



Saturday January 22
4pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday January 23
8am ~ Louise Bousquet, 12th Anniversary,
 requested by Patty Kennedy
10:30am ~ Angela Montano, Birthday
 Remembrance, requested by Joseph, Staci,
 Abrianna & Alianna Montano

Monday January 24
8am ~ John Lawlor, Jr., Birthday
 Remembrance, requested by Pat Lawlor

Tuesday January 25
8am ~ Richard Lucey requested by Joan Berard
Sheryl Marsden requested by Donna Smith

Wednesday January 26
8am ~ Dottie Haverty requested by Ed Gleason
Paul Genikos requested by Donna Smith

Thursday January 27
8am ~ Marietta Genereux, 27th Anniversary,
 requested by her daughters Andrea &
 Georgette
Arthur Bedard requested by David & Maureen
 Groff

Friday January 28
8am ~ No Mass

Saturday January 29
4pm ~ Roland Nault, 1st Anniversary, requested
 by Barbara & Glenn Campbell

Sunday January 30
8am ~ Alan Larese, 26th Anniversary, requested
 by the Raby family
Norman Provencal, 22nd Anniversary,
 requested by the Provencal family
10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday, January 23

Coffee & Donuts, 11:30 AM, in the parish center
 Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Monday, January 24

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

Tuesday, January 25

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, January 26

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

Thursday, January 27

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

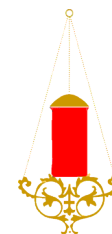
Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, January 28

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

Saturday, January 29

Faith Life Community Gathering, 9:00-10:30 AM,
 in the school



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of
Raymond Jean, Sr., Birthday Remembrance, by
 his family

EXPANDED ADORATION TIME

We are expanding our Exposition/Adoration time
 on Wednesdays. Adoration on Wednesdays will
 now go from 8:30-9:30 AM and **2:00-9:00 PM.**
 This will begin this Wednesday, January 26th. If
 you would like to sign up for scheduled time with
 our Lord, please contact the Parish Office (603-
 635-3525). Drop-ins are always welcome. As
 always, the Eucharistic Chapel is open 24/7 for
 time with our Lord in the Tabernacle.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend is the first Sunday Mass we celebrate in Ordinary Time (even though it's the "Second Sunday in Ordinary Time"... all last week, except last Sunday, was Ordinary Time). It doesn't mean "ho hum, just plain ordinary time," but rather time that is ordered, methodical. As such, we begin our walk with the Lord through His public ministry. Since we are in year C (of the three-year cycle: A, B, C), we are reading from the Gospel of Luke.

Jesus begins His public ministry by reading from the prophet Isaiah:

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.*

(Luke 4:18-19, see Isaiah 61:1-2)

This is Jesus' mission statement – it is what He is doing in our lives here and now, today. I've said this before, but it bears repeating: Jesus is the answer to all of our problems. Does this mean we won't have any problems if we follow Jesus? No. But it does mean that He is the way to get through every trouble or trial that we have. He will give meaning to our lives, which sometimes can feel empty and useless. He will give meaning to our suffering, which may seem only a hardship. When we turn to Jesus in our misery and trouble, He brings us to the Cross. But not just *to* the Cross – *through the Cross to the Resurrection!*

Jesus' purpose is to bring glad tidings to us. This means that despite COVID, despite inflation, despite anger and unrest, God has **Good News** for us!

Last week, I returned from being at Cenacolo in St. Augustine, FL (www.hopereborn.org). Most, if not all, of the men at Mary Immaculate House are there because of addiction – specifically drug addiction. Their community focusses on St. Benedict's *Ora et Labora* – prayer and work. They do much manual labor throughout the day, but they also spend time in adoration and they pray the rosary together three times a day. I was struck by the incredible transparency of this community – they share with each other what they need to work on – both giving and receiving. They learn to get "help" from others (correction or guidance) in a spirit of receptivity. After playing sports, they share if they had a reactions (pride, anger, anxiety, fear), and are committed to sharing this one on one and as a group. In my time with them, I saw men who had had profound conversions and freedom, as well as the newer men who still struggled day to day in their walk (the first day I was there, one of the new guys tried to run away; by the end of the week, he was smiling and enjoying himself).

I think about how Mother Elvira created Cenacolo as a place of encounter with Jesus the Healer. During this week in Florida, I saw how Jesus truly comes "to bring glad tidings to the poor...to proclaim liberty to captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."

If God can do this with men who have been addicted to drugs and alcohol for years or even decades, if God can do this for people who have fallen into the depths of despair, do you think that He would refuse to do it for us, as well? May we turn to the Lord, asking for Him to speak His words of Good News to us, here, today.

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: January 24th and 31st, February 7th, 14th and 21st, March 14th & 28th, April 4th & 18th**, at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AT MASS

If you have trouble hearing at Mass, we have 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.



"You are the body of Christ and individually members of it." Are you being called to strengthen His Body through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org.



FAITH FORMATION

A Family of Faith - January

"I have the strength for everything through Him who empowers me."

- Philippians 4:13

In the month of January, the Faith Life families are talking about Jesus as The Way, The Truth, and The Life. What a relief to know we have all that we need in Jesus. By His life, He shows us the Way to live, by His life He reveals the fullness of Truth to us and by the Sacrifice of His Life on the Cross He makes Heaven possible for us once again.

We enter into the Way, Truth and Life of Christ through the Sacrament of Baptism!

The Saint of the Month is Paul. On January 25th the Church celebrates the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle. St. Paul encountered Christ on the way from Jerusalem to Damascus. On this feast day, I encourage you to find Jerusalem and Damascus on a map. Have a special dinner and read aloud St. Paul's firsthand account of what took place in Acts 22:3-16. Close with a prayer asking God to open your eyes to His Truth as He opened St. Paul's.

A Blessed and Joyful new year to you all.



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **John August Buchholz, Lily Ann Loell, Jagger Joseph Palermo, Mackenzie Rita-Ann Rogers and Annalyse Rose Thompson.** Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.



Holy Hour for Life, February 1st, from 6:00-7:00 PM, in the church

Healing Mass, February 11th, at 7:00 PM in the Church

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**.

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

Join us for the first Tuesday of the month, **February 1st, from 6-7 PM** for a Holy Hour for Life in the Church. In this time before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we will pray for a cultivation of the Culture of Life. There will be guided prayer as well as time for silence. Please contact Fr. Von (fathervon@comcast.net or 635-3525) if you have any questions.

SUPPORT GROUP

"How to Deal with Dementia"

Is your family member or friend struggling with memory loss? You are not alone, and Catholic Charities NH is here to support you. Its newest online support group, "How to Deal with Dementia," is a five-week program starting on February 24, providing an understanding of Dementia, its impact on those affected and resources you can use to best support your loved one. To register, visit www.cc-nh.org/dementia. You may also call 603-752-1325 or email efrenette@nh-cc.org. There is no cost to participate.

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 1/16/22

Offertory Envelopes \$9,146

Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,808

Total Offertory \$10,954

Total Collected \$10,954

Thank you for your continued support
~Fr. Von~

Seminarian Fund

collected as of 1/16/22

\$2,188

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Jan. 30 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

Feb. 6 Catholic School Education

This collection is taken to assist the parish in funding its financial support for the Diocesan Catholic schools in New Hampshire. The proceeds from this collection remain in the parish to offset costs for Diocesan Catholic School Education.

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.

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