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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4PM

Sunday 8AM, 10:30AM, 6PM

WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Thursday 8am Friday No Mass 8am

First Friday and First Saturday

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Day 8am & 7pm

When school is in session 10am

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

3pm to 3:30pm Saturday

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 erick.wright@myfairpoint.net. More information

online: http://www.nhknights.org/

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday July 11

4pm Rene Foster, 7th Anniversary,

requested by his family

Sunday July 12

8am Georgette Guilbeault requested by

Mike & Connie Cannon

10:30am Eileen Sullivan, 10th Anniversary,

requested by her husband

6pm Mark Chatel requested by the

Fancher family

Monday July 13

8am Intentions for the Blessed Mother

Tuesday July 14

8am Mr. & Mrs. Arthur LaPointe

requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger

Turgeon

Wednesday July 15

8am In honor of St. Joseph

Thursday July 16

8am Elizabeth Swanton requested by

Connie & Dennis

Friday July 17

8am No Mass

Saturday July 18

4pm Noella & Bourgeois Family

requested by Albert P. Bourgeois

Sunday July 19

8am Raymond & Georginna Hall & the

Hall Family requested by Anita &

family

10:30am H. Tracy Davis, 27th Anniversary,

requested by his wife Joan &

family

6pm Michael, Victoria & Anthony Sarno

requested by Carmine & Annette

Sarno



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Eileen Sullivan, 10th Anniversary, by her husband

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 6/28/15 \$7,376 Offertory 7/5/2015 \$7,216

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses \$14,592

Thank you for supporting our parish ~Fr. Von~

Works of the Holy Father

collected as of 6/28/15 \$1,355

Thank you for your generosity!

Capital Improvements

collected as of 7/5/15 \$1.483

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

July 19 Parish to Parish Support

This collection provides grants to parishes in NH experiencing financial difficulties.

July 26 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Aug. 2 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

Aug. 9 St. Patrick Catholic School

This collection helps with the school assessment from the Diocese.

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



Monday, July 13
Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church
Tuesday, July 14

Baptism Class, 6:00 PM in the meeting room

Food Pantry, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, July 15

Adoration 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM, in

the church

Food Pantry, 1:00 PM

Thursday, July 16

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall



Please keep in your prayers our students and chaperones who will be attending Steubenville East the weekend of July 17th - 19th.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Interested in becoming an Altar Server? Join our amazing group of dedicated servers. Young ladies and gentlemen who have received their sacrament of First Holy Communion are eligible. Come and assist our Father in the celebration of Mass!

Upcoming training sessions: Tuesday, July 21st, Monday, July 27th, Thursday, August 6th and Tuesday, August 11th (choose one date). All times are 6:00 to 7:30 PM in the Church.

Altar Server sign-up packets are in the Parish Office or call Kim Silver at 603-508-6160 or email: at boomberly2000@aol.com



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: Eleanor Ann Barbato, Marlanie Jean Brown, Maximus Marcellino Gensale and Liliana Grace Rogers.

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

A FOND FAREWELL FOR SEMINARIAN DAVID GAGNON

We are inviting you to a farewell reception for Seminarian David Gagnon on Sunday, July 26th following the 10:30 AM Mass in the parish center. Come and join us to say good-bye and wish him well.

MISSIONARY APPEAL

This weekend Br. Rene D. Roy, F.M.S. will speak about the missionary work of the Marist Brothers of the Schools. The Marists Brothers is a Congregation of Brothers, founded in Southern France in 1817 that conduct schools in 79 countries. They founded Central Catholic High School in Lawrence Massachusetts in 1935 and are still present there.

Br. Rene is a native of Lawrence and a graduate of Central Catholic. He has been a Marist Brother for 55 years and has served as a teacher, school administrator and campus minister. He spent 14 years as a missionary on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and 4 years in Rwanda. He will speak about the Marist missionary work in Rwanda, the Philippines, Liberia and Bangladesh.

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In today's second reading, St. Paul informs us that we have been chosen by God before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. Since Christ died for the sins of all humanity, every person has the opportunity to be baptized and forgiven of his or her sins. Therefore it is through Christ that we can become holy and blameless in the sight of almighty God. St. Paul explains that upon receiving Baptism we become adopted into the chosen people of God in order to praise and glorify Him.

There are many ways that we as Catholics are expected to praise and glorify God (i.e. going to Mass, praying often, serving the poor and the destitute, etc.). One way in particular often takes place outside of our comfort zone and outside of our parish community. While Christ alone is simultaneously Priest, Prophet, and King, we all are called to partake in His office of prophet. We are called to evangelize in His name in all we do. Whether it is at our workplace, school, or social events, we have been chosen to spread the Good News of the Gospel. Evangelization often begins when others see the way we act on a day to day basis. As Catholics, we are always called to act with love, compassion, joy, and a good work ethic. When individuals recognize the joy we have, especially in serving others, we put forth an image of Christ that cannot adequately be put into words. This does not mean however that we should never use words. Rather, we should be eager to speak of Christ and of our faith. Fortunately we live in a country that allows free speech and religious liberty.

There is of course a flip side to taking part in the office of prophet. We cannot expect to receive that same Christian love and respect from everyone we give it to. At times, we may be ridiculed or made fun of, but that should only give us more zealous energy to proclaim the Good News through word and action. Christ says, "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you" (Matthew 5:11-12). This passage both affirms our duty to partake in the office of prophet and it promises us great reward if we are persecuted because of this undertaking.

There is no doubt that many people will hold specific grudges against our Catholic Faith no matter how charitably we convey it. Fortunately, the vast history of Christianity has allowed for some of the most influential scholars and teachers to ponder and better explain our Faith. If we ever question why the Church holds a particular belief, odds are that one of the many great saints that have gone before us has already given us the answer. In particular, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Augustine, and most recently St. John Paul the Great have put emphasis on not only believing our faith but coming to a better understanding of it. In other words, it is important to have both faith and reason. Many of their writings give answers to difficult questions that we or those whom we are called to evangelize may ask.

While information can be useful and important, one cannot properly explain the Faith unless he or she first enters into it. Entering into the Faith means encountering Christ and having prayerful relationship with Him. This encounter is precisely what we hope others will experience when we take part in the office of prophet in an attempt to evangelize. Our actions and knowledge are useful and inspiring, but they only bring a person to the threshold. In doing so, we plant the small mustard seed of faith. We must fervently pray that each person in whom we plant a seed may open themselves up, encounter Christ, and allow that seed to grow, flourish, and bear much fruit.

Like the prophet Amos in today's first reading, we may not initially identify ourselves as a prophet. We did not choose to be prophets and evangelizers. It is the Lord who chose us in Baptism to carry out his message in word and deed in hopes of making disciples for Him. Let us pray today that we may be strong in our faith, loving in action, knowledgeable in doctrine, fearless of persecution, and guided by the Holy Spirit. St. John Paul the Great – Pray for us!

God bless, David Gagnon

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PELHAM GOOD NEIGHBOR FUND 22nd ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Twenty Second Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, August 10, 2015 at the Campbell's Scottish Highlands Golf Course in Salem, NH for the benefit of the Pelham Good Neighbor Fund, which is celebrating, its 46th year. The Pelham Good Neighbor Fund is a 501 (C) (3) charitable organization and provides financial assistance 52 weeks a year for emergency situations, which include heating oil, electricity, rent, food, transportation and other household expenses. All 16 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) \$300.00 (24 x 36 sign) Corporate Sponsor \$100.00 (18 x 24 sign) Tee Sponsor \$50.00 (12 x 14 sign) Sand Trap Sponsor 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 web site at www.pelhamgoodneighborfund.org.

If you prefer to register and pay by check, or have any questions regarding the golf tournament, please send us an 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 to our less fortunate Pelham residents. Brochures are available at the Enterprise Bank in Pelham.

PRAYER LINE

St. Patrick Parish has an on-going Prayer Line. Many of our friends and family are going through difficulties; the loss of loved ones or personal problems and sickness. Our mission is to pray for them. If you want to pray for others or need prayer, you are welcome to e-mail Lillian Murgia at Lmurgia871@comcast.net or call Rosemary Dole at 603-635-2486. Anyone wishing to serve on the Prayer Line, praying for other people, please contact, Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or e-mail at Lmurgia871@comcast.net

PRAYER SHAWL

Here at St. Patrick we have a Prayer Shawl Ministry. These shawls are made by many volunteers and are either knitted or crocheted. If you know of someone who is sick or needs comfort, please call the parish office to receive one. We have many shawls of varying colors.

On the other hand, if you are interested in making prayer shawls, the parish office has instructions. Just call us at 603-635-3525 and we will get the instructions to you. The Prayer Shawls are free.



SAVE THE DATE!

The date is Friday, October 23, 2015. The theme for this year is "Whodunnit" Mystery Dinner. This year it is held at a **new location** Four Oaks Country Club, Dracut, MA go to www.fouroakscountryclub.com to check it out. More information to follow or clues to the Mystery!

FOOD PANTRY

The Pelham Food Pantry is in need of Marconi & Cheese and Ramen Noodles (no cups).

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