



**Saturday April 25**

**Ruth Lemoine**, 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, requested by her daughter Suzanne Berard & family

**Sunday April 26**

**Mary Milinazzo Hammar**, Birthday Remembrance, requested by Mike & family  
**Rev. John Sledziona & Steven Petroski** requested by Donna Smith  
**Intentions of all our Parishioners**

**Monday April 27**

**Fr. Richard A. Smith**

**Tuesday April 28**

**Special Intention of the Lemieux family**

**Wednesday April 29**

**Theresa Straughan**, Birthday Remembrance, requested by her family  
**James Crotty** requested by Rosemary Dole

**Thursday April 30**

**Sal Cifra**, requested by Tony & Loretta Marino  
**Special Intention of the Lemieux family**

**Friday May 1**

**Special Intention of the Lemieux family**

**Saturday May 2**

Women of Mary  
**The DiGiantomaso & Hudson Families** requested by their family  
**Bob Frascarelli** requested by Ronnie & Kathy Jean

**Sunday May 3**

**Intentions of all our Parishioners**  
**Emile Martin**, 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, requested by his family  
**Bernie Thibault** requested by John & Paulette Jacobs  
**For an outpouring of Holy Vocations in our Church**

**Adoration is happening in the Church during scheduled Mass times.**

**Sunday, April 26**

Confessions, 10:00 AM

**Monday, April 27**

Confessions, 8:15 AM

**Tuesday, April 28**

Confessions, 11:00 AM (unless there is a funeral)

**Wednesday, April 29**

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

Confessions, 7:00 PM

**Thursday, April 30**

Confessions, 8:15 AM

**Friday, May 1**

Confessions, 6:00 PM



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of John J. Estrella by his wife & family

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES NH UPDATE:**

**All programs continue to offer Support during COVID-19 Crisis**

In this challenging and unprecedented time, Catholic Charities NH continues to serve the needs of the vulnerable across New Hampshire. While most of our physical locations are closed, all of our programs remain operational. Our staff is working remotely and is accessible to serve individuals and families facing increasing hardship during this difficult period. If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact 603-669-3030. You may also visit [www.cc-nh.org/programs](http://www.cc-nh.org/programs) for more information on how we continue to adapt to changing needs statewide.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend's Gospel is about the journey to Emmaus. On Easter Sunday afternoon, two disciples (one names Cleophas) are walking the seven mile journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus. They are discussing what has happened with Jesus' death. Jesus appears to them, though they do not recognize him, and asks them about their discussion. In this story, Jesus celebrates Mass for them – beginning with the Liturgy of the Word (showing how Moses and the Prophets refer to Him and His death and resurrection), and then the Liturgy of the Eucharist (as He breaks the bread for them, and then disappears from their sight... because He is now present in the Eucharist).

This great passage shows Jesus' continuing presence with His people, even in the midst of struggles, questions, discouragement, and even despair. They know that dead is dead (probably better than we do ... after all, all our superheroes keep coming back to life). All of their hope lay in Jesus, the One who would redeem Israel, yet He was killed. What could happen now? How could they go on?

With all of this loss of hope, these disciples are heading in the wrong direction. They should be heading to Jerusalem instead of away from it.

I love how gentle Jesus is at bringing us back to Him. First, He appears in a non-threatening way. He asks them questions. He wants to know the pain and suffering that is on their hearts. He wants them to know that He cares enough to ask. Just as He cares about our struggles, troubles, worries and fears.

Then He points out to them how God was really working through all of it! God had not abandoned them, nor would He. He goes through the Scriptures to point out how this was all part of God's plan, even if they could not see His finger of love moving in their lives. And how often are we blind to God's action and movement in our lives. Too often it is only well after the fact that we look back and see, "Oh yeah, God didn't abandon me. If that hadn't happened, I would never have been able to do ..."

Jesus never forces Himself on us, though. As they reach Emmaus, Jesus acts as if He will be continuing on, and so the disciples press Him to stay with them. He will be present to us. He will try to show us His hand of love, but He will wait for an invitation. If we tell Him to "take a hike," He will never force Himself on us. He wants us to want Him.

In the end, He reveals Himself to the disciples through the Eucharist, and without ever once telling them that they are going the wrong way, the encounter with Him makes them realize it, and they immediately head out and rush back to Jerusalem. And so with us, when we spend time with the Eucharist (remember that we have Adoration times during the times when Masses were scheduled and on Wednesdays 8:30-8:30am, and 2-8pm, and the Eucharistic Chapel is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week), we come to recognize Jesus, how He is present to us in our lives. It's an amazing thing that as we train our eyes to pierce the appearance of bread and see Jesus, our eyes will soon pierce the people and circumstances around us and see Jesus present there.

In the end, time with Jesus (in sacrament – virtually or in person – and in prayer) leads us to realize when we need to turn around. Our hearts will be set on fire, and we will go seeking Him and His enduring love.

May this Easter Season continue to lead you daily to seek the Risen Christ.



VBS is back again this year and if your child hasn't yet experienced this themed week of games, music, skits, crafts and food – then what are you waiting for?! Our summer camp hosts over 150 children, teens and adult volunteers from all over the diocese and fills up fast. Early registration is now open and forms are at the back of the church. Volunteer opportunities are also available for 20 teen service hours. If interested or for more information, please contact Christine Lemieux at [christine@lemieux-design.net](mailto:christine@lemieux-design.net)

**FORMED**

To help you grow in your faith go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org). They really have some good materials like Movies, Daily Reflection, Documentaries and much more. To register, go to [pelham.formed.org](http://pelham.formed.org)



**Steubenville East Registration is open!**

Steubenville East is the event of the summer for those in grades 8-12. The retreat runs from July 10-12 and if you have never attended, this is **your** summer. Please direct all questions to Adam Castor at [faithlifeformation@comcast.net](mailto:faithlifeformation@comcast.net).

**VOCATIONS**

“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” Is God inviting you to live the gift and mystery of being sent as priest, sister or brother to proclaim the truth of Jesus Christ? Call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: [mmason@rcbm.org](mailto:mmason@rcbm.org).

**ADORATION ON PARISH WEBSITE**

You can watch Adoration now on our Parish Website. Go to the Parish website [www.stpatrick-pelham.com](http://www.stpatrick-pelham.com) and look under the quick links and click on Mass on Pelham Television. Then click on the link [ptv.viebit.com](http://ptv.viebit.com)



**PTV – SCHEDULE – CHANNEL 22  
For St. Patrick Mass Schedule**

- Sunday – 8:00 PM
- Monday – 7:00 AM & 4:00 PM
- Tuesday – 9:00 AM & 8:00 PM
- Wednesday – 1:00 PM & 10:00 PM
- Thursday – 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM
- Friday – 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM
- Saturday – 6:00 AM & 2:00 PM – **4:00 PM “LIVE”**  
Subject to change

During this time, St. Patrick Parish wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving for your regular weekly offering. St. Patrick relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. Visit the church office, 8:30am to Noon, or go to our web site, [www.stpatrick-pelham.com](http://www.stpatrick-pelham.com), at any time to set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation or view your online donation history. Please consider electronic giving. Thank you!

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

While there are no public Masses at this time, you can grow other ways in your faith while at home. You can join us on our Parish Website, Facebook and [Formed.org](http://Formed.org). You can also follow Fr. Von on Facebook and Instagram (you can find him under “Volney DeRosia”). These are many other resources out there.



**Office for Healing and Pastoral Care**

Joseph Naff, MSW is the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Manchester. As Director of the Office for Healing and Pastoral Care, Mr. Naff is available to provide compassionate, confidential and free assistance to individuals who were sexually abused by those representing the Church. If you or a loved one would like to speak with Mr. Naff, you may contact him at (603) 663-0125 or [jnaff@rcbm.org](mailto:jnaff@rcbm.org).

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**

The St. Patrick's Women's Guild grants four \$500.00 scholarships each year to graduating seniors who will be furthering their education. These scholarships are for students who are parishioners of St. Patrick Parish and/or residents of Pelham, NH. Applications for these scholarships are now available in the Guidance Office of Pelham High School, in the Parish Office, in the Sacristy **and on the Parish Website**. Applications should be turned into the Guidance Office at Pelham High School or to St. Patrick's Parish Office by Monday, May 4, 2020.

**AMAZON**

If you have an Amazon account, you can have St. Patrick Parish as your Charity. You sign in to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) on your desktop or mobile phone browser. From your desktop, go to **Your Account** from the navigation at the top of any page, and then select the option to **Change** your **Charity**. Select St. Patrick as your new **charitable** organization to support us.

Thank you to all our Parishioners who have either dropped off, Electronically Giving or mailed your Parish Envelopes to the Parish. We really appreciate it!!

**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 4/19/20

Offertory Envelopes \$3,784

Offertory Electronic Giving \$960

**Total Offertory \$4,744**

Faith Life \$452

**Total Collected \$5,196**

**As of 4/19 we have an offertory deficit of \$5,070**

Thank you for your continued support

~Fr. Von~



**May 3 Capital Improvements**

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

**May 10 Utility**

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

**May 17 Faith Life Formation**

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

**May 24 Catholic Communications**

This collection supports diocesan and national efforts to ensure a Catholic presence in the media as well as Catholic communications programs such as Parable Magazine and our diocesan website.

**May 31 Maintenance**

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

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

## **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

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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](mailto:fathervon@comcast.net).

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

*Saturday* 4PM  
*Sunday* 8AM, 10:30AM, 6PM

### **WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE**

*Monday through Thursday* 8am  
*Friday* No Mass  
*First Friday and First Saturday* 8am

### **HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE**

*Holy Day* 8am, 10am & 7pm

### **ADORATION**

*Wednesday* 8:30-9:30am  
2:00-8:00pm

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Adoration is for Vocations  
Contact Jackie Hynes at 603-425-8459

### **FIRST FRIDAY ROSARY**

The Knights and the Women's Guild invite everyone to First Friday Rosary at 6pm in the chapel. The Rosary is followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 6:45 PM.

### **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.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

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