



Saturday February 5

4pm ~ Walter Lambert, 15th Anniversary,
 requested by his wife & children
Alice Rancourt, 2nd Anniversary, requested by
 her family

Sunday February 6

8am ~ Clint Updkeye, 13th Anniversary,
 requested by Barbara, Adam & Sean
The DiGiantommaso Family requested by
 their family
10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Monday February 7

8am ~ Terry Bernard requested by her sister-
 in-law

Tuesday February 8

8am ~ For Health & Blessing for Donna Smith
 requested by Kathy & Ronnie Blanchette

Wednesday February 9

8am ~ For All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday February 10

8am ~ George Dallaire, Birthday
 Remembrance, requested by his family

Friday February 11

8am ~ No Mass
7pm ~ Healing Mass

Saturday February 12

4pm ~ Bernadette Bouchard, 37th Anniversary,
Lawrence Bouchard, 37th Anniversary,
 requested by Joan Janos

Sunday February 13

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Edesse Paquette requested by
 Theresa Goupil
Frances Lawlor, Birthday Remembrance,
 requested by Pat Lawlor

Sunday, February 6

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

Monday, February 7

Teaching on the Eucharist, 7:00 PM, in the youth
 room at the school

Tuesday, February 8

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, February 9

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the
 chapel
 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, February 10

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

Friday, February 11

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

Saturday, February 12

Men of St. Joseph, 7:00-9:00 AM, in the parish
 center



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of
Walter Lambert, 15th Anniversary, by his wife &
 children

WITH PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY
 We pray for *Tyler Larson*. We extend our
 sympathy to his family.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The first reading this weekend is from the Prophet Isaiah. We hear:

I saw the Lord seated on a high and lofty throne, with the train of his garment filling the temple. Seraphim were stationed above.

They cried one to the other, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts! All the earth is filled with his glory!" (Isaiah 6:1b-2a, 3)

This prayer should sound familiar to you, as we say or sing the Holy, Holy at every Mass. This Holy, Holy prayer is sung by the Seraphim in Isaiah, and the "four living creatures" in Revelation (Revelation 4:6ff). These are the angelic creatures praising God... and we get to participate in this prayer!

First, a bit about angels. The word angel means messenger, so technically, it speaks to their job or role, and not their being. Angels, by their nature, are non-corporeal beings – beings that have no bodies. We don't know when they were created, but we know that it was before humanity. We know that they were given a choice to follow God or reject Him. Because of the very nature of the angels, that choice is a full and permanent choice. Those that fell from God (the demons) will never choose to follow Him. Those who chose to follow God, will never choose to fall away. They saw with full clarity and chose with fullness of will. This is different from us as humans, for we do not see fully here in this life, and our wills are weakened, so we cannot choose fully. Our walk to or away from God is filled with ups and downs – and opportunities for repentance. Angels never were humans, and humans never become angels – we are different types of creatures.

Traditionally, the Church has recognized there to be nine levels of angelic beings, called the Celestial Hierarchy. They are: Seraphim, Cherubim, Thrones, Dominions, Virtues, Powers, Principalities, Archangels, and Angels. Each of us has been assigned a Guardian Angel to watch over us in our lives, and to help us along the way of holiness. The angel will not force us, but he works with our conscience to help us to choose good and reject evil.

All this is to invite you to use this Holy, Holy prayer in your daily life. Since it is a prayer of the angels, we get to participate in praying it with the angels. At Mass, we hear at the end of the Preface (the prayer the priest prays just before the Holy, Holy) some introduction to the prayer, referencing the angels. For instance:

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory as without end we acclaim (Preface I of Advent)

Note the language of the Celestial Hierarchy. We get to praise God with the angels!

But it doesn't just have to be at Mass. Wherever we are in our day, when we need help from God and our angel, we can pray this prayer. Often when someone asks me for prayer, this is the prayer to which I turn – invoking my angel and the angel of the person for whom I am interceding. If I'm going into a difficult meeting with someone, I pray the Holy, Holy three times asking my Guardian Angel to help me worship God, I then pray the *Confiteor* ("I confess to almighty God..."), and then I pray the Holy, Holy three times with the other person's (or persons') Guardian Angel(s) asking to worship God with them. I've found that it has truly smoothed out some difficult situations!

May we have a greater awareness of the angels moving in our lives, and to pray to God with them to grow in holiness – growing closer to the Heart of God.



A Family of Faith – February

“He is not here, for He has been raised just as He said.”

~Matthew 28:6

In the month of February, the Faith Life families are talking about the lines in the Nicene Creed, which direct our attention to the Last Things: Heaven, Hell, Death and Judgement. As Catholics, the power of Christ’s Resurrection from the dead shines a bright ray of hope upon these topics. Death is a reality we all must face and because of what Christ has done we can face it without fear. The reality of our death simply reminds us to live each day we have in service of Christ and in service of others.

Liturgical Living!

In the month of February, celebrate St. Valentine’s Day Catholic style. Write Bible verses on the Valentines you give to loved ones and friends. For example, try Numbers 6:24, Proverbs 10:12, Ruth 1:16-17, or John 4:19



Anniversary Celebration



Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2022, and those recently unable to participate due to COVID-19, to attend a **Wedding Anniversary Mass**. The Mass will be held on **Sunday, May 1, 2022 at 2:00 PM, at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester**. To register, please contact your parish office by **April 8, 2022**. The parish office will gather and submit all necessary information. Once registration has been completed by the parish office, all registrants will receive an invitation to this special celebration. To all you married couples, congratulations and we look forward to seeing you this spring at the Wedding Anniversary Mass! (Please note that this celebration may be subject to change. Registration will remain open until we have reached capacity; please no guests)



Join us February 25-28, 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

the retreat is free,

and you sleep at home.

Please indicate dietary restrictions.



“They left everything and followed Jesus.” If you sense that Christ may be calling you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org.

Mass of Healing and Hope

Come and experience God’s healing presence at a Mass of Healing and Hope on **Friday, February 11th, at 7:00 PM** in the Church. All are welcome!

NEW MEN’S MINISTRY

Men of St. Joseph (MOSJ) will begin its men’s ministry for men aged 18 and up on the second Saturday of every month starting on **February 12, 2022** from 7:00-9:00 AM in the Church. “As iron sharpens iron, so shall man sharpen his fellow man.” – Proverbs 27:17. We will have time for prayer, a talk, light breakfast and coffee, and time for discussion and fellowship. We will end promptly at 9:00 AM.

For more information, contact Al Lemieux: al@lemieux-design.net or 781-879-7527 or visit the parish website at stpatricks-pelham.com/men-of-st-joseph/

**Monday Night
Teachings on the Eucharist**

Join Fr. Von for teaching on "The Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible" on **Monday Nights: February 7th, 14th and 21st, March 14th & 28th, April 4th & 18th**, at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school.

**ON FIRE
IDENTITY**

**"Be who God meant you to be and
you will set the world on fire!"**

Join us for a retreat presented by Houses of Mercy and Hope Conferences here at St. Patrick Parish on **Friday, February 18th, from 6:30-9:30 PM and Saturday, February 19th, from 9:00 AM - 8:30 PM. The retreat cost is \$35.00 per person or \$50.00 per couple.** You will need to bring your own lunch and dinner. You can register online at www.housesofmercy.net/events

Good Harvest Breakthrough 911 (GHB911) is requesting donations of Coats, Hats, Gloves, Long Johns, Sweatpants and Sweatshirts for Men and Women... Men's bigger sizes are in need. This is for our transient (homeless) brothers and sisters in the community of Lowell and Nashua. We will be collecting items on **Friday, February 11th & 25th and March 11th & 25th, from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM and 5:00-6:30 PM in the school.** For any questions, please contact Linda Merrill at 603-930-6436 or Cheryl Wright at 603-635-8772.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The St. Patrick's Women's Guild grants three \$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, and in the Sacristy. Applications should be turned into the Guidance Office at Pelham High School or to St. Patrick's Parish Office by **Monday, May 2, 2022.**

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 1/30/22

Offertory Envelopes	\$1,953
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$1,843

Total Offertory **\$3,796**

Maintenance	\$1,171
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Total Collected **\$4,967**

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



**SECOND ENVELOPES
FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

Feb. 13 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

Feb. 20 Utility

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

Feb. 27 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Mar. 6 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

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
2:00-9:00pm

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 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