



Saturday August 7
4pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday August 8
8am ~ Rev. Real Bourque, OMI, requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turgeon
Louis Silva requested by Lucy
10:30am ~ Dorothy McCarthy, Birthday Remembrance, requested by Pat Lawlor

Monday August 9
8am ~ Bernice Morrissey requested by the Raby family

Tuesday August 10
8am ~ Alice Rancourt requested by her family

Wednesday August 11
8am ~ Dr. David James Bryan requested by Joyce

Thursday August 12
8am ~ Rita LaRochelle requested by Lillian Murgia

Friday August 13
8am ~ No Mass

Saturday August 14
4pm ~ Lt. Donald G. Taylor, 45th Anniversary, and In Honor of St. Joseph requested by Donna M. Taylor

Sunday August 15
8am ~ Ann Gallant requested by her friends Sophia O. Frawley, Remembrance Mass, requested by Stephen Wasylak Jr. & family
10:30am ~ Juliann Hojlo, 20th Anniversary, requested by her family

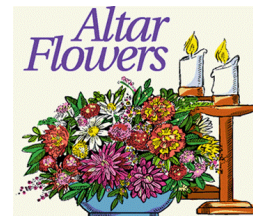
Sunday, August 8
Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Tuesday, August 10
Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

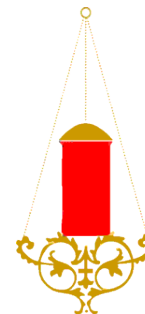
Wednesday, August 11
Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM
Food Pantry, 1:00-2:30 PM
Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school
Confessions, 7:00 PM, in the church

Thursday, August 12
Holy Hour to Heal Our Land, 6:00-7:00 PM, in the church
Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the school
Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, August 13
Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school



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MISSIONARY SPEAKER
Next weekend, August 14th & 15th, we will be having a Missionary Speaker: Sr. Mary Obinna Okpala, DMMM from the Daughters of Mary Mother of Mercy.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As I've mentioned in my homilies, we are reading through the Bread of Life Discourse in John 6. Over these weeks, we will hear how Jesus shows us the grace of the Eucharist. The Church has constantly taught that the Eucharist is the Real Presence of Christ: Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. She has traditionally used the language of "transubstantiation," meaning that at the consecration, the substance (the very essence) of bread and wine cease to exist, and now only the substance of Jesus remains, while maintaining the accidents (appearance) of bread and wine.

Now that we have established *who* the Church (and Jesus) say the Eucharist is – Jesus – I want to look a little more at *what* the Eucharist is. The Eucharist is the Presence of Christ in the fullness of the **Pascal Mystery**. Now what in the world does that mean? It means that even though we see only one "moment," as it were, of the Eucharist, it is the Presence of the Risen Christ, taking in the wholeness of His humanity – His incarnation (becoming human), His suffering and death, His resurrection, and His ascension into Heaven. We can especially focus on the suffering and death for it is here that we see the love of God manifest most clearly.

When we go to Mass, when the Eucharist is consecrated, we are at the foot of the Cross, we are at Golgotha. The old song asks, "Were you there when they crucified my Lord?" The answer is a resounding, "YES!" Every time we go to Mass, we are there. In some mysterious way, the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross was raised from time to eternity (as we can read about in the book of Revelation), and at each Mass, that sacrifice is brought to this time and this place – or to look at it another way, we are raised beyond time into the infinite eternity of Heaven, and so are at the foot of the Cross. If we could only remove the veil, we would see all of the angels and saints, and Christ pouring out His incredible love for us – right here on the altar. I encourage you to watch the free video on YouTube: "The Veil Removed". This short video gives a glimpse of what we believe happens at Mass.

Everything we need, all the grace to forgive our sins, to heal our wounds, to break us free from our addictions was given to us by the cross and resurrection of Jesus – through the power of God's infinite love for us! All of these graces are present at each and every Mass! We have but to dispose ourselves to receive them and they will be ours!

One of the other names for the Eucharist is Holy Communion. We so often bandy this name about – as children prepare to make their First Holy Communion – that we forget what the word even means. Think about it: *Communion*. We can have *union* with almighty God!!! This should blow our minds, that God wants this with you, with me! God created us for so much more than this "mortal coil," but to be with Him in intimate union for eternity. When we come to Holy Communion, we receive a foretaste of this. We'll hear from St. Paul in a couple of weeks about how marriage is a sign of our union with Christ – it is, he says, a great mystery! In light of this, we see that the Cross is the marriage-bed of Christ – not a bed of ecstasy but of pain (see St. Augustine). And the non-sexual marriage act between Christ and the Church is Holy Communion – an intimate union with Christ, where we, as bride, take Christ's Body into our own Body in order that we can become one flesh with Christ our bridegroom (see Genesis 2:24).

Let us beg our Lord to "Open the Eyes of Our Hearts" that we may truly see who we receive in Holy Communion, and what that means for us here and now!



We will be starting up our **Friday Night Community Dinners** again in September and we are looking for volunteers. If you are interested in helping out, please call the Parish office at 603-635-3525.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If anyone would like to sign-up to sponsor the Altar Flowers for 2021-2022, 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 2021-2022, please contact the parish office at 603-635-3525.



CRAFTERS WANTED

We are looking for crafters for **St. Patrick's Christmas Craft Fair** to be held on **Dec. 4, 2021**. 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.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AT MASS

If you have trouble hearing at Mass, we have purchased 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.



REGISTRATION FOR THE 2021-2022 FAITH LIFE IS OPEN!

In the Fall we will begin using A Family of Faith by Sophia Press. As we have in the past, we will follow a family based formation model. This model brings the entire family together and involves them in the program. As a family, you will come and grow closer to Jesus!

Is there a lot of work involved for families? How much time will this program take?

No. There are two lessons to teach each month, along with a variety of family and child activities. Each lesson should take no more than 30-45 minutes to complete, and requires minimal preparation on the part of the parent.

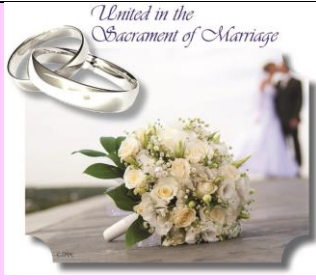
For what age children has this program been developed?

Because this program focuses on teaching the faith to parents and helping them make it an organic part of family life, it is perfect for parents with children of all ages. For example, a monthly feature called "Your Catholic Home" gives specific advice for ways to make the Faith a regular part of each day. The Children's Activity Books are recommended for children in grades K-8, and features engaging activities at various grade levels. Parents can skip the activities they believe are too elementary or too advanced for their child.

We invite you to register for the program now and join us in the Fall. All registration materials can be found on the parish website or at the parish office. If you have any questions, please email Adam Castor, Director of Faith Life, at faithlifeformation@comcast.net



Join us for a Holy Hour to Heal Our Land on Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 PM. For more information, please contact Linda Merrill at lj.merrill.5@gmail.com



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

*Richard Muse III
And
Debra Finlayson*

Please pray that their marriage will mirror the Love of God



“Do not grieve the Holy Spirit.” Your faithful response to your vocation gives joy to the heart of God. Perhaps priesthood or consecrated life awaits you. Call Father Matthew Mason (603) 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.

**SAVE THE DATE!!!
UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Blessing of the Child in the Womb**, September 12th, in the church
- Community Dinner**, September 17th, from 5:30-7:00 PM, in the parish center
- Healing Mass**, September 17th, at 7:00 PM in the church
- Parish Picnic**, September 26th, after the 10:30 AM Mass
- Blessing of the Pets**, October 2nd, at 1:00 PM
- Parish Mission**, October 17th – 19th, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the church
- Generational Healing Mass**, November 12th, 7:00 PM, in the Church

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 8/1/21

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 6,026
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$ 1,790
Total Offertory	\$7,816

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

Capital Improvements

collected as of 8/1/21
\$1,498

Thank you for your generosity!



**SECOND ENVELOPES
FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

Aug. 15 NH Missionaries
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. 22 Faith Life Formation
This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Aug. 29 Maintenance
This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

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

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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 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 egwright@comcast.net. More information online: www.kofcpelhamnh.org