

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

For students of the Saint Patrick School Campus Ministry, next weekend marks the 7th Anniversary of the "Souper Bowl of Caring." Campus Ministry members will be bringing their soup pots to Mass for a special collection that will benefit the Pelham Food Pantry.

CONFIRMATION

Finishing Touch Classes: 5 points is required in this area each year of Confirmation. An updated schedule is on the Parish website. Registration for the classes needs to be completed the Thursday before the class is to begin. Please e-mail Dawn Pavlini at Confirmation@stpatricks-pelham.com

Nuts and Bolts: 10 points is required in this area each year of the Confirmation Program.

Reconciliation is required once a year for each year of Confirmation. Confessions are also heard on Saturdays from 3:00 – 3:30 PM.

Service Hours: 15 service hours are required each year of Confirmation (10 hours within the Parish).

Confirmation II on this Sunday, January 31st a Mandatory Meeting for ALL Confirmation II Candidates (those that attend both Catholic and Public School) from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in the Parish Center.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

All Confirmation II Candidates are required to attend a retreat during their second year of Confirmation Preparation.

When: Sunday, March 21, 2010

Where: Rivier College Campus (Dion Center)

Time: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Permission slips and Fees are due by Monday, February 15th. Please contact Dawn Pavlini at confirmation@stpatricks-pelham.com with any questions.

ST. PATRICK PRAYER LINE

We have an on going Prayer Line. Many of our friends and family are going thru difficulties, loss of loved ones, or personal problems and sickness. Our mission is to pray for them. If you want to pray for others or need prayer, you are welcome to e-mail Lillian Murgia at Lmurgia_871@comcast.net or call Rosemary Dole at 6352486.



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **Cody Matthew Arseneault, Maeve Roisin Costello, Samantha Kay Hackett, Mitchell Dainger Picard** and **Amber Lynn Rickards**. Please keep these children and families in your prayers.

**SEASONS OF HOPE
BEREAVEMENT GROUP TO BEGIN**

If you are in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. It meets for six Mondays beginning Feb. 15th. Prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship begin at 7pm in the Meeting Room below the church. If you are interested you may call the parish office to add your name to the list or you may come and join us Monday, Feb. 15th.

FOOD PANTRY

The Pelham Food Pantry is open on Wednesday from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM and on Tuesday from 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM. We are in need of **Tolietries and Paper Products**. If you would like to make a donation or donate any items, please call Marietta Potter at 635-2671. In case of inclement weather or if there is no school the Food Pantry will open the following Friday from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. **Next weekend is Brown Bag Sunday**

PARISH RETREAT

Our parish retreat, "Healing through Forgiveness of Self & Others", will begin the weekend of Feb. 20th with Fr. Joseph Thomas, B.S.O. preaching at all of the Masses on the weekend. Fr. Thomas is from St. Basil's in Methuen, MA. The retreat will culminate on Thursday, Feb. 25th. Please look to the bulletin for further information.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

The next monthly Blood Pressure Clinic is to be held in the Chapel February 27th and 28th after the 4:00 PM, 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM Masses. Anyone coming to the 11:00 AM Mass is asked to come early before Mass starts and a minister will be there to take your Blood Pressure. Thank you for your continued support.

FISH FRY

The Knights of Columbus will be starting their Lenten Fish Fries on Ash Wednesday and then every Friday till Easter except for Good Friday. The time is 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Adults are \$8. Seniors & Children under 12 yrs are \$7. If you are ordering take out, please call 635-3829. All are welcome.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

This coming Friday, February 5th, will be the First Friday of the month. Rosary starts at 7:00 PM with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 8:00 PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be said at 7:45 PM. Please come and pray with us. All are welcomed.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 31

Religious Education Classes, 9:15 AM, in the school
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Confirmation II Meeting, 6:30 PM, in the parish center

Monday, February 1

School Mass, 10:00 AM, in the church

Tuesday, February 2

Women's Guild Meeting, 6:30 PM, at Grand 38
Food Pantry, 6:30 PM, in the trailer

Wednesday, February 3

Bible Study, 9:00 AM, in the meeting room
Food Pantry, 1:00 PM, in the trailer
Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:30 PM, in the K of C Hall

Thursday, February 4

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall
Choir Practice, 7:30 PM, in the church

Friday, February 5

Alpha, 6:00 PM, in the K of C Hall

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

St. Patrick Eighth Grade Class is sponsoring a pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 7th, from 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM. Adults are \$3.00, Seniors and Children are \$2.50 and a family of 4 or more \$10.00. All are welcome.

1/24/2010

Offertory

Offertory envelopes 294	\$4,980
Offertory loose	\$913
Total Offertory	\$5,893
Needed Weekly Offertory	\$5,500
Parish Deficit (YTD)	-\$1,078

Religious Education	\$1,794
Haiti Relief	\$3,402

A CABARET!

The New Greeley Singers are presenting a Cabaret on February 14th (Valentine's Day) at 4:30 PM at the Pelham Harris Inn. This fundraiser for the local chorus consists of individual and group musical numbers as well as a Turkey Dinner from the Inn. Cost is \$30.00 per person. For tickets or information, please contact Judy Reid at 630-635-7438 or Paul McLaughlin at 603-635-7549.

REGULATIONS FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2010, and **Good Friday**, April 2, 2010, are days of fast and abstinence. **Fridays of Lent** are also days of abstinence.

Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

JANUARY 31, 2010

PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Saturday, February 20th

“Lent. No sackcloth. No ashes...a LONG scream calling for the place of God’s Love.”

On Saturday, February 20th, St. Patrick Parish will host a special Day of Recollection. Mark your calendar now so nothing else gets booked and fill in the registration form. Our lives are so busy that we don’t often find quiet time, much less quiet space, to reflect and pray. February 20th will give us an opportunity to set aside that time and space and respond to Jesus’ invitation to “come away and pray with me a while.”

Sister Claire Provost, P.M. is a Sister of the Presentation of Mary living in Hudson, New Hampshire. She holds a master’s Degree in Spirituality from Providence College, and has been involved in various ministries for 50 years. Sister Claire is coming to share reflections and prayer with us on February 20th. The focus of the talks and discussion will be: What must I do to live lent? How does prayer change my life? Lent is a time to praise and raise our heart to God....do I want to do that? The day of Recollection will begin with registration at 10:00 AM in the chapel for those who have not pre-registered, followed by a talk at 10:30 AM, discussion, and a light lunch served around noon. A second talk will be given after lunch with time for discussion and reflection, and the day will culminate with the 4:00 pm Mass for all who can attend. There is no charge for attendance but a free will offering will be collected.

Won’t you set aside this day to join with other members of St. Patrick Parish to renew, reflect and pray together? Early registration will assist us in estimating food. Please register by completing the registration form below OR go to the website www.stpatricks-pelham.com to register online. Mail the registration form to Day of Recollection, c/o 8 Mt. Vernon Drive, Pelham, NH 03076 prior to February 13th. You can also fill out the form and give it to the person who will be taking registrations in the chapel after every Mass the weekend of Feb. 13th & 14th.

PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TEL. NO: _____

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He said to them, "Surely you will quote me this proverb, 'Physician, cure yourself,' and say, 'Do here in your native place the things that we heard were done in Capernaum.'" - Lk 4:23

Monday February 1

8:00 AM Msgr. Colin MacDonald
10:00 AM School Mass

Tuesday February 2

8:00 AM Jack McFarland requested by
Aaron Dumont

Wednesday February 3

8:00 AM Robert McGee requested by
Roger & Patricia Dumont

Thursday February 4

8:00 AM Divine Office, Morning Prayer

Friday February 5

8:00 AM Intentions for the parishioners

Saturday February 6

4:00 PM The Bernard & Thibault families
requested by Bernadette

Sunday February 7

8:00 AM Clint Updyke, 1st Anniversary,
requested by his wife, children &
family
9:30 AM Grace Buscema, 13th Anniversary,
requested by her family
11:00 AM Robert Duffy Jr. requested by the
Kivikoski family



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of John Lawlor Jr., by his wife & family

REMEMBRANCE

Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died, Rev. Msgr. Francis L. Curran, Louise Bousquet and Ruth Fruin the mother of Claire Ross.

SECOND COLLECTION

This week the second collection will be for **Groundskeeping**. Next week the collection will be for **St. Patrick School**. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.