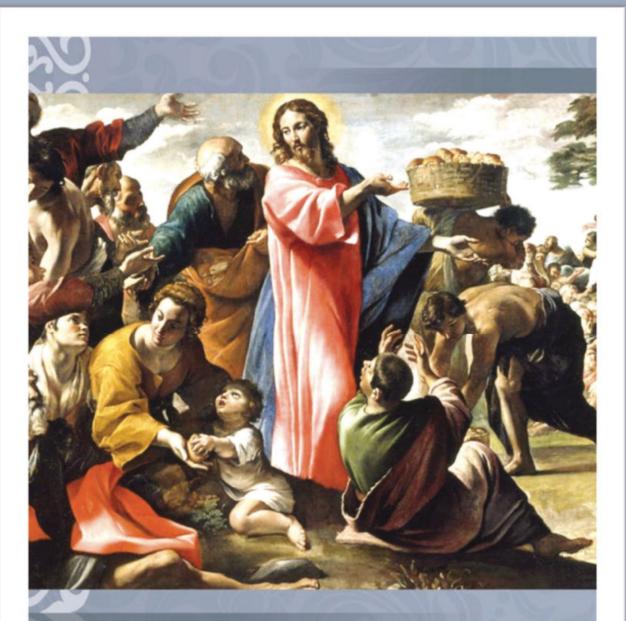
## Saint Patrick Parish 71 Central Street, Stoneham, MA 02180 Sunday, June 19, 2022 ~ Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ



# THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. - Lk 9:16

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

In communion with the Roman Catholic Church throughout the world, St. Patrick Parish seeks to further the mission of Jesus Christ: that all may know God's love for them, and grow in union with God and one another. With the Sacred Liturgy at the center of our parish life, we are formed by the Word of God and strengthened by the Eucharist. We move from the table of the Lord to proclaim God's presence in our world today through a variety of ministries. Manifesting the life of the Holy Spirit in our midst, we strive to be a welcoming community where faith finds expression in service.

#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

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#### PARISH OFFICE

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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 10:00 am - 12:00 pm & 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm Saturday & Sunday - CLOSED

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

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#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am 10:00 am (Family Mass) 12 Noon & 6:00 pm

#### **DAILY MASSES**

Monday - Saturday: 12 Noon

#### **CHURCH HOURS**

Monday - Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Sunday - 7:00 am - 7:00 pm

#### HOLY DAYS

Vigil 7:00 pm Holy Day 12:00 Noon

**CONFESSIONS** Saturday 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm in the lower Church

#### ROSARY

Weekdays before 12:00 Noon Mass, Monday & Friday 3:00 pm

#### DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Mon. - Sat. 11:00 am (Prayed during adoration, followed by the Rosary & Mass)

#### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

*(except on Holidays)* Mon - Sat 11:00 ~ 11:55 am Monday 12:45 ~ 4:00 pm Friday 12:45 ~ 4:00 pm

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Meets every 2nd Friday at 3:45 pm in the lower church.

#### PRAYER LINE

Please call the Parish Office; Requests will be recorded in the intentions book in the lower church and will be included in prayer during Adoration on Monday & Friday afternoons.

#### SAINT VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Donation boxes for St. Vincent de Paul Society are located on either side of the center aisle doors exiting the church. They are also located in the lower church at the doors.

#### MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made with a Priest or Deacon at the Parish at least six months in advance. A Marriage Preparation Course is required.

#### BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:30 pm ~ Please call the Parish Office to register.

#### MASS CARDS

Mass Cards are available through the parish office located at 71 Central Street.

#### AVAILABLE RESOURCE

A good resource is available for those who struggle with an addiction to pornography: <u>www.integrityrestored.com</u>. Their mission is to restore the integrity of individuals, spouses and families that have been affected It provides education, encouragement, and resources to break free from pornography, heal relationships, and to assist parents in preventing and responding to pornography exposure which is so devastating in the lives of our children.



#### Unable to attend Sunday Mass in person?

Each weekend one Mass is

recorded and then broadcast on Stoneham TV during the following week. Below are the times that Mass is aired on the Public Channel. (Public Access Channels: Comcast Ch. 9, RCN Ch. 3, Verizon Ch. 34).

Wednesday at 2:00 pm, Sunday at 9:00 am, Monday at 5:00 pm, Tuesday at 9:00 am. Each new cycle begins on Wednesday so the past Sunday's Mass will air for the first time on Wednesday.

During this pandemic the St. Vincent dePaul Society continues to serve our neighbors in need. Please help us with your contributions using the mounted boxes in the rear of the church. Your help will be a blessing for the less fortunate in these difficult times. God bless you !

## <sup>~</sup>Altar Flower Memorial

Flowers for this weekend have been donated in memory of All Fathers, Grandfathers, Great-grandfathers & God-fathers living & deceased.



The Bread and Wine for the week's liturgies were donated in memory of: *Mary Greco Vaudo* 



SATURDAY - June 18, 2022 4:00 Michael Uva .....4th Anniversary Mass

#### SUNDAY - June 19, 2022 ~ Father's Day

Masses will be celebrated for all Fathers, Grandfathers, Great Grandfathers and God-Fathers, living and deceased.

#### **MONDAY - June 20, 2022**

12:00	Thomas M. Creed	4th Anniversary Mass	
	Guy & Annette Laurano	oMemorial Mass	
TUESDAY - June 21, 2022			
12:00	Jessica Plant	Birthday Memorial	
WEDNESDAY - June 22, 2022			
12:00	Elizabeth T. Miller	Birthday Memorial	
THURSDAY - June 23, 2022			
12:00	Irene & August Lodato	Memorial Mass	
FRIDAY - June 24, 2022			
12:00	Helen Cassell	Memorial Mass	

#### 12NOON COMMUNAL MASS SATURDAY ~ JUNE 25, 2022

Edward Ricupero	Memorial Mass
Joey LoRusso	Memorial Mass
Joseph & Roseann Concannon	
Lil DiMartino	18th Anniversary Mass

#### SATURDAY - June 25, 2022

4:00 John & Elaine Callahan ......Memorial Mass

#### SUNDAY - June 26, 2022

8:00	Joseph Zagarella	Birthday Memorial
10:00	Joseph Eiro	5th Anniversary Mass
12:00	Gaetano Ruisi	Month's Mind Mass
6:00	Mary Bruno	Memorial Mass

Bulletin Announcement submissions are due on Monday, by noon, for the upcoming weekend.



Marjorie O'Callaghan, Robert Denehy, Joan Havican, Morgan Gerrior, Carole Roach, William Callahan & Mike Hogan who died this past week.



#### ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS for 2022 Sunday Masses

Each weekend you have the opportunity to donate the weekend arrangement on the altar in memory of loved ones. The flower arrangement will be the one piece placed in front of the main altar. The name of your loved one will be

placed in the bulletin for that weekend. The parish makes arrangements for the flowers. The donation is \$75. Available weekends; July 3 & 31, September 4 & 25, October 2 and November 13.

Please call the parish office @ 781-438-0960 if you are interested in donating flowers for a particular weekend.

#### June 19 ~ Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood (Corpus Christi)

Today, like every Sunday, we repeat the celebration that forges our identity and strengthens us to be the very body of Christ that we receive. Celebrating the Body and Blood of Christ always calls us to do what he commanded: to share our lives as he did. The gift we receive and celebrate is the very center and heart of our church, the center and heart of our faith and our lives. So too, it must be the center and heart of our parish life. As we leave Mass today, having received Christ's body and blood, let us pray for our parish and ourselves be more and more Christ-like in all that we say and do.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Richard Schroter, Bryan McLaughlin, Michael Angelosanto, Shawn Tagan, Patrick Tagan, Matthew Tagan, Michael Lynch, Patrick Drane, Adam Brewer, Ryan Snyder, Brian Kennedy, Rob Brennan, Timothy Marshall, John Ronayne, Adam Campbell, Sean Marshall, Pedro Santana, Stefanie Dilendick, Philip West, John Richard Breen, Patrick Pothier, Nicholas Staffier, Kyle Murphy, William White, Jonathan Langone, Michael Lirakis, Robert Clemente, Kevin Carta, Alexander Clark, James Garcia, Alfred M. Wing, III, Tyler Retalic, Scott A. Marino, Jr., John Gallagher, Matthew Cimina, 1st Lt Nicola Patel.

#### THE BODY OF CHRIST

#### **Receiving Holy Communion**

Jesus did not abandon us when He ascended into Heaven. He remains with us in His Church, which continues His work of teaching, healing, and guiding us. One of the greatest ways that He is with us is in the sacrifice of the Eucharist, where bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, who is fully present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

We worship Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during the Mass, at Eucharistic Adoration, and where He is present in the tabernacle, but one of the most important and intimate ways that we share in His presence is when we receive Holy Communion. Holy Communion unites us more closely to Jesus, and it is also a sign that we are living in communion with His Church, following the teachings that Jesus has handed down to us.

#### What Happens at Holy Communion?

In Holy Communion, we receive Jesus Christ, who gives Himself to us in His body, blood, soul, and divinity. This intimate union with Christ both signifies and strengthens our union with Him and His Church. Jesus speaks of the importance of Holy Communion when He states, "unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood, you have no life in you." Because Holy Communion unites us to Jesus, it also strengthens us against sin, helps us to live a Christian life, and prepares us for the heavenly banquet.

#### Who Can Receive Holy Communion?

Because Holy Communion is one of the most precious things that Jesus has given to us, it is important to prepare ourselves properly before receiving. In the Roman Catholic Church, once a child is old enough to understand that the Eucharist is the gift of Jesus' own life, he receives careful preparation so that he may receive his First Holy Communion. In addition to learning the truths about the Eucharist, the child prepares himself spiritually, receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, so that he might receive Holy Communion with a pure heart.

For adults, too, careful preparation is necessary before receiving Holy Communion. Because Holy Communion is a sign of unity with the Catholic Church, one should only receive Holy Communion if he believes what the Catholic Church teaches, and is living as a member of the Church, following the way of life that she sets out for her children. If one is conscious of serious sin, he should receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before approaching Holy Communion.

#### How do I Prepare to Receive Holy Communion?

Holy Communion is a great mystery, to be approached with reverence and awe. On the feast of Corpus Christi, the Church sings that Holy Communion brings "life to these, to those damnation / see how like participation / is with unlike issues rife." This hymn draws its inspiration from the Holy Bible, where Saint Paul writes, "anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself." Holy Communion is a great spiritual gift, but it also requires great respect.

The most important preparation is spiritual. Many Catholics choose to take some time for private prayer before mass to prepare for Holy Communion. In order to receive Holy Communion worthily, individuals with serious sins first need to receive forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Confession is also a valuable preparation for those with lesser sins, and most parishes provide it at a convenient time for those who desire to receive Holy Communion at Sunday Mass.

The Church offers various aids to help Catholics prepare themselves for Holy Communion. She requires a fast of at least one hour before receiving Communion. This fast includes all food and drink except for water and medicine, but it does not apply to the ill or elderly. Some Catholics find it helpful to fast for a longer time, even from the night before, in order to be better prepared for Holy Communion. Time spent praying in thanksgiving after receiving Holy Communion is also well rewarded.

THE BODY OF CHRIST (continued)

#### What if I cannot Receive Holy Communion?

There are many individuals who will not be able to receive Holy Communion at any given mass. These include children who have not yet made their First Holy Communion, non-Catholics who may be in the congregation, those who have not made the necessary fast before mass, and individuals who are in a state of sin, including those who are living in irregular marital situations.

While the worthy reception of Holy Communion is a great gift, it is not necessary for a Catholic to receive Holy Communion at every mass. Participation in the mass gives glory to God and can be of great spiritual value even when one does not receive Holy Communion. Those who do not receive Holy Communion can join with the whole community in prayer, asking God's blessing upon themselves and upon the whole world.

At times it may be painful not to be able to receive Holy Communion. For Catholics, this may serve as an invitation to speak with a priest who can help them return to full communion. For non-Catholics, it can be an inspiration to pray for greater union among Christians. The Catholic Church invites all people to communion, but full communion means a choice to embrace the teachings and way of life that the Church has received from Christ and continues to propose to the people of today.

Each time we receive Holy Communion well, we not only receive the Body of Christ, but become more deeply united to Christ in His Body, the Church. This great gift calls for great preparation, and invites us to give the rest of our lives to Jesus, as well.

### GOSPEL MEDITATION June 19, 2022 ~ The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Jesus went to those most in need. He forgave the sinner, ate with the outcast, defended, and fed those who were poor and hungry. He worked for true justice, risked being unpopular, willingly accepted suffering and death, and always stayed connected with his Abba, Father. Jesus also consistently reminded folks that God's compassion, love, and mercy trump everything, even the law. This is the Christ that the Eucharist calls us to be. As we look around our churches, our towns and cities, and our world, there are many people who need to see the face and body of Christ. Some of those most in need may be right within our families. But it is always in the poorest of the poor and those most vulnerable that we find the greatest need. There are many who cannot function on their own. When the gift of the Eucharistic Christ takes root in our hearts, we can more readily see the face of Christ in others.

Many people are vulnerable. Highest on that list are the homeless. They show us the face of Christ. Whatever the cause, to have no place to go and no place to call home takes a toll on the human spirit. For Jesus when there were hungry people, they were fed. God asks us to do the same ... feed people. There are many who are hungry physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Gifted by the Eucharistic presence of Christ, we can bring them Christ. Who are the hungry around us and how can we feed them?

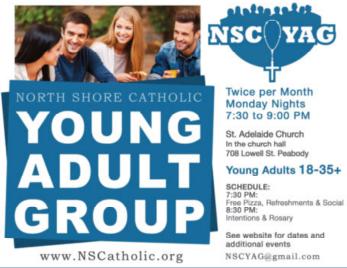
When someone is hurting, you comfort them. When someone is hungry, you feed them. When someone needs clothes, you provide them. When someone is cold, you warm them. When someone is in prison, you visit them. With over a million people who are homeless and over a quarter of them children, it is important to ask the question, "why?" and strategize for ways to lessen or alleviate the problem. Nevertheless, we are not off the hook for responding to the immediate needs that present themselves at our doors. Whether a person's current station in life is self-imposed or the result of being victimized, they are sacred vessels. We cannot lock the door and send them away and still believe we bear the Eucharistic presence of Christ. It doesn't work like that.

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#### Second Collection Promoting the Gospel

This week's second collection, June 18-19, will be shared by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) and the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). These two organizations communicate the Gospel by promoting works of justice, education and the dignity of human life. Your generous donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes and will support our local communications needs, such as Catholic TV programming.





#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Our Lord asked, "Could you not stay with me for even an hour?"



Please come and pray with us as we spend time in the divine presence of our Lord. Join Fr. Joe in Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament at **3:00 pm** on **Sunday, June 19th** in the upper Church.

## Holy Land Trip rescheduled!

You are invited to join us on a 14-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. Jurgen Liias and Deacon Frank Dello Russo from St. Patrick's Church in Stonebam, MA

In the Footsteps of Jesus February 1-14, 2023



World Apostolate of Fatima Rosary Group invites you to join them for Holy Hour held every Monday & Friday from 3:00 - 4:00 pm (except Holidays) in the lower Church.



CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

We need your help! Since the launch of the 2022 Catholic Appeal, St. Patrick Parish has raised \$70.590. toward our 2022 Catholic Appeal assessment of \$81,647; a shortfall of \$11,057. A sincere thank you to all who have contributed thus far. Although we realize this may be difficult for some, we are asking you to join our Parish-wide effort to reach the Catholic Appeal assessment. Every donation helps! Please make checks payable to the Catholic Appeal and place in the collection or mail to the Parish Office. You can also donate online at bostoncatholicappeal.org. Please be sure to select our Parish's town & name under the "Parish Credit" field. Please note, the list is sorted by city/ town then Parish name. This will ensure St. Patrick Parish receives credit for your generous contribution towards our Catholic Appeal assessment!



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