



"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11

ST. JOSEPH & ST. PATRICK ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2020

PASTOR'S PAGE



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Jesus says in the Gospel of John, "Amen, amen, I say to you...I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture" (John 10: 7, 9). As the people of God, we are invited to enter into a relationship with the Lord. We are invited into the "pasture" of His grace and mercy. We are invited to know, love and serve God. God, who created the universe has chosen to save us through the life, suffering and death of Christ who was raised on the third day. Let us enter into the Resurrection of Christ. Let us enter into His grace! Let us continue our journey of faith in Christ who sets us free from sin and death. Let us rejoice in the Resurrection of Christ, Alleluia!

We are all facing these challenging times together. However, we also celebrate together the Easter Season and celebrate the victory of Christ defeating sin and death. God is indeed with us. May we continue to "pray always" (cf. 1 Thessalonians 5:17) as we face these current times. Let us pray as we gather as a family. Let us pray when we are stressed, anxious, and worried about the current situation our world, nation and community is in. Prayer does not make things go away, rather, prayer lifts our soul and mind to God who strengthens us as we face the situations of this earthly pilgrimage. Pope Saint John Paul II says of prayer, "Prayer...brings the saving power of Jesus Christ into the decisions and actions of everyday life" (*Greeting in St. Patrick's Cathedral*, 1995).

The **Catholic Charity** in-pew solicitation has been postponed to the Fall. Donations and contributions are ongoing. Thank you so much for your donations. For those who are continuing to donate through these difficult times, thank you. The outreach programs that the Catholic Charity Appeal supports continue to benefit from the generosity of the whole diocese working together.

The **Grateful for God's Providence Campaign** also has received continued contributions. Thank you to all who are still able to keep up with their pledges. Both parishes have received their next quarter parish share checks. Plans are still underway to continue with the assigned projects for both parishes. However, with the current guidelines and cautions, these projects have been

delayed. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Activities and meetings have been cancelled for the month of May. The Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation scheduled for May have been postponed. As developments continue to unfold with social distancing, the Diocese has advised all pastors to begin to prepare proposals to reopen churches for Mass. Please be mindful that it will happen in phases. Please be assured that announcements will be made on our websites, future bulletin posts and our new YouTube Channel. Our YouTube Channel's name is: St. Joseph & St. Patrick Burrillville, RI. Please visit for Sunday Mass recordings and other future devotionals, prayers and announcements. Thank you for your continued support and prayers. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your families during this time.

As we begin the month of May, let us turn to Mary, Mother of the Church. The month of May is particularly dedicated to her. We also regard, during this month, a day designated in celebrating the gift of motherhood. As Saint Paul VI wrote in his encyclical letter *Mense Maio*, The Month of May, he writes about Our Lady, "Mary remains ever the path that leads to Christ. Every encounter with her can only result in an encounter with Christ Himself. For what other reason do we continually turn to Mary than to seek for the Christ she holds in her arms..." (*Mense Maio*, pages. 5-6). Mary, Mother of the Church...pray for us!

Sincerely in Christ Risen from the dead,
Father Scott

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
TUE: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30
WED: Acts 12:24 —13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
THU: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
FRI: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
SAT: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7-14
SUN: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9;
Jn 14:1-12

TIME/TALENT/TREASURE

The bishops' pastoral on stewardship reminds us, "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now."

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



The **MISSION** of the parish communities of Saint Joseph and Saint Patrick is to "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel."

Our **VISION**: As a Catholic faith community, we invite all

to experience the saving grace of Jesus Christ. We strive to grow and sustain by offering ministries that meet and nurture the Sacramental, spiritual, material and emotional needs of our greater community.

MASS INTENTIONS

May 2 Sat Vigil Mass; Fourth Sunday of Easter
In Memory of Deanne Holland
 by Mike & Nancy Franklin

May 3 Sun Fourth Sunday of Easter
In Memory of Arline O'Rourke
 (12th Anniversary)
 by her Family

May 4 Mon In Memory of Donna Galati
 (1st Anniversary)
 by a Friend

May 6 Wed In Memory of All the Unborn
 by Jane Jurkiewicz

May 9 Sat Vigil Mass: Fifth Sunday of Easter
For Deceased Mothers of the Walker & Cosetta Families
 by Linda, Paul & Bethany

May 10 Sun Fifth Sunday of Easter
In Memory of Maria C. Cardoso
 (Mother's Day Remembrance)
 by her daughter Leonilda O'Connor

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

FINANCIAL NOTE: Even though public Masses have been suspended in the Diocese of Providence until further notice, please know you may still support your parish via Parish Giving online as well as mailing your weekly budget directly to the parish.

FINANCIAL UPDATE-04/16/2020 - 4/30/2020

Regular Collection	\$3,732.00
Electronic Giving	\$741.69
Monthly Collection	\$693.50
Fuel	\$294.75
Parish Share-Grateful for God's Providence	\$1,434.21
Mass Stipends	\$20.00
Donations	\$240.00
Holy Day – Ascension	\$10.00
Easter Flowers	\$25.00
Mother's Day	\$125.00
Father's Day	\$20.00
Total Operating	\$7,336.15
Easter to Benefit the Catholic Charity Appeal	\$130.00
Operation Rice Bowl	\$115.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	\$108.00

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

This Week	Monthly Parish Collection
May 10	Fuel Offering
May 21	Ascension

SAVE THE DATES

Sat, 06/06/2020	20-Week Club Sponsored by St. Joseph Church	The Village Haven Restaurant
Sat, 06/20/2020 RESCHEDULED	Spring Dinner Dance Sponsored by St. Patrick Church	St. Patrick Church Hall

20-WEEK CLUB, Sponsored by St. Joseph Church (formerly known as the 50 Club) tickets are still available! The cost for tickets remains \$50.00 each. Twenty (20) weekly drawings and dinner pending at the Village Haven in Forestdale on **Saturday, June 6, 2020** are included.

Winner Week #15 – Dineira Clift Ticket #66

ST. PATRICK CHURCH



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Jesus Christ. We strive to grow and sustain by offering ministries that meet and nurture the Sacramental, spiritual, material and emotional needs of our greater community.

MASS INTENTIONS

May 2 Sat **Vigil Mass; Fourth Sunday of Easter**
Special Intention for the Smith Family

May 3 Sun **Fourth Sunday of Easter**
In Memory of Pamela D. Boucher
(48th Anniversary)
by Thomas P. Tatro

May 5 Tue **In Memory of Raymond Bedard**
by his sister Loretta

May 7 Thurs **In Memory of Juliette Bouvier**
(16th Anniversary)
by Dennis and Elaine Auger

May 9 Sat **Vigil Mass: Fifth Sunday of Easter**
In Memory of Mary Rivet
(23rd Anniversary)
by her Family

May 10 Sun **Fifth Sunday of Easter**
In Memory of Florence LeDuc
(1st Anniversary)
by Renay and Todd McLeish

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FINANCIAL UPDATE – 4/16/2020-4/30/2020

Regular Collection	\$1,112.00
Electronic Giving	\$416.09
Mass Stipends/Sanctuary Lamp	\$10.00
Building & Maintenance	\$456.24
Parish Share – Grateful for God’s Providence	\$932.86
Holy Day – Ascension	\$10.00
Mother’s Day	\$10.00
Total Operating	\$2,947.19
Food Pantry	465.00
Operation Rice Bowl	60.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	55.00
Easter to Benefit the Catholic Charity Appeal	93.25

Each week, our parish requires a **minimum Total Operating Revenue of \$2,820.00** 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

This Week	Building and Maintenance Fund
May 21	Ascension

Mini-Splits Update

Total Cost	\$27,285.00
To-Date Donations**	\$25,910.00
Remaining Balance	\$ 1,375.00

****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.**

SAVE THE DATES

Sat, 06/06/2020	20-Week Club Sponsored by St. Joseph Church	The Village Haven Restaurant
Sat, 06/20/2020 RESCHEDULED	Spring Dinner Dance Sponsored by St. Patrick Church	St. Patrick Church Hall

SPRING DINNER DANCE – Sponsored by St. Patrick’s Church has been **POSTPONED** and rescheduled for Saturday, June 20th, 2020. More information to come.

HOW TO PRAY THE ROSARY

The Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the *Apostles' Creed*, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The *Our Father*, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the *Hail Mary* is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the *Hail Mary*. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and—added by Saint John Paul II in 2002—the Luminous.

The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group.

The **Five Joyful Mysteries** are traditionally prayed on Mondays, Saturdays, and, during the season of Advent, on Sundays:

1. The Annunciation
2. The Visitation
3. The Nativity
4. The Presentation in the Temple
5. The Finding in the Temple

The **Five Sorrowful Mysteries** are traditionally prayed on Tuesdays, Fridays, and, during the season of Lent, on Sundays:

1. The Agony in the Garden
2. The Scourging at the Pillar
3. The Crowning with Thorns
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion and Death

The **Five Glorious Mysteries** are traditionally prayed on Wednesdays and, outside the seasons of Advent and Lent, on Sundays:

1. The Resurrection
2. The Ascension
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit
4. The Assumption
5. The Coronation of Mary

The **Five Luminous Mysteries** are traditionally prayed on Thursdays:

1. The Baptism of Christ in the Jordan
2. The Wedding Feast at Cana
3. Jesus' Proclamation of the Coming of the Kingdom of God
4. The Transfiguration
5. The Institution of the Eucharist



Praying the Rosary

1. Make the Sign of the Cross.
2. Holding the Crucifix, say the *Apostles' Creed*.
3. On the first bead, say an *Our Father*.
4. Say one *Hail Mary* on each of the next three beads.
5. Say the *Glory Be*
6. For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery (perhaps followed by a brief reading from Scripture) then say the *Our Father*.
7. While fingering each of the ten beads of the decade, next say ten *Hail Marys* while meditating on the Mystery. Then say a *Glory Be*.
After finishing each decade, say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.*
8. After saying the five decades, say the *Hail, Holy Queen*, followed by this dialogue and prayer:

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Conclude the Rosary with the Sign of the Cross.

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