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FORMED

To help you grow in your faith go to www.formed.org and sign in with the parish registration code nr3434 (all lowercase).

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 fathervon@comcast.net or (603)-635-3525.

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

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 3:30pm 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. More information online: http://www.nhknights.org/



Saturday August 5

4pm **David Berard** requested by

his family

Sunday August 6

8am Una Harrington, 2nd

Anniversary, requested by

her family

10:30am **Juliann Hojlo** requested by

her family

6pm Intentions for all our

Parishioners

Monday August 7

8am Rev. Real Bourque requested

by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turgeon **Bernie Thibault** requested by

the 8 O'Clockers

Tuesday August 8

8am Florence Brunelle requested

by her niece

Bernie Thibault requested by

Dennis & Irene Groulx

Wednesday August 9

8am **Casey Webster** "Birthday

Remembrance" requested by

his family

Thursday August 10

8am **Dorothy McCarthy** "Birthday

Remembrance" requested by

Pat Lawlor

Friday August 11

8am No Mass

7pm Healing Mass

Saturday August 12

4pm James R. Floyd "Gabby", 10th

Anniversary, requested by the

Floyd family

Sunday August 13

8am **Mae Stevens**, 12th Anniversary,

requested by her family

Mark Chagnon requested by

Joan Chagnon

10:30am Isabella Miranda requested by

Karen & Kevin Martin

6pm Intentions for all our

Parishioners

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 following week:
Offertory 7/30/17 \$7,561
Faith Life \$1.305

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses \$8,866

Thank you for your continued support ~Fr. Von~

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Aug. 13 Utility

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

Aug. 20 NH Missionaries Abroad and Migrant & Refugee Ministry in NH

This collection supports *The Good Samaritan Home* in Colombia, run by Claire Aucoin. In addition, a portion of this collection supports the diocesan ministries to migrants and refugees throughout the state of New Hampshire.

Aug. 27 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Sept. 3 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.

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



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of David Berard by his family

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, August 7

Divine Mercy, 7:00 PM, in the youth room at the school

Tuesday, August 8

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, August 9

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM

Thursday, August 10

Blood Drive, 2:00-7:00 PM, in the parish center AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall

Friday, August 11

Healing Mass, 7:00 PM, in the church

DIVINE MERCY/STUDY FAITH FORMATION

Please join us on Mondays at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school. Facilitated by Roberta Wilson.

These are the next sessions:

Mondays, August 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th

Mondays, August 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th Monday, September 11th

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

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples who are celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or beyond Wedding Anniversary (anytime during the year 2017), to attend a *Special Anniversary Mass*. This celebration will be held on *October 15*, 2017 at 2:00 PM, at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester. If you are celebrating your 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or beyond anniversary, please contact the parish office by September 22, 2017. We will need your *last names, first names and mailing address*. Please also indicate your special anniversary year.

By providing your name to your Parish Office you will be registered and receive an invitation. *There is no need for the couple to RSVP.*

1ST ANNUAL BEACH DAY WITH JESUS ACROSS THE BORDER Friday, August 18, 2017 Star of the Sea Beach Chapel, Salisbury, MA 8:00 AM - Midnight

Join JESUS aCROSS the Border, the umbrella organization which unites over 17 different young adult Catholic groups, for an entire day at the beach! The Church is providing free parking, access to the beach, and facilities starting at 8:00 AM. Our usual evening event begins at 7:30 PM with Eucharistic Adoration and Praise & Worship lead by Soulfest musician, Kyle Erickson and Angelique Bolduc of LIFT Ministries. Fr. Chris Wallace joins us again as the main Mass celebrant at 9:00 PM and following Mass we will have a beach pizza social. This is a fantastic opportunity for the over 17 Catholic young adult groups to network with one another!

Please email Billy Beauchesne at JESUSaCROSStheBorder@gmail.com or visit our Facebook Page at https://www.facebook.com/JESUSaCROSStheBorder for more information.



The Pelham Food Pantry is in need of **Paper Towels** and **Large Brown Bags**.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Since Rory has finished his assignment, it is now back to me to write the bulletin articles. I hope that having a difference voice has been a nice reprieve, as well as a good learning experience for him.

We celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord this weekend. As Peter, James and John are overwhelmed by the vision of Moses, Elijah and the glorified Jesus, a bright cloud comes and casts a shadow over them. This bright cloud is understood to be the "Glory Shekinah" cloud of the presence of God. This is the cloud that led the Israelites through the desert, and that filled Solomon's Temple. It was a sign of the presence of God come down to touch the earth. This cloud shows the presence of God here on the mountain, and from it, the voice speaks:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. (Matthew 17:5)

Jesus and the three apostles hear this voice. For the apostles, it is there to help the deal with the scandal of the Cross (in Luke's account of the Transfiguration, he specifically mentions that Moses and Elijah are speaking with Jesus about how He will go to the Cross in Jerusalem). For Jesus, the voice is there to strengthen Him in His resolve to go to the Cross.

If you remember, there was another time when the voice spoke from the heavens to Jesus – at His baptism. Right before Jesus went to the desert to be tempted, He was strengthened by the voice which told Him then also that He was the Beloved Son (see Matthew 3:17). It is interesting to note that Jesus is strengthened for adversity by a reminder of *who He is*, a reminder of His *identity*.

Take this example: if a child is enjoying himself in a toy store, and, after having focused on a particular toy for a while, realizes that his mother is no longer with him, he, understandably, will become very much distressed! He will go searching for his mother, crying out to her, until he finally finds her. None of the toys in the store will have any temptation for him until he finds his mother. This is not because he is some kind of moral giant, but because he wants his Mama more than anything else!

With Jesus, He was able to overcome all temptation, including the struggle with the Cross, because *He knew who He was* in relationship with the Father. He is the Father's Beloved Son, and this relationship was the most important thing in His life. He knew what He had to do because He knew who He was.

This is important for us, too. Each of us, by our baptism, is a beloved daughter or son of God. In fact, I would dare to say that you - yes, you - are God's favorite daughter or favorite son. When we realize this, we remember that God has our back, that every situation - really, every situation - in which we find ourselves, is in the Hands of God. We realize who we are and so how we are supposed to live. The lure of temptation will have less and less hold on us as we come to embrace our true identity as children of God, not because we are moral giants, but because we will have fallen in love, and want to be with our Father more than we will want the sinful things of this world.

THE PROBLEM IS THAT WE FORGET.

We are told over an over who we are, we are told that we are loved by God, yet we forget. When we forget who we are, when we forget that God is the real fulfillment of all our desires, then we can be lured by sin. The things of this world seem to fill our emptiness, and so we look to them. But we are left emptier and emptier, and we, like addicts, keep going back for more and more. And we will destroy ourselves... unless there comes that moment again of *remembering who we are as God's most-beloved children*!

May we hear the words of the Father today, "*You* are my beloved son, my beloved daughter" and may we allow the knowledge of who we are fill the emptiness we have, and so fulfill every one of our desires. May this knowledge strengthen us through our struggles, and give us courage to follow God.

PELHAM GOOD NEIGHBOR FUND 24TH ANNUAL GOLF TORUNAMENT

The Twenty Fourth Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, August 14, 2017 at the Campbell's Scottish Highlands Golf Course in Salem, NH for the benefit of the Pelham Good Neighbor Fund, which is celebrating its 48th year. The Pelham Good Neighbor Fund is a 501 © (3) charitable organization and provides financial assistance for our less fortunate residents in Pelham throughout the year for emergency situations which include heating oil, electricity, rent, food, transportation and other household expenses. In 2016, this amounted to \$28,688.00. All 15 members are volunteers who are dedicated to helping Our Neighbors In Need where 100% of the donations go back into the community. If you are interested in being a sponsor, the cost is as follows:

Tournament Sponsor: \$1000.00 (includes

foursome and 24 X 36 sign)

Corporate Sponsor: \$300.00 (24 x 36 sign)

Tee Sponsor: \$100.00 (18 x 24 sign) Sand Trap Sponsor: \$50.00 (12 x 14 sign)

If you would like to play in the tournament the entry fee is \$125.00 per golfer which includes pre-game coffee and doughnuts, green fees, golf cart, lunch and prizes.

You can register to play or make a donation with your credit card by visiting our website at www.pelhamgoodneighborfund.org If you prefer to register and pay by check, or have any questions regarding the golf tournament, please email at pelhamgoodneighborfund@outlook.com Checks can be made payable to PGNF Golf Tournament and mailed to:

Pelham Good Neighbor Fund Golf Tournament P.O. Box 953 Pelham, NH 03076

If you would like more information, please call:

Brenda Blake 603-339-0679 Ann Marie Lacharite 603-635-7272 Karen Fournier 603-635-2774 Frank Sullivan 603-508-2898

Your support of our major fundraiser would be appreciated so that we can continue to provide financial support for our Neighbors In Need. Brochures are available at the Enterprise Bank in Pelham.



Faith Life Registrations went out in the mail if you have not received a registration. You can pick one up at the parish office or on the parish website. If you have any questions, please call the office at 603-635-3525.

CARS & CANS CAR SHOW

St. Patrick Church is hosting a Car Show called Cars and Cans on Saturday, August 12, 2017 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. All cars, trucks, bikes, and tuners are welcome. Spectator parking will be in the school parking lot.

Food, Drinks, Ice Cream, Raffle Prizes, Music and Awards for Multiple Show Categories. All proceeds will go directly to the Pelham Food Pantry.

We want to thank our Sponsors: Pelham House of Pizza, Nicks Ice Cream Truck, Tuscan Kitchen, Chunkys, Fuddruckers, Pampered Nails, Remax, Black Pug Trophies, and more!

Free Admission: We are asking for Can Goods, Non-Perishables or Cash Donations to Benefit the Pelham Food Pantry. If you make out a check please make it out to the Pelham Food Pantry.

For more information, please contact CarsandCans@gmail.com



We are looking for crafters for St. Patrick's Christmas Craft Fair to be held on Dec. 2, 2017. Cost for is \$30 for an 8'x6' space. All crafters who have **hand crafted items** are welcome. It is a fun day with a coloring contest for kids, scrumptious food and homemade goodies at our Bake Table. Please call the parish office at 603-635-3525 for an application and more details.