



Saturday August 22

4pm ~ George & Theresa Straughan requested by their family

Sunday August 23

8am ~ Raymond & Georgianna Hall requested by Anita Hall & family

10:30am ~ Phyllis Dexter, 2nd Anniversary, requested by her family

6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Monday August 24

8am ~ J. T. Orlep requested by the Orlep family
Norma Narragon requested by Maureen & David Groff

Tuesday August 25

8am ~ Geoffrey Victor Randall requested by the St. Pierre family

Health & Blessing for Donna Smith

Wednesday August 26

8am ~ Blanche Turcotte, 19th Anniversary, requested by Patty Kennedy

Thursday August 27

8am ~ George Straughan, 22nd Anniversary, requested by his family

Friday August 28

8am ~ No Mass

Saturday August 29

4pm ~ Richard W. Hennessey requested by his daughter Vicki

Sunday August 30

8am ~ Anne T. French requested by the Halpin family

Ken Bergeron requested by Carol Martin

10:30am ~ Bud Provencal, 2nd Anniversary, requested by the Provencal family

Thai Chinh requested by the Lemieux family

6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

ROSARY

Did you know that we pray the Rosary before each Mass? The Rosary begins at 7:20 AM before Daily Mass, and about half an hour before each of the weekend Masses. Join us as we turn to Heaven and implore Our Lady for peace in our world and in our hearts.



Sunday, August 23

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

Tuesday, August 25

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, August 26

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

Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM

Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school

Thursday, August 27

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

Friday, August 28

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



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Edward & Kevin Nabydoski by their family



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **KIRA MAE LAMOUREUX, HENRY MICHAEL LEMOINE, PAUL MICHAEL PARADISE, III, CHARLOTTE ELAINE SCANLON and GRAYSON LEO TALBOT**. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I plan to preach on the incredible Gospel this weekend, so I thought I would write my article on the second reading. Since it is short, I will include the whole passage:

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! *For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor? Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid? For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.* (Romans 11:33-36)

What a reminder to us of the wisdom of God. What a reminder to us that God's understanding so far surpasses ours. Sometimes we struggle with "the way things are" in the world. After all, there is such great evil. Some of it directly effects our lives. We can wonder about how and why all this evil is allowed, especially if we believe that God is all knowing, all powerful, and all benevolent.

In reflecting on the "problem of evil," many have left the faith, claiming that a good God would not allow such evil. It often seems, because of the situation of the world, that we would have to reject one or more of the attributes of God. Because so much evil exists: a) God must not be all good and loving – or else, because of that love and goodness, He would not allow evil to exist; or b) God must not be all knowing, and so He either cannot see all of the evil, or He has no plan to stop it; or c) God is not all powerful – He is good and knows of the evil, but is impotent to stop it.

But this is all from flawed human reason. God has revealed His Heart to us in the person of Jesus Christ. He shows His incredible love for us, and how He longs for us to love Him. He allows such evil in the world because He wants *our love* ... and love must be free. We must be free to choose to love God, and so consequently *must* be able to choose NOT to love God, and so do evil. But with all of the evil He allows, He has a plan to restore all things in Christ, for Christ took on all of the punishment and effects of sin when He died on the Cross, and He destroyed the power of sin and death (all evil) by rising from the dead.

This incredible wisdom of God goes beyond our reckoning, and will only be fully revealed to us when we are face to Face with Him in Heaven (please God).

In the meantime, God invites us to trust His wisdom and love. This doesn't mean we don't ask "Why?" but it does mean that we ask with faith and trust that, even if we cannot figure it out, God's love is everlasting. It is an opportunity to *surrender* our own way of thinking, our own way of reasoning. Too often, I think **I** know the way the world is supposed to be. I think I'm not alone in this, since I have heard so many conversations where people discuss all of the problems of the world and how to solve them – "if only everyone listened to us!" Today's reading is an opportunity to recognize in humility that we really don't know, we really don't have all the solutions.

I encourage you today to look to Jesus and His incredible depth of riches and wisdom, surrendering your own way of thinking, and looking to Him for the solution for all of our problems, and all of the problems of the world.



The following couple will enter the Covenant of Marriage in September:

Ralph Ergas
and
Patricia Yankowskas

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

VOCATIONS

"Who has known the mind of the Lord?" Through prayer our minds become better aligned with the mind of Christ and His will for us. If the Spirit is prompting you to know Christ as a priest, or in the consecrated life, Call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If anyone would like to sign-up to sponsor the Altar Flowers for 2020-2021, please contact the parish office at 603-635-3525.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

If anyone would like to sign-up for the Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one for 2020-2021, please contact the parish office at 603-635-3525.



There is a school supplies drive for the children of Cor Unum Meal Center in Lawrence, MA. Cor Unum is a restaurant style soup kitchen that provides meals for all people who are in need of one. It is a welcoming and wonderful place that helps hundreds of people every day. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more details on how to donate.

If you have any questions, please contact Michaela at mniceforo22@windhamsd.org.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Are you someone, or do you know someone, who...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Is desiring to live the Catholic faith more fully?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your perspectives and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information, please contact Ron Turturici at 603-898-1555 or at ronturturici@aol.com

Join Us For Family Faith Life Registration Night!

On Wednesday, September 9th, from 6:30 - 7:30 PM in the cafeteria of the school we will be holding an informational meeting for all those interested in learning more about the Family Faith Life Program. We welcome old and new families to this event because things will definitely look different this year. We would ask that all parents please wear a mask to this meeting and practice social distancing.

If you are uncomfortable or unable to attend this meeting and would like to learn more please email the Director of Faith Life, Adam Castor, at faithlifeformation@comcast.net and he would be happy to schedule a one-on-one conversation.

Also, if you are just looking to register your child/children for Faith Life you may drop your paperwork off in the parish office during our regular hours, Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM.

MASS ON PARISH WEBSITE

You can watch Mass now on our Parish Website. Go to the Parish website 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. If you would like to hear Fr. Von's past homilies, please visit our Parish Website, under "quick links."



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

Acts of Mercy

How many Spiritual

- ☐ Instruct the Uninformed
- ☐ Counsel the doubtful
- ☐ Admonish sinners
- ☐ Comfort the sorrowful
- ☐ Bear wrongs patiently
- ☐ Forgive Offenses
- ☐ Pray for the living and the dead

How many Corporal

- ☐ Feed the hungry
- ☐ Clothe the naked
- ☐ Give drink to the thirsty
- ☐ Shelter the homeless
- ☐ Comfort the imprisoned
- ☐ Visit the sick
- ☐ Bury the dead

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 8/16/20

Offertory Envelopes \$4,515

Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,566

Total Offertory \$6,081

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Thank you to all of our parishioners who have been supporting us during this pandemic. I appreciate your generosity.

~Fr. Von~

NH Missionaries

collected as of 8/16/20

\$976

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Aug. 23 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Aug. 30 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

Sept. 6 Conference of Catholic Bishops

This collection provides funding for academic scholarships at the Catholic University of America and supports the work of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Sept. 13 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

Sept. 20 Utility

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

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.

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

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

1st Wednesday Adoration is for Vocations
Contact Jackie Hynes at 603-425-8459

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