

St. Patrick Parish Ministry Directory



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Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers – Adults – Adult altar servers who help serve at Mass

Altar Servers – Youth – Youth altar servers who help serve at Mass

Arts and Environment – Prepares the seasonal liturgical decorations for the church. Typically they meet for Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter

Choir – Leads music for the 4pm Saturday Mass. Practices are Monday nights. Rehearsals are Saturdays before Mass

Christmas Children's Pageant – Sing Christmas carols and perform the pageant before the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass. Rehearsals are generally on the Saturday mornings leading up to Christmas

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – Assist with distribution of Communion at Masses

Funeral Ministries – Assist with the necessary liturgical ministries at Funeral Masses (greeters, servers, etc.)

Hospitality (Greeter) Ministry – Greet people before and after Mass, take up the collection and help people with general needs at Mass

Lectors – Proclaim the Word at Mass

Praise Band – Leads music for the Sunday Masses. Practices are Thursday nights. Rehearsals are before each of the Sunday Masses

Videography Ministry – Video live-stream and record the 4:00pm Saturday Mass

Outreach

Bereavement Meals Ministry – Provide meals after funerals in the parish. Help by either making food and dropping it off, or by helping to set up, serve meals and clean up afterward

Bereavement Support Ministry – Sends letters and helpful booklets to those who have lost a loved one

Carenet – Helps support women in crisis pregnancy situations

Community Dinners – Free meals offered to the Community every other month. Help with food preparation, serving or set-up/clean-up

Food Pantry – Offers food to those who are in need in Pelham.

Homebound Ministry – Brings Communion to the homebound (NOTE: you must be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at St. Patrick Parish in order to participate in this ministry)

New Parishioner Meeting – Welcomes new parishioners with social, informational and service opportunities at the parish

Prayer

Adoration – Spend time adoring our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Wednesdays 8:30-9:30am, and 2-8pm

Divine Mercy Prayer for the Dying – Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for those who are dying when the pastor gets a call to anoint someone

Masses of Healing and Hope – Masses with opportunities for healing prayer afterward

Prayer Line Ministry – When someone requests prayer, pray for the person and his/her intentions

Prayer Shawl Ministry – Knitting or crocheting prayer shawls for those in need of being “wrapped in prayer”

Prayer Warriors – Pray, sacrifice and offer sufferings to Jesus for specific students preparing to receive their sacraments this year

Rosary Ministry – Lead the rosary before the weekend Masses

St. Therese Society – Prayer warriors for the needs of the parish. Typically members are homebound

Women of Mary – Meet to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet before 1st Saturday, 8am Mass, and then after Mass pray the rosary followed by breakfast, social and talk

Adult Faith Growth Opportunities

Bible Sharing – Wednesday morning meetings to grow in knowledge of the Bible and share the Faith

Jesus aCROSS the Border – Catholic young adult (18-35) organization uniting all Catholic young adult groups.

Light of the World Retreats – Parish based retreat which focusses on growing in a personal relationship with God, specifically through the sacraments

Men’s Morning Book Group – Men meet at 6am on Wednesdays to pray and discuss the Faith through a book study

Monday Night Teachings – Study different topics about Catholicism on Monday nights at 7pm. Check the bulletin for current topics and dates

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism Instruction – Class held once a month to help prepare first time parents for the responsibilities they accept when they baptize their children

Confirmation—Adult – An opportunity for adults to be confirmed

Confirmation—Youth– Confirmation classes for the youth. The Diocese of Manchester is preparing to transition to confirmation in the 3rd grade, before 1st Communion

Marriage Preparation –

-“**Joy-filled Marriage Seminar**” **Theology of the Body** – Help facilitate a video series for engaged couples

-“**Fully Engaged**” **Sponsor Couple** – Work with engaged couples to discuss marriage issues (ie - communication, finances, faith, etc.)

First Reconciliation, Confirmation, First Communion – Preparing 2nd and 3rd graders for their Sacraments

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) – classes for those interested in becoming Catholic

Social Opportunities

Coffee and Doughnuts – Held after the 10:30am Sunday Mass

Craft Fair Committee – Help run the Annual Fall Craft Fair

Parish Picnic – Help run the Annual Parish Picnic

Women’s Guild – Women meet on the first Tuesday of the month to socialize and grow closer to God

Youth

Christmas Children’s Pageant – Sing Christmas carols and perform the pageant before the 4pm Christmas Eve

Mass. Rehearsals are generally on the Saturday mornings leading up to Christmas

Faith Life – Family formation in the Faith. Classes meet once a month. Parents are taught and empowered to teach their children about the Faith throughout the month, while children receive supplementary teaching in classes.

CYO Basketball – Winter basketball league for our Catholic youth

Mary’s Children – This prayer group meets after the 10:30am Mass. Children learn to pray to Mary while growing in their faith in a “non-classroom” atmosphere

Vacation Bible School – High energy music, dancing, skits, and faith drawing our children to know more about the Bible and God.

Youth Group – Open to grades 6-12. Focusses on helping teens, with peer support, grow in their relationship with God and each other, as well as in their Christian walk

Other Opportunitites

Church Cleaners – Help keep our church looking good!

Knights of Columbus – International Catholic men’s service organization. Meets on the first Wednesday of the month

March for Life: Washington, DC – In January, peacefully pray and march in Washington, DC for an end to abortion

Parish Finance Council – This group is an accountability committee for the finances of the parish, as well as a sounding board for how best to use parish resources

Parish Pastoral Council – This Council helps inform the pastor of the needs of the parish, as well as seeking ways to implement the Parish Vision and Mission