

**CONFIRMATION**

**Finishing Touches:** 5 points is required in this area for each year of Confirmation. These are the remaining classes for this year:

Finding Nemo on May 4<sup>th</sup>

Please e-mail: [Confirmation@stpatricks-pelham.com](mailto:Confirmation@stpatricks-pelham.com) to register for any of these classes.

**Nuts and Bolts:** 10 points is required in this area for each year of Confirmation preparation.

**Reconciliation:** Each Confirmation Candidate is required to receive this sacrament once per year of Confirmation preparation.

**Service Hours:** 5 service hours must be completed within the parish each year of Confirmation preparation.

**All personal tracking records are due by: June 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Confirmation II: Confirmation Name/Sponsor information sheets are due by May 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**THE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC**

This month **Blood Pressure Clinic** will be held on the weekend of May 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> in the chapel. All are welcome to come and have their Blood Pressure checked

**FIRST EUCHARIST CELEBRATIONS**

**Saturday, May 9, 2009, 4:00 PM Mass**  
**Rehearsal:** Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM in Church

**Sunday, May 17, 2009, 11:00 AM Mass**  
**Rehearsal:** Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM in Church

**Saturday, May 30, 2009, 4:00 PM Mass**  
**Rehearsal:** Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM in the Church

**Sunday, May 31, 2009, 11:00 AM Mass**  
**Rehearsal:** Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM in Church

**HOMESCHOOL BOOKS**

**COMPLETED** Homeschool books are due June 26, 2009. You may leave them in the Rectory office during regular business hours or leave it in the drop-off box inside the back door of the rectory.



*Wedding Banns*

The following couples will enter the Covenant of Marriage in May:

**Katie Gabriel & Timothy Mercier**  
 and  
**Suzanne McDonnell & Matthew Lamontage**

Please pray that their marriage will mirror the Love of God.

**GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Save this date, **Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**, for the Annual **St. Patrick Golf Tournament**. All are welcome. Please join us for **Player Gifts, Prizes, Silent Auction, Raffles, Contests, Dinner and so much fun!** Sign-Up **EARLY** and **SAVE \$\$** with the **“ALL-IN” EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!** Sign-up is easy at [www.stpatsgolf.com](http://www.stpatsgolf.com)

We are currently seeking Sponsors and Players to help support this event. If there are any questions or interest in sponsoring or playing, please contact Mark Jedraszek at 635-7387.

**Save the Date For**



*The Scariest Auction Ever*

**Friday, October 30th, at Harris' Pelham Inn for an evening of great food, fun, & music.**

**UPRIGHT FREEZER**

Laurie from Medford who has the upright freezer for the Knights of Columbus, please call Frank at 603-635-2251. He lost your number!

*FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*

| <b>April 26, 2009</b>       | <b>OFFERTORY</b> |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Envelopes 218               | \$ 3,633         |
| Loose                       | \$ 795           |
| <b>Sub-Total Offertory</b>  | <b>\$ 4,428</b>  |
| Weekly Offertory Goal       | \$ 6,400         |
| <b>Parish Deficit (YTD)</b> | <b>\$41,838</b>  |
|                             |                  |
| Religious Education         | \$ 1,542         |
|                             |                  |
| Tithing                     | \$ 1,109         |
| Weekly Totals               | \$ 746           |
| <b>Total to date</b>        | <b>\$ 1,855</b>  |

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Tuesday, May 5**

Women's Guild Meeting, 6:30 PM, in the parish center

**Wednesday, May 6**

Food Pantry, 1:00 PM, in the trailer

Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:30 PM, in the K of C Hall

**Thursday, May 7**

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall

**Friday, May 8**

Alpha, 6:15 PM, in the K of C Hall

**ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS**

Seed ordering time is upon us. As you plan your summer gardens we encourage you to plant an extra row for your local food pantries. Be sure to order enough seeds so you can share the fruits and vegetables of your labor with those who may not ever have the taste of a garden tomato or fresh green beans.



**BAPTISM**

Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **Nick Pasquale DeSimone, Matthew Paul McCarthy, Alexis Hazel Caroline Micciche, Evan Joseph O'Connor and Ray Anthony Stramecki.** Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

**A NOTE FROM FR. PAUL**

Dear Friends,

It's hard to believe that May is here and with May comes flowers, warm weather, First Eucharist's, Weddings and the Annual Catholic Charities Appeal.

This year the call to help is stronger than ever and Catholic Charities is faced with the challenge to answer. The annual appeal is a primary source of funding for Catholic Charities. It is through your generosity that we as a Diocese in parish community can serve the less fortunate. Please respond generously to this year's appeal. In the pews you will find the Catholic Charities Appeal envelopes. Please fill one out whether or not you choose to make a donation or pledge. Even if circumstances prevent you to make a donation this year please fill out an envelope. In that way we will not bother you with a follow up letter. Thank you for your generous support and allowing miracles to happen!

Starting next week at the 4:00 PM Mass is First Eucharist season. This year we are doing First Eucharist a little bit differently. We are splitting the First Eucharist between the 4:00 PM and the 11:00 AM Masses. Please consult the Religious Education section of the bulletin for the times and dates of the different First Eucharist celebration.

Recently a number of parishioners have come up to me with a concern about wheat allergies and with the reception of Holy Communion. We have received special host which are liturgically approved for these parishioners. If you have these allergies please **stop by the sacristy before Mass** so I can make the proper arrangement for you to receive one of these special host.

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On Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Paul celebrated his 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary into the Priesthood, please keep him in your prayers

*MAY 3, 2009*

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## COMING IN SEPTEMBER.....

Next years Bible study will begin September 9<sup>th</sup>, with an 8 week video lecture series called Lands of the Bible. Lands of the Bible invites participants to take a visual and spiritual journey to the Holy Land. This course will identify key places and landscapes of the Bible which will speak their own inspiring message for the spiritual life.

We will follow with a scripture study of Paul's Letters from Prison found in Philippians, Colossians, and Ephesians

In these letters of encouragement, correction, and instruction written from prison, Paul lovingly inspires and challenges us to greater discipleship.

These studies are considered foundation studies, perfect for any level of bible familiarity. Please consider joining us in September. More information will follow this summer. For additional information, please contact Donna Beals, dbeals1@comcast.net or 898-0308. Hope to see you there.

## OPERATION BABY BOTTLE

We have been asked by the Care Net Pregnancy Center during the month of May to do a Baby Bottle Campaign. You are asked to take a Baby Bottle home the first weekend in May and return it the last weekend in May filled with spare coins, bills and possibility a check. This cash will be used to support the Pro-Life family services offered by the Care Net Centers in Manchester and Nashua. The Care Net Centers provide loving alternatives to abortion and provides education and confidential counseling to nearly 1500 hundred women yearly. Your support for this worth wild project is deeply appreciated.

## BIRTHRIGHT

On Mother's day weekend the Knights of Columbus will handing out carnations after each mass on May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. To support the Pro-Life activities of Birthright a donation for the carnation would be greatly appreciated. Thank you again for your support of this Pro-Life organization.

## FOOD PANTRY

The Pelham Food Pantry is open on Wednesday from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM. We are in need of **Peanut Butter, Jelly** and **Fluff**. If you would like to make a donation or donate any items, please call Marietta Potter at 635-2671. This weekend is Brown Bag Sunday.

**There is a Food Drive next Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM in the parish center. The Food Pantry will need help to stock the shelves. We are looking for any adults or students who will be able to help out.**

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*"I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again." - Jn 10:16-17*

**Monday May 4**

8:00 AM Yvette Groulx requested by her sister Noella & Sam

**Tuesday May 5**

8:00 AM Brian Soucy Jr. requested by Brian & Carol Soucy  
6:30 PM For the deceased members of the Women's Guild

**Wednesday May 6**

8:00 AM Dorothy Matthews requested by Bob & Betty Champagne  
8:30 AM – 12:00 Noon Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Thursday May 7**

8:00 AM Janet Artimovich requested by Andrea Genereux

**Friday May 8**

8:00 AM Rev. Francis Clifford

**Saturday May 9**

4:00 PM Dr. Gino Ippolito, 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary requested by his family

**Sunday May 10**

8:00 AM Grace Buscema requested by her family  
9:30 AM Robert Hall requested by his family  
11:00 AM Kenneth Whelan, 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, requested by his family



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of the deceased members of the Women's Guild



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

**REMEMBRANCE**

Please remember in your prayers Christine Reidy who recently died.