

THE MOST REVEREND MICHAEL R. COTE, BISHOP OF NORWICH

The Cathedral of Saint Patrick

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PARISH STAFF

Rector, Msgr. Anthony S. Rosaforte
Rev. Peter Langevin, Parochial Vicar
In Residence: Rev. Brian Romanowski
Wedding Coordinator, Sunnie Robinson
School Principal, Mrs. Catherine Reed
CCD Director, Sr. Kateri
Music Director, Mr. Douglas Green
Secretary, Mrs. Sheila Habeeb

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
Radio Mass 9:00 a.m., WICH 1310 AM
Daily: Mon-Fri 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon
Saturday 7:00 a.m.
Blessed Virgin Novena Mass Monday 7:00 p.m.

MINISTRY OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children are expected to receive a Catholic upbringing in their family life, to worship regularly at Sunday Mass and to participate in ongoing Religious Education. Our Programs include:

Catholic School, Pre K-8, Weekdays
Religious Ed. Program, Pre K-8, Sundays
Confirmation classes grades 8 & 9 (2 year program)

CARE OF THE SICK

Please advise us of parishioners who are sick or in the hospital, that we might keep them in our prayers, and if possible, visit them. Anyone who is unable to celebrate the Eucharist with us in Church is urged to advise us so that we might share Communion with them at home.

NEED PRAYERS?

Call St. Patrick Prayer Line to request prayers. Contact Bea Mackenzie 887-3355 or Jane Morosky 887-6681.

LITURGY

Order of Mass #202
Proclamation Hymn #466
Kyrie #317
Readings #1034
Gospel Acclamation #338

Holy, Holy #214
Memorial Acclamation #215
Great Amen #218
Lamb of God #220
Recessional Hymn #474

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Patrick Cathedral Parish is a Roman Catholic community of the Diocese of Norwich, CT which seeks to put the love of Christ into action by:

- Providing for the spiritual nourishment of the community.
- Living according to the Gospel message of Jesus Christ.
- Reaching out to those in need.
- Extending the love of Christ to all who come into our midst.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Each Sunday at 11:30 a.m.
Please call for appointment.
Reconciliation: Confessions heard Mon-Fri at 11:15am
Mon. at 6:15pm and Sat. at 4:00pm

Marriage: Arrangements should be made with the church one year before the date. The Diocese requires a marriage preparation program.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Catechumenate is the process of welcoming new members into the Roman Catholic Church. It is meant for those who are not baptized, baptized into another Christian Church or baptized into the Catholic Church but have yet to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. Classes begin in September. Contact the rectory for information.

NEW PARISHIONERS

New parishioners are welcome to our Parish Community. Please call us at the rectory to register. We want to know you and serve you. We hope that you will take an active part in our parish.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Julie Zabensky

Third Sunday
Of Lent

March 4, 2018

5:00 Saturday Vigil: Claire Thomas, cantor
9:00 Sunday Mass: Cathedral Choir
10:30 Sunday Mass: Children's Choir

5:00 Sunday Mass: Ed Stoltz, organist

COLLECTIONS:

The Weekly Offertory last weekend amounted to \$9,769.00.

The Second Collection this weekend is the regular Monthly Collection.

THANK YOU:

Do you remember the refrain, "You always hurt the one you love, the one you shouldn't hurt at all?" Our version differs. "You always HELP the ones you love." Thank you for your ongoing support of "The Christ of the Poor" by your most generous response to the poor box.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Pope John Paul II wrote: "The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Worship. Jesus awaits us in the sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go meet Him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the world. Let our adoration never cease.

40 Weeks: An Ignatian Path to Christ with Sacred Story Prayer:

Would you like to nurture a sacred space for Christ in your Life? The Sacred Story Prayer Program translates St. Ignatius of Loyola's classic spiritual insights into contemporary terms that will help you grow in your Christian journey of prayer, discernment, and discipleship. Our 1st monthly meeting will be held at SS. Peter & Paul's Parish in Norwich on Sat. March 3rd from 7-9 pm. Fr. Watson's book, "40 Weeks: An Ignatian Path to Christ with Sacred Story Prayer", will be available at the 1st meeting. Cost is \$9. Questions? Join our Facebook group "40 Weeks/Sacred Story Prayer" or call 860-303-0494.

Women's Conference 2018: Called to Joy!

The Office of Faith Events and the Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women welcome women of all ages. Offering workshops on parenting, relationships, prayer, scripture and more. Keynote speaker VaiLimar Jansen, and Mass with Bishop Cote, Saturday, April 14, 2018, 8:30-3:30, St. Bernard High School, Uncasville. Find the registration form at www.norwichdiocese.org under the Office of Faith Events-Upcoming Events or contact us at 860-848-2237. Register today!

LENTEN CROSS:

Place your petitions on the Lenten Cross which is placed near the baptismal font. Give the gift of prayer for those you love or those in need. These petitions are remembered daily by our faith community in the prayers of the faithful at every Mass.

NOTICE: CEMETERY WINTER DECORATIONS

Please remove ALL WINTER decorations on or before March 18th 2018.

St. Mary & St. Joseph Cemetery of Norwich

Sacred Heart Cemetery of Taftville

St. Patrick Cemetery of Uncasville

Sacred Heart Cemetery of Wauregan

All Hallows Cemetery of Moosup

St. Joseph Cemetery of Dayville

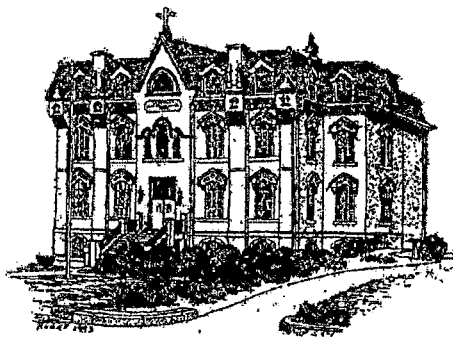
St. Mary Cemetery of NewLondon

Resurrection Cemetery of Westbrook

Winter decorations left after this date will be removed and disposed of.

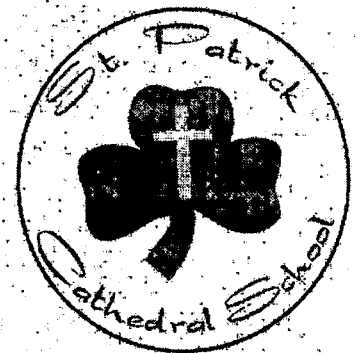
St. Patrick Cathedral School New Student Registration

March 6, 7, 8 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM in the school



Please bring:

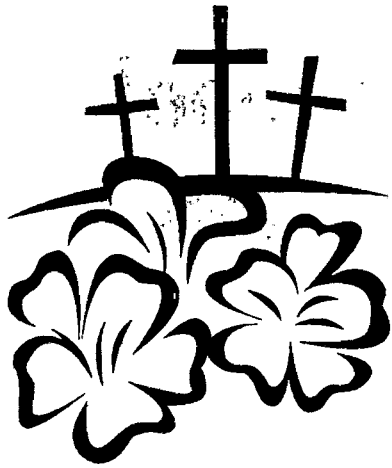
- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate
- Immunization record
- \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee



Online Registrations also accepted.

Visit our website: st-patrickschoolnorwich.org

Applications accepted on first come, first serve basis.



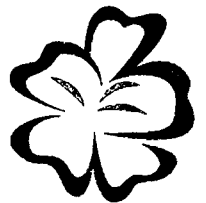
*Lenten Meditation # 4
(Third Sunday in Lent)*

*WHEN GOD ENTERS OUR PICTURE
"CLOSE-UP OR A PANORAMIC VIEW?"*

When people say, "Look at the big picture", usually, this is good advice. A narrow focus can cut out some of the surroundings that give meaning to what we have placed at the center. Looking only at the forehead of a batter in a baseball game, you might see only some perspiration. Widen the focus and you see clear eyes, looking out intensely, enabling the batter to respond appropriately to whatever may be thrown in his direction. Open to the whole field and you may feel the excitement of a championship game and a close contest.

The greater the extent to which we can see life as a whole, the more easily we can find God's place in it. As we mature and go through life's variety of experiences, many people come to see God as the One who makes sense out of it all. We do well to have our lens open to all that life brings, the bitter and the good. Seeing the full picture, we can identify what things have lasting worth. For example, we should not limit ourselves to the dilemma of why bad things sometimes happen to good people. We need to see also how dedicated people, inspired and strengthened by their faith, have acted in ways that restore goodness and hope.

On the other side of the issue, though, looking only at the big picture can make us miss some of life's intricate beauties. A garden may be impressive, but how wonderful it is to see one flower, with all of its depth and details! God's providence can be found in a glimmer of hope that lifts our spirits in a time of discouragement. God's love can be felt in a tender touch or a gentle word spoken by a friend. God can be found in both large and small. What we need to do is to look carefully, and see where it is that God is at work.





Merciful Saviour Gift Shop
392 South Main Street
Colchester, CT
860-537-0079

All merchandise is discounted at 30% off.

Easter Gifts

Rosary Beads

Statues

Children & Adult Books and Tapes

Crucifixes

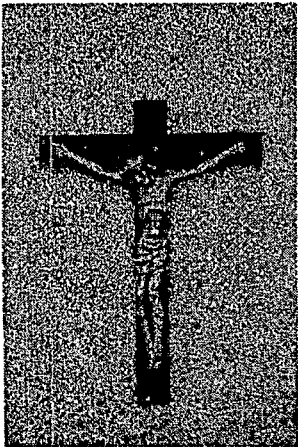
**Sacramental gifts for Baptism,
Confirmation, 1st Holy Communion,
Weddings, etc.**

Candles

Jewelry - Rosary bracelets - medals

Assorted Greeting Cards

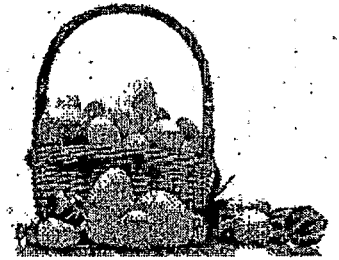
Bibles and much, much more.



All Items 30% off.

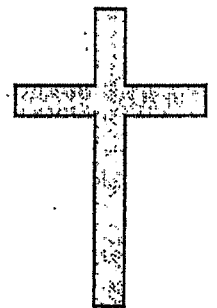
All Greeting Cards Buy 1 Get One Free

IT'S TIME TO REMEMBER THOSE IN NEED DURING THE LENTEN SEASON



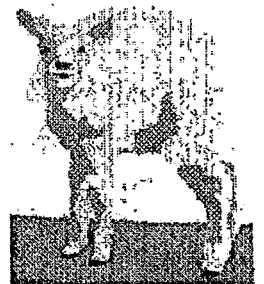
In your charity, there are several ways you can help those in need:

Donating food certificates - food gift cards may be purchased at Walmart, Shoprite, Big Y, and Stop & Shop. This worked very well at Christmas. (Please be sure cards are activated)



Monetary Donations - Monetary donations may be put in any offertory in an envelope marked "Lenten Food."

If you are willing to cook an Easter Dinner or purchase a cooked one, for someone in unable to do so, please call the rectory. 860-889-8441

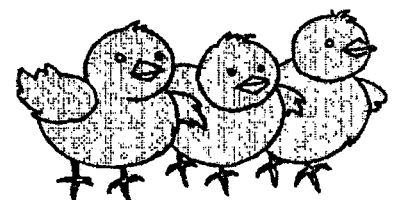


To date we have 6 requests.

Anyone wishing to donate a ham, turkey, or chicken, please bring it to the rectory.

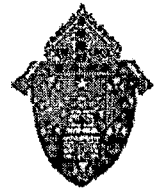
Remember the Poor Box in the rear of the Cathedral.

Don't forget the little children.





Annual Catholic Appeal



This weekend we launch the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) campaign, **"Standing Together to Build the Future"**.

We hope for a bright future and many of us have been blessed with gifts that allow us to live comfortably.

Others need help in building their future as struggles prevent them from achieving a better life.

During this Lenten season, please consider giving from your heart to the **"Standing Together to Build the Future,"** campaign, joining with our brothers and sisters in Christ to help make a difference across the Diocese.

Your contributions to the ACA support our Diocesan ministries, whose programs are available to everyone.

Please make your pledge to the 2018 ACA next weekend or visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org for more information.

Envelopes are attached to the church bulletin. Please take one home and consider your pledge to the campaign **"Standing Together to Build the Future."**

You may return your pledge envelope next Sunday for the second collection, visit ww.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org, or check the bulletin for other ways to make your pledge.

NORWICH WINE & SPIRITS

YOUR HOMETOWN SPIRIT SHOP SINCE 1983

Presents

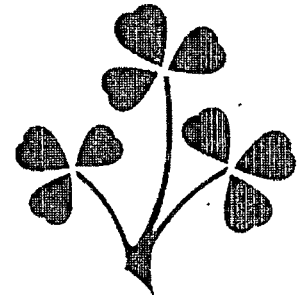
13th Annual Wine Tasting and Beer Sampling



To Benefit

St. Patrick Cathedral School

Hosted by Jeffrey Pierce



Date: Saturday, March 10th

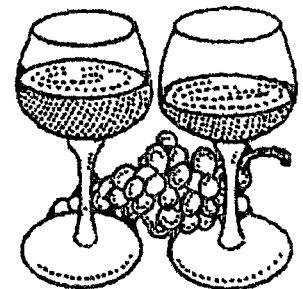
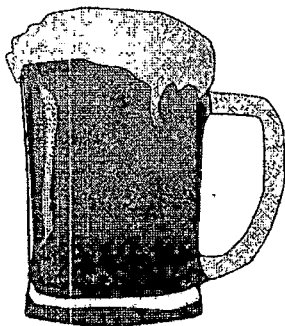
Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Location: United Congregational Church
87 Broadway, Norwich, CT
Church Basement, entrance in**

rear

**Tickets: \$25 per person in advance
\$30 per person at the door**

Tickets may be purchased at
Norwich Wine & Spirits
237 West Main Street



stpatswinetasting@comcast.net

<https://www.facebook.com/StPatsWineandBeerTasting/>

Ways to Give to the Annual Catholic Appeal

All Gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

Thank you for your generous and kind support to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal. In making your gift, please consider the following options:

Check – Checks should be made payable to the **Annual Catholic Appeal**. Checks can be mailed to the Diocesan Development Office, located at 197 Broadway, Norwich, CT, 06360-4488. Campaign envelopes will also be distributed at Mass during the ACA appeal and are addressed accordingly.

Pledge – Your pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal can be paid over an eight-month period. Pledge reminder cards will be mailed to your home and will include a return envelope. Pledges can be paid by check, electronic funds transfer (EFT), credit card, or cash. We encourage pledge payments be made by either check or EFT/credit card.

Credit Card– You can make a one-time payment or monthly pledge payment by credit card. Pledges can be paid over an eight-month period. Some may wish to take advantage of this form of payment in order to earn rewards points and other incentives offered by some credit card companies.

Electronic Funds Transfer – You may electronically transfer a one-time payment or monthly payment (number of months must not exceed eight) to fulfill your pledge balance. You can make this electronic transfer through your checking account or savings account. A form authorizing such payments is included on the commitment card.

Online Giving – Visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org and click on the ACA donation button to make your gift online.

Donate through your Smartphone – Scan the QR code on the ACA campaign envelope or brochure. Give by text also available. Text donation amount (including dollar sign \$) to 860-370-2147.

Matching Gifts - You can enhance your donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal through your company's Matching Gift Program. Please contact your human resources representative to find out more about the Matching Gift Program at your company, or call the Development Office. You can learn more by visiting www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

Gift of Securities – You can make a gift of stock to the Annual Catholic Appeal. These gifts can help reduce your taxes and also greatly benefit the ACA. Please confer with your broker or financial advisor prior to making your gift in order to match your charitable and portfolio goals. Details on stock donations can be found by calling the Development Office.

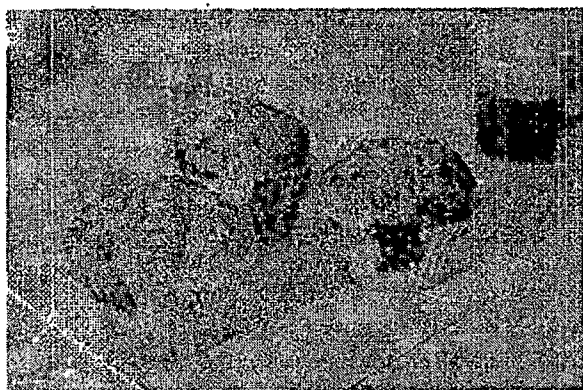
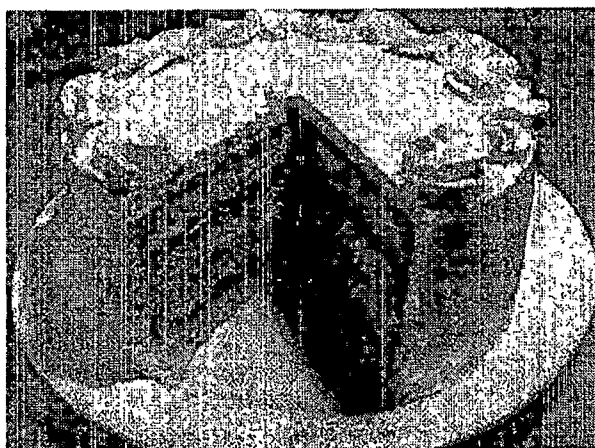
Any questions regarding your gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal should be directed to the Diocese of Norwich Office of Development. Please call 860-886-1928 or visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org for further details and contacts. Your stewardship and generosity is tremendously appreciated. Thank you.

St. Patrick School Student Council

Bake Sale

Next Sunday, March 11, 2018

Following all Masses



**Please help support our
students.**

Norwich Diocese Ministries

St. Vincent De Paul Place - Norwich

St. Vincent De Paul - Middletown

Bishop's Liaison with Retired Clergy

Campaign for Human Development

Campus Ministries

Catholic Charities

Catholic Mutual Relief Society

Catholic Relief Services

Council of Catholic Women

Diocesan School Office

Diocesan Outreach to Haiti, Inc.

Diocesan Properties and Cemeteries

Divine Mercy Devotion

Four County Catholic Newspaper

Hispanic Ministry

Housing Initiative

Legion of Mary

Ministry to the Sick

Office For Safe Environments

Office of Worship

Office of Communications

Office of Development

Office of Diaconate

Office of Faith Events

Office of Internal Affairs

Office of Pastoral Planning

Prison Ministry

Pro-Life Activities

Project Northeast

Spiritual Renewal Services

Vocations

MAR. 4th – MAR. 11th

MASS INTENTIONS

REQUESTED BY:

SAT. 5:00PM	Robert Gravel (30 th Anniv.)	Family
SUN. 7:30AM	Madeline Rosaforte	Family
9:00AM	Anthony L. Gomes	Navick Family
10:30AM	Anne Archambault (9 th Anniv.)	Bob & Pat Demars & Fam.
5:00PM	Jackie Caruso	Patrick & Pierina Colonna
MON. 7:00AM	Mary Mather	Husband
12:00PM	Lenten Easter Novena	
7:00PM	Lisa Neilson	Mother & Family
TUES. 7:00AM	Sophia Sonia Simpson	Daughter
12:00 PM	Deceased Members of Illiano & Palumbo Families	Illiano Family
WED. 7:00AM	Msgr. Robert Brown	Family
12:00PM	For the Intention of Mary Wynn	Mother
THU. 7:00AM	Peter Stern & Catherine Murphy	Friends
12:00PM	Terri Healey	Nancy DePietro & Sons
FRI. 7:00AM	Madeline Lague	Trahan Family
8:15 AM	Sr. Mary Bernard	Children of St. Patrick School
12:00PM	Lodovico Mezzanotte	Godchild
5:00PM	Adeline DeScisiolo	Joseph DeScisiolo
SAT. 7:00AM	For the intentions of Serge Blanchette	Family
5:00PM	Walter & Frances Kozlowski	Daughter
SUN. 7:30AM	Frank & Adeline Jacaruso	Family
9:00AM	Sr. Mary Adelline Gillespie	Family
10:30AM	Daniel C. Leone, Sr. & Mary C. Leone	Family
5:00PM	Stanley Rankowitz (26 th Anniv.)	Family

PALM SUNDAY CANDLE LIGHT CONCERT & COMPLINE

MARCH 25, 2018, AT 7:30 PM

*Enjoy the beauty of the Cathedral and the sounds of the Norwich Diocesan Choir in a program of music that concludes with the singing of Compline (Night Prayer) in candle light.
Admission is free.*