



Saturday January 9

4pm ~ Wayne Montuori, 4th Anniversary,
Lillian Montuori, 2nd Anniversary, **In Honor of St. Joseph** requested by the Taylor family
Josie Maille requested by Donna Smith

Sunday January 10

8am ~ Health & Blessings for a New Year for Donna Smith requested by Kathy Blanchette
10:30am ~ Emmy Cronin, Birthday Remembrance, requested by her husband & family

6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Monday January 11

8am ~ George Dallaire, Birthday Remembrance, requested by his family
Robert White, Sr., requested by Joan Davis

Tuesday January 12

8am ~ Patricia Ryan requested by the Fancher family
Marjory Orlep requested by the Orlep family

Wednesday January 13

8am ~ Rev. Roland Blais requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turgeon
Muriel & Joseph Caron requested by the Lemieux family

Thursday January 14

8am ~ Terry Evans, Birthday Remembrance, requested by her mom & family

Friday January 15

8am ~ No Mass

Saturday January 16

4pm ~ John Fitzgerald, 17th Anniversary, requested by his wife & children
John Golden requested by Andrea Genereux

Sunday January 17

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Angela Montano, Birthday Remembrance, requested by Joseph, Staci, Abrianna & Alianna Montano

6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday, January 10

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

Tuesday, January 12

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, January 13

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

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, January 14

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

Friday, January 15

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



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Terry Evans, Birthday Remembrance, by her mom & family

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

In Memory of	By
Terri Evans, Tom Dole, Claire Butcher, George Riess, Paul Riess, Gerard Reiss, Irene M. Riess and Warren A. Riess	Rosemary Dole
Phillip J. Cieszynski, John T. Kelly, Jr., and all the deceased family & friends of the Kelly & Cieszynski Families	Gary & Jacqueline Cieszynski



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We now continue our way through Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde*, looking at the beautiful fatherhood of St. Joseph in this year dedicated to St. Joseph. (You can find the whole document at vatican.va and search "Patris Corde".)

2. *A tender and loving father*

Joseph saw Jesus grow daily "in wisdom and in years and in divine and human favour" (*Lk* 2:52). As the Lord had done with Israel, so Joseph did with Jesus: he taught him to walk, taking him by the hand; he was for him like a father who raises an infant to his cheeks, bending down to

him and feeding him (cf. *Hos* 11:3-4).

In Joseph, Jesus saw the tender love of God: "As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him" (*Ps* 103:13).

In the synagogue, during the praying of the Psalms, Joseph would surely have heard again and again that the God of Israel is a God of tender love, who is good to all, whose "compassion is over all that he has made" (*Ps* 145:9).

The history of salvation is worked out "in hope against hope" (*Rom* 4:18), through our weaknesses. All too often, we think that God works only through our better parts, yet most of his plans are realized in and despite our frailty. Thus Saint Paul could say: "To keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me: 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness'" (*2 Cor* 12:7-9).

Since this is part of the entire economy of salvation, we must learn to look upon our weaknesses with tender mercy.

The evil one makes us see and condemn our frailty, whereas the Spirit brings it to light with tender love. Tenderness is the best way to touch the frailty within us. Pointing fingers and judging others are frequently signs of an inability to accept our own weaknesses, our own frailty. Only tender love will save us from the snares of the accuser (cf. *Rev* 12:10). That is why it is so important to encounter God's mercy, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, where we experience his truth and tenderness. Paradoxically, the evil one can also speak the truth to us, yet he does so only to condemn us. We know that God's truth does not condemn, but instead welcomes, embraces, sustains and forgives us. That truth always presents itself to us like the merciful father in Jesus' parable (cf. *Lk* 15:11-32). It comes out to meet us, restores our dignity, sets us back on our feet and rejoices for us, for, as the father says: "This my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found" (v. 24).

Even through Joseph's fears, God's will, his history and his plan were at work. Joseph, then, teaches us that faith in God includes believing that he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses. He also teaches us that amid the tempests of life, we must never be afraid to let the Lord steer our course. At times, we want to be in complete control, yet God always sees the bigger picture.



“And he came to her and said, ‘Hail, Full of grace! The Lord is with you!’” ~ Luke 1:28

In the month of January our Faith Life Families will focus upon the Immaculate Heart of Mary and how it serves as an altar of sorts which allows us to grow in holiness and prepares us to stand before the Holy of Holies, God Himself.

Our Saint of the Month is St. Maximilian Kolbe, one who understood the Immaculate Heart of Mary in such a beautiful and intimate way. Recognizing that loving the Blessed Mother did not take away from his worship of Jesus, rather it enhanced it and brought him closer to the Heart of God the Father.

If you have not yet made a personal Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I would encourage you to prayerfully consider it. There are many books to lead you in this practice, St. Maximilian Kolbe himself wrote a nine day consecration which is a wonderful place to begin. As we enter into this new year, I would encourage you to reflect upon these words from the great saint himself: “Jesus honored her before all ages, and will honor her for all ages. No one comes to Him, nor even near Him, no one is saved or sanctified, if he too will not honor her. This is the lot of Angels and of men.” ~ Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Martyr

Pray for me and know that I continue to pray for all of you.

~ Adam Castor

Director of Faith Life

VOCATIONS

“Behold the Lamb of God.” Could it be that you are being called to point out the Lord to others as a priest or in the consecrated life? Call Father Matthew Mason (603) 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.



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.”

ONLINE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES NH

Have you recently lost a spouse, family member or friend, and are struggling with grief and loss? Catholic Charities NH will be hosting its next online support group, **“Bereavement – Experiencing Loss, Being Lost and Finding your Way Again,”** a six-series program helping participants learn about the dynamics of grief, discover new ways to cope while healing and gain the opportunity to be supported and support others also sharing a painful journey. Sessions will be held on Thursdays (January 28 – March 4) from 3:30 to 4:30 PM. To register, visit www.cc-nh.org/beravement. You may also call 603-752-1325 or email efrenette@nh-cc.org.

CREATE A LEGACY

Be a part of ensuring the future of our Church

In dealing with the most important questions of where our resources will go after we are not around to manage them, it is important to have a plan. When making these future plans, consider making a legacy gift to St. Patrick Parish and make an impact on our future ministries and the Catholic faith. With a simple bequest in your will or estate plan, you can make a significant difference in the future of our parish for generations to come. For more information about how to include St. Patrick’s Catholic Church in your will, please contact Fr. Von or Therese Soucy in the parish office.

We are *thankful* for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC



**SECOND ENVELOPES
FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

Jan. 17 Seminarian Fund

This collection funds the education and formation of men discerning the priesthood for the Diocese of Manchester. Your contribution helps promote vocations to the priesthood.

Jan. 24 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Jan. 31 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

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

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 12/27/20

Offertory Envelopes	\$7,646
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$1,440

Parish Collections for the week of 1/3/2021

Offertory Envelopes	\$4,414
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$1,869

Total Offertory	\$15,369
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As of 1/3 we have an offertory deficit of \$6,684

Christmas Collection	\$16,440
Solemnity of Mary	\$1,412

Faith Life	\$1,056
Christmas Memorials	\$2,205
Utilities w/Christmas	\$1,798

Total Fund Collected	\$22,911
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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~

Capital Improvements

collected as of 1/3/2021

\$877

Thank you for your generosity!

ALTAR FLOWERS

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

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