

# Saint Aidan ☩ Saint Patrick Parish

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June 13, 2021



## 11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.”- Mk 4:30-32b



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, June 12, Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 PM - Claire Martins by family

### Sunday, June 13, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM - Matthew and Carrie Bara by family

11:00 AM - Rev. Msgr. William J. Carey

### Monday, June 14

8:00 AM - Gloria Turcotte by family

### Tuesday, June 15

8:00 AM - Msgr. Robert Newbold

### Wednesday, June 16

8:00 AM - Rev. Deacon Jacques L. Maynard

### Thursday, June 17

8:00AM - St. Aidan—St. Patrick parish community

### Friday, June 18

8:00AM - St. Aidan—St. Patrick parish community

### Saturday, June 19

4:00PM - Rev. Charles Fountain

### Sunday, June 20, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM - Paul and Claire Poirier by daughter and family

11:00 AM - Joao (John) Andres by family

## Readings for the week of June 13, 2021

**Sunday:** Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2

Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Mt

5:38-42

Flag Day

**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a [1b]/

Mt 5:43-48

**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 [1b]/Mt

6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 [7a]/Mt

6:7-15

**Friday:** 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [cf. 18b]/

Mt 6:19-23

**Saturday:** 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [9a]/

Mt 6:24-34

St. Romuald, Abbot; BVM

**Next Sunday:** Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-

29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Refugee Day; Father's Day

## INCOME REPORT

June 6, 2021

Weekly Offering:	\$3,848
Cemetery:	\$ 438
Parish Outreach:	\$ 286
Maintenance:	\$ 438
May Online Giving:	\$4,670.41

**Catholic Charity Appeal Update:** As of May 31, 2021 our parish has pledged \$39,558 of our goal of \$47,500.

### Online Giving

Online giving is available at <https://aidan-patrick.weshareonline.org/> for anyone that wishes to make donations to our parish collections. For any questions or concerns, please call our office at 401-333-5897. Thank you to all of our parishioners who continue to donate to aid our parish in its mission.

## Tuition Aid for Catholic Schools

This year, the parish was able to give \$2,500 dollars in support to Catholic school students in our parish community.

There are still funds available for any K—12 students that attend Catholic school. Contact Monsignor Plante at [msgr-plante@aidan-patrick.org](mailto:msgr-plante@aidan-patrick.org) if interested. Needed is the name of the student, age, grade level, and the school they will be attending for the 2021-2022 academic year.



## New Permanent Deacon Class Formation

In this Year of St. Joseph, and as we prepare for the 150th Anniversary Celebration of the Diocese of Providence, we are joyfully recruiting men interested in the Permanent Diaconate. Information Sessions are being held on the following dates:

Monday, June 14, 7:00 p.m., St. Barnabas Church, Parish Hall, 1697 East Main Road, Portsmouth

Wednesday, June 16, 7:00 p.m., St. Patrick Church, Lower Church Hall, 244 Smith St., Providence

Saturday, June 19, 10:00 a.m., St. Joseph Church, Parish Hall, 1200 Mendon Road, Woonsocket

Monday, June 21, 7:00 p.m., St. Bernard Church, Parish Hall, 275 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown

Wednesday, June 23, 7:00 p.m., Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Lower Hall, Providence

If a man is married his wife is encouraged to attend the presentation. Visit [dioceseofprovidence.org/deacon-formation-program](http://dioceseofprovidence.org/deacon-formation-program) to learn more and to register for a particular session. For more information or if you have questions, please contact Deacon Noel Edsall, Director of the Permanent Diaconate, 401.278.4604.

## Pastor's Column

This weekend I will be travelling to South Bend Indiana along with John Namaka (the parish facilities manager and cemetery superintendent) to attend a conference on Catholic Cemeteries at Notre Dame University. This conference is held each year by the Catholic Cemetery Conference (CCC) a national organization recognized by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB). Our parish is a member of the CCC, which seeks to offer dioceses and parishes the resources and information they need to maintain and operate a Catholic cemetery.

Our two cemeteries--St. Patrick at the corner of High and McGirr Streets and Mount Calvary on Curran Road—are both Historical Cemeteries in recognition of their long standing. Both cemeteries were founded in the late 1800's. These two cemeteries were originally cemeteries of St. Patrick parish and are now the cemeteries of St. Aidan-St. Patrick Parish. However, in reality, these two cemeteries are the regional Catholic Cemeteries of Valley Falls. If you go walking through our cemeteries you will certainly spot many Irish surnames on the headstones, but you will also see French-Canadian, Polish and Portuguese surnames as well. These names are a reminder that our cemeteries were founded to offer Catholic immigrants a place of burial for their loved ones.

In the Church's Code of Canon Law catholic cemeteries like Mount Calvary and St. Patrick come under the category of "Consecrated Places". One Canon in particular applies to me as the pastor. Canon 1243 directs pastors of parishes with cemeteries to take on the responsibility of drafting guidelines and regulations to act as "particular law for the management of cemeteries, especially in what concerns the protection and the fostering of their sacred character." [Canon 1243].

Over the past year, I have been working on a document of "Guidelines and Regulations" for our cemeteries which is now 12 pages long. The document includes sections that deal with the management and operations of our cemeteries. I have created these guidelines to both to both regulate and inform people on the nature of a Catholic cemetery. In the past five years I have learned quite a bit about cemeteries that I did not know before. And I have also come to the realization that there are many things about cemeteries people do not know!

Our cemeteries, like all religious and secular cemeteries in Rhode Island, come under regulations and laws that have been enacted by the State. Within the state, we also are regulated by the Department of Environmental Management (DEM). Moreover, as our cemeteries are also a work site we are also bound by regulations of the Federal Office of OSHA.

However, it is the "sacred character" of our cemeteries that many people today do not know or appreciate. Catholic Cemeteries, like Catholic churches, chapels, shrines, cathedrals and basilicas are "consecrated places." The consecration of these places is not merely that they have been blessed, but that they are blessed places for the assembly of the faithful. It is the presence of the faithful departed interred in our cemeteries that perpetuate the consecrated nature of the cemetery. When a church building is no longer used for worship, it loses its consecrated nature but a cemetery can never lose its consecrated nature as long as the faithful are buried there.

I hope that after attending this class at Notre Dame, I will be able to finalize these Guidelines and Regulations and make them available on our website or to anyone else that wants to read them. However, these guidelines will never be "finished." Our cemeteries have been with us for over 100 years and many things have changed since then and they will continue to change.



## Parish Group Updates:

**Women's Group Letter Writing Ministry:** St. Aidan & Patrick Parish is starting a card-writing ministry for residents at Mount St. Rita's. Take a blank card from the back of the church. Write an encouraging note. Return the card to the box at the back of church. Feel free to add your address in case the recipient would like to write back. We will bring the cards to Mount St. Rita's once a month.

**Women's Group Walk:** Saturday, June 26 at 11 am we will meet at La Salette Shrine in Attleboro, MA for a rosary walk. We will meet at the center of the Rosary Pond and then break into smaller groups to cover the Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious Mysteries. All are invited and are encouraged afterward to explore the Shrine's book store or to walk in their nature preserve. Mask wearing and social distancing are mandatory on the Shrine's grounds—both in and out of doors.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Thank you to all who donated yarn to the prayer shawl ministry and our volunteers that assist with making the shawls. We have successfully made 6 shawls for community members in need. We are still looking for knitters, crocheters, and even quilters who would like to make prayer shawls for the ministry. Your talents would be a wonderful place to share. Knitting needles, and/or yarn can be provided for you. Any questions, contact, Jeanne D'Ambrosia at 744-5729 or email at [jdambrosia3@gmail.com](mailto:jdambrosia3@gmail.com).

**Seniors Group:** The seniors group will resume in the fall. More information will be available soon.

**Faith Formation Classes:** Faith Formation Classes will resume in the fall. Registration and more information will be out soon!

**Youth Ministry/ Family group:** The office is planning some fun activities for families for the summer! Stay tuned!

## Parish Office Update:



**Mask Policy:** We ask that for all those that enter our space to please continue to wear a mask for all those that cannot be vaccinated. Thank you for helping us keep our community safe.

Monsignor Plante and our cemetery superintendent, John Namaka will be away on a cemetery conference this week. Please pray for the success of their trip.

## **Collection for the Northern RI food Pantry**

You will notice in the entrance of the church a large basket. These items are collected for the Northern RI food pantry. If you are able, the food pantry is looking for the following items:

Canned Foods: fruits, vegetables, soups, spaghetti sauce

Dried Foods: rice, pasta, cereal, instant oatmeal, fruit, crackers, cooking spices

High Protein Foods: canned tuna/chicken, canned beef stew, peanut butter, canned nuts, red beans, black beans, refried beans (canned or dried)

Children's Favorites: baby food (no glass containers), infant formula (Enfamil preferred), mac & cheese, canned/boxed juices.



### **Flocknote Sign Up**

In case you missed our announcement at masses last week, our parish is excited to announce a new communication system with you! To help us gather these groups together, our parish is partnering with a communications system called Flocknote. Flocknote helps us to gather our parishioners emails and phone numbers in order to help us be more communicative with you.

This will be a great tool for us, especially when we need to notify all of you quickly. For example, if there is inclement weather and we are not able to hold mass, we can easily notify all of you quickly through text and email. The system will not share the information you provide with any other systems. It is free for all of you to use and you can opt out of the system at any time. To sign up, we simply ask you to pull out your phone and text "APP" to 84576.

It will then text you a link to finish your sign up. When you click on the link, it will ask you for your name and if you have one, your email address. When you hit next, it will show you a list of our parish groups. You can click on any group to receive notifications for that group. For example, if you have a child in religious education, you can join the group religious education parents group. If you want to be notified about the women's group, you can join the women's group that you will see on the list. Once you click on all of your groups, you're sign up is complete.

If you don't have a smartphone, you can sign up at: <https://staidanpatrickparish.flocknote.com/dashboard>. If you have any question, please don't hesitate to track down our pastoral coordinator, Moira, in the back of the Church or at the parish office at 401-333-5897.

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**St. Patrick and Mt. Calvary Cemeteries**

Superintendent: John Namaka

**Liturgical Schedule**

Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00AM, 11:00 AM  
Weekdays: 8:00 AM (Monday - Friday)  
Holy Days: 8:00 AM, 6:00 PM

Baptism: Please contact the parish office for preparation and to schedule the Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at the 11:00 AM Mass or other arrangements can be made.

Marriage: We encourage couples planning to marry to register at least one year in advance of the date of their marriage. Please contact the parish office to schedule.

Holy Orders / Consecrated Life: Call Office of Vocations at 831-8011 or [www.catholicpriest.com](http://www.catholicpriest.com) or contact Msgr. Plante at [msgrplante@aidan-patrick.org](mailto:msgrplante@aidan-patrick.org).

Sponsor Forms: Parishioners asked to be a sponsor for Baptism, Confirmation or Marriage require a sponsor form from the parish where they are registered. Please contact the parish office with your request.

Registration: New parishioners are welcome. If you would like to register for the parish, please call the parish during regular office hours or contact Moira, our pastoral coordinator, directly at [office@aidan-patrick.org](mailto:office@aidan-patrick.org).

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