

# OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH



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## 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.

### CCD

Annie Haddad at [anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net](mailto:anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net)

### PARISH COUNCIL

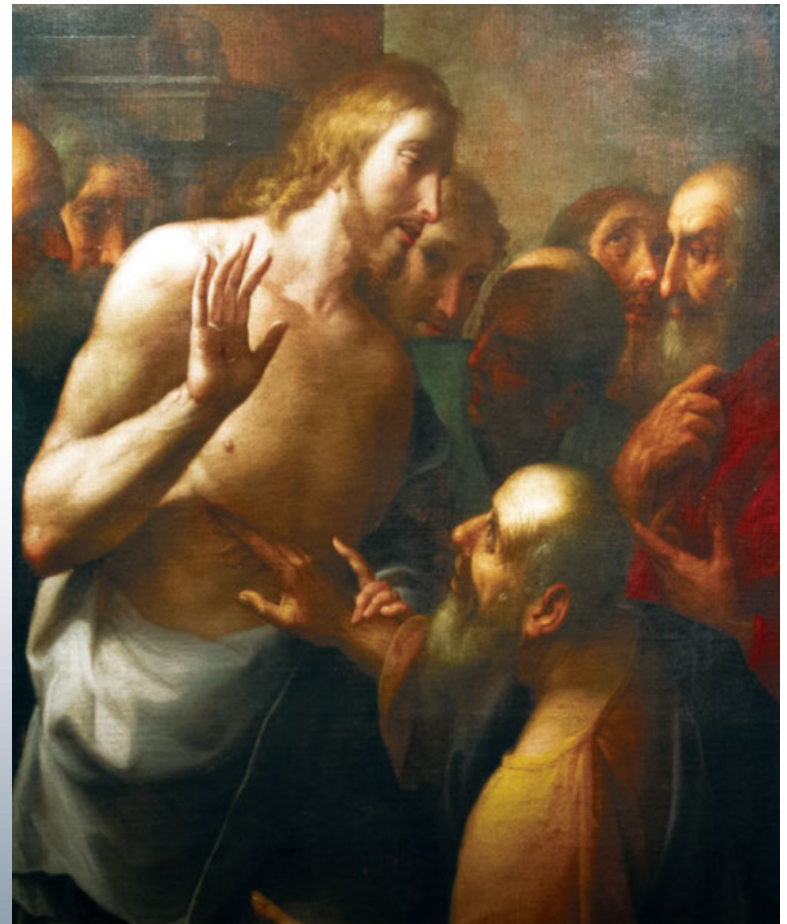
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Greg Ruthven at [gruthven@aol.com](mailto:gruthven@aol.com)



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

- Jn 20:28-29

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY**

**APRIL 6**

SUNDAY VIGIL

5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Souls in Purgatory+**  
req. by Lori Carusillo

**SUNDAY**

**APRIL 7**

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  
**Robyn Smith+**  
req. by Frank Tavisano

**TUESDAY**

**APRIL 9**

9:00 a.m. **Jimmy Cheneth+**  
req. by his wife, Jessej

**WEDNESDAY**

**APRIL 10**

9:00 a.m. **Don Ford**  
req. by Lori Carusillo

**THURSDAY**

**APRIL 11**

9:00 a.m. *St. Stanislaus, Bishop/Martyr*  
**Michael L. Fay+**  
req. by Judith Edwards

**FRIDAY**

**APRIL 12**

9:00 a.m. **All Parishioners+**

**SATURDAY**

**APRIL 13**

9:00 a.m. *St. Martin I, Pope/Martyr*  
**Souls in Purgatory+**

SUNDAY VIGIL

5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Richard J. Kaylor+**  
req. by Connie & the girls

**SUNDAY**

**APRIL 14**

8:30 a.m. St. Patrick, Roxbury  
**All Deceased Parishioner+**  
10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Roland & Brian Belanger+**  
req. by Marie-Ange Belanger & 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?

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. - Mary Jan Ruthven  
Sunday at 8:30 a.m. - Mary Jackson  
Sunday at 10:30 a.m. - Carolyn Hartman

April 7, 2024  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter  
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)



A protestant pastor friend of mine was invited to meet Pope Francis with a group of other pastors. He noticed the Pope's chair was especially ornate and set at the head of the group. He somewhat playfully said, "Holy Father, why do *you* get that special chair?" The group chuckled nervously at my friend's audacious chide.

The following year, the group was invited to return. They entered the room to find only simple chairs placed in a circle. Pope Francis entered, sat down in one of the humble chairs and, looking directly at my friend, with a twinkle in his eye, asked, "What do you think of my chair now?" My friend was stunned that the Pope remembered his concerns — and took the time to answer them.

Thomas the apostle was certainly stunned by the Risen Jesus displaying his wounds in person. But he also must have been equally shocked that Jesus knew and answered his particular questions, worries, and even demands related to his faith. How humbled — and perhaps a bit terrified — he must have been to realize God remembers his concerns and cares enough to answer them.

What questions or demands about Jesus do you find in your heart? Like Thomas, will you be bold enough to voice them this week? How wonderful to know that if we do so, God will remember and respond even to our most audacious desires. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi



**PARISH COLLECTIONS**

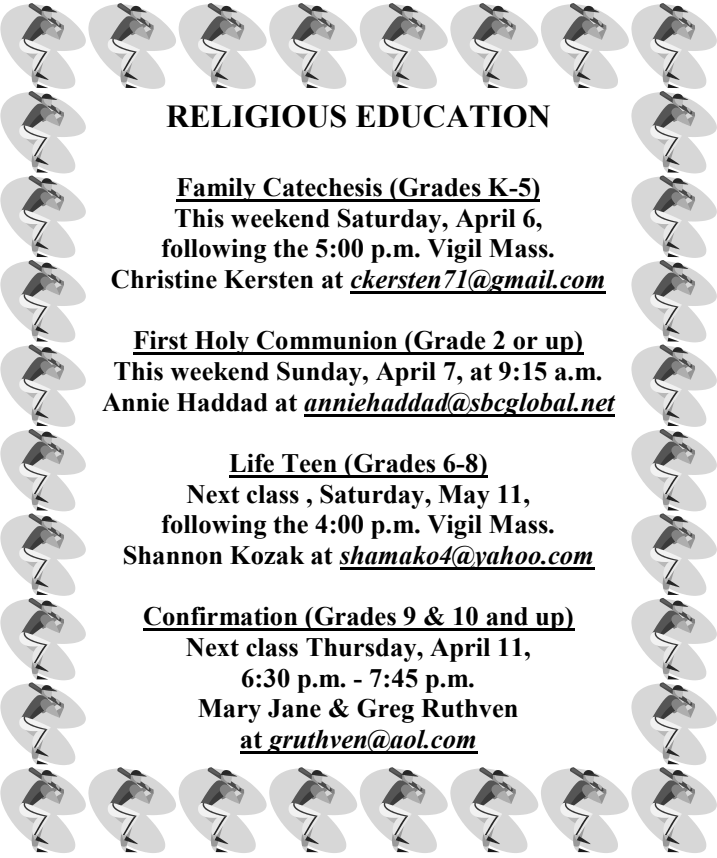
**Weekend of March 30 / 31**

Weekend Collection	3,614.
Online Giving	<u>842.</u>
Total	4,456.

Holy Land Collection	202.
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Easter Collection	2,476.
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*May God bless you in your generosity.*



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Family Catechesis (Grades K-5)**

This weekend Saturday, April 6,  
following the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass.

Christine Kersten at [ckersten71@gmail.com](mailto:ckersten71@gmail.com)

**First Holy Communion (Grade 2 or up)**

This weekend Sunday, April 7, at 9:15 a.m.  
Annie Haddad at [anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net](mailto:anniehaddad@sbcglobal.net)

**Life Teen (Grades 6-8)**

Next class , Saturday, May 11,  
following the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass.

Shannon Kozak at [shamako4@yahoo.com](mailto:shamako4@yahoo.com)

**Confirmation (Grades 9 & 10 and up)**

Next class Thursday, April 11,  
6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Mary Jane & Greg Ruthven  
at [gruthven@aol.com](mailto:gruthven@aol.com)

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

**Our Confirmation candidates will be participating in the Vigil Mass this weekend.**

**Please keep them in your prayers as they will be receiving the**

**Sacrament of Confirmation on April 27th at St. Joseph Cathedral in Hartford.**



We offer our condolences to Stephen Devine and his family on the death of his mother, **FRANCES L. DEVINE.**

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We offer our condolences to Lois Gilmore and her family on the death of her husband, **THOMAS GILMORE.**

*May they rest in peace with the Lord.*

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus teaches, "Blessed are those who have not seen and believe." Accepting someone as they are, without demanding they prove themselves or meet our expectations, creates a rich relationship. Without acceptance, a home is only a house and a family is just a group of house mates.

***DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.....***

It is important that when you give to any charitable organization, you are confident that the funds received are being used wisely. Be assured that your gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports the ministries and programs indicated in the 2024 Appeal literature! Organizations such as the **ROXBURY RESIDENT RELIEF FUND**, the **WASHINGTON COMMUNITY FUND** and the **WASHINGTON/WARREN FOOD BANK**, right here in our own towns, received funding from the Appeal's Vicariate Outreach Program that makes a difference in the lives of our local neighbors. Please visit the Appeal website [www.archdioceseofhartford.org](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org) to learn more and make your gift today.

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.*



**SHROUD OF TURIN**

Saturday, April 13, 2024  
12:00-3:30pm

The New England Catholic Biblical School invites you to join Shroud of Turin experts: Dr. Cheryl White and Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D as they discuss the theological, historical, scientific, and forensic issues surrounding a cloth that bears the mysterious image of a man who has been scourged, crucified, capped with thorns, and pierced in the right side. Seating is limited at Albertus Magnus College, Behan Community Room. Please scan the QR code to register or visit



<https://www.catholicedaohct.org/catholic-biblical-school/events> or call 860-242-5573.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL MEET THIS WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 10TH, AT 7:00 P.M. IN MSGR. CARNICKE HALL.**

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