# OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH



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SAINT PATRICK
Roxbury, CT

# SUNDAY MASSES Our Lady of

Perpetual Help Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 10:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury

8:30 a.m.

# **DAILY MASSES**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 9:00 a.m.

### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday at 4:15 p.m. or call the rectory for an appointment

## MISSION STATEMENT

As part of the Archdiocese of Hartford facing the needs of a changing society and changing Church, aware of our uniqueness embracing the towns of Washington and Roxbury with many weekend residents as well as full-time resident families, conscious of being blessed with material and natural bounty, recognizing the special opportunities available in the setting of small towns dedicated to the spirit of ecumenism, we see our mission to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ through prayer, especially the Eucharist, through education, supporting parents in their role as the primary educators of their children as they prepare for their first reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation, through social action building community among parish members, reaching out to Catholics not affiliated with the parish, and cooperating with the other churches in our towns, especially in addressing the needs of the community with a particular emphasis to reach out to those with special needs.

## **CCD**

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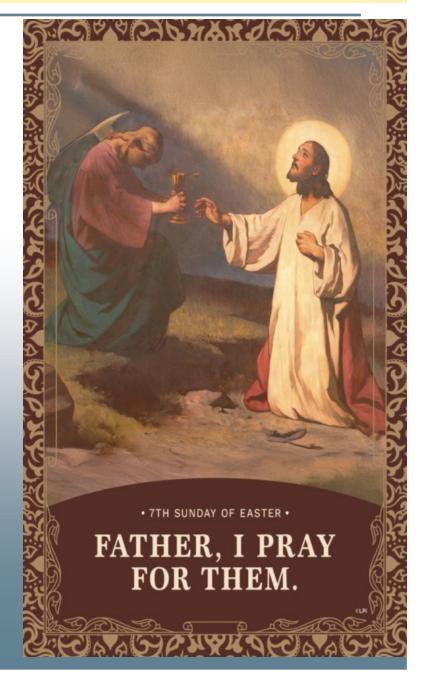
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# MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY MAY 31

SUNDAY VIGIL
5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help

William H. McDonald+ & William S. Mcdonald+ req. by Jay McDonald

SUNDAY JUNE 1

8:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury Sheehy Family+

10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Florence & Joseph Lauricella+

req. by their daughter, Maryann Skrapits

TUESDAY JUNE 3

St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

9:00 a.m. Margaret R. Cook+ Margaret C. Cook+

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 4** 

9:00 a.m. **Special Intention** 

req. by Suzanne Kozak

THURSDAY JUNE 5

St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr

9:00 a.m. Sheehy Family+

FRIDAY JUNE 6

St. Norbert, Bishop

9:00 a.m. William & Denise Bader+

**SATURDAY** JUNE 7

9:00 a.m. Tony & Mary Corvello+

req. by Bob & Pat Corvello

SUNDAY VIGIL

5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help

James Clarke+

SUNDAY JUNE 8

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury

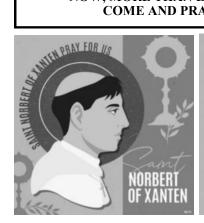
Margaret R. Cook+ & Margaret C. Cook+

10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Kenneth & Barbara Brinton+

req. by their family

A ROSARY FOR PEACE IS SAID EVERY SUNDAY AT 10 A.M. AT OUR LADY. NOW, MORE THAN EVER, WON'T YOU COME AND PRAY WITH US?



St. Norbert of Xanten (c. 1075-1134) after a violent conversion experience, was ordained and became an itinerant preacher who founded the Norbertine order. He preached against heresies denying the Blessed Sacrament, which earned him the title "Apostle of the Blessed Sacrament."





June 1, 2025 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter John 17:20-26

The famous 20th century St. Padre Pio said once that he would wait outside the gates of heaven until the people in his life had entered. I'm not sure that I, or frankly many people I know, would say that and mean it. Yet that is precisely the kind of attitude we

see in Jesus as he prays for us in the Gospel today. Having celebrated the Ascension of the Lord just a few days ago, we now hear the Son of God at the Last Supper pray to his Father "that they may be brought to perfection as one" (John 17:23). What does this mean for us?

I'd wager that we are not surprised that Jesus wants to make us perfect — that is, happy, whole, and healed. The shocker is that he desires this for us collectively and not just individually. Perfection is a team sport. We need each other to be perfect. Jesus is like a mother longing for her adult children to learn how to be in loving support of one another. He wants the perfection of his disciples to be not some individualistic plan of moral uprightness, but a loving communion of brothers and sisters.

Let's apply this practically. Do I see my participation at Mass as something I do merely for my own peace and edification, or as something I do with and for the people around me? Do I see my ongoing need for forgiveness as something that simply makes me feel better, or as a task that heals those around me, too? Is my dearest hope to individually get to heaven when I die, or is it to be part of the great procession of souls, together marching towards the heavenly Jerusalem? Do I want to be in heaven with people I currently find difficult? How would my life change if I did?—

Father John Muir ©LPi

## MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. - Life Teen Class Sunday at 8:30 a.m. - Harriet Carew Sunday at 10:30 a.m. - Janet Bloch

# PARISH COLLECTIONS Weekend of May 24 / 25

Weekend Collection 2,297.
Online Giving 717.
Total 3,014.

May God bless you in your generosity.

The second collection today is the CATHOLIC COMMUNICTIONS CAMPAIGN.
Your support helps CCC connect Catholics with Christ in the United States using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Archdiocese of Hartford to support local efforts. The other half supports the communication activities of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and some projects across the United States and abroad. Support the collection today!

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## THANK YOU LIFE TEEN CLASS

for actively participating in this weekend's Vigil Mass. We also wish to thank our CCD teachers, Annie Haddad, Christine Kersten, Shannon Kozak and Greg and Mary Jane Ruthven,

for educating our children in our Catholic faith.

# WISHING ALL A SAFE AND FUN SUMMER!

# ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This Sacrament, as its name indicates, is administered to those who are seriously sick. The oil symbolizes Christ as a source of strength...physically, to recuperate, or spiritually to accept the will of God. It may be administered for each new sickness or for the same illness, after a month or so. Please call Father Joseph at the rectory and he would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Also, if you, or someone you know, would like to receive Communion at home, please let us know and we would be happy to make arrangements.

# **SUNDAY, JUNE 22** FOLLOWING THE 10:30 A.M. MASS AT THE PAVILION IN WASHINGTON DEPOT



Please come to this once-a-year community event to say hello to your fellow parishioners. OPEN TO ALL

family members \* friends \* neighbors just ask them!

LOTS OF FOOD \* LOTS OF FUN **GAMES FOR THE KIDS** 

Want to bring a special dish?... Let us know what you are bringing on the sign-up sheets at the rear of our churches.

# **OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH** HAS A NEW PRAYER LINE ADDRESS.....

olphprayerline@yahoo.com

We encourage anyone who knows someone who is in need of prayers to submit them. Our prayer chain is very powerful and each request is considered very important. If you would like to join us in our prayer worship, please send your email address to the above email. When we get a request, you will receive an email advising you of the request.

KEEP INFORMED ABOUT YOUR PARISH Don't forget to check out our parish website occasionally. www.ourlady-stpatrick.org

### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus speaks of unity, not uniformity. With uniformity everything is the same. Unity requires recognition and reconciliation of differences. How do you reconcile differences in your home? Do you listen respectfully or do you try to manipulate or impose your opinion? The seeds of unity and division are in every family. What we sow, we reap. What is your family harvest?

### ST. PATRICK CEMETERY

Individual burial plots are available in our parish's St. Patrick Cemetery in Roxbury. The price for a plot is \$1,000 or \$3,500 for a family plot of 4. Contact John Pieper at 203-223-0297 if you are interested.

# 2025 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL TRUST IN THE LORD.....

The Archbishop Annual Appeal helps provide the critical funding needed to feed the hungry, shelter the unhoused, counsel those in despair, offer much needed assistance to the unemployed, and make medical care available to those without health insurance. Your gift to the 2025 Appeal will help to continue these and other vital ministries, services, and programs that reach out to so many in need.

All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at

https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/.

No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees settlements.

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If you attend our parish on a regular basis, please consider registering with us. It is helpful, especially when the need arises for special sacraments, sponsor certificates, etc. A registration form may be obtained by filling out this form and dropping it in the collection basket or mailing it to the

rectory. Or you may call Suzanne at the parish office at 860-

868-2600, and we will send you a registration form. If you move or change parish, please call the parish office so that we

may update our files. Business hours are Monday through

Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thank you.





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