

**BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC**

The Health Care Ministry will be hosting a Blood Pressure Clinic on the weekend of November 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> in the chapel after all of the masses. We hope you had a great summer, and look forward to serving some of your health care needs.

**HEALTH CARE MINISTRY**

The Health Care Ministry will be presenting information on smoking cessation, the effects of cigarette smoking, lung disease and lung cancer. Have you thought about quitting? Do you have questions? Are you looking for resources to help out? Come and get the answers. Join us after all the masses on November 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> in the meeting room for information. A few minutes could save your life.

**WANTED  
KNITTERS & CROCHETERS**

At all the masses **next** weekend, you will notice knitted and crocheted shawls on display in the sanctuary. These are **prayer shawls**, lovingly made by women in the parish and distributed to those who are suffering from illness, recovering from surgery or dealing with loss or tragedies of life. Shawls, symbolically through the ages, have held the meaning of wrapping, enfolding, comforting, giving solace, hugging and sheltering. The Prayer Shawl Ministry is alive and well in our parish but we would welcome more participants. The process is a simple one as is the pattern. Either in groups or when home alone, ministry members knit or crochet a prayer shawl, praying as you cast on and throughout the making of the shawl for the healing and comfort of the person who will receive it. At various intervals during the year Fr. Paul will bless the shawls and those who have made them. Complete kits are available with a history of how this ministry was started, how to participate, the pattern used for the shawl, and corresponding instructions for both knitting and crocheting. If you possess this skill, the prayer shawl ministry would certainly welcome you! If you know of someone who could benefit from receiving a shawl, please call the contact persons listed below with the name of the person you would like to receive one. (Therese Soucy at the rectory office 635-3525; Virginia Fichera at 635-7440 or Paulette Jacob at 635-3908).

**CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF LIGHT**

St. Patrick's Women's Guild is sponsoring a trip to the National Shrine of Our Lady of LaSalette on Dec. 4, 2008. **Cost is \$35** for bus and donation fee to LaSalette. Food and other purchases are extra. **Departure time** from St. Patrick parking lot is **1 PM** and **leaving LaSalette at 8:30 PM.**

Here are some of the events that you can attend while you are there...Christmas Concert with Fr. Pat - 3:00 & 7:00 PM; Display of Nativity Sets - 4:00-8:30 PM; Gift Shop - 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM; Mass - 5:30 PM; Cafeteria - 4:00 - 9:00 PM; Christmas Trolley - \$3 per ticket purchased at bakery booth. Please send a check for \$35 made out to St. Patrick Women's Guild, 12 Main St., Pelham, NH 03076 by Nov. 21st. Space is limited to 55 people.

**WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY**  
I hate to mention this word but, as we move toward Winter, I want to remind you that if there is a delayed opening or school cancellation the morning mass is also cancelled. If it is not safe for the school buses then it is not safe for you. Any mass intention will be rescheduled as soon as possible.

**THE NEW GREELEY SINGERS**

The New Greeley Singers have been rehearsing on Sunday evenings from 6-8 PM, at the First Congregational Church, on Main Street in Pelham, NH. Members come from Pelham, Dracut, Lawrence, Lowell, Salem and Nashua. They will be appearing as guests of the Merrimack Flute Choir during the downtown Nashua Stroll on Sat., November 29<sup>th</sup>. The Annual Holiday concert is at 3:00 PM on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, in the church where the chorus rehearses. Once again there will not be an admission fee. Donations will be accepted and a portion will go to the Pelham Food Pantry. Plans for the months ahead include singing in the newly renovated Sherburne Hall, a Cabaret fundraiser, and the annual spring concert in May. New singers will be accepted in January as the chorus begins preparations for the Spring concert. For information please leave a message at 603-635-7438.

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Nov. 9, 2008	OFFERTORY
Envelopes 303	\$ 3,610
Loose	\$ 2,589
<b>Sub-Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 6,199</b>
Weekly Offertory Goal	\$ 6,400
<b>Parish Deficit (YTD)</b>	<b>\$18,951</b>
	\$
St. Patrick School	\$ 2,139
Tithing	\$ 1,109
Weekly Totals	\$ 746
<b>Total to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,855</b>

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Wednesday, November 19**

Bible Study, 9:00 AM, in the meeting room  
 Food Pantry, 1:00 PM, in the trailer  
 RCIA, 7:00 PM, in the meeting room  
 Baptism Sewing Group, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall

**Thursday, November 20**

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall  
 Bible Study, 7:00 PM, in the meeting room

**Readings for the Week of November 16, 2008**

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21  
 Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43  
 Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10  
 Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28  
 Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44  
 Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48  
 Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Lk 20:27-40  
 Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!**

Thanks to all of you who supported this past weekend's Craft Fair. It was a wonderful success. Our profit from this weekend was \$2600.00. Another big thank you to the Confirmation students who worked the fair. See you next year.

**A NOTE FROM FR. PAUL**

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that we are in November already and the thoughts of Thanksgiving and Advent are just around the corner. I would like to touch on each of these topics. For Thanksgiving there will be an **Ecumenical Prayer Service** on Thanksgiving Eve at 7:00 PM place to be determined. On Thanksgiving morning, we will have mass at 9:00 AM to celebrate God Blessings for our families and friends.

For the season of Advent we will have two prayer aids to help our preparation for the Birth of the Christ Child at Christmas. One which you are familiar with is the **Blue Book** for Advent. This year I would like to add the **Welcome Yule** bulletin insert which will have opportunities for family prayer and activity during each week of the Advent and Christmas season. Also the Advent cluster penance service will be Wednesday night, December 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM at St. Matthew's in Windham. Also for the Advent season the Tuesday evening mass at 6:30 PM will return.

Calling all Shepherds, Angels and Townpeople I am looking for parish children from Kindergarten to grade 2 to assist in the parish family mass and pageant on Christmas Eve at the 4:00 PM Mass. If your child is interested please come to the first rehearsal on Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM. For further information please contact Fr. Paul.

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**RCIA** is a process through which adults are introduced to, learn about, and are welcomed into the Church. RCIA is going to be held on Wednesday night in the meeting room at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or, if you've received some sacraments, but have not been confirmed, or, if you're simply interested in learning more about your Catholic faith, please come join us. If you have any questions or would like additional information, contact Claire Ross at [rcia@stpatricks-pelham.com](mailto:rcia@stpatricks-pelham.com) or call 603-893-7353.

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The Knights of Columbus is having their annual Turkey Cheer Dinner and Raffle on Saturday, November 22, 2008.

Doors open at 5:00PM. All you can eat Dinner starts at 6:00PM followed by an *all new and improved raffle*.

For tickets and table reservations of 8 or more, please call:

Chuck Curtis – 603-890-0255

John Costa – 603-635-9829

Frank Maglio – 603-635-2251

Tickets also available at the door

Adults are \$8.00 per person, Seniors & Children \$6.00 per person

Donations for raffles greatly appreciated.

Thank you,  
John M. Costa  
Co-Chairman

### **THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus are having their annual citrus fruit drive. We will be in the K of C Hall after all the masses. You can order all oranges, all red grapefruit or mixed. The price is 20 lbs for \$20.00. The order will be in before Christmas. You can order from any brother knight or call Frank Maglio Jr. at 635-2251.

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

On **Wednesdays** we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 8:30 AM till Noon. At 11:00 AM we pray the Rosary for all those on our St. Patrick Prayer List & add to our list at this time. At 11:45 AM we pray the Divine Chaplet. Please stop in and say **“hello”**.

### **“AlPHA IS COMING”**

Pasta, Pizza, Pastry.....

There is a meal together at the beginning of each session, which gives you an opportunity to get to know each other.

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*"The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'" - Mt. 25:20-21*

**Monday November 17**

8:00 AM Alfred Gendron requested by his wife Lucille

**Tuesday November 18**

8:00 AM Eucharistic Prayer Service

**Wednesday November 19**

8:00 AM Eucharistic Prayer Service

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

**Thursday November 20**

8:00 AM Beatrice Ladouceur requested by the Jacobs family

**Friday November 21**

8:00 AM Yvette Groulx requested by Bob & Helen Massicotte

**Saturday November 22**

4:00 PM Matthew J. Janos, 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, requested by Joan Janos

**Sunday November 23**

8:00 AM Henry St. Onge, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary, requested by friends of the choir

9:30 AM Kenneth Benoit, 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary, requested by his family

11:00 AM The Cashman Family requested by Pat & Sid



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Beatrice Ladouceur by Marie-Elaine Dinter



This week the second collection will be for **Fuel**. We thank you for your continued support. Next week the collection will be for **Human Development**. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.