

# OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH



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### OFFICE HOURS

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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

Annie Haddad at [anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net](mailto:anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net)

### PARISH COUNCIL

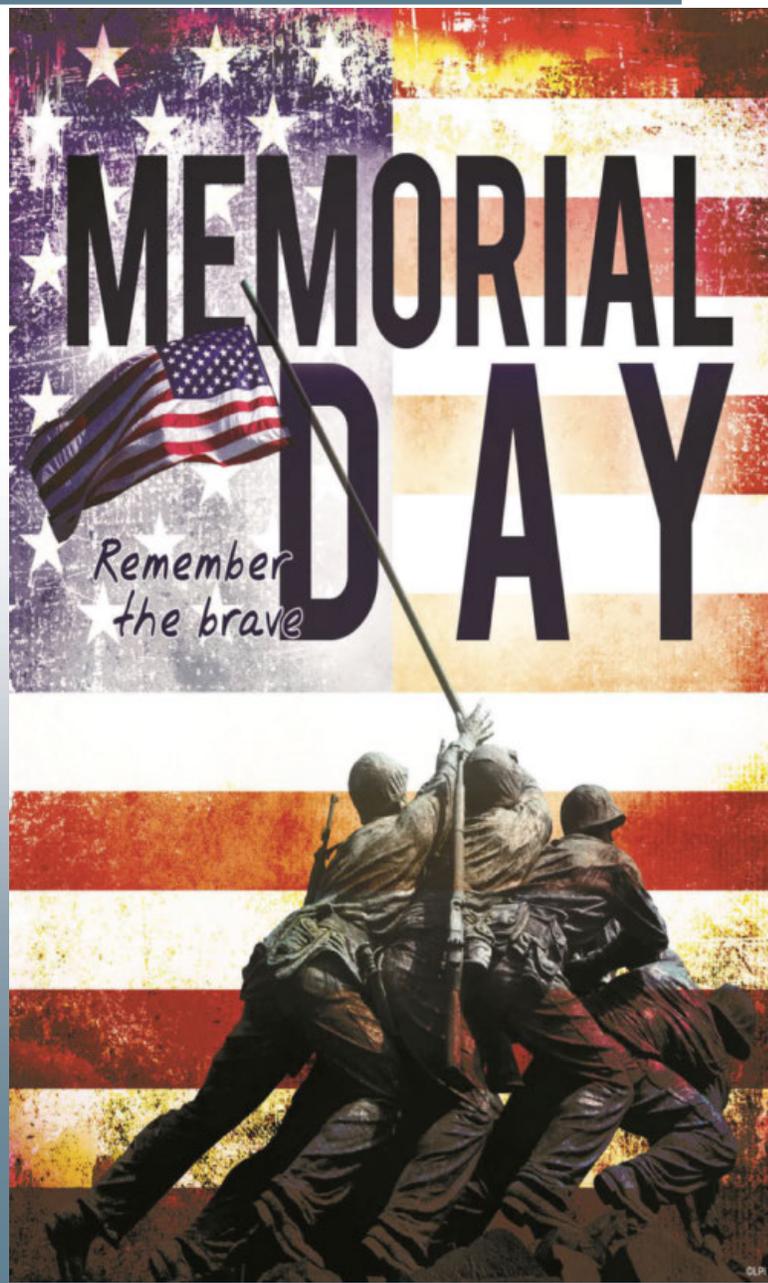
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Greg Ruthven at [gpruthven@aol.com](mailto:gpruthven@aol.com)



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY**

**MAY 24**

SUNDAY VIGIL

5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Raymond Kozak+**  
req. by his wife, Suzanne, & family

**SUNDAY**

**MAY 25**

8:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury  
**Loretta Hekeler+ - 10th Anniversary**  
req. by her sister, Shirlee Zaloumis

10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Ernest & Lucy Travisano+**  
req. by their son, Frank Travisano

**TUESDAY**

**MAY 27**

9:00 a.m. *St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop*  
**John Taylor+**

**WEDNESDAY**

**MAY 28**

9:00 a.m. **Ernest Travisano+**  
req. by his son, Frank Travisano

**HOLY DAY VIGIL**

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Margaret R. Cook+ & Margaret C. Cook+**

**THURSDAY**

**MAY 29**

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

*(A Holy Day of Obligation)*  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**All Parishioners**

9:00 a.m.

**FRIDAY**

**MAY 30**

9:00 a.m. **Sheehy Family+**

**SATURDAY**

**MAY 31**

*The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
**James Clarke+**

9:00 a.m.

SUNDAY VIGIL

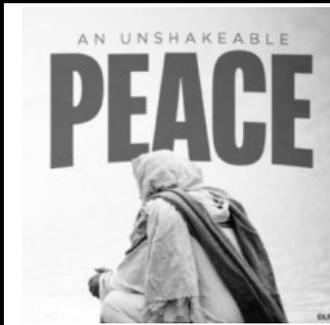
5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**William H. McDonald+ & William S. McDonald+**  
req. by Jay McDonald

**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



May 25, 2025  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
John 14:23-29

Jonathan Haidt's 2024 book entitled "The Anxious Generation" argues that today's kids are marked by significant increases in anxiety, as the title suggests. Smartphones, social media, economic uncertainty, the chaos of a global pandemic, fear regarding climate change, and the so-called "meaning crisis" all contribute to strikingly high levels of anxiety in young people today. I'm a bit older than this generation, but I feel it, too. The world can be too much to handle.

The Gospel this week offers a stunning solution for troubled souls. To his overwhelmed and anxious disciples, the risen Jesus says, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you" (John 14:27). His peace is that of the one who was overwhelmed on the cross and then conquered death by the power of his divinity, his bond of love with the Father. He offers us this unshakeable peace.

Of course, mental illness does not magically disappear because of the risen Jesus. But he does walk with us and offer us his peace in the midst of our suffering. The peace the world gives is not like his because it is weak, uncertain, and self-generated. Jesus' peace is strong, sure, and given as a gift from God. He gives it to us amid our anxiety. Will you receive it as a gift? I hope so. He wants to fill the hearts of this generation with his peace.— *Father John Muir*

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**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. - Jim Hirschfield

Sunday at 8:30 a.m. - Mary Jackson

Sunday at 10:30 a.m. - Steve Calcagni

**PARISH COLLECTIONS**  
**Weekend of May 17 / 18**

Weekend Collection	1,764.
Online Giving	<u>953.</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,717.</b>

*May God bless you in your generosity.*

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND**

Next weekend our special collection supports the **CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN.**

This campaign connects Catholics with Christ in the United States using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half of the money we collect remains here in the Archdiocese of Hartford to fund local communications efforts. The other half supports the activities of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and some projects across the United States and abroad. Your support spreads the gospel message! Learn more at [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).



**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?**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

If you wish to have a Mass offered for someone, living or deceased, on a weekday or on a weekend, contact the rectory office Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Weekday Masses - \$15 \* Weekend Masses - \$25

**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.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS**

Life Teen Mass

Class will actively participate  
in the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
next Saturday, May 31st

Shannon Kozak at shamako4@yahoo.com



*(A Holy Day of Obligation)*

**THURSDAY, MAY 29TH**

Masses are as follows:

Wednesday, May 28th at 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 29th at 9:00 a.m.

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

[olphprayerline@yahoo.com](mailto: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.



**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL  
TRUST IN THE LORD.....**

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal changes lives.

In addition to assisting the underserved of our communities, your gift helps those in discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Your gift to the Appeal is an investment in the future of the Church and our faith. Please continue to pray for an increase in vocations especially in the Archdiocese of Hartford. Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge to the 2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet participated, please prayerfully consider a gift today. Be assured every dollar of your gift will have a positive impact in someone's life.

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 or settlements.

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

by Bud Ozar

Today Jesus gives this advice: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Worry and anxiety can consume our lives preventing us from seeing the love which surrounds us and binds us to one another. Don't miss the forest for the trees. We are living today what we worried about yesterday.



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

**PARISH PICNIC**

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.

**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS  
PLEASE REGISTER WITH US**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECK:**

- NEW REGISTRATION
- CHANGE OF ADDRESS
- MOVING OUT OF PARISH

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.

**KEEP INFORMED ABOUT YOUR PARISH**

Don't forget to check out our parish website occasionally.

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