

# OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH



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## 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.  
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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# BE VIGILANT.

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

- SATURDAY**    **NOVEMBER 30**  
**SUNDAY VIGIL**  
 4:00 p.m.    Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**James Clarke+**  
 req. by the Knights of Columbus
- SUNDAY**    **DECEMBER 1**  
 8:30 a.m.    St. Patrick, Roxbury  
**All Souls Day Intentions+**  
 req. by M/M James Hirschfield
- 10:30 a.m.    Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Helen Baker+**  
 req. by Mike & Janet Bloch
- TUESDAY**    **DECEMBER 3**  
*St. Francis Xavier, Priest*  
 9:00 a.m.    **Sheehy Family+**
- WEDNESDAY**    **DECEMBER 4**  
*St. John Damascene, Priest / Doctor of Church*  
 9:00 a.m.    **All Souls Day Intentions+**  
 req. by M/M John Mahoney
- THURSDAY**    **DECEMBER 5**  
 9:00 a.m.    **Lance Corporal Norman Spenard+**  
 req. by his sister, Suzanne Kozak
- FRIDAY**    **DECEMBER 6**  
*St. Nicholas, Bishop*  
 9:00 a.m.    **All Souls Day Intentions+**  
 req. by M/M Edward Donlon
- SATURDAY**    **DECEMBER 7**  
*St. Ambrose, Bishop / Doctor of Church*  
 9:00 a.m.    **Souls in Purgatory+**  
 req. by Lori Carusillo
- 4:00 p.m.    **SUNDAY VIGIL**  
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Frank Habbas+**  
 req. by his wife, Ginny, & daughter, Amy
- SUNDAY**    **DECEMBER 8**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
 8:30 a.m.    St. Patrick, Roxbury  
**Anella & George Boate+**  
 req. by M/M Robert Falconer
- 10:30 a.m.    Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**William & Denise Bader+**



December 1, 2024  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

When I was a young priest, about one year after ordination, I was called to the hospital to anoint a dying mother of three young children. She had a painful, terminal cancer. After celebrating Last Rites with her, I said, "Don't be

afraid." She looked me square in the eye from her hospital bed and said, "Oh Father, I am in a lot of pain, but I am not afraid. Something wonderful is about to happen." A few days later she died.

Christians face the ending of our personal various "worlds" in a totally unique way. This first Sunday of Advent, Jesus says that when people see their world falling apart, they find themselves "fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world" (Luke 21:26). In our fear, our natural response is to check out, to hide our heads in drunkenness, distraction, and false securities. But Jesus commands us to "look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." He then compares what's coming to a lovely summer in full bloom. That's what the cross and resurrection empower us to do, as strange as it may seem.

Advent challenge: What world in your life is collapsing? A relationship, a dream, a work opportunity? Maybe you're troubled by a crumbling world in the political or economic sphere. Or maybe someone you love is seriously ill or dying. Name that world or worlds. Then pray: "Lord, help me to not faint with fear. Help me to raise my head and see your redemption coming." — *Father John Muir*    ©LPi

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

- Saturday at 4:00 p.m. - Aubrey Fitch
- Sunday at 8:30 a.m. - Carleen Falconer
- Sunday at 10:30 a.m. - Brenda Crossley

**TWO COLLECTIONS NEXT WEEKEND**

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