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Men's Retreat

Sept 21st-23rd 2007

Begins Friday Evening and Ends Sunday Noon at the [Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center](#) in West Hartford Connecticut

This Year's Theme is "Only For Today" and this year our retreat will explore the joys and challenges we face in being open to God in the present moment, today, right now! We will use the life of Christ in the scriptures as well as a unique set of statements from the late Pope John XXIII. His insights will lead us to discover the surprising ways that God speaks to us through people and situations in our lives. For our part, we can respond to God by daily being present to hear that sacred voice calling us to peace and to holiness, not in some unattainable way for the future, but "only for today ..."

Click play button to hear promo clip for Men's Retreat:

For Browsers not compatible with Flash audio player - [MP3 Download](#) (2.6 megs)

For more information contact Anthony Barthe at 203.395.7443, Frank D'Ausilio at 203.371.2902 or George Alberto at 203.371.7610

Improve Your Understanding of the Bible

New Site Happenings:

[Bible Camp photos](#), [Mihalek Family Vacation photos](#) plus more on the way ...

Bible Camp Video

Below is a ten minute Flash Movie hosted on YouTube that features the Saint Patrick Parish Children and Families who participated with this year's Bible Camp - "The Quest for Truth." This is an intimate look into one special week that will warm your heart and inspire your soul.

BIG THANK YOU to Marcia Gruce and her Religious Ed Team - enjoy!



Christian Rock with Casting Crowns

Below is a really neat music video that Father Chip found on GodTube featuring the [Casting Crowns](#) - make sure you listen to the very end with the surprise hook!

Bible Study Sessions Thursday Evenings from 7-9PM and Friday Mornings from 10AM-12PM

Have you ever started reading the Bible, only to put it down after a few weeks? Scripture Theologian Jeff Cavins' The Great Adventure Bible Timeline Bible Study will help you understand the "big picture" of God's plan and see how the people, places, and events of the Bible fit into it. At the Bible Study, you will: get to know the people, places, events, and themes of God's plan of salvation history; receive a practical plan for reading through the Bible story in three months; learn about God's marvelous plan for the world-and how your own faith story fits into "His-story."

The classes will run for 12 weeks with a break for Christmas and will resume in early January for an additional 12 weeks. The cost for the books and materials for the classes is \$38, however, we will make provisions for those who are in need.

For more information about the Thursday evening classes, please contact David Alexandre at 545-4588, Mary Jeanne Varese at 261-8598, or for the Friday morning class call Joe Morrissey at 374-3192.

ESL - English as a Second Language - Quiere Usted Aprender Inglés?

Every Sunday Evening from 7:15-9PM

FREE Classes - Walk-ins Welcome!

Location = Saint Patrick Parish Center at 851 North Avenue

Spanish to English Classes are Taught by Mercedes Rojas

Each class is self-contained with an evening theme so it's impossible to fall behind. For example, one night the theme might be shopping (e.g., words and phrases you encounter when shopping), another night the theme might be driving (e.g., words, phrases, road signs), etc.

No Proselytism (e.g., attempts to convert), All Faiths Welcome, and No Green Cards Required!

ESL at Saint Patrick's is part of "Following in the FootSteps of Christ" - a community outreach program initiated by Bishop Lori - to

Photos of Our Church



help bring the gift of speaking English to hard working people in our community who have the need and desire to learn.

Our Mission

Our Saint Patrick Bridgeport mission is to open our doors and welcome all to become a part of our parish community through worship, spiritual support and outreach; to find, to know, and to love Christ and our neighbor.

Divine Intervention for Peace in Our World

It is a tradition in our church that at the end of the recessional hymn, all people kneel and say three Hail Mary's for peace in our world, our homes, and our hearts. We need God's Love and Grace desperately in our world today.

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