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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

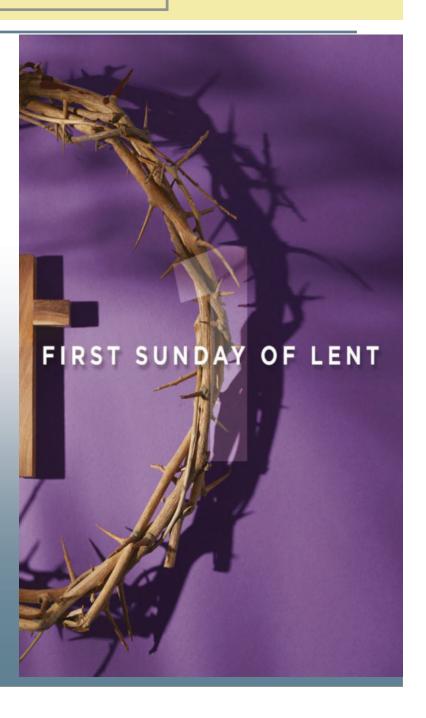
As part of the Archdiocese of Hartford facing the needs of a changing society and changing Church, aware of our uniqueness embracing the towns of Washington and Roxbury with many weekend residents as well as full-time resident families, conscious of being blessed with material and natural bounty, recognizing 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.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY MARCH 8

SUNDAY VIGIL

4:00 p.m. **Deceased of the Parish**+

SUNDAY MARCH 9

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

Sick & Elderly of the Parish

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

Deceased Clergy of the Parish+

TUESDAY MARCH 11

9:00 a.m. Lorraine Clavette+

req. by her daughter, Diane Locke

WEDNESDAY MARCH 12

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

req. by Suzanne Kozak

THURSDAY MARCH 13

9:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory+

req. by Lori Carusillo

FRIDAY MARCH 14

(A Day of Abstinence)

9:00 a.m. Sheehy Family+

6:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY MARCH 15

9:00 a.m. James Clarke+

SUNDAY VIGIL

4:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Dewey Young, Jr.+ req. by his wife, Dawn

SUNDAY MARCH 16

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

Souls in Purgatory+

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

Michael Condon+

req. by the Betty McCarthy 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?

The second collection taken up this weekend is the COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE.

This collection is aimed at supporting the Catholic Church in countries that previously faced communist oppression, primarily focusing on rebuilding church infrastructure, training seminarians, providing social services, youth ministry and pastoral care in these regions, with a current emphasis on aiding communities affected by the war in Ukraine. For more information, go to www.usccb.org.



March 9, 2025 1st Sunday of Lent Luke 4:1-13

One of the most fascinating moments in American history is when George Washington could have become the king of the newly liberated United States and didn't. At the height of his power and fame,

on Dec. 23, 1783, he resigned his commission as Commander-in-Chief, and went home. The astonished King of England remarked that in doing so, Washington was "the greatest man in the world." Greatness is often defined by what we could do but don't. Greatness is measured by the temptations we overcome.

Jesus' greatness is revealed in his victory over temptations, too. The three offered him by the devil contain, we might say, all potential possible temptations: food, power and fame. They correspond to the triple human needs of body, soul and spirit. In overcoming these three, he says "no" in essence to every and even the greatest temptation. We see that every desire of his humanity — body, soul and spirit — is perfectly united to God, to love. This is a power available to each member of his body. It is the path to true greatness. How can we, who so easily fall into even small temptations, find the power to overcome large ones? By entering into the great dynamics of Jesus' temptations.

Lenten challenge: This first week of Lent, list some concrete ways you can overcome temptations that correspond with your desires. For example, you may give up snacks between meals, choose not to participate in an activity of which you are an expert, and decide to reduce social media posting by 50%. It may not seem like much, but by saying "no" to the tyranny of food, power, and fame (in this example), you'll discover true greatness. — Father John Muir ©LPi

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. - Aubrey Fitch Sunday at 8:30 a.m. - Jim Hirschfield Sunday at 10:30 a.m. - Janet Bloch

PARISH COLLECTIONS Weekend of March 1/2

Weekend Collection 1,892.
Online Giving 827.
Total 2,719.

May God bless you in your generosity.

2024 DONATIONS

If you use our parish envelope system and would like a statement of your donations for 2024, please email Suzanne at churchofourlady@att.net or call the parish office during business hours, Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you donate online, you may generate your own tax

statement by going to your account.

Family Catechesis (Grades K-5)

Saturday, March 15th - 4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Christine Kersten at ckersten71@gmail.com

First Holy Communion (Grade 2 or up)

Sunday, March 16th - 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Annie Haddad at anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net

Life Teen (Grades 6-8)

Saturday, April 5th 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Shannon Kozak at shamako4@yahoo.com

Confirmation (Grades 9 & 10 and up)

(2-year program)

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

The 2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish. Our goal is to engage our entire parish family in this year's Appeal and to pray for the success of the Appeal, both here in our parish and across the three counties of the Archdiocese. 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.

PLEASE RESPOND AS GENEROUSLY

AS YOUR MEANS ALLOW.

CONNECTICUT MARCH FOR LIFE

Archdiocese of Hartford Wednesday, March 19th

10:30 a.m. - Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph 140 Farmington Ave., Hartford

11:00 a.m. - Pre-Rally Concert at the Capitol, 210 Capitol Ave., Hartford

12:00 p.m. - Rally

1:00 p.m. - Connecticut March for Life begins at the Capitol and goes around Bushnell Park

Please come and participate in this peaceful march to protect the life of unborn babies. For more information, visit CTMarchforlife.org for up-to-date information on the event.

"CONFESSION DAY"

Confessions will be heard every Monday during
Lent from 6 - 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual
Help Church. Catholics are obligated to
receive the Sacrament of Penance and
Communion at least once a year,
especially during the Easter season.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

by Bud Ozar

Jesus "was led by the Spirit in the wilderness." What is the wilderness in your life to which the Holy Spirit is leading you this Lent? Perhaps there are unchartered areas in your marriage or family relationships. Spend this Lent in your "wilderness" with God work. Where is the spirit leading you this Lent?

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.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS every Friday during Lent

5 to 6 p.m. (corrected time)

in Msgr. Carnicke Hall. This event is open to all - bring your friends and neighbors for a warm winter gathering. Several choices of soup will be offered, along with bread, beverages, snacks and dessert. Supper will be followed at 6 p.m. by Stations of the Cross and Benediction. The Women's Guild of Our Lady Parish is sponsoring these events. If you would like to offer your assistance in any way, please call Jean at 860-868-2522 or Isabel at 860-355-3238.



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