

Dear Parishioners,

I have been blessed so many ways in my life. Not the least of which has been my assignment to St. Patrick's as a deacon. However, this past week I requested that Bishop McCormack grant me a leave of absence from my diaconal responsibilities.

The reason for this is that my employer has decided to leave the State of New Hampshire and in order for me to continue my employment I will be required to relocate to another state. At this time I do not have any other information other than employment in either New Hampshire or Massachusetts is not an option at this time. My hope is that, in the future, I will be able to transfer back to Massachusetts and resume my diaconal ministry in the Diocese of Manchester.

I will remain at St. Patrick's until October 15th and look forward to celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with our young men and women.

While this is a hard and sad decision for me, I have made the decision with the confidence and faith that the Lord has always led me to the place I need to be. I continue to believe that the Lord is directing my life and therefore I have nothing to fear.

I look forward to seeing each of you, who have blessed and enriched my life in so many ways, to say "until we meet again".
Peace, Deacon John

**SEASONS OF HOPE
Bereavement Group to Begin**

If you are in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. It meets for six Mondays beginning Oct. 19th. Prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship begin at 7pm in the Meeting Room below the church. If you are interested you may call the parish office to add your name to the list or you may come and join us Monday, Oct. 19th.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, October 4

Religious Education Classes, 9:15 AM, in the school
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Blessing of the Pets, 1:30 PM, Outside Altar
Home School Parent Meeting, 6:30 PM, in the church

Wednesday, October 7

Bible Study, 9:00 AM, in the meeting room
Food Pantry, 1:00 PM, in the trailer
Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:30 PM, in the K of C Hall

Thursday, October 8

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall
Choir Practice, 7:30 PM, in the church

A NOTE FROM FR. PAUL

Dear Friends,

This weekend will be our annual Blessing of the Pets. It will be at 1:30 PM at the outside Altar. Please have your pet properly restrained. If it is raining the Blessing will be at the rectory garage.

For almost 50 years St. Patrick's School has been a gift to our parish and to our town. Generations of students have gone through our school. Now is the time for us to begin to develop a fund for assisting families in need. There has been a donation of \$2,600 for this fund already. If you are interested in helping this fund grow, please make your donation to the rectory office. For further information please contact Fr. Paul.

In the parish office there are limited copies of the Celebrant Singer concert that was taped by Pelham TV. If anyone would like a copy please stop by the rectory.

A sincere thank you to all who supported the Annual Retired Diocesan Priest collection which was taken last weekend throughout the Diocesan. Your generosity response of over \$2,100 is deeply appreciated. This collection supports over 60 retired Priest in our Diocese. Your support and generosity for them is deeply appreciated.

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BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

This month the **Blood Pressure Clinic** will be held on the weekend of October 24th & 25th in the chapel. All are welcome to come and have their Blood Pressure checked.

COME JOIN US – THE ROSARY REVOLUTION

When – October 13, 2009 – 7:00 PM
Where – Mary Queen of Peace, Lawrence Rd, Salem, NH
Why – To Pray the Rosary for World Peace and Family Peace – Thanksgiving for Andy Munroe's continued Recovery and – The Canonization of John Henry Cardinal Newman

LOST AND FOUND

If anyone has found a plain gold wedding band or a blue stone clatter ring please notify the rectory office.



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **Charlotte Rose Albert, Brianna Angel Cervandes, Artis Elizabeth Craven, Lila Grace Draper, Kenzie Shay Gioia, Liam Matthew Gordon, Olivia Lee Peterson, Noel Connor Prendergast and Victoria Lynne Vando.** Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.



The following couples will enter the Covenant of Marriage in October:

**Jillian Miranda & David Marion,
Sue Carey & Adam Starner
and
Elizabeth Blazon & David Cunningham**

Please pray that their marriage
will mirror the Love of God.

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN
WORKSHOPS**

St. Patrick Parish will be offering workshops for Protecting God's Children. These workshops are provided to comply with the requirement of the State of New Hampshire when volunteering with children. The workshops will be held at St. Patrick's K of C Hall and you are asked to come ½ hour early to fill out the paperwork. The workshop will last for 2 hours.

Tuesday, Oct. 6th, registration 6:30 PM, meeting starts at 7:00 PM

Tuesday, Oct. 27th, registration 6:30 PM, meeting starts at 7:00 PM

Please call the parish office at 603-635-3525 to register as space is limited.

**HEALTH FAIR & FLU CLINIC
SAVE THE DATE!!!!**

St. Patrick Parish's Healthcare Ministry will be holding a **Health Fair & Flu Clinic on Sunday, November 8th from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.** Our fair is scheduled to include a presentation by Dr. Sidebottom of Saints Medical Center on cold and flu prevention. In addition, we will be offering information on heart health, hand hygiene, smoking cessation and Medicare drug coverage. We are especially proud to offer a flu clinic during this event. Please watch the bulletin for more information.

**BUSINESS TO BUSINESS
Networking Breakfast**

Come and learn more about what the Pelham Economic Development Committee is doing to improve the economic resources in Pelham on Wednesday, Oct. 14th, from 7:30 – 9:30am at St. Patrick's Parish Center, 12 Main St., Pelham, NH. Must RSVP by Oct. 4th to Lisa Landry at 603-490-6448 or lisa.landry@verani.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Home School Parent Meeting will be held on this Sunday, October 4th, at 6:30 PM in the church.

FOOD PANTRY

The Pelham Food Pantry is open on Wednesday from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM. We are in need of **Everything**. If you would like to make a donation or donate any items, please call Marietta Potter at 635-2671. **This weekend is Brown Bag Sunday.**

ST. PATRICK CLEAN-UP

The Parish and School Fall Clean-up is going to be held on Saturday, October 24th, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. If you have the following: rakes, gloves, brooms, and wheel barrels, please bring them with you to the clean-up. For more information, please call John Fitzgerald at 978-683-3781 or the rectory office at 603-635-3525.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

Children's Liturgy has begun! Children ages 2-6 are invited to join us for bible stories, crafts, songs, and games. We will meet during the 9:30 AM mass. **As always, we welcome new children and volunteers to help teach on a periodic basis.** If your children are interested in attending and/or you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cara-Jean Donaghey at CarajeanD@aol.com or 978-771-3833 or Joy Flanders at joyfultwins@myfairpoint.net.

Sept. 27, 2009	OFFERTORY
Envelopes 282	\$ 4,242
Loose	\$ 912
Total Offertory	\$ 5,154
Weekly Offertory Goal	\$ 5,500
Parish Gain (YTD)	\$ 675
Diocesan Priest Retired	\$ 2,171

OCTOBER 4, 2009

**PLEASE JOIN US ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
For an Evening of Fun, Music & Dance at
“The Scariest Auction Ever”**

Spend some time with your friends and/or family with a great meal, great music, and take the opportunity to bid on some great gift items for you or for Christmas gifts. Be aware of our special guest appearance of the “Werewolves of Pelham”. Have fun with our Most Useless Gift Yankee Swap and a chance to win \$\$\$\$. Win a get-a-way in beautiful Maine with our Heads or Tails Bead Game. Costumes are optional – BUT – Cash prize for the best costume.

Cocktails hour: 6-7 PM, Dinner at 7 PM

Dancing until the bewitching hour of 12 Midnight

Tickets - \$35.00 each

Please help us support our Church and our School

Please contact the Parish office

for tickets, donations, or information.

Please consider helping with items that would add luster and excitement to our event. Time shares, Autographed items, Weekend Getaways or Travel packages, Memberships to Organizations, Tickets to concerts Sporting events or Exhibitions, Hand made crafts, Floral Arrangements, Gift cards, Baskets, Services for Home or Business like Car Detailing, Lawyer, Massage Therapist, Accounting, Painters, Butchers, Bakers and Cabinet Makers etc. If you want to put an ad in our program, please contact Kathy Jean at 603-635-3525 or Christine Raby at 603-635-3057.

Ye Olde Christmas Craft Fair

Have you started your fall cleaning? Do you have knick knock items, dishes, etc that you would like to donate to our Curiosity Shoppe? If you do, please bring your items down to the parish office Monday thru Thursday from 8:30 to 4:00. We would gladly take your old treasures.

Also please save the following dates, Nov. 14th & 15th, for the Ye Olde Christmas Craft Fair. We will have crafts from many local artisans, delicious food including a turkey dinner, breakfast on Sunday, a bake table with delicious goods from our parishioners, a curiosity shoppe and raffles. It is a fun day for the family and a start to your Christmas shopping.

CRAFTERS WANTED

We are looking for crafters for the Olde Fashioned Christmas Craft Fair on Nov. 14th & 15th. Cost for both days is \$40. All crafters who have **hand crafted items** are welcome. Please call the parish office at 603-635-3525 to get an application for that weekend.

FRIDAY DEVOTION

For the month of October we will have the Rosary every Friday. Rosary starts at 7:00 PM with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament till 8:00 PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be said at 7:45 PM. Please come and pray with us. All are welcomed.

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"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." - Mk 10:7-9

Monday October 5

8:00 AM Bertha Doherty, 20th Anniversary,
requested by her husband

Tuesday October 6

8:00 AM Intentions for the parishioners
6:30 PM Deceased members of the
Women's Guild

Wednesday October 7

8:00 AM For all Souls
8:30 AM – 12:00 Noon Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament

Thursday October 8

8:00 AM For all the Deceased Pastors

Friday October 9

8:00 AM Intentions of the Blessed Mother

Saturday October 10

4:00 PM Joseph Roland Beauchesne
requested by the Kivikoski
family

Sunday October 11

8:00 AM Robert C. Hanson requested by
his family
9:30 AM Joseph Dias requested by Kevin
& Karen Martin
11:00 AM Roger L'Heureux, 4th Anniversary,
requested by Pauline & family



This week the Altar Flowers are in
memory of the Deceased Members of the Women's Guild



This week the second collection will be for **Capital Improvement**. We thank you for your continued support. Next week the collection will be for **St. Patrick School**. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.