomination

Saint Patrick's is a welcoming Catholic Community.
The church is accessible to wheelchairs with assistance.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 4, 2026

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil Mass **5:00 pm**
Sunday Masses **8:30 and 10:30 am**
Coffee hour follows 8:30 Mass Weekly
Weekday Masses (Monday and Friday 12noon)
Holy Day Mass **7:00 pm** or as announced

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Roger H. Durand	Pastor
Rev. Mr. Noel Sanchez	Deacon
Ms Felicia Baker	Music Director

The Office is open by Appointment only

Sacramental Information

Baptism

Congratulations! At the family's convenience after consultation with the Pastor usually during a weekend Mass

Marriage

Congratulations! Celebrated at the couple's Convenience after consultation with the Pastor

First Communion / Confirmation

Celebrated annually following appropriate instruction

Anointing and Pastoral Care of the Sick

Home, hospital, nursing home visits gladly made upon notification by the family

Anointing after all Masses 1st Weekend

Parish Membership

We welcome you to join our growing parish family! Registration cards available at church entrance and offering envelopes are available as desired.

Celiac Disease

We provide Gluten Free (99%) Host for Communion if needed. Please speak with the Pastor before Mass.

Cry Area

We welcome all children, but should a child become difficult, feel free to take the child to the baptistery

Text Message Feedback Line

(401) 944-0001

We want your feedback – Good and bad

All are welcome here

***No matter what your church status, your current family or marital situation,
no matter what your personal history, age, background,
race and regardless of personal worthiness... YOU are welcome***

Reflections on the Weekend Scriptures

Isaiah 5:1–7/Philippians 4:6–9 /Matthew 21:33–43

- Jesus would have been familiar with Isaiah’s parable about the vineyard gone bad. He would have also expected that the chief priests and elders he was addressing were familiar with it as well. In that light, they would have all realized that not too many years after Isaiah spoke his words, the house of Israel and the kingdom of Judah fell to the invading Babylonians. The king was captured, his sons were executed, the temple was destroyed, and most of the Jewish people were exiled. Six centuries later, Jesus begins his parable with an almost identical description of a vineyard, then speaks of servants being mistreated and killed. In Isaiah’s parable, the vineyard—the kingdom on earth—is destroyed. However, Jesus’ vineyard—the kingdom of God—is given to those who will tend it responsibly and produce its fruit.
- We are neither the owner nor the builder of the vineyard. We are the ten ants, tending to the vineyard so that the vines will produce good fruit. Recall that elsewhere Jesus called himself the vine and his disciples the branches. He told them to remain in him and the vine would bear much fruit. We remain in Christ when we make him the cornerstone of our lives. When we make him our cornerstone, we willingly pursue and exercise the virtues Saint Paul lists in the second reading: truth, honor, justice, purity, love, and graciousness. In doing so, we produce the good fruit of the kingdom of God.
- It can be quite difficult to handle an unplanned pregnancy or to care for an elderly family member who needs round-the-clock attention. Those who are at vulnerable stages of life may be ignored by authorities, by people unwilling to make that kind of sacrifice, and by legislators who make it easier for them to be rejected or discarded. At times like this, it is especially important to heed Paul’s virtues and do what is honorable, what is gracious, and what is worthy of praise.

Question of the Week

**When have I failed to do what is honorable and praiseworthy?
What challenges have I overcome in cases where
I did what was honorable and praiseworthy?**

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Next Weekend’s Readings

Isaiah 25:6–10a/Philippians 4:12–14 /Matthew 22:1–14

Mass Intentions

Sanctuary Light – In Prayer for the Good Health / Recovery of the Ill of the parish

Sat	Oct 3	5:00pm	Souls of Biagio and Leona Izzi
Sun	Oct 4	8:30am	Soul of Theresa Covington
		10:30am	For a Special Intention
Mon	Oct 5	12 noon	For a Special Intention
Fri	Oct 9	12 noon	For a Special Intention

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Sat	Oct 10	5:00pm	Soul of Marie A. Blumenthal
Sun	Oct 11	8:30am	Soul of Thomas Florio
		10:30am	For a Special Intention
Mon	Oct 12	12 noon	For a Special Intention
Fri	Oct 16	12 noon	For a Special Intention

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From the Pastor

This week, I wanted to speak with you about Mass attendance and parish support. First, let's get the support out of the way. As you are all aware, each active member of the parish (individual or family) pledges, along with me and your deacon, to

support the parish to the best of your ability. As far as “to the best of your ability is concerned, some do and sadly, others chose a different path. During the month of September, income from pledges (the foundation of our income), dropped 20% from what was expected.. Many months, income may be down slightly, but 20% is cause for alarm. At the

same time, we are busy repairing the church structure and cannot pay the expense our of day to day income and therefore must spend savings. The repairs need to be made and we will continue to spend down savings. I bring this all to your attention and ask both that you please keep your pledges current and if possible, become a little more generous towards the support of your parish.

Obviously, support goes hand in hand with Mass attendance. Our "core" parish of weekly Mass attendance folk continues to decline, for a number of reasons. Some controllable, others not. Beyond that, we have apathy and lack of priority. Both of these, we can do something about and I encourage everyone to consider the many, many, many blessings we receive each week and then the process of giving thanks at Mass, which has been the principle way of thanking God since the time of Christ. When there are times when you cannot attend Mass, we offer two Masses during the week and weekly reflections on the scriptures contained in this bulletin. That is their purpose.

To those who attend Mass rarely, please try better and to all, please support the parish. Thank you. Fr. Roger

September Birthdays God bless you now and in the year ahead! *Bart Lonardo (4), Adrien Mercure (18), Karen Medina, Bob Buonaccorsi and Bernie Blumenthal (21), Fran Chatelle (23) and Chris Reitman (25).*

September Special Collection we ask your generosity to assist the parish with utilities once a month. Please give to this special collection.

Clothing Collection Shed A home for your unwanted Clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, towels, sheets, pillowcases, curtains and stuffed toys! We appreciate your participation. The shed is emptied regularly. Thank you.

2025 Statistics: *we collected 22,965 pounds of clothing, benefiting about 4,230 people around the world. Your donations do make a difference!!*

Claire M Durand Flower Fund. This memorial fund is receiving donations to help with flowers in the church. envelopes at the door to keep us in fresh flowers.

Prayer List For prayers for our loved ones: Cathy Mizzoni, Tom Jeffrey, Mary Masse, Jim Gallagher, Bettie Lombard, Rita Miller, Rebecca Eagen, Ken Ryan, Ron Nastari, Carol Zelano, Michael Lofton, Norma Marcello, Mark Garafalo, Michael, Sarah, Connie Iannuccilli, Manuel

Costa, Kathy Slater, Robert Marcoux, Michael Costa, Jean Brown, Ron Cioe, Hilda Degnan, Albert Costa, Dave Costa, Ron Kine, Lynne Montiero, Colleen Maniscalco, Don DiNuccio, Lynn Regan and Joan Pagliuca, Raymond Rounds, Lacey Hogue. Bretton Pierce. Carl Tirocchi, Nick Pond.

Tools for School For many years, before his death, Ray Horbert spearheaded this effort to make a difference in the local Cranston School System with educational materials for elementary school kids. In the back of the narthex, there is a box placed to receive donations. All manner of school materials are acceptable, with an emphasis on backpacks, and smaller carry items. That with pens, paper, notebooks, etc is what is normally needed. Please consider assisting this community effort **Last Chance is this weekend**

Split the Pumpkins Raffle Its that time of the year with "pumpkin" everything! Here, we offer a Split the Pot Raffle in celebration of Halloween. Tickets are \$1.00 each (better than the Dollar Store) with a drawing on October 31st and a second and third prize! Take a chance and split that Pumpkin with St Patricks! At the door....and thank you for your support!

Clam Cakes and Chowda! Join us for an easy afternoon on Sunday October 4th, 12 – 2pm for an opportunity to spend time together under the pavilion enjoying Chowder (red and white) with clam cakes, refreshments and desserts. Sign up on the bulletin board. No cost to anyone.

Fall Harvest Dinner! A harvest turkey dinner will celebrate the Coming of Fall on Saturday, November 14th at 6pm. Join us for a great meal and lots of root vegetables! Sign up on the bulletin board. No cost to anyone.

September Financial Report

Stewardship Pledges	\$6,565.00
Monthly Pledged Budget	\$7,850.00*
Actual Rec'd to Expected	\$1,285.00-
Special Collection	\$ 751.00
Available to Charity	\$ 657.00-
Diocesan Tax	\$ 591.00-
Net Income to the Parish	\$ 6,068.00

Thank you for your support!

*1/12 of annual pledged financial support

Remembering In your charity, please keep Kathy Bruni and family in your thoughts and prayers as she recently lost her mother, Florence Brown. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

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**Would there be enough
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