

THE MOST REVEREND MICHAEL R. COTE, BISHOP OF NORWICH

The Cathedral of Saint Patrick

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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
- Processional Hymn #435
- Gloria
- Readings #1017
- Gospel Acclamation #208
- Preparation Hymn #440
- Holy, Holy #353
- Memorial Acclamation #356
- Great Amen #355
- Lamb of God #381
- Recessional Hymn #420

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:
Lorraine Trahan, Catherine Seifert

**The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary & Joseph**

December 31, 2017

9:00 Sunday Mass: Cathedral Choir

5:00 Sunday Mass: Ed Stoltz, organist

COLLECTIONS:

The Weekly Offertory last weekend amounted to \$7,599.90.

The donations received for Christmas flowers amounted to \$1,642.00.

Donations for the Christmas collections are still coming in.

THANK YOU:

Do you remember "Heavenly" by Johnny Mathis? Your donations to aid "The Christ of the Poor" are truly out of this world.

A POWERFUL PRAYER:

A Spiritual Communion. "My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you were already there, I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you. Permit not that I should ever be separated from you. Amen.

*Welcome to
St. Patrick Cathedral
213 Broadway Norwich, Ct.*

Our warmest welcome to all who
celebrate with us whether
long-time residents or newly
arrived in our parish. If you
are not registered, please
complete the form below and
drop it in our collection basket
or mail it to the parish office.

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Address: _____

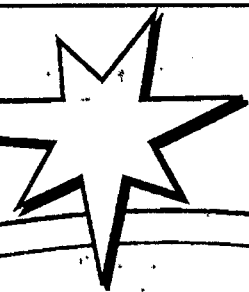
City/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

ROSARY HILL:

Have you received any Christmas gifts you do not want or need? Please consider donating them to Rosary Hill Hospital. We will be collecting items until Jan. 7, 2018. If making monetary donations please make checks payable to Rosary Hill Hospital.

Partners in FAITH™



Helping our children grow in their Catholic faith.

January 2018

Cathedral of St. Patrick
Msgr. Anthony S. Rosaforte, Pastor



Thoughtful Moments

St. Angela Merici

Born in Italy, St. Angela and her sister were raised by an uncle after the death of their parents. When her sister died without the Sacraments, Angela became a Third Order Franciscan to pray for her. She was inspired by a vision to found a teaching order. Initially, she was met with opposition; the pope wanted her to remain in Rome with a nursing order, but she refused and went on to found the Ursulines in Brescia.



Mary points to her Son

Contrary to its title, the Hail Mary is actually a Scriptural prayer to God about Jesus. In it, we profess our firm belief that God became man and was born of Mary: "Blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus." As a family, pray a Hail Mary and ask for the grace to know Jesus better.

"Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and reject not your mother's teaching;" (Proverbs 1:8).



Parent like the Holy Family

The Bible doesn't tell us much about the parenting styles of Mary and Joseph, but we can guess by what we know of the adult Jesus. Learn from the Holy Family how to raise one, too.

Nurture virtue. While interacting with people during his public ministry, Jesus demonstrated the virtues of patience, persistence, hard work, self control, and compassion. Encouraging these virtues in children will help prepare them for their own unique vocations.

Nudge when necessary. At the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus was reluctant to perform his first public miracle, but, his mother knew that he was ready and capable. After a gentle push from her,

he created something amazing. Sometimes children need a nudge to demonstrate their God-given talents.

Trust God's plan. When the angel revealed the plan God had for her life, Mary gave God her whole self to his purposes. Following her example, Jesus did the same. Teach children, through modelling, prayer and sacrifice, to let God control the direction of their lives.

Tend to your own faith. When Jesus was young, how his parents lived, how they practiced their faith, and how they answered his questions helped to form Jesus' early understanding of God. Be sure your own

knowledge and practice of your faith is strong so you can properly influence that of your children.

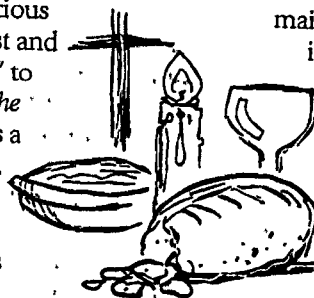


Why Do Catholics Do That?

Sacraments are "efficacious signs, instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Church" to give grace (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*). Grace is a share in God's divine life.

As food, rest, and medicine maintain our bodies, so the Sacraments

Why do Catholics celebrate Sacraments?

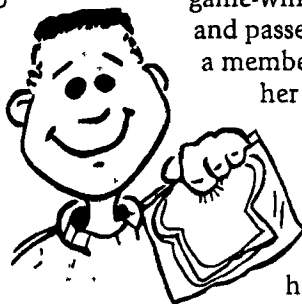


maintain our souls: Our life of grace in Baptism is deepened by Confirmation. The Eucharist nourishes us and Confession heals us. Holy Orders and Matrimony sustain the Church. Finally, our souls are prepared for eternity by the Anointing of the Sick.

Simple acts of kindness

Jesus was clear that he wants us to be kind to everyone. In the famous parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus told of a man who was robbed and left for dead. The man was passed by a priest and a Levite before a Samaritan man helped him. The Samaritan – supposedly an enemy – demonstrated true kindness. Jesus told us to do the same (Luke 10:37).

Teach children to value people first. When Ashley tripped playing basketball and missed the



game-winning basket, her teammates gave her dirty looks and passed as she lay on the floor holding her ankle. It was a member of the other team who was kind enough to help her up.

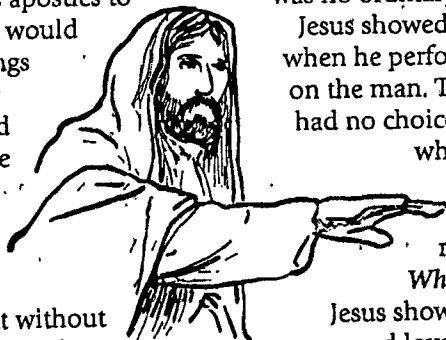
Encourage acts of kindness. Gerry noticed that the new boy at school seemed sad. It turned out that Sammy's dad lost his job and money was tight. Gerry began packing an extra sandwich in his lunch for Sammy, sat next to him in the cafeteria, and played together at recess. Both boys made a good friend.

Scripture LESSON

Mark 1:21-28, More than just a teacher

In this Gospel reading, we read that Jesus entered the synagogue at Capernaum with his apostles to teach. Most teachers would draw from the writings of other scholars for authority, and would begin, "Thus says the Lord..." but Jesus said, "I tell you..." As God, he already knew what the Scriptures meant without leaning on someone else's teaching.

Jesus taught as one who had the authority of God and that astonished his listeners. Even the unclean spirits who were torturing a man at the



synagogue recognized Jesus as "the Holy One of Israel." Clearly, this was no ordinary teacher!

Jesus showed his authority again when he performed an exorcism on the man. The unclean spirits had no choice but to obey him when he commanded them to depart, despite their reluctance.

What can a parent do?

Jesus shows us that God's power and love are greater than any evil. Teach children that they can talk to Jesus about anything that happens, good or bad. At the same time, stress that Jesus is God and deserves to be worshipped and obeyed.

Feasts & Celebrations

Jan. 7 – Epiphany of Our Lord (1st Century). Epiphany is Greek for manifestation. When they honored the infant Jesus with gold, frankincense and myrrh, the three wise men bore witness to the fulfillment of God's promise of a savior.

Jan. 8 – Baptism of the Lord (1st Century). Jesus began his public ministry by getting baptized by St. John the Baptist. Jesus was free of sin, but he allowed himself to be baptized in order to "fulfill all righteousness"

(Matthew 3:15). By his baptism, Jesus declared his willingness to fulfill God's saving plan. It is also at this time when God revealed Jesus as his "beloved Son" (Matthew 3:17).

Jan. 17 – St. Anthony of Egypt (356). Born to a rich family around 250 A.D. in Egypt, St. Anthony gave up his riches to live a life of simplicity in the desert. Eventually, other monks seeking the same lifestyle followed him into the desert and he founded a community of hermits. He is the founder of monasticism.



Parent TALK

I was mad! I emailed Kara's teacher asking that he move her away from Joey, a boy who was distracting her. A week with no response and I was sure he was ignoring my request.



I wanted to fire off an angry email, but instead waited for a reply. When Mr.

Heinz finally phoned, I explained my concern. He explained that he has educational reasons for assigning seats and, while he tries to accommodate parent requests, his goals must take priority.

Still, he had taken a few days to observe Kara and Joey and found they worked well together. He paired them for a geography activity and they did A-quality work. More importantly, he asked Kara if she wanted to move and she didn't. She liked working with Joey.

Clearly this was a thoughtful teacher. I hung up the phone and decided I would trust him to run his own classroom.

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POPE FRANCIS

GENERAL AUDIENCE

Wednesday, 13 December 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters: Our continuing catechesis on the Eucharist today centres on the importance of Sunday Mass. As Christians, we celebrate the Eucharist in order to encounter the Lord, to hear his word, eat at his table and, by his grace to fulfil our mission in the world as members of his Mystical Body the Church. As the day of the resurrection and the pentecostal outpouring of the Holy Spirit, Sunday is the Christian holy day *par excellence*. How could we pass this day without encountering the Lord? Sadly, in many secularized societies, we have lost the sense of Sunday. The Second Vatican Council asked us to celebrate the Lord's Day as a day of joy and rest from servile work, precisely as a sign of our dignity as children of God. Each Sunday is meant to be a foretaste of the eternal bliss and repose to which we are called and which we share, even now, in Holy Communion. In the end, we go to Mass not to *give* something to God, but to *receive* from him the grace and strength to remain faithful to his word, to follow his commandments and, through his living presence within us, to be witnesses of his goodness and love before the world.



January 2018

Apostolate of Prayer for Priests...Norwich

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Glory to the Blood of Jesus! Ven. Mother Catherine Aurelia, Foundress	<u>1</u> Our Holy Father	<u>2</u> Rev. Aguirre. Palacio Rev. Izydor Sadowski SDB	<u>3</u> Rev. Francis Rouleau Rev. Edward Wisneski	<u>4</u> Rev. John Gallagher OFM Cap Rev. James Sucholet	<u>5</u> Rev. Bogdan Olzacki OSPPE Rev. Anthony Gruber	<u>6</u> Rev. Gregoire Fluet Rev. Russell Kennedy
	<u>7</u> Bishop Michael R. Cote	<u>8</u> All Priests	<u>9</u> Rev. Joseph Whittel Rev. V. Antony Alaharasan	<u>10</u> V.Rev. Dennis Perkins V.Rev. Gregory Galvin	<u>11</u> Rev. Thomas Hoar SSE Rev. Thomas Griffin	<u>12</u> Rev. John Welch MS Rev. Erik Lenhart OFM Cap
<u>14</u> Priests who have left ministry	<u>15</u> V. Rev. David Choquette Rev. Michael Giannitelli	<u>16</u> Msgr. James Carini Rev. Gregory Mullaney	<u>17</u> V/Rev. Jan Swiderski Rev. Joseph Castaldi	<u>18</u> Rev. Tadeusz Zadorozny Rev. William McNulty	<u>19</u> Rev. John O'Neill MS Rev. Frank McKenna	<u>20</u> Rev. Joseph Ashe Rev. Michael Gill
<u>21</u> Rev. Kevin Reilly Msgr. Thaddeus Malanowski	<u>22</u> Rev. Michael Parisi Msgr. Anthony Rosaforte	<u>23</u> Rev. Peter Liszewski Rev. Roland Cloutier	<u>24</u> Rev. Marek Masnicki Rev. Mark O'Donnell	<u>25</u> Rev. Luis Agudelo Rev. Alfred Irving	<u>26</u> Rev. Grzegorz Brozonowicz Rev. Christopher Feeney	<u>27</u> Msgr. Henry Archambault Rev. Edward Konopka
<u>28</u> Rev. Arul Peter Rev. Martin Jones	<u>29</u> Rev. Stanley Szczapa Rev. George Busto CO	<u>30</u> Rev. Brian Maxwell Rev. Jonathan Ficara	<u>31</u> Rev. John Ashe Rev. Tomasz Albrecht	<p>May each day of this New Year bring our priests more good to do, more souls to save and more holy influence to spread around them by word and by deed. Father, we pray for our priests: for the sanctity of their souls and for perfect love, that they may be the voice of Christ. Ven. Mother Catherine Aurelia, Foundress</p>		

Diocese of Norwich
Patrici - Anne Award

On this twenty-fifth day of December, in the sixty-fourth year since the establishment of the Diocese of Norwich, in the twenty-second year of my Episcopacy, and in my fourteenth year as Bishop of Norwich, in recognition of your eighty years of dedicated service to music ministry within the parishes of the Diocese of Norwich, in the presence of your colleagues and many, many friends, it is my pleasure, to present to you the Patrici-Anne Award of the Diocese of Norwich.

With steadfast loyalty to this local church, you have faithfully and effectively served many parishes in our Diocese with your gift of music which gives God glory and devotion through music and lifts the minds and hearts of thousands upon thousands of worshippers to give praise and thanksgiving to God.

This award is an expression of our affection for you and the esteem in which you are held by colleagues, friends, and this Diocesan Family. With abiding appreciation for your ministry within the Diocese of Norwich, we salute you for your stellar service. Rich in accomplishments, generous in service, and gifted in mind, heart, and spirit, you have distinguished yourself through your music ministry.

Your love for God and your family and friends are evidenced in the way you reach out to others and are always ready to help them. You serve others with cheerful enthusiasm and genuine caring and concern. Today we express our esteem, and our gratitude, and our abiding affection for you.

Therefore, as Chief Shepherd in this portion of God's Church, I confer upon you

ROGER GOSSELIN

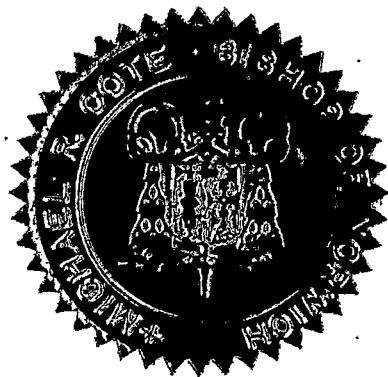
this tangible evidence of the esteem and gratitude of our entire diocesan family.

**THE PATRICI-ANNE AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
TO THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

Given at the Chancery of the Diocese of Norwich and sealed
with the personal Coat of Arms of its Bishop on this 25th day of December
in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Seventeen.



St. Patrick



Michael C. ...
Bishop of Norwich

Alina ...
Chancellor



St. Anne

Dec. 31st – Jan. 7th

MASS INTENTIONS

REQUESTED BY:

SAT. 5:00PM	Nina & Tony Caugnola	Christine C. Petruniw
SUN. 7:30AM	Deceased members of Langlois & Ensling Fam.	Langlois Family
9:00AM	Roland & Jeffrey Pepin	Family
10:30AM	Kenneth Fontaine	Melo-Fontaine Fam.
5:00PM	Kenneth Gadle	Family
MON. 7:30AM	Ann Vreeland	Barbara & Dick
12:00PM	Mariano Songco (29 th Anniv.)	Family
5:00PM	For the intentions of Robert & Mona Anne Niedbala	Family
TUES. 7:00AM	Msgr. Robert Brown	Family
12:00PM	Angie DeLuca	Barbara Cubanski
WED. 7:00AM	Mary Mather	Husband
12:00PM	William Flannery	Tiffany, Grant & Gavin
THU. 7:00AM	Constance Ross	Family
12:00PM	Steven C. McNeely	Nancy DePietro
FRI. 7:00AM	Eveline Ferreira	The Peter Family
8:15AM	David Ellis	The Farlows
12:00 PM	Nancy & Michael Palumbo	Sister
7:00 PM	Rev. Joseph B. Whittel	
SAT. 7:00AM	Msgr. Robert Brown	
8:15AM	Pro Life Mass	
11:00AM	WEDDING: Joseph Juber & Juliana Rourke	
2:00PM	WEDDING: David Pierce & Krista Ploski	
5:00PM	Grace Girasoli (25 th Anniv.)	Son
SUN. 7:30AM	Thomas Denning	Marybeth Eighme
9:00AM	Deane M. Nason	Frank Manfredi & Kelly Ann Graves
10:30AM	William Flannery	Anne Scribner & Family
5:00PM	Robert Ayers (2 nd Anniv.)	Wife & Family

FIRST FRIDAY:

January 5, 2018, is the first Friday of the month. Masses on Friday are 7:00 AM, 8:15 AM, 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM. Nocturnal Adoration will follow the 7:00 PM Mass until the 7:00 AM Mass on Saturday.