OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP 34 Green Hill Road - P.O. Box 303 Washington Depot, CT 06794 <u>CLERGY</u> Rev. Joseph Moonnanappallil Administrator <u>PARISH OFFICE</u> Suzanne Kozak, Secretary churchofourlady@att.net (860) 868-2600 * (860) 868-7252 Fax: (860) 868-7252 www.ourlady-stpatrick.org <u>OFFICE HOURS</u> Monday-Thursday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. <u>TRUSTEES</u> John Irwin Ariel Salama



SAINT PATRICK Roxbury, CT

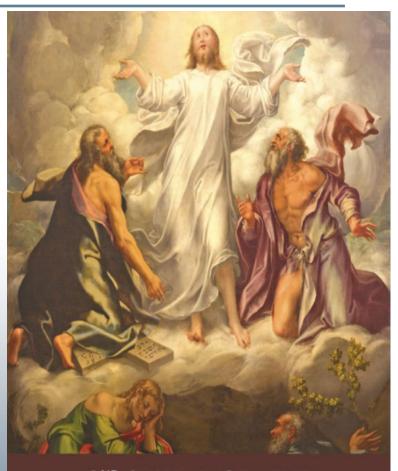
SUNDAY MASSES Our Lady of Perpetual Help Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 10:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury 8:30 a.m. DAILY MASSES Our Lady of Perpetual Help Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 9:00 a.m.

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.

> <u>CCD</u> Annie Haddad at anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net <u>PARISH COUNCIL</u> Linda Fusco at lindashappydaze@gmail.com <u>MUSIC / CHOIR</u> Donna Poliquin at donnapoliquin@gmail.com <u>FACILITY</u> Greg Ruthven at gpruthven@aol.com



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." - Lk 9:34-35

MASSES FOR THE WEEK <u>SATURDAY</u> MARCH 15 SUNDAY VIGIL

- 5:00 p.m. **Dewey Young, Jr.**+ req. by his wife, Dawn
- SUNDAY
8:30 a.m.MARCH 16
St. Patrick, Roxbury
Souls in Purgatory+10:30 a.m.Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Michael Condon+
req. by the Betty McCarthy family

TUESDAY MARCH 18

9:00 a.m. St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop/ Doctor of Church req. by Lori Carusillo

WEDNESDAY MARCH 19

9:00 a.m. ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

THURSDAY MARCH 20

9:00 a.m. Fr. Raymond Ryland+ Anniversary Remembrance req. by Erica Ryland

FRIDAY MARCH 21

9:00 a.m. (A Day of Abstinence) Fedward Tierney+ req. by his family 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY MARCH 22

9:00 a.m. Sheehy Family+

5:00 p.m. SUNDAY VIGIL Our Lady of Perpetual Help Souls in Purgatory+

SUNDAY MARCH 23

8:30 a.m.St. Patrick, Roxbury
Souls in Purgatory+10:30 a.m.Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Raymond Kozak+ - 6th Anniversary
req. by his wife, Suzanne, & family

"CONFESSION DAY" Confessions are 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 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

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March 16, 2025 2nd Sunday of Lent Luke 9:28b-36

St. Thomas Aquinas said that friends share three things: time, possessions and secrets. For example, how do I know if you're my friend? Well, let's say we've been to Mexico together, you've tried my shaky at-

tempts at pasta carbonara, and you know what ridiculous costume I wore in a music video I filmed in my early twenties. We, dear reader, are definitely friends. We've shared time, possessions and secrets.

How does friendship with Jesus develop? The same way. Jesus lives and eats with his disciples. Then he takes Peter, James and John to Mount Tabor and there reveals to them his deepest secret: his glorious, divine Sonship. The majesty of God shines from within his humanity in a way that goes beyond description. God the Father confirms this "secret," saying, "This is my chosen Son, listen to him" (Luke 9:35). It's all so precious that "they fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone." Do we take time to be alone with Christ, to allow him to mystically share this "secret" with us as his dear friends?

Lenten challenge: This week, identify one time when you experienced an awareness of some specific aspect of Jesus perhaps on a retreat, at Mass, in prayer or in an act of service. Spend ten minutes consciously re-living that experience in your heart. If you can't recall one, set aside at least two hours this Lent as a mini retreat, either alone in nature or in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Focus on him and ask him to share the secrets of his heart with you. He will. Then, as his friend, share the secrets in your heart.

— Father John Muir

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. - Greg Ruthven Sunday at 8:30 a.m. - Dan/Harriet Carew

Sunday at 10:30 a.m. - Carolyn Hartman

PARISH COLLECTIONS Weekend of March 8 / 9

Weekend Collection	1,741.
Online Giving	828.
Total	2,569.

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 <u>churchofourlady@att.net</u> 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.

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 16, 2025

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES Family Catechesis (Grades K-5) This weekend, Saturday, March 15th following the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass Christine Kersten at ckersten71@gmail.com <u>First Holy Communion (Grade 2 or up)</u> Sunday, March 16th - 9:15 a.m. Annie Haddad at anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net <u>Life Teen (Grades 6-8)</u> Saturday, April 5th following the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass Shannon Kozak at shamako4@yahoo.com <u>Confirmation (Grades 9 & 10 and up)</u> (2-year program) Thursday, March 20th - 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. Mary Jane & Greg Ruthven at gruthven@aol.com

2025 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL TRUST IN THE LORD.....

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps provide the critical funding needed to feed the hungry, shelter the unhoused, counsel those in despair, offer much-needed assistance to the unemployed, and make medical care available to those without health insurance. Your gift to the 2025 Appeal will help to continue these and other vital ministries, services, and programs that reach out to so many in need. 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.

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.

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.

WE WISH TO REMIND YOU TO PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISING SPONSORS. THEY MAKE THIS BULLETIN POSSIBLE AT NO COST TO US. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLACE AN AD, PLEASE CALL SUZANNE AT THE RECTORY.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

by Bud Ozar Jesus "went up the mountain to pray" and He was "changed." Prayer has the power to change us. This Lent set aside a few minutes each day to pray for members of your family. Pray before each meal and, if you are married, spend five minutes in prayer together.



LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS every Friday during Lent 5 - 6 p.m.

in Msgr. Carnicke Hall. This event is open to all - bring your friends and neighbors for a warm winter gathering. Several choices of soup are offered, along with bread, beverages, snacks and dessert. Supper will be followed at 6 :00 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.



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. Please call Father Joseph at the rectory and he would be

happy to answer any questions you may have. Also, if you, or someone you know, would like to receive Communion at home, please let us know and we would be happy to make arrangements.

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