



Saturday August 13
4pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday August 14
8am ~ Dorothy McCarthy, Birthday
Remembrance, requested by Pat Lawlor
10:30am ~ Bud Provencal, 4th Anniversary
requested by the Provencal family
James R. Floyd, 15th Anniversary, requested
by the Floyd family

Monday August 15 Assumption
8am ~ Raymond & Rolande Jean, Wedding
Anniversary, requested by their family
10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
7pm ~ Barbara Agrella requested by Donna
Smith
Lyric Michaud requested by Dan & Sue Martin

Tuesday August 16
8am ~ Jean-Piere Bonenfant, 10th Anniversary,
requested by his wife

Wednesday August 17
8am ~ Theresa Straughan, 6th Anniversary,
requested by Doug & Laura Masson

Thursday August 18
8am ~ Winton & Marie DeRosia, 50th Wedding
Anniversary, requested by Fr. Von
Health & Blessing for Aislyn Beauchesne
requested by Billy Beauchesne

Friday August 19
8am ~ No Mass

Saturday August 20
4pm ~ David & Armand Berard requested by
their family

Sunday August 21
8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Lt. Donald G. Taylor, 46th
Anniversary, In Honor of St. Joseph requested
by Donna M. Taylor

Sunday, August 14
Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Tuesday, August 16
Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, August 17
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, August 18
Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the school
Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, August 19
Praise & Worship Adoration and Steubenville
East Reunion, 6:00 PM, in the church
Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Vocations

“Run the race which lies ahead.” Are you called to keep your eyes fixed on Christ and run the race of faith to heaven as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AT MASS

If you have trouble hearing at Mass, we have portable hearing assistants that tap into our sound system. If you would like to borrow one for Mass, please check in the Sacristy before Mass.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the second reading this weekend, we hear how “we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses” (Hebrews 12:1). The Church has often seen this as the Communion of Saints. Our belief is that there is that the Church is the Body of Christ (see Rom 12:4-5, I Cor 12:12-27, Gal 1:15-23, Col 1:24). In the Body, we there are three states: The Church Militant (here on earth), the Church Suffering (in Purgatory), and the Church Triumphant (in Heaven). But *it is only one body*. This means we’re still connected. The Church in heaven is rooting for us and helping us along the path to holiness.

Fr. Mike Schmitz (of “The Bible in the Year Podcast” fame) shared this story. After he completed an Ironman competition, there was an announcement that a runner was coming in... but he had only 15 minutes to finish and was two miles out. While running a 7.5-minute mile might be easy when all you have is two miles to run (for those in shape, anyway), this man had already swum 2.4 miles, biked 112 miles, and run all but those 2 miles of a marathon... he would have been exhausted. Everyone in the stands (except Fr. Mike) ran out to meet this man who was coming to the end of the race. Fr. Mike didn’t hold out any hope for him finishing, but at the last minute (literally), he saw the lone runner coming in, followed by this huge crowd shouting encouragement, spurring him on to cross the finish line... and he did just in the nick of time.

That cloud of witnesses behind the runner helped him to cross the finish line. The same thing happens for us in our race to holiness: the saints from Heaven are encouraging us, and spurring us on. They all are as human as we are. They went through the same trials, struggles and temptations that we do. They know what it’s like and they want us to keep going! Too often we look at saints as “plaster statues” ... but they all had to overcome themselves. Many were hardened sinners that God got ahold of and transformed. And He can do the same for you and for me!!

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us (Hebrews 12:1)

We’re not alone, and so we can be encouraged to rid ourselves of the sin that clings to us. Recently, the Lord put on my heart that He had special saints in heaven looking out for me, encouraging me. In this time, He has been encouraging me to greater holiness and to get rid of so many of the things that have distracted me from Him (burdens) and the sin that clings to me. Now when I am tempted to selfishness, self-centeredness, and self-pity, I hear a voice in the back of my mind encouraging me to holiness. Most often it says, “All or nothing,” the motto of Sr. Clare Crockett. In these times, especially in my exhaustion, I am encouraged to keep going, to give my all to God and those around me (*caveat*: I’m not there yet... still working on it, but I see progress!).

The saints are all around us. If we have ears to hear, they are encouraging us along the path toward God. See! We’re not in it alone! Allow God to give you those friends from Heaven to help you live holiness. They may be your name saint, your Confirmation saint, others you’re attracted to, or even loved ones who’ve gone before us into the Kingdom. Ask their help, and they will spur you on!



**Join Us for the 2022-2023
Faith Life Year!**

All families are encouraged and welcome to join us for Faith Life this year. So much more than Sacramental preparation, this program reaches into the daily craziness of family life and seeks to carve out a place for Jesus.

Welcome Him into your homes this year!

To find registration materials please follow this link:

<https://www.stpatricks-pelham.com/faith-life-registration-2/>

Our Program begins in September. You can bring your completed registration materials to the parish office or mail them in. We are open Monday-Friday 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Confessions, Wednesday, August 17th, at 8:00 PM in the church

Praise & Worship Adoration, Friday, August 19th, at 6:00 PM in the church

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**Healing Mass**, Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM in the church

**Men of St. Joseph**, Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00-9:00 AM in the parish center

**Community Dinner**, Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30-7:00 PM in the parish center

**Parish Picnic**, Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, after the 10:30 AM Mass

**DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

**Bank of New Hampshire Pavilion**

**Saturday, September 24, 2022**

Doors open 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Free Admission

Ticket Registration Required

~ Day includes Holy Mass, Eucharistic Procession, Eucharistic Preacher, Diocesan Holy Hour, and the Sacrament of Confession will be available.

~ Buses from all deaneries will be available for those that do not want to drive. Information to come.

~ Some seating under cover – some grassy areas suitable for blankets/lawn chairs. Food concessions available and encouraged.

For more information or to Register visit: [www.EucharisticRevivalNH.org](http://www.EucharisticRevivalNH.org)

If you have any questions,

Email: Sister Esther Marie at

[daughtersofmarydmml@gmail.com](mailto:daughtersofmarydmml@gmail.com)



EUCHARISTIC  
*Adoration*

COME, LET US  
ADORE

Friday, August 19 | Jesus, Music and  
At 6 pm in the church | Message

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
Annual Parish Picnic  
Sunday, September 25, 2022  
After the 10:30 AM Mass  
Join us for Food, Fellowship, Kids activities and  
our First Parish Cornhole Tournament  
(More information to follow)



Join us October 21-24, 2022  
 For a life-changing retreat!  
 Light of the World  
 Held at St. Patrick School  
 Sign up by contacting  
 the Parish Office at 603-635-3525 or  
[kathy7421@comcast.net](mailto:kathy7421@comcast.net)  
 The retreat is free,  
 and you sleep at home.  
 Please indicate dietary restrictions.

**ST. GIANNA'S PLACE**

A Catholic home for women in crisis pregnancies located in Hudson, will be holding a baby bottle campaign beginning September 10<sup>th</sup> until October 9<sup>th</sup>. Our doors have now been open for 3 years and we've been able to offer a loving, formative and supportive home to 17 women and their children during this short time! Your financial support is greatly appreciated in order to defray the costs of the day-to-day operations and educational programs we offer to our moms. If you would like to help, simply take home a baby bottle, fill it with your donation, and return it to the bin at the entrance of the church. With your support, we can change mothers' and their babies lives through the love and care of this community. Thank you!



**MASS ON PARISH WEBSITE**

You can watch Mass 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). If you would like to hear Fr. Von's past homilies, please visit our Parish Website under "Quick Links" under "On-line Masses and Homilies."

**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 8/7/22

Offertory Envelopes \$6,092  
 Offertory Electronic Giving \$2,177

**Total Offertory \$8,269**

**Total Collected \$8,269**

Thank you for supporting our parish  
 ~Fr. Von~

**Capital Improvement**

collected as of 8/7/22  
 \$3,025

Thank you for your generosity!



**SECOND ENVELOPES  
 FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

**Aug. 21 Faith Life Formation**

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

**Aug. 28 Evangelization**

To help promote the faith in our community through Retreats, Community Dinners, Charity and so much more.

**Sept. 4 Capital Improvements**

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

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

**WITH PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY**

We pray for **Maureen Riendeau**. We extend our sympathy to her family.



## **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

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### **PARISH WEBSITE**

Website: [www.stpatricks-pelham.com](http://www.stpatricks-pelham.com)

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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).

### **PRAYER LINE**

Please contact Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or [Lmurgia\\_871@comcast.net](mailto:Lmurgia_871@comcast.net)

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

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

### **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**

*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](http://www.formed.org) to register, go to [pelham.formed.org](http://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](mailto:eqwright@comcast.net). More information online: [www.kofcpelhamnh.org](http://www.kofcpelhamnh.org)