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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 315 p.m. or call the rectory for an appointment

MISSION STATEMENT

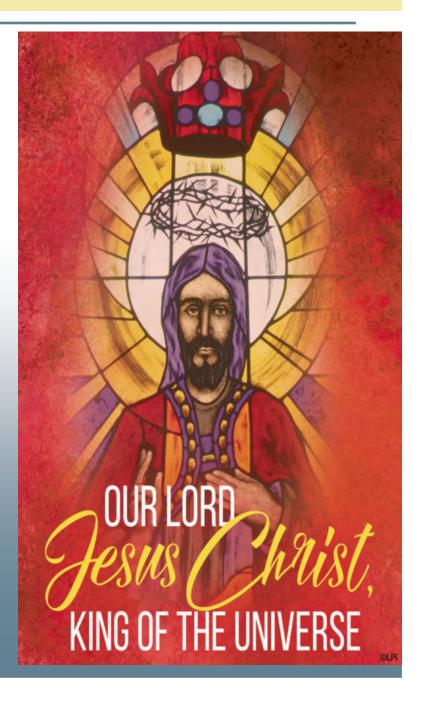
As part of the Archdiocese of Hartford facing the needs of a changing society and changing Church, aware of our uniqueness embracing the towns of Washington and Roxbury with many weekend residents as well as full-time resident families, conscious of being blessed with material and natural bounty, recognizing 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 NOVEMBER 23

SUNDAY VIGIL

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

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req. by Rosaleen & Ed Meyer

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24

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

All Souls Day Intentions+ req. by M/M Charles Puckhaber

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

Raymond Kozak+

req. by his wife, Suzanne, & family

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 26

9:00 a.m. William & Denise Bader+

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 27

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

THURSDAY 9:00 a.m. NOVEMBER 28 In Thanksgiving

reg. by Bob & Pat Corvello

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 29

9:00 a.m. Sheehy Family+

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

9:00 a.m. All Souls Day Intentions+

req. by Frank Cangelosi & Lisa Cesare

SUNDAY VIGIL

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

James Clarke+

req. by the Knights of Columbus

SUNDAY DECEMBER 1

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

All Souls Day Intentions+

req. by MM James Hirschfield

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

Helen Baker+

req. by Janet & Mike Bloch



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?

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. - Pat Corvello



November 24, 2024 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

When I was a young boy in Burlington, Vermont, my dad had a good friend named Phil who owned a sporting goods store. I loved sports, so meandering the treasure-filled aisles was an unmitigated joy. One after-

noon, we were shopping for a baseball glove. Dad said to me, "Hey Johnny, see that man who just walked into the store? That's Phil." I remember being fascinated and a little terrified. I recall thinking, "That man right there is in charge of everything in this store!" He reigned over every ball, sneaker, jersey, and sweatsuit. Phil became a family friend. And he was a good owner. The store flourished, and I found myself even more at peace every time I went there. I felt a new hope and even responsibility for the store to flourish.

To say that Christ is the King of the Universe means that Jesus has absolute authority over everything in it. It should fill us with awe and fascination. He is in charge. The world and everything in it are finally his. Knowing that he knows and loves us should make us also feel a deep peace at being a part of his universe. This leads us to want his kingdom to flourish, to play some responsible role in it.

We advance his kingdom by promoting the truth. "Everyone who is of the truth hears my voice," Christ the King proclaims. In Phil's store, it was about the truth of athletics. In our world, it's all about the truth of all creation, especially the dignity of the human person, made by and for our loving God. Let's rejoice that we know the true king and commit to the flourishing of his kingdom.

— Father John Muir

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PARISH COLLECTIONS Weekend of November 16 / 17

Weekend Collection 2,284.
Online Giving 907.
Total 3,191.

Campaign for Human Development 941.

May God bless you in your generosity.

RELIGIOUS **EDUCATION CLASSES**

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Family Catechesis (Grades K-5) Next class, Saturday, December 14 4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Christine Kersten at ckersten 71@gmail.com

First Holy Communion (Grade 2 or up) Next class, Sunday, December 15 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Annie Haddad at anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net

Life Teen (Grades 6-8) Next class, Saturday, December 7 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Shannon Kozak at shamako4@yahoo.com

Confirmation (Grades 9 & 10 and up) (2-year program) Next class, Thursday, December 12 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. Mary Jane & Greg Ruthven at gruthven@aol.com

> PLEASE EMAIL CLASS TEACHERS IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU



Thank you all who generously donated to last weekend's successful **FOOD DRIVE.** Special thanks to the Life Teen students

and their family members who donated their time and effort hosting this event. HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL!

CHRISTMAS FAIR

St. Patrick Women's Guild has been invited to have their raffle table at the Roxbury Congregational Church Country Christmas Fair again this year. The Fair will be held on Saturday, December 7th, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you would like to donate a gift basket and/or help sell raffle tickets on the day of the fair, please call Isabel at 860-355-3238. Proceeds are donated to the Roxbury Fuel and Relief Funds. Please join us and our neighbors to make this event a success. our neighbors to make this event a success. Thank you for your support.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

by Bud Ozar

When we are young, our parents "tell us about Jesus" and we believe what our parents believe. At some point we mnst leave our parents' faith and ask Pilate's question: "Are You the King." Pilate is just asking these questions on our behalf.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS COFFEE HOUR



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The Knights are inviting all parishioners to a coffee and Danish reception in the Parish Hall after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on December 15. This event is in celebration of the Christmas

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Season. Children are welcome and appropriate beverages will be available for them as well.

COME JOIN US IN THE CHOIR

We are looking for new choir members.

All voices are needed. There are no
auditions. We are now preparing for the
beautiful season of Christmas. Won't you
please consider joining us? Weekly
rehearsals are held every Sunday morning at
9:30 a.m. Questions? Email Donna at
donnapoliquin@gmail.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MUSEUM **CHRISTMAS EXHIBIT**

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For the 19th consecutive year, the Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center in New Haven is showcasing the art and traditions of Christmas as a feature exhibition.

This year's show, which opened November 9, 2024, continues until February 2, 2025, centers on Africa. Christmas in Africa features more than 50 works, representing 23 countries across the African continent. This exhibit also explores some of the traditions and festivities that have developed throughout Africa to celebrate the Season. The Pilgrimage Center's **Christmas Tree Festival displays twenty trees** showcasing the imagination and talent of Connecticut's elementary school children who created handmade ornaments and trim in their classrooms to decorate a tree in the theme of Christmas in Africa. The Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center is located at 1 State Street in New Haven and is open Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with free admission and parking. Any questions please contact Erica Gabrielsen at 203-752-4528.

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