

Saturday July 3

4pm ~ Florence & Louis Jacques requested by their son
Andre Berard, 5th Anniversary, requested by his wife Suzanne & family

Sunday July 4

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Jerry Brady, 14th Anniversary, requested by Stephen & Lori Ann Nelson
Jean-Pierre Bonenfant requested by his wife
6pm ~ Fr. John B. Finnigan

Monday July 5

8am ~ For All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday July 6

8am ~ Joan Minton, 8th Anniversary, requested by her sisters Georgette & Andrea

Wednesday July 7

8am ~ Irene Christie, 4th Anniversary, requested by her family

Thursday July 8

8am ~ In Honor of St. Joseph
Georgette Guilbeault requested by her daughter

Friday July 9

8am ~ No Mass

Saturday July 10

4pm ~ The Choquette & Loisele Families and **Rita & Jerry Trottier** requested by the Choquette family
Francis Fitzgerald, 8th Anniversary, requested by his wife Teresa & family

Sunday July 11

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Eileen Sullivan, 16th Anniversary, requested by her husband
6pm ~ Rena Cayer requested by the Bedard family

Sunday, July 4

Happy Fourth of July

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

Monday, July 5

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, July 6

Holy Hour for Life, 6:00-7:00 PM, in the church
 Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, July 7

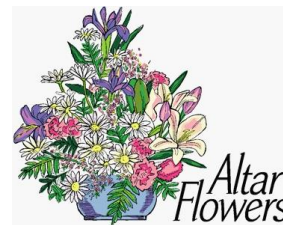
Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM
 Food Pantry, 1:00-2:30 PM
 Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school

Thursday, July 8

Holy Hour to Heal Our Land, 6:00-7:00 PM, in the church
 Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the school
 Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, July 9

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



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of **Joan Minton**, 8th Anniversary, by her sisters Georgette & Andrea



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of **Janyn Provencal**, Birthday Remembrance, by the Provencal family



*“I am content with weaknesses, insults,
hardships, persecutions, and constraints,
for the sake of Christ;
for when I am weak, then I am strong.” (2 Cor. 12:10)*

I find that I usually have one of two reactions to this line from Paul. Either I look at Paul’s sufferings and think: “Yikes, that’s a lot to go through!” or I look at what he gained and think: “Okay, that’s worth it.” Paul writes this to show us the importance of relying on God, and not on our own strength.

There are three things to consider: the message Paul preached, the persecution he endured, and the strength that God gave him to persevere. The message he preached was the gospel of Christ. While many of us today are very familiar with this message, the people Paul wrote to had only heard about the message rather recently, and still needed instruction. And so, Paul writes letters like the one we hear from this week as a way of giving instruction in the faith and spreading the message of the gospel while he is traveling to other cities that have not yet heard the good news. He has recognized the call he received from God to preach to all nations, because the message of the gospel is meant for everyone.

But not everyone is willing to hear and follow the gospel of Christ. Christ invites all of us to come closer to Him, but oftentimes we need to change something about our lives in order to move closer. It may be a habit of anger and lashing out at people, or we may be too concerned with wealth and power, or maybe we hold a grudge against somebody that we just can’t forgive. Whatever it is, the gospel challenges us to become better people. When we preach this message, we often come face to face with the anger of a world which does not want to change. This is the same anger which led to Paul’s many sufferings and trials. Paul called the message of Christ “a stumbling block to the Jews, and foolishness to the Gentiles” (1 Cor. 1:23) because it seemed so strange and incomprehensible to them that they simply could not accept it. And so, they pushed him away, tried to silence him, and persecuted him.

But the persecutions which Paul faced were not the end of the story. God gave him the strength he needed to persevere. This strength is more than simply “pushing through” to get the job done, but rather it is the strength needed to preach the gospel joyfully, even when faced with harsh trials. This strength is offered to us too if we are willing to rely on Christ to give it to us. While we may not face quite the same persecutions as Paul did, we are still called to preach the gospel, and to spread the good news so that it can change others just as it changes us.



**REGISTRATION FOR THE 2021-2022
FAITH LIFE YEAR IS OPEN!**

In the Fall we will begin using A Family of Faith by Sophia Press. As we have in the past, we will follow a family based formation model. This model brings the entire family together and involves them in the program. As a family, you will come and grow closer to Jesus!

**Shouldn't the Religious Education of children
be left to the Parish?**

Since the current faith formation and religious education model is struggling to transform family life, and since many young people who go through faith formation are leaving the faith, we are proposing a new model (which is actually an ancient model) where the parish focuses on catechizing the parents in order to strengthen parent/child engagement in the Faith. This increases the likelihood that a child will receive an authentic education in the Faith and develop into a knowledgeable and practicing Catholic. Countless studies have shown that parental engagement with the child is the single most effective way to develop young people into disciples of Christ.

We invite you to register for the program now and join us in the Fall. All registration materials can be found on the parish website or at the parish office. If you have any questions, please email Adam Castor, Director of Faith Life, at faithlifeformation@comcast.net

VOCATION

"My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." If you think you may be called to serve Jesus as a priest or in the consecrated life, consider the power of His grace at work in you. Call Father Matthew Mason (603) 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

Join us for the first Tuesday of the month, **July 6th, 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.



"Fear not.

I have called you by name and you are mine"

YOU ARE A TREASURE!

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

July 12th-16th, 9:00AM-12:00 PM

St. Patrick School & Grounds

Embark on an epic quest through hidden ruins, ancient caves and dense jungles. Discover that God's greatest treasure is not diamonds, gems, or gold – it's you!

Camp cost is \$40 for children age 5-12. Indoor and outdoor activities.

Limited capacity. New to VBS? Visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BzsKZy65eRw>.

For more information, contact Christine Lemieux at christine@lemieux-design.net.

Registration forms are available at the parish office, or on the parish website and at the front entrance of the Church.

HOLY HOUR

Join us for a Holy Hour to Heal Our Land on Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 PM. For more information, please contact Linda Merrill at lj.merrill.5@gmail.com

VOCATION DAYS


Do you know where your life is going? The Lord Jesus has a great plan for you! **High school age young men and women (ages 14-18)** are invited to attend our upcoming single-day vocation camps to look at the Lord's call in your life while having lots of fun. These days are led by priests, sisters, and seminarians of the diocese and will include games, prayer, and opportunities to grow in friendship with the Lord and with each other. **The cost is only \$20** and financial aid is available. **Fiat Day for young women is on Friday, July 30. Quo Vadis Days for young men are on Friday, August 6.**

For more information or to register please visit liveinblackandwhite.com or contact Becky Vinson in the Vocations Office at 603-663-0153 or rvinson@rcbm.org

LEARN MORE ABOUT ANGELS

Are you interested in Angels? Later this summer **our seminarian, Eric Ouellette**, will be giving a series of presentations on the Angels: what they are, why they matter, and their role in God's creation. We will look at what both Scripture and various saints and theologians have said about the angels and talk about why they are a serious part of our faith, not an outdated superstition. If this is something that interests you, mark your calendars for **July 12th, 19th, & 26th at 7:00PM. The July 12th teaching will be in the Church. July 19th and 26th will be in the School.** This is open to everyone, so invite your friends!

A NOTE OF



For the past 19 years, Deacon John Ross has served this parish by preaching, Baptizing, Marrying couples, teaching, working at the Community Dinners and doing so much more. We would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all he has done in bringing faith, love and support to our parish family. We wish John & Claire good health in their retirement.

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 6/27/21

Offertory Envelopes \$5,283

Offertory Electronic Giving \$2,116

Total Offertory \$7,399

Total Collected \$7,399

As of 6/27/21 we have an offertory deficit of \$5,114

Thank you for your continued support
~Fr. Von~

Peter's Pence

collected as of 6/27/21

\$2,322

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

July 11 Utility

This collection helps with the cost of utilities for the Church, Rectory, Parish Center and School.

July 18 Parish to Parish

This collection provides grants to parishes in NH experiencing financial difficulties. **Our assessment for this collection is \$801.00**

July 25 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

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


Happy 4th of July!

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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, 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 eqwright@comcast.net. More information online: www.kofcpelhamnh.org