

Saturday July 13

4pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday July 14

8am ~ Raymond & Georgianna Hall, Wedding Anniversary, requested by their family

10:30am ~ Leonard J. Nelson, Sr., 15th Anniversary, requested by his son & daughter-in-law

Bridget Vitale, 3rd Anniversary, requested by her family

Monday July 15

8am ~ For All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday July 16

8am ~ Josephine Lapointe requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turgeon

Lory Dalpe requested by Lou & Si Dalpe

Wednesday July 17

8am ~ Evelyn Dallaire, 18th Anniversary, **Jacqueline Dallaire**, 16th Anniversary, **John Dallaire**, 14th Anniversary, requested by their family

Henry Belanger, 12th Anniversary, requested by Stephen & Linda Wasylak, Jr.

Thursday July 18

8am ~ Normand Gariepy requested by a friend

Barbara Baril, Birthday Remembrance, requested by Wayne & Sue Cope

Friday July 19

8am ~ No Mass

7pm ~ Healing Mass

Saturday July 20

4pm ~ Michael Taylor, Sr., Birthday Remembrance, **In Honor of St. Joseph** requested by the Taylor family

Sunday July 21

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

10:30am ~ H. Tracy Davis, 36th Anniversary, requested by his wife Joan & family

Jerry Brady, 17th Anniversary, requested by Stephen & Lori Ann Nelson

Sunday, July 14

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

Tuesday, July 16

Women's Bible Sharing, 9:00-10:00 AM, in the youth room at the school

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, July 17

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, July 18

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

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

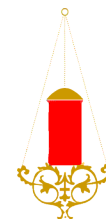
Friday, July 19

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

Healing Mass, 7:00 PM, in the church



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of **Barbara Gallagher**, 8th Anniversary, by Glenna & Mike Gallagher



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of **James & Delia Floyd**, Birthday Remembrance, by the Floyd family



FROM OUR SEMINARIAN

Reflecting on Matthew 5:43-48

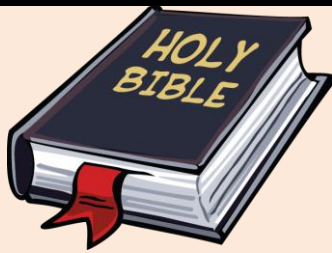
Versus 5:43-48 in the Gospel of Matthew seems pretty self-explanatory: Jesus calls on us to love our enemies. Love your enemy... A pretty straightforward message, right? It's easy to understand Jesus' message here, the really hard part is actually being able to practice it. I don't know about you, but if someone is intentionally making my life miserable, I find it very difficult to love them or to desire good things for them.

When reflecting on this Gospel reading, I thought it might be helpful to discuss a few ways that we can grow in the area of loving our enemies, as well as why it's important for us to do so. One way to love our enemy is to grow in love in general. There are many ways that one can grow in love, but the first way that sticks out to me is spending time with Jesus in front of the Blessed Sacrament and consuming Jesus in the Eucharist. The more time that we spend with Jesus, the more we consume Jesus, the more we become like Jesus. God is love, He cannot help but love. Jesus even loved the people who betrayed Him, the Roman soldiers who beat and spit on Him, who crucified Him. The more time that we spend with Jesus, and consume Him, the more that we will become like Him.

Another way that we can grow in loving our enemies is by praying for them as much as possible. I've found that when I consistently pray for those who have wronged me in the past, I cannot help but eventually start to root for them; most people want to see their prayers answered by God and come to fruition. Over time, we may begin to have empathy or positive thoughts toward those who have wronged us. It's also important to ask God for the grace to forgive our enemies as well. Without God's grace, we will be unable to do so.

It may take weeks, months, or even years before our prayers are answered, but when they are, we receive a great freedom that comes when the weight of resentment or anger that we may have towards an individual is lifted. It can also be good practice to go out of your way to interact with those whom you'd like to interact with least. Whether it be at a Church function, or some other gathering, if you see an open seat next to someone who you dislike, sit down next to them and be charitable. In psychology, this idea is called exposure therapy and can help us get over things that we dislike or fear.

Outside of the fact that Jesus is calling us to love our enemy, there is great importance in detaching ourselves from any anger or resentment that we have towards others. Anger or resentment that we have will act as a hurdle to our spiritual growth. The Devil is always looking for chinks in our armor, and he can do a lot of damage with the resentment or anger that we hold against those who have hurt us.



WOMEN'S BIBLE SHARING

Join our Women's Bible Sharing for the summer book club! We will be meeting 5 Tuesdays this summer to discuss the book **Anxious for Nothing** by Max Lucado. Grab your copy and join us for any or all dates: July 16th & 30th, August 6th & 27th from 9:00-10:00 AM in the Youth Room at the school. Contact Jennah Costa at 207-431-4546 or email: jennahcosta@yahoo.com with any questions. We hope to see you!



"He began to send them out two by two." Just as Jesus was sending out His disciples in pairs, perhaps you too are being called to discipleship for this shared mission as a priest or religious brother or sister. Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Matt Mason, the Vocations Director at 603-663-0196 or mmason@rcbm.org.



SAVE THE DATE!

Annual Parish Picnic
Sunday, September 29, 2024
After the 10:30 AM Mass

Join us for Food, Fellowship, Kids Activities



Parish Family

My name is Jennah Costa and I would like to introduce myself as the new Faith Life Administrator for St. Pat's. It has been one of the biggest blessings to be considered for this role serving the kids and families of our parish. Many of you I have already met as a Faith Life catechist (which I will continue to be!) or at Vacation Bible School or in our Women's Bible Study. Being a part of these different ministries has given me a passion for taking on a bigger role within the church and I could not be more excited! I am a wife and mother to two-Jax and Maddy-and I, too, realize the struggles we face, as parents, raising children in the Catholic faith in the world today. I would appreciate your prayers and support throughout the summer as we gear up for a new year of our Faith Life program. I look forward to serving our parish family and thank you for your support and prayers!



The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Blood Drive on Thursday, July 25th, in the Parish Center from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: STPATRICKSPELHAM to schedule an appointment.

NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are grateful to all our parishioners who made a gift or pledge to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised **\$42,260** toward our goal of **\$54,308**. We still need to collect **\$12,048**.

**DISCOVER YOUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST
THROUGH SCRIPTURE AND JOURNALING**

You are warmly invited to a special 90-minute talk titled Discover Your Identity in Christ through Scripture and Journaling. This session will delve into the Catholic faith exploring how our true identity as children of God is revealed through the Holy Scriptures and reflective journaling practices.

Together, we will:

~ Explore Biblical Teachings on Identity in Christ: Understand who we are through the lens of scripture.

~ Engage in Guided Journaling Exercises: Reflect on our personal faith journey and deepen our relationship with God.

~ Share Fellowship and Insights: Connect with fellow parishioners as we grow together in faith.

Join us on Tuesday, July 30th, from 6:30-8:00 PM in the Church.

Come with an open heart and experience the transformative power of cultivating your identity in Christ. All are welcome to join this enriching session!

For more information, please contact Linda Merrill at lj_merrill@thefrogprogram.com or 603-930-6436.



Join us October 18-21, 2024
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 at
kathy7421@comcast.net
The retreat is free,
and you sleep at home.
Please indicate dietary restrictions.

ADORATION

Did you know that the God of the universe has made Himself so present to us that we get to visit with Him? He is truly Emmanuel, "God with us". We call this Adoration. We have Adoration here at St. Patrick Parish every Wednesday from 8:30-9:30 AM, and from 2:00-9:00 PM. To sign up to be a committed adorer, once a week, or once a month, contact the Parish Office at 603-635-3525.

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 6/30/24

Offertory Envelopes \$5,213

Offertory Electronic Giving \$2,125

Total Offertory \$7,338

Parish Collections for the week of 7/7/24

Offertory Envelopes \$6,475

Offertory Electronic Giving \$2,079

Total Offertory \$8,554

Total Funds Collected \$15,892

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

Works of the Holy Father

collected as of 6/30/24

\$1,689

Thank you for your generosity!

Capital Improvement

collected as of 7/7/24

\$1,875

Thank you for your generosity!

**SECOND ENVELOPES
FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

July 21 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

July 28 Evangelization

To help promote the faith in our community through Retreats, Community Dinners, Charity and so much more.

Aug. 4 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the Parish.

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

CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES

12 Main St.
Pelham, NH 03076
603-635-3525 (office)
603-635-3919 (fax number)

Summer Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:00
Friday 8:00-12:30 PM

PARISH WEBSITE

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Pastor

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Email: garywendy6@comcast.net

Steve Caruso 603-401-0837

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