

ST. JOSEPH & ST. PATRICK
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 12, 2020

PASTOR'S PAGE



Dear Friends in Christ,

We celebrate the joy of Emmanuel: God with us, during the Christmas Season. May the Light of Christ shine brightly within us throughout the year. May our hearts be filled with joy, peace and hope as we continue our journey of faith. This weekend is the final weekend of the Christmas season. We begin Ordinary Time on Monday, 13th of January. Ordinary Time will continue until the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020.

During the Rite of Baptism, the child is anointed with the Oil of Chrism on the crown of the head. The explanation and prayer that is said before the anointing is: "God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has freed you from sin, given you a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and welcomed you into his holy people. He now anoints you with the chrism of salvation. As Christ was anointed Priest, Prophet, and King, so may you live always as a member of his body, sharing everlasting life." Rite of Baptism for Children.

We are set free and set apart, being united to Christ in the Sacrament of Baptism. Let the graces of our own Baptism stir within us more and more. Let us not keep these graces stale within us. The graces are there to assist us in worship and remind us that we are sons and daughters of God. From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "Incorporated into the Church by Baptism, the faithful have received the sacramental character that consecrates them for Christian religious worship. The baptismal seal enables and commits Christians to serve God by a vital participation in the holy liturgy of the Church and to exercise their baptismal priesthood by the witness of holy lives and practical charity" (CCC, 1273). We are reminded that we are made for worship. This will be seen in fullness when we enter eternal life. "Baptism indeed is the seal of eternal life" (CCC, 1274). Let us remain faithful to our baptismal character, following Jesus who has given us all the

commands to live a life in the Spirit of God that helps us to freely live as His children until we see Him face to face.

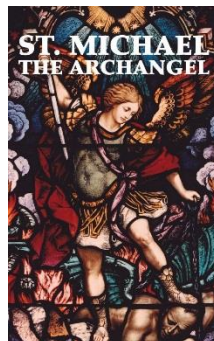
Peace and blessings,
Father Scott

TIME/TALENT/TREASURE – "Stewardship begins at our Baptism. And as we grow in the Christian life from Baptism onward, we should develop an "attitude of gratitude" whereby we share with our fellow Christians the marvelous gifts of nature and grace that God has entrusted to us." *Rev. John A. Kiley*

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19;
Mk 1:14--20
TUE 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd;
Mk 1:21--28
WED 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-8a, 8b-9,
10; Mk 1:29-39
THU 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25;
Mk 1:40--45
FRI 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19;
Mk 2:1--12
SAT 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5,
6-7; Mk 2:13--17
SUN Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10;
1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY – Both rectories will be closed on Monday, January 20, in observance of Dr. King's birthday.



Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



MISSION STATEMENT

As a Christian Faith Community, we the People of St. Joseph's Church of Pascoag, RI, acknowledge God's Blessings and strive to live out the Great Commandments to "love God with all our mind, heart, body, and soul" and "to love our neighbor as ourselves". Through the sacraments and with the Holy Spirit as our guide, we seek to witness to and celebrate the Kingdom of God among us; through service, healing and reconciling love.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Jan 11** **Vigil Mass; The Baptism of the Lord**
Sat 5:30 In Memory of Arthur Houle, Sr.
 (8th Anniversary)
 by his Wife & Family
- Jan 12** **The Baptism of the Lord**
Sun 8:00 Intention of the Priest
- Jan 13** **St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**
Mon 8:00 Intention of the Priest
- Jan 15**
Wed 8:00 Intention of the Priest
- Jan 18** **Vigil Mass; 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Sat 5:30 In Memory of Dr. John R. Payne
 (3rd Anniversary)
 by his Wife & Family
- Jan 19** **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Sun 8:00 In Memory of Robert G. Brunette, Sr.
 (14th Anniversary)
 by his Family

SANCTUARY/TABERNACLE LAMP will burn this week in memory of Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph Church.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – Workshops will be held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am St. Patrick's rectory. Fr. Scott will bless the prayer shawls on Saturday, January 11, 2020, at the 4 pm and 5:30 pm Masses. For more information, call Pauline Prew at 401-568-5644.

PRAYER MINISTRY - Would you like to join the "prayer warriors" of St. Joseph's parish? Do you know someone who could use a special prayer? Or would you like someone to pray for you? If so, please call Pauline at 568-5644.

The **2021 MASS BOOK** is in!
 Call the rectory (Mon-Thu, 9 am – 5 pm, 568-2411) to book Masses and/or the Sanctuary/Tabernacle Lamp in memory of your loved ones.
 Weekend Masses and Lamp: \$25 Weekday Masses: \$10

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	12/29/19	01/05/20
Regular Collection	\$2,290.00	\$2,957.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 75.00	\$ 150.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 151.09	\$ 142.59
Monthly	\$ 45.00	\$1,123.00
Fuel	\$ 225.00	\$ 80.00
Annual Collection	\$ 150.00	\$ 550.00
Mail Ins	\$ 445.00	\$ 244.00
Christmas Offering	\$3,016.00	\$ 145.31
Candles (12/22 & 12/29/19; 01/05/20)	\$ 238.00	\$ 62.00
Solemnity of Mary	n/a	\$ 575.00
Donations	n/a	\$ 10.00
Christmas Flowers	n/a	\$ 10.00
Volunteer Appreciation	n/a	\$ 5.00
Total Operating	\$6,635.09	\$6,053.90
Parish Outreach (Jacob's Gift; 12/22 & 12/29/19; 01/05/20)	\$ 59.00	\$ 20.00
Priests' Retirement	n/a	\$ 5.00
Seminary Collection	n/a	\$ 5.00
World Mission Sunday	n/a	\$ 5.00

Each week, our parish requires a minimum Total Operating Revenue of \$3,850.00 to meet our budgeted expenses. If you miss Mass for any reason, we kindly ask you to make up your missed budget envelopes. Thank you for your generosity.

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

January 12	Fuel Offering
January 19	Catholic University
January 26	Church in Latin America

SAVE THE DATES

Fri, 02/21/2020	BINGO (Steubenville East Fundraiser)	St. Joseph Church Hall
Sun, 03/15/2020	Rite of Enrollment	St. Patrick Church 10 am Mass
Sun, 03/15/2020	St. Patrick & St. Joseph Feast Day Celebrations	St. Patrick Church Hall following 10 am Mass
Sat, 06/06/2020	20-Week Club sponsored by St. Joseph Church	The Village Haven Restaurant

20-WEEK CLUB, sponsored by St. Joseph Church (formerly known as the 50 Club) tickets are now available! The cost for tickets to this night of food and fellowship remains \$50.00 each. Twenty (20) weekly drawings and dinner at the Village Haven in Forestdale in June, 2020, are included.

REMINDER: *The 1st weekly drawing is scheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2020. (Jan. 20 is a holiday.) Only paid-to-date ticket holders are eligible to win the weekly drawings.*

ST. PATRICK CHURCH

FINANCIAL UPDATE



MISSION STATEMENT – St. Patrick Parish is a Roman Catholic Faith Community guided by the Spirit of God, the scriptures and the traditions of the Church. Our mission is to share the Good News of Christ through the celebration of the

liturgy, the sacraments, prayer and unconditional service to all humankind.

MASS INTENTIONS

Jan 11 Vigil Mass; The Baptism of the Lord
Sat 4:00 In Memory of Edythe St. Sauveur
 (1st Anniversary)
 by her Sister Elaine & Family

Jan 12 The Baptism of the Lord
Sun 10:00 In Memory of Florence LeDuc
 (Birthday Remembrance)
 by Renay & Todd

Jan 14 For Living & Deceased Members of the
Tue 8:00 Rosary & Altar Society

Jan 16 In Memory of Fred & Marie Lozeau
Thu 8:00 by Arthur & Alice Aubin

Jan 18 Vigil Mass; 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sat 4:00 In Memory of Helen Rose
 (1st Anniversary)
 by her Family

Jan 19 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun 10:00 In Memory of Sandy Houle
 by Kay Latondress



SANCTUARY/TABERNACLE LAMP
 will burn this week in loving memory of **Norman Gaucher** (fulfillment of request of **December 22 Sanctuary Lamp**).

	12/29/19	1/05/20
Regular Collection	\$1,759.00	\$2,403.00
Mail Ins	\$ 60.00	\$ 236.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 76.99	\$ 76.99
Christmas	\$1,671.00	\$ 5.00
Building & Maint.	\$ 33.62	\$ 775.00
Annual Appeal	\$ 101.00	\$ 225.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 90.00	\$ 110.00
Flower Donation	\$ 3.00	n/a
Total Operating	\$ 3,794.61	\$3,830.99
Food Pantry	n/a	\$ 175.00
Latin America	n/a	\$ 2.00
Catholic University	n/a	\$ 5.00

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Mini-Splits Update

Total Cost	\$27,285.00
To-Date Donations**	\$25,585.00
Remaining Balance	\$ 1,700.00

****Donations to help defray the cost of the mini-splits are still being accepted. If you choose to make a donation, please specify on the envelope that your gift is for HVAC.**

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AROUND THE DIOCESE & ELSEWHERE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MUSEUM – For the 15th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus Museum, 1 State Street, New Haven, CT, is displaying artistic representations of the birth of Jesus at the center of its Christmas exhibition. The show, *Christmas in Europe*, will be on view to February 2, 2020. The exhibition features more than 80 items, some from the Museum’s own collection. Highlights include Szopki from Krakow, a large Neapolitan creche to be viewed at 360 degrees, and a German Christmas Market. The Museum is open daily from 10 am to 5 pm, with free admission and parking. For more information or to schedule a group visit, go to www.kofcmuseum.org or call 203-865-0400.

THE MISSIONARY IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE will be visiting various parishes throughout the Diocese of Providence from January 10 to February 3. You may contact the Respect Life Office for the schedule at 278-2518 or by email covens@dioceseofprovidence.org.

ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP TO DC – will leave Providence on Thursday, January 23, for the March for Life Mass/Rally on Friday, January 24. For more information and to reserve a seat on the bus, contact the Respect for Life Office, 401-278-2518 or via e-mail at: covens@dioceseofprovidence.org.

3RD ANNUAL DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY – Plans have begun for the 3rd Annual Diocesan Youth Day, scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2020; Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Cumberland, RI. 2020’s theme is “Empowered”, with National Presenter Cooper Ray, who is becoming one of today’s more popular and sought after speaker, worship leader, and retreat facilitator. Through music, story, humor, and audience participation, Cooper leads groups of all ages to a greater awareness of who they are as Catholic Christians and how to recognize God’s presence in their lives.

The Office of Catholic Youth Ministry welcomes all to join the planning committee. A general committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2020, 6:15 pm – 7:45 pm; Rejoice in Hope Youth Center, Cranston.

Subcommittees will include:

- Rituals: Prayer, Worship, Sacraments
- Faith Formation & Service
- Interaction & Activities
- Logistics & Site Management

- Promotions, Funding & Development

For more information, email youthministry@dioceseofprovidence.org or call 401-278-4626.

THE ANNUAL RESPECT FOR LIFE MASS will be celebrated on Saturday, January 18 at 9:00 am in the Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul in Providence. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant and Rev. Nathan J. Ricci, Assistant Chancellor, will be the homilist for the Mass. A reception with refreshments will follow the Mass in Cathedral Hall. The image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be on the altar for veneration during Mass. Everyone is invited to attend. Please let us know if you are attending the reception following the Mass, call 278-2518 or email: covens@dioceseofprovidence.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Give your spouse a special gift this Valentine’s Day by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Mar 13-15, 2020 in Duxbury, MA and Apr 18-19, 2020 in BREWSTER, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O’Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

CATHOLIC PILRIMAGES WITH DAILY MASS TO FATIMA, LOURDES, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA AND BARCELONA;
April 21 - May 3, 2020, \$3699 per person, and to **OBERAMMERGAU** for the Passion Play performed only every 10 years with **SWITZERLAND** and **AUSTRIA**, September 8 - 19, 2020, \$5299 per person. Pilgrimages include airfare, all sightseeing, breakfast and dinner daily.
For a Flyer or more detailed information, please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

Come to **WORLD YOUTH DAY 2022** in Lisbon with Rhode Island Deanery VIII and JMJ Youth Pilgrimages. Since 1993, JMJ Youth has crafted a unique approach to evangelization to help young people open their hearts to the Grace of God on pilgrimage! Walk with Our Lady in Lourdes and Fatima, and encounter our Holy Father and hundreds of thousands of young people in Lisbon.
An informational meeting took place on Tuesday, November 26th at Saint Philip School Peter’s Place. Please contact Father Scott Carpentier at frscottjcarpentier@cox.net or Melissa Roberts at youth@saintphilip.com with any questions.