

CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES

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FORMED

To help you grow in your faith go to www.formed.org
 to register, go to pelham.formed.org

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

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

Saturday 3pm to 3:30pm
 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 eqwright@comcast.net. More information online: www.kofcpelhamnh.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday **July 21**
4pm **Rene Foster**, 9th Anniversary,
requested by his family

Sunday **July 22**
8am **Michael Goupil** requested by
Theresa Goupil
Mary Reidy requested by
her family
10:30am **Leonard J. Nelson Sr.**, 9th
Anniversary, requested by his
son & daughter-in-law
Michael J. Taylor Sr., Birthday
Remembrance, requested by
the Taylor family
6pm **Intentions of all our Parishioners**

Monday **July 23**
8am **Mrs. Rose LaPierre** requested
by Gil & Theresa Goupil

Tuesday **July 24**
8am **Rev. John Allard**
Teresa Evans requested by
Shirley Wakefield

Wednesday **July 25**
8am **Nancy Katin** requested by
David & Maureen Groff
Darren Ricci, 21st Anniversary,
requested by Ted & Janet Ricci

Thursday **July 26**
8am **Raymond Jean Sr.**, 25th
Anniversary, requested by
his family
Rev. Rocco Demolo

Friday **July 27**
8am No Mass

Saturday **July 28**
4pm **Special Intention of a Parishioner**
Armand Berard requested by
the Lausier girls

Sunday **July 29**
8am **Mr. & Mrs. Andre Turgeon**
requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger
Turgeon
Alan Larese & Germaine Raby,
33rd Anniversary, requested by
the Raby family
10:30am **Rev. John Sledziona** requested by
Donna Smith
Francis Proveaux, Birthday
Remembrance, requested by
Pat Lawlor
6pm **Intentions of all our Parishioners**

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 7/15/18

Offertory Envelopes \$5,391

Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,157

Total Offertory \$6,548

Total Collected \$6,548

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

Parish to Parish

collected as of 7/15/18

\$1,335

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

July 29 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Aug. 5 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

Aug. 12 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.

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR JOE MOYNAHAN

We are inviting you to a farewell reception for Seminarian Joe Moynahan on next Sunday, July 29th following the 10:30 AM Mass in the parish center. Come and join us to say good-bye and wish him well.



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Michael Dirocco by the Dirocco family

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, July 23

Movie Night, 7:00 PM, in the youth room at the school

Tuesday, July 24

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, July 25

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

Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM

Thursday, July 26

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

Praise Band, 7:30 PM, in the church

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 will be joined by guest speaker

Derek McDonald

ANNUAL FATHERS' RETREAT

All Fathers' are welcome to join us on August 18th, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. We will meet in the St. Therese Youth Room located at St. Patrick's School. Food and drinks will be provided. A love offering will be taken to help cover the cost of the food. Please register by emailing Adam Castor at faithlifeformation@comcast.net



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JANNA ANDRUS

ANNUAL MOTHERS' RETREAT

All Mothers are welcome to join us on July 28th, from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. We will meet in the St. Therese Youth Room located at St. Patrick's School. Food and Drinks will be provided. A love offering will be taken to help cover the cost of the food. Please register by emailing Adam Castor at faithlifeformation@comcast.net

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

FAREWELL TO REV. BILL FERGUSON

With sadness, Rev. Bill Ferguson will be leaving the First Congregational Church. His last service will be on August 12th. Working with Rev. Bill over the years has been easy and rewarding. On August 5th after the 9:30 AM services at the FCC, there will be a picnic on their grounds. Anyone wishing to say farewell are invited. St. Patrick Parish Family wishes Rev. Bill and his family all blessings in his new adventure.

FROM THE SEMINARIAN

Have you ever noticed that there is an order to creation? That certain effects come only from certain causes. For instance: that there is no harvest without the sowing of seed; there is no music without sound; no communication without a type of language; no deep family life without the practice of virtue; no spiritual life without prayer; no vision without illumination; no creation without a creator; no children without parents, etc. Why? Mere accident? No! By no means! God has decreed, or in some cases permitted, from all eternity that certain effects be brought about by specific causes. God knows everything all in one act of knowing. He should, he thought things into being.

What does this mean for prayer if God is unchangeable? It means that true prayer has its source not in us but in God. Prayer is not an effort to compel God to bend to our will and desires. Before we ever decided to pray, it was willed by God from all eternity not only to be answered but also to be a great benefit for our own spiritual life. Basically, it also is a means of obtaining the necessary graces that are specifically intended for us so that we get to Heaven. It would be unwise to think that our prayers brought something 'new' to God that He did not know before and that our prayers can change what He has willed. If God did not foresee or will/desire from all eternity all prayers that we would address to Him during our lives, then what kind of a God is that? Not God at all! Why did Jesus say, 'ask and it shall be given you...'? Since God has willed it, all true prayer is infallibly and infinitely efficacious (effective). Infallible and efficacious not only in the result prayed for but the manner *in* which it was asked and comes to pass, the causes that bring about the event, and the means *by* which the result is attained. Now, go back to the comment at the beginning of this article: God - from the lowest order of creation to the highest level of the supernatural order of Grace - God, has in view the coming about of specific effects and has prepared the necessary causes and means to attain them. In the spiritual order, prayer is just as much a destined cause from all eternity by Providence to produce a specific effect (the realization of the gifts of God that are necessary for going to Heaven), as the rain and the sun in the material order are causes that from all eternity are destined to produce the effects of our everyday experience. This is why the perfect prayer is 'Thy Will be done...' by doing so one lovingly and trustingly submits to the Divine Governance of creation, knowing full well that all things work for the good for those who love God (because the Holy Trinity desires our salvation, but we have to respond - love admits of no manipulation or coercion). Reflecting on this, one can begin to see that everything that we have has been given to us, *everything*: our existence, health, desire for goodness, intellect, strength (physical and spiritual), kindness of heart, moral character, successes, desire to pray and prayers we utter- are all gifts of Providence! Therefore, when we ask God in the spirit of faith for something, knowing that we are participants in His Providence, that prayer is elicited by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, what we pray for is in conformity with the Divine Will. We co-operate in the Divine Governance, which orders the world. At times it may seem like God submits to our whimsical desires, but the opposite is true. By grace and humble submission to God, our will has been caught up and made to 'synchronize' with God's will. When we pray in such a way, we desire in time what God wills from all eternity. So, the more we pray in conformity with what God wills the more we co-operate in Divine Governance. In a certain sense, we are privileged to be able to be partners with God in Salvation. Consider conversions. Certainly, it is God who gave to the convert the illumination and strength and consolation for which we prayed; yet from even before we were born God decided to produce said effect only with our cooperation and as a result of our intercession (not that God needs our help, He doesn't). Also, we mustn't become scrupulous of the great privilege and responsibility with which we have been entrusted. We must trustingly pray that we do all that God desires. In doing so we cause, in a certain sense, what has been Divinely decreed to be the effects from our prayers to bear fruit. Consider the parable of the talents (Matt 25:14-30). God knows and loves us, so He never asks from us more than the grace He gives us can produce with our cooperation.

Sometimes our prayers are not heard, particularly when they are not free of self-interest, or seeking something temporal rather than as useful for salvation. Remember Matthew 6:33 "seek *first* the kingdom of God..." Other times when our prayers are seemingly not heard, it is so that we might persevere in prayer and grow more and more aware of our complete and utter dependence on God. Another question to ask regarding unanswered prayer, is: is this thing I pray for the only time that I search out God? Is this being permitted that I might go to Him more? Would I still run to Him with the same ardor and zeal with a matter that wasn't as serious or life-changing? Do I adore, worship, give thanks, make acts of love and faith with the same ardor and zeal that I have when I ask for a miracle? Do I ask for the things that are necessary for my salvation or my loved ones, or those whose paths I cross? Do I pray to be transformed into a living image of Christ for the world?

Your Servant in Christ: Seminarian Joe



CARS & CANS CAR SHOW

Saturday, August 18, 2018

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Rain Date: August 25, 2018

6 Village Green, Pelham, NH

Open to All Cars, Trucks,

Motorcycle & Tuners

Food & Drinks

Ice Cream from Kona Ice

Music from DJ•FAHONDA

Awards for Multiple Show Categories

Proceeds will benefit

Pelham Food Pantry

Donations of Can Goods, Non Perishable Items or Cash Donations. You will receive Raffle Tickets to enter into the Raffle Donation items from Our Sponsors. Checks may be made payable to: The Food Pantry at St. Patrick Parish. For information about the Food Pantry – visit www.stpatricks-pelham.com/food-pantry



When you are out shopping for your back to school supplies, keep the Faith Life Program here at St. Patrick Parish in mind. This year we will have a need for: **Napkins, Paper Plates, Construction Paper, Poster Board, Stickers, Name Tags, Glue Sticks, Scissors, Colored Markers, Colored Pencils, Pens, Single Hole Puncher, Dry Erase Markers and Erasers for White Boards, Rolled Tape for tape dispensers and Travel First Aid Kits.** If you are able to donate any of these items, please bring them to Mass and leave them in the Chapel or drop them off at the parish office. Thank you all so much for your continued generosity and your support of the Faith Life Program.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Would you like to have the Sanctuary Candle dedicated to the memory of a loved one? Please contact the parish office for more information.

PELHAM GOOD NEIGHBOR FUND

25TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Twenty Fifth Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, August 20, 2018 at the Campbell's Scottish Highlands Golf Course in Salem, NH for the benefit of the Pelham Good Neighbor Fund, which is celebrating its 49th year. The Pelham Good Neighbor Fund is a 501 (C)(3) Charitable organization and provides financial assistance for our less fortunate residents in Pelham throughout the year for emergency situations which include heating oil, electricity, rent, food, transportation and other household expenses. In 2017, this amounted to \$28,483.00. All 15 members are volunteers who are dedicated to helping Our Neighbors In Need where 100% of the donation go back into the community. If you are interested in being a sponsor, the cost is as follows:

Tournament Sponsor \$1,000

(Includes foursome and 24x36 sign)

Corporate Sponsor \$300 (24x36 sign)

Tee Sponsor \$100 (18x24 sign)

Sand Trap Sponsor \$50 (12x18 sign)

If you would like to play in the tournament the entry fee is \$125 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 website 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 95

Pelham, NH 03076

If you would like more information, please call:

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Your support of our major fundraiser would be appreciated so that we can continue to provide financial support for our Neighbors In Need. Brochures are available at the Enterprise Bank in Pelham.