

# OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH



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Monday-Thursday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



## SAINT PATRICK

Roxbury, CT

### SUNDAY MASSES

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 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 3:15 p.m.

### 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.

### TRUSTEES

Dean Aita  
Barbara Henry



## 22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCC.

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

<b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>	<b><u>AUGUST 28</u></b> SUNDAY VIGIL 4:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Carmela Scheithe+ req. by Jack & Rosemary Paul
<b><u>SUNDAY</u></b>	<b><u>AUGUST 29</u></b> 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury John Taylor+ 10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mother's Day Intentions of Maryann Skrapits
<b><u>TUESDAY</u></b>	<b><u>AUGUST 31</u></b> 9:00 a.m. Bill Smith+ req. by Madeline Smith
<b><u>WEDNESDAY</u></b>	<b><u>SEPTEMBER 1</u></b> 9:00 a.m. Dalcie Jespersen+ req. by Bob & Pat Corvello
<b><u>THURSDAY</u></b>	<b><u>SEPTEMBER 2</u></b> 9:00 a.m. Frank Adams+ req. by Ted & Ivy Harrington
<b><u>FRIDAY</u></b>	<b><u>SEPTEMBER 3</u></b> <i>St. Gregory the Great, Pope/Doctor of Church</i> 9:00 a.m. Souls In Purgatory+ req. by Lori Carusillo & family
<b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>	<b><u>SEPTEMBER 4</u></b> 9:00 a.m. Deceased Family Members+ req. by Jean Tierney  SUNDAY VIGIL 4:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Maurice Simpson+ & James Simpson+
<b><u>SUNDAY</u></b>	<b><u>SEPTEMBER 5</u></b> 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury Marie Ann Ponzillo+ req. by her husband, Frank Travisano 10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help John Taylor+



August 29, 2021  
22nd Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

Albert Einstein said that the "true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination."

Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God's children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God's compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God's word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn't just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That's why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It's risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That's why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling. ©LPi

**THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD HAS ISSUED NEW COVID GUIDELINES.**

- **THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO ARE NOT VACCINATED ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR A FACE MASK IN OUR PARISH FACILITIES, INCLUDING DURING THE CELEBRATION OF MASS.**
- **THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO ARE VACCINATED ARE WELCOME, BUT NOT REQUIRED, TO WEAR MASKS IN OUR PARISH FACILITIES, INCLUDING DURING THE CELEBRATION OF MASS.**

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<u>Weekend of August 21 / 22</u>	
Weekend Collection	1,409.
Online Giving	<u>957.</u>
Total	2,366.

*May God bless you in your generosity.*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

The Religious Education registration form for the upcoming 2021-2022 year is now available on our website [www.ourlady-stpatrick.org](http://www.ourlady-stpatrick.org).

- Family Catechesis (Grades K-5)
- First Holy Communion (Grade 2 and up)
- Life Teen (Grades 6-8)
- Confirmation (Grades 9 & 10 and up)

We are looking for volunteers to teach and/or assist with classes. If you are interested, please contact Suzanne at the parish office at [churchofourlady@att.net](mailto:churchofourlady@att.net), Annie Haddad at [anniehaddad2411@gmail.com](mailto:anniehaddad2411@gmail.com) or Christine Kersten at [ckersten71@gmail.com](mailto:ckersten71@gmail.com).

**CLASSES START  
THE THIRD WEEK OF SEPTEMBER.**

**PLEASE REGISTER NOW!!  
BOOKS NEED TO BE ORDERED.**

**YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO REGISTER ONLINE.  
PRINT OUT A COPY OF THE FORM FOR EACH CHILD,  
FILL IN, AND MAIL TO OR DROP OFF AT THE  
RECTORY. THANK YOU.**

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus warns "what comes from within can defile" a person. Families need to worry about "outside influences" but also about "inside influences." The values our children carry for a life time are learned at home. Habits of the Hearth are the most powerful influences on a child. That's the good news! That can also be the bad news.

**WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF CONGREGATIONS  
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**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. - Aubrey Fitch

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

Sunday at 10:30 a.m. - Janet Bloch

**SAVE THE DATES**

**BABY SHOWER FOR CAROLYN'S PLACE**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH**

**OUR LADY WOMEN'S GUILD BAZAAR**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND**

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

**AT ST. JOSEPH CATHEDRAL**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021**

**(CALL RECTORY FOR INFO)**

**WINE TASTING EVENT**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16TH**

**2020 ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD  
FINANCIAL REPORT**

With appreciation to all those who support the mission and ministry of our Church and as part of the Archdiocese of Hartford's commitment to provide transparency and financial responsibility, the 2020 financial report for the archdiocese is available to be viewed at [archdioceseofhartford.org/finance](http://archdioceseofhartford.org/finance).

**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS  
PLEASE REGISTER WITH US**

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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.

**PARISH PICNIC  
TODAY**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 29th  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 10:30 MASS  
AT THE PAVILION  
IN WASHINGTON DEPOT**

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**\*family members, friends, neighbors\***

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