

Saturday April 9

4pm ~ **Helen E. Taylor,** Birthday Remembrance, **In Honor of St. Joseph** requested by the Taylor family **Ann Gallant** requested by her friends

Sunday April 10

 $8am \sim Robert \ Hall \ requested \ by \ Anita \ Hall \ 10:30am \sim Intentions \ of \ all \ our \ Parishioners$

Monday April 11

8am ~ Don Goyette requested by Patty Kennedy

Tuesday April 12

8am ~ **Michael Dowd,** Birthday Remembrance, requested by his family

Wednesday April 13

8am ~ Dick Dube requested by David & Maureen Groff

Thursday April 14, Holy Thursday

8am \sim No Morning Mass

7pm ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday April 15, Good Friday

3pm ~ Adoration of the Cross 4:30pm ~ Divine Mercy Novena

 $7pm \sim Stations \ of \ the \ Cross$

Saturday April 16, Holy Saturday

3pm ~ Divine Mercy Novena No 3:00 PM Confessions No 4:00 PM Mass

7:45pm ~ Easter Vigil

Sunday April 17, Easter Sunday

8am ~ Easter Memorials 9:30am ~ Easter Memorials

11:30am \sim Easter Memorials

12:45pm ~ Divine Mercy Novena

Monday Night Teaching

Join Fr. Von for the final teaching on "The Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible" on **Monday Night: April 18**th, at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school.



Sunday, April 10

Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school Monday, April 11

Confessions, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM and 5:00-7:00 PM, in the church

Tuesday, April 12

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, April 13

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the chapel

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-9:00 PM

Food Pantry, 1:00-2:30 PM Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school

Confessions, 8:00 PM, in the church

Thursday, April 14

Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the school

Friday, April 15

Confessions, 12:00-2:45 PM, in the church Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school



"The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious." Docility in prayer is essential to vocation discernment. Are you open to a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org.



You Are Invited...to join the Most Reverend Peter A. Libasci and the priests and deacons for the annual blessing of the oils at the Chrism Mass.

When: 6:00 PM on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 **Location:** St. Joseph Cathedral, corner of Lowell and

Pine Streets in Manchester

Registration: catholicnh.org/chrism



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We have entered Holy Week. This is the holiest week of the year, as we remember, in a special way, the key events of our redemption – Jesus' death and resurrection.

In the weirdness of my thought, I was thinking about how today is called "Palm Sunday." My thoughts went directly from the palm fronds that we bless and carry, to the palm of the hand. This then reminded me of the little book *Remember the Truth at Hand.* You may remember me preaching on this last fall. These are the key truths of our faith, and we remember them in a special way this week.

The pinky finger is the smallest, weakest finger. It reminds us that we are weak, broken, sinful, *that we need a Savior*! And God Himself comes to us as that Savior.

This is the second finger – the ring finger: God weds Himself to humanity. This is the mystery we celebrate at Christmas – God taking on our humanity. This mystery is broader than Christmas, though. The fact that Jesus shared our full humanity, not just at birth, connects the whole of His life – and death – to us.

The middle finger is the tallest, and reminds us that Jesus was raised up on the Cross. This, of course, is the mystery we celebrate this week in particular. Jesus – Almighty God – not only took on our humanity, wedding humanity to God, He went into the very depths of our brokenness, taking on the consequences of sin: death. But this tallest of the fingers reminds us also that He was not just raised on the Cross, but was raised to new life in the Resurrection. This is so important! As powerful as it would be that God would unite Himself to us, even in our death, He didn't leave it there: He overcame death itself by the Resurrection.

We often use our index finger to point out to a specific person, and then signal them to come to us. This "pointer finger" reminds us that while Jesus died for all of humanity, He did not die for the "masses," but for each of us. He calls us by name. He loves me, you. He beckons each of us to Himself, to His Heart.

Finally, the thumb. In baseball, the thumb is used by the umpire to say, "Yer OUT!" And so, the thumb reminds us that we need to respond to Jesus' call. All that He did for us would not be enough to save us if we refused to respond to Him. That response means we have to change our lives, saying, "Yer OUT!" to our sins and vices.

So as we celebrate Palm Sunday, we can look at our hands to remind us of what this week is about: how God saw we were in desperate need of a Savior, and coming Himself, saved us by His death and resurrection, calling us into an intimate, personal relationship with Him to which we must respond.

May this holiest of weeks draw you closer to the God who loves you so desperately, passionately, intimately, tenderly.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Join us for the Divine Mercy Novena – either together in church, or on your own. The Novena begins on Good Friday, April 15th. Friday, April 15th at 4:30 PM, Saturday, April 16th at 3:00 PM, Sunday, April 17th at 12:45 PM, Monday through Friday, April 18-22 at 6:00 PM, Saturday, April 23rd at 2:30 PM. The Divine Mercy Celebration on Divine Mercy Sunday on April 24th, Adoration and Confessions from 1:00-2:45 PM, Sung Divine Mercy Chaplet and Prayer Service at 3:00 PM.

St. Patrick Women's Guild will be sponsoring their Annual Penny Sale, on Saturday, April 23rd, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Parish Center. Proceeds from this sale help to support our various charities such as the Food Pantry, scholarships to graduates, an adopted daughter in Honduras, Samaritans Purse, projects at St. Patrick's Church and so much more. If you would like to donate NEW ITEMS to the Penny Sale, please bring the items down to St. Patrick's Office.

St. Gianna's Place cordially invites you to their 3rd Annual Banquet, *Celebrating the Family*. Our keynote speaker is Raymond Arroyo. The event takes place on **Tuesday**, **May 3rd**, **at 5:30 PM** at the Event Center in Nashua, NH. To purchase tickets please go to <u>stgiannasplace.org/anevening-with-raymond-arroyo</u>. The price is \$100 per person or \$300 per person for meet, greet and dinner. If you have any questions, please call Kelly at 603-770-9288.

Following Jesus...TOGETHER

We invite you to join us this Lenten season in following the way of Jesus through **PRAYER, FASTING** and **ALMSGIVING** as a parish.

How:

Prayer – We encourage you to continue praying the rosary every day. If you struggle to do this, don't give up. Do what you *can*. Maybe, instead of doing a whole rosary in one sitting, you pray one decade (one Our Father, ten Hail Mary's, one Glory Be) at a time at different parts of the day.

Fasting – Keep "fighting the good fight" of fasting, training your will to give up something good, so that you can choose to give up that which is not good.

Almsgiving – As inflation increases, the poor will struggle even more. It is in helping each other that we find fulfillment. Continue to reach out helping those in need around us.

To join our Lent challenge you can still signup online (go to <u>www.stpatricks-</u> pelham.com or the parish Facebook page).

EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 14

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM Adoration following Mass until Midnight

Good Friday, April 15

Confessions: 12:00-2:45 PM Adoration of the Cross: 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Novena: 4:30 PM Stations of the Cross: 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday, April 16

Blessing of the Food: 2:30 PM Divine Mercy Novena: 3:00 PM

Easter Vigil: 7:45 PM

PLEASE NOTE: NO 3:00 PM CONFESSIONS

AND NO 4:00 PM MASS
Easter Sunday, April 17

Masses: 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 AM Divine Mercy Novena: 12:45 PM



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

July 11th-15th, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

St. Patrick School & Grounds

Camp cost is \$50 for children ages 5-12. Indoor and outdoor activities.

For more information, contact Christine Lemieux at christine@lemieux-design.net

Registration forms are available at the parish office, or on the parish website and at the front entrance of the Church.



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: Dean Alan Ackermann, Tessa Marilyn Ackermann, Cecilia Castillo, Landon Patrick Ercolani, Amalia **Olivia** Bettencourt Melo, Emma Grace Newhall, Savanna Elizabeth Scalley and Noah Michael Smith. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

April Family of Faith at St. Patrick Parish

"The One who sat on the throne said, 'Behold, I make all things new.'" -Revelation 21:5

This month families are discussing the four pillars of the Church. The Church is One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic. Like the four legs of a chair, these markers are there to always remind us of the primary call of the Church. This is our call as Catholics, to live out these pillars in our daily lives every day.

One Saint who truly lived by these pillars is our saint of the month, St. Catherine of Siena. She is quoted saying, "be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." This sums up her inspirational life and also what our call is as Catholics.

Keep in prayer all of our second graders who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on April 2^{nd} this month. It is always such a joy to see families coming to this beautiful Sacrament of Mercy together.

The Faith Life Program is Recruiting Catechists for the **2022-2023** School Year Now! Christian Formation is a LIFELONG journey for ALL of us! Do you have the desire to share your faith with your St. Patrick Parish family? Join our Catechist Team in one of these areas:

- ~ **Family Faith Formation:** We meet with the families once a month to engage in fellowship, faith and fun!
- ~ **High School Youth:** This essential ministry will take place once a month. Through prayer, catechesis and fellowship, this is where future generations of the Church come from.
- ~ **Adult Formation:** Monthly, the parents gather to deepen their faith and grow in community. This is an opportunity to witness and teach other adults.
- ~ **First Sacraments:** In grade 2, we help the children prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In grade 3, we help the children prepare to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion. To do this we hold retreats throughout the year.

If you take it to prayer and you feel God is calling you to become a Catechist, please reach out to Adam Castor, our Faith Life Director. Email him at faithlifeformation@comcast.net. Please prayerfully consider joining this important ministry. Ample teaching resources and support are made available.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

In order for the parish to meet its regular expenses, our offertory and other designated parish collections must bring in **\$8,700** per week.

Parish Collections for the week of 4/3/22 Offertory Envelopes \$6,220 Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,272

Total Offertory \$7,492

Faith Life \$1,618

Total Collected \$9,110

Thank you for your faithful & generous support ~Fr. Von~

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Apr. 17 Utility

This collection helps with the cost of utilities for the Church, Rectory, Parish Center and School.

Apr. 24 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

Your contributions toward the support of the parish and its ministries are greatly appreciated.

Full Time House Manager at St. Gianna's Place

We are looking for an organized Catholic woman to manage household responsibilities and ensure the safety of residents. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday.

For a more complete job description, please visit our website: www.stgiannasplace.org.

Interested parties, please send your resume to <u>Director@StGiannasPlace.org</u>.

The Deadline for the Easter Memorials is this Monday, April 11th.

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Help Souls on their way to Heaven

When Fr. Von gets called to anoint people who are dying, he calls on a group of people to pray a **Divine Mercy Chaplet** for them.

If you would like to join this ministry or want more information, contact Fr. Von at (603)-635-3525 or fathervon@comcast.net.

PRAYER LINE

Please contact Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or Lmurgia_871@comcast.net

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4PM

Sunday 8AM, 10:30AM

WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Thursday8amFridayNo MassFirst Friday and First Saturday8am

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Day 8am, 10am & 7pm

ADORATION

Monday-Thursday 6:30-7:40am Wednesday 8:30-9:30am 2:00-9:00pm

For more information, or to sign up call the Parish

Office at 603-635-3525

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3pm to 3:45pm or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a baptism. Parents are required to meet with the pastor and participate in a baptismal catechetical session prior to the celebration of the sacrament.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements with the parish must be made at least nine months prior to the wedding. Fulfillment of a Diocesan, pre-marriage program is required.

FORMED

To help you grow in your faith go to www.formed.org to register, go to pelham.formed.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Care to join the Knights of Columbus? Please contact Erick Wright at 603-635-8772 or eqwright@comcast.net. More information online: www.kofcpelhamnh.org