



Saint Patrick Catholic Church

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

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time–Sept 13, 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

Sirach 27:30—28:7/Romans 14:7–9/Matthew 18:21–35

- In a way, today's Gospel is a logical extension of the golden rule. Earlier, Jesus taught his disciples, "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you" (Matthew 7:12). Today's parable teaches them: Forgive others as you would have them forgive you. He closes with the kicker: God will forgive you as you forgive others. None of us is sinless. None of us always does the right thing. None of us is proud of our weakest moment. Yes, we may be in the right in whatever case is leading to our resentment or anger. But if we don't forgive the person who injured us, we can't expect forgiveness from God, let alone a neighbor we ourselves have wronged.
- It is one thing to forgive a minor slight, but forgiving a terrible crime is tremendously difficult. Life in prison without parole and the death penalty are consequences applied in our country to punish those found guilty of a terrible crime. Many people would say that they deserve it. As justified as we may feel in applying these sentences, both Jesus and Sirach invite us to live in a world where even the worst violence can be forgiven. Neither promises it to be easy, but it does release the burden of leaving wrath and anger to fester in our hearts.
- The king in Jesus' parable is so extravagant with his mercy that he doesn't just allow the servant to delay repayment of his debt, he forgives the debt altogether. Like the father of the prodigal son or Jesus on the cross forgiving the ones who put him to death, this king is merciful beyond expectations. He is moved with compassion and this leads him to mercy without limit. He has chosen to make his world one of mercy. The servant, on the other hand, cannot appreciate the gift he's been given. He lives in a world where anger and debts fester and never truly are forgiven. He cannot accept such profligate mercy because it makes the logic of his dog-eat-dog world senseless. We can choose the world we make. May we choose correctly.

Question of the Week

Reconciliation means making a relationship whole again.

Whom do I need to forgive to make our relationship whole once more?

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Next Weekend's Readings

Isaiah 55:6–9/Philippians 1:20c–24, 27a/Matthew 20:1–16a

Mass Intentions

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

Sat	Sept 12	5:00pm	Souls of Biagio and Leona Izzi
Sun	Sept 13	8:30am	Soul of Vincenza Fiorio
		10:30am	Soul of John Securo
Mon	Sept 14	12 noon	For a Special Intention
Fri	Sept 18	12 noon	For a Special Intention

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Sat	Sept 19	5:00pm	Soul of Brenden Hall (Bd)
Sun	Sept 20	8:30am	Soul of Jenera Olivo
		10:30am	Soul of Fr Alan Maynard
Mon	Sept 21	12 noon	For a Special Intention
Fri	Sept 25	12 noon	For a Special Intention

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From the Pastor

The teachings of Christ on forgiveness are deeply rooted in the understanding of human relationships and the nature of divine grace. Forgiveness, as emphasized in the Christian doctrine, serves as a fundamental principle that not

only reflects the character of God but also promotes healing and reconciliation among individuals. By advocating for forgiveness, Christ acknowledges the inherent struggles that come with human interactions, recognizing that offenses and grievances are an inevitable part of life. The call to forgive, therefore, is not merely a moral obligation

but a transformative process that allows individuals to release the burdens of resentment and anger, fostering a sense of peace and emotional well-being.

Furthermore, the difficulty of forgiving others is often tied to the emotional and psychological weight of hurt and betrayal. Christ's teachings encourage believers to transcend these feelings by understanding the profound impact of forgiveness on both the forgiver and the forgiven. When individuals choose to forgive, they engage in an act of liberation that can lead to personal growth and a deeper understanding of compassion. This process is not about condoning the wrongdoings of others but rather about freeing oneself from the shackles of bitterness and allowing for the possibility of renewal in relationships. In this light, forgiveness becomes a powerful tool for personal transformation and spiritual development.

Additionally, Christ's emphasis on forgiveness serves as a reminder of the grace that believers receive from God. The act of forgiving others mirrors the divine forgiveness that individuals experience in their relationship with the divine. By teaching that forgiveness is essential, Christ invites his followers to reflect on their own need for mercy and to extend that same mercy to others. This reciprocal nature of forgiveness underscores the interconnectedness of humanity, suggesting that the act of forgiving is not only a personal journey but also a communal responsibility. In essence, the challenge of forgiveness is met with the promise of spiritual growth and the opportunity to embody the love and grace that Christ exemplified throughout his life. 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

Join us on the Vineyard Join us at Gooseneck Vineyards on Sunday, Sept

13th, 2-5. We will tour, taste and enjoy both the vineyard, local food offerings and some of the finest wine grown and bottled in Rhode Island.



There is a sign up so we can plan appropriately for the day

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