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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

**There are no
daily Masses.**

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.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY **JUNE 28**
 SUNDAY VIGIL
 5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 Wanda Tiernan+- Birthday Remembrance
 req. by her husband, Terry

SUNDAY **JUNE 29**
 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury
 Sheehy Family+
 10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 Frank Habbas+
 req. by Ginny & Amy

SUNDAY **JULY 6**
 10:00a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 Robert & Elizabeth Field+
 req. by the Fitch family

**STARTING NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 6TH,
 SUNDAY MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED
 AT 10:00 A.M.
 AT OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH.**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. - Aubrey Fitch
 Sunday at 8:30 a.m. - Jim Hirschfield
 Sunday at 10:30 a.m. - Steve Calcagni

PARISH COLLECTIONS
Weekend of June 21 / 22

Weekend Collection	1,839.
Online Giving	<u>607.</u>
Total	2,446.

May God bless you in your generosity.

The second collection this weekend is the **PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**, a world-wide collection that supports the work of the universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Leo. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Leo to be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.oblodisanpietro.va/en.html.

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH
 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.



June 29, 2025
Sts. Peter And Paul,
Apostles
Matthew 16:13-19

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes.

The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking: Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city through an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence, and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin," with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

— Father John Muir

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INDEPENDENCE DAY

On Friday, July 4th, throughout the United States, we will celebrate our freedom. Our rights are protected and opportunities abound. We recognize that freedom has a cost, one we celebrate and honor on days such as this. It's good to honor those who fight for our country, who may well pay the ultimate price for the liberties we're afforded. As faithful Catholics, we recognize that there is more to freedom than simply being at liberty to make our lives what we want them to be. St. John Paul II reminds us: "Freedom is not just doing what we can, it is doing what we ought." We become freer within ourselves and within our relationships when we choose what is right and good. When we choose sin, we become trapped in egoism - less free, not more. This Independence Day, let's continue to pursue virtue and good character and encourage others to do this same.

TODAY, SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH



**PLEASE JOIN YOUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS
ON THE LAWN FOR A FAREWELL RECEPTION,
FOLLOWING THE FINAL CELEBRATION
OF MASS AT SAINT PATRICK CHURCH.**

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.

Also, if you, or someone you know, would like to receive Communion at home, please call Suzanne at the rectory, 860-868-2600, and we would be happy to make arrangements.



Perhaps you know someone who might be considering a call to consecrated life (as a priest, sister or brother). Sometimes it is a family member, a colleague in ministry, or a friend who asks the simple question: "have you ever considered that you might have a vocation?" Your "ask" just might be the spark that encourages someone to follow the whisperings of the Holy Spirit. That spark may be all a person needs to take a extra step on a faith journey. Fan the flame as you invite them to call the Archdiocesan Office of Religious and speak to Sister Barbara Mullen, CSJ (Delegate for Religious) at 860-242-5573, ext. 7492.

GODPARENT / SPONSOR AFFIRMATION

A person wishing to be a godparent or sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation must be a practicing Catholic, at least 16 years of age, fully initiated (i.e., has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) and registered in the parish where he/she prays and worships regularly. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized as valid by the Church. Anyone requesting a Godparent/Sponsor Affirmation from this parish must meet these requirements. The person who has been asked to be a sponsor should, himself/herself, call the parish office at 860-868-2600.

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.

THANK YOU, FATHER JOSEPH

As president of our Parish Council, I would like to acknowledge our appreciation for all of the work you have done in our Parish - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church and St. Patrick Church.

You encouraged our children in our community to come together and be united. Your homilies were always educational and enlightening.

Our Parish will miss you greatly and we wish to send our encouragement to you on your new endeavor. We wish you great success, with the grace of God, in your new parish, as you go forward doing God's work.

Respectfully, Linda Fusco

CATHOLIC TRANSCRIPT NEWS

The Catholic Transcript magazine is mailed FREE to registered parishioners 10 times a year. The mission of the Catholic Transcript is to evangelize, educate and inspire. It is an official tool of evangelization for the Archdiocese as it seeks to form and inform the Catholic faith community of Connecticut. In order to receive your copy of the Transcript, you must be a registered parishioner. Call the parish office now to become a registered member, and you will start receiving the Transcript.

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