



Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 19, 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
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***

Reflections on the Weekend Scriptures

Wisdom 12:13, 16–1 /Romans 8:26–27 /Matthew 13:24–43

- The weed in the first parable we hear today is dandelion, an insidious weed because in its early stages of growth it looks very much like wheat. Sometimes referred to as “false wheat,” it can induce sleep or even death. No wonder Jesus expected that most people would agree that it should be pulled out as soon as possible. But because in their early stages dandelion is difficult to distinguish from good wheat, trying to eradicate one hundred percent of the bad wheat would also eradicate some percentage of the good wheat. And the kingdom of heaven is not a place where even one shoot of good wheat should be thrown out with the bad. Hence the call to wait until the good wheat and the false wheat have matured and shown their true natures. In a similar way, we may perceive someone as toxic, but they may just not have matured yet.
- You know what else looks alike? Three measures of wheat flour and three measures of wheat flour with a handful of yeast mixed in. No one can tell just from looking at both piles initially, or even when each is made into dough. But over time, one will rise and the other will not. The kingdom of heaven in our midst may likewise be imperceptible, hidden among all the worldly matters that manifest themselves in the headlines or within our neighborhoods or towns. But like mustard seeds, the kingdom blossoms and grows among us, microscopically at first, but eventually large enough to give a home for many.
- At the Last Supper, Jesus assures the disciples that “in my Father’s house there are many dwelling places” (John 14:2). As the mustard bush provides many dwelling places for birds, the kingdom provides many dwelling places for us. With God’s grace, we spend our lives nurturing the mustard bush so that it continues to grow and expand, inviting more and more disciples to flock in its branches.

Question of the Week

**How can I nurture the kingdom of God in my community,
drawing more and more others to dwell inside it?**

Next Weekend’s Readings

1 Kings 3:5, 7–12 /Romans 8:28–30/Matthew 13:44–52

Mass Intentions

Sanctuary Light – In Prayer for the Good Health / Recovery Nick Pond

Sat	July 18	5:00pm	Souls Biagio & Leona Izzi
Sun	July 19	8:30am	Good Health / Recovery Christine Ryan
		10:30am	Soul of Jeanne Chatelle
Mon	July 20	12 noon	Mass Cancelled
Fri	July 24	12 noon	For a Special Intention

Sat	July 25	5:00pm	Souls Biagio & Leona Izzi
Sun	July 26	8:30am	Good Health / Recovery Nick Pond
		10:30am	Soul of Mrs Bertha Radigan
Mon	July 27	12 noon	Good Health / Recovery Nick Pond
Fri	July 31	12 noon	For a Special Intention

From the Pastor

This weekend, we hear Matthew’s parable of the wheat and weeds growing together. It is an excellent reminder to us that God indeed lets the good and the bad exist side by side, lest any of the “good” wheat be lost in the pruning of the weeds.

Have you ever noticed how life kind of works the same way. We all have seen situations where the good and the bad co exist together. It is almost like the bad being given a chance to change to the good for the final harvest. In Matthew’s parable, they both appear closely to be the same with the only definitive action coming at the harvest where there is reward and punishment based upon the nature of our lives. We do have a “farmer” God of infinite

patience and kindness. It is in our behavior that trouble exists. The best part of the message is the reward of eternal life available to all "repentant" weeds and we have a full lifetime to repent. While most of us, I would guess, would have little trouble listing our virtues, it may be a bit more difficult to face our faults in the mirror. Yet, this is what we are called to, and not only do it, but do it honestly. The summer time is a great opportunity to reflect on our lives and see where we are not so much in life, but in the bigger picture of eternal life. It's worth the effort.

I also need report that we still have a "visiter" entering the church regularly. This week, this was reported to me, although well after the fact. I addressed the situation with a trap to see if this was the case, and it certainly is. The sacristy door now has its deadbolt back and that should be that.

Finally, We will be having a lot of deferred repairs done in the month ahead. I would estimate the cost to be over \$5,000 and under \$10,000. We do not have the money at hand for this and had to withdraw it from savings. Please, keep up your Stewardship Pledges as this helps us greatly. In normal operations, we have income sufficient for day to day needs, but not for repairs. Maybe someday we will. Fr. Roger

July Birthdays God bless you now and in the year ahead! *Greg Richards (11), Abigail Bruni (18), Mary Bruni (24) and Jason Desrosiers (28).*

July Special Collection we ask your generosity to assist the parish with utilities once a month. Please help.

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 with 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.

Summer Luau For many year, Marc and Deb have had a Toys for Tots "toy" Luau at their home in Coventry. **This year it is on Saturday July 25th beginning at 1pm** (Details on the bulletin board) There will be many there and you are welcome to enjoy the day. They ask the donation of Toys and will make this easier by supplying a box in the back of the church to receive them. It was kind to extend to all and will be a good time.

Summer Bingo! Join us on Saturday, July 11 following Mass for a Bingo event in the lower church. THANK YOU! Once again, the evening was a lot of fun. The evening was well organized and help came from many quarters, and is all appreciated.

Upcoming Summer Events

--August 16th is the annual Summer picnic out of doors under the pavilion in our prayer garden.

Mass Intentions Needed There is no greater act of charity than to remember a loved one with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. When we have a Mass offered for someone, we pray for them and ask for a merciful judgment.

Common time to offer Masses is on birthday remembrances, special holy days and also the anniversary of someone's death. There is a form to request this at the entrance of the church.

Parish Necrology. During the Month of July, we remember Margaret Pitts on July 7th. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord!

Bulletin Advertising There are 3 spaces available for bulletin advertising. Cost is \$65.00 for the entire year. Please speak with Fr. Roger if this interests you.

Weekday Masses Join us on Monday and Friday for Mass at noon!

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