



Saturday June 10

4pm ~ Matthew L. Janos and Bernadette Bouchard, Birthday Remembrance, requested by Joan Janos
Irene Laforge requested by the Laforge family

Sunday June 11

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Lisa McCoy, 26th Anniversary, **Mike McCoy**, 6th Anniversary, requested by Brian & Monique & family

Monday June 12

8am ~ In Thanksgiving for Bob & Rosalie Ducharme requested by a friend
Timothy St. Cyr requested by his mother & brother

Tuesday June 13

8am ~ Gloria & Lucien Dalpe requested by Lou & Marie Dalpe

Wednesday June 14

8am ~ Suzanne Boulanger and Health & Blessings for Very Rev. Stephen Salocks requested by Donna Smith

Thursday June 15

8am ~ Luis Melo requested by the Lemieux family
Frances Riley requested by Olivia Comeau

Friday June 16

8am ~ No Mass

Saturday June 17

4pm ~ Wayne Montuori, Birthday Remembrance, **In Honor of St. Joseph** requested by Donna Taylor
Dolores Hennessy requested by Theresa Goupil

Sunday June 18

8am ~ Robert Hall and Corey Lemieux requested by the Hall family
10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday, June 11

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

Tuesday, June 13

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, June 14

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, June 15

Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the parish center

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, June 16

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



Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards Heaven. All are called in Christ, but some are chosen to nourish His body as priests and in the consecrated life. Could you be among them? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

ALTAR FLOWERS

If anyone would like to sign-up to sponsor the Altar Flowers for **2023-2024**, please contact the parish office at 603-635-3525.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

If anyone would like to sign-up for the Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one for **2023-2024**, please contact the parish office at 603-635-3525.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This past week, I celebrated my 20th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood (June 7th), and 10th anniversary of being at St. Patrick Parish (June 10th). As I reflect on the grace of God, that He would choose me to be an instrument of bringing the Holy Eucharist to His people, and half of my priesthood (so far) right here in Pelham, I am filled with gratitude and wonder! God is so good.

When we examine what the ministerial priesthood is (not to be confused with the baptismal priesthood, which we all are), it is important to note that a priest is not a priest for himself, but for others. Priesthood is NOT about power, but about service. The priest is not the CEO of the local Church Company, but a father – called to be an image of God the Father – a father who generates eternal life in us, specifically through the Sacraments and through preaching the word. Henri Lacordaire, OP said it in his poem “Thou Art Priest Forever”

To live in the midst of the world with no desire for its pleasures;
to be a member of every family, yet belonging to none;
to share all sufferings; to penetrate all secrets, to heal all wounds;
to daily go from men to God to offer Him their homage and petitions;
to return from God to men to bring them His pardon and hope;
to have a heart of fire for charity And a heart of bronze for chastity;
to bless and to be blest forever.

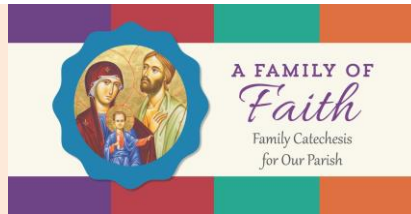
O God, what a life, and it is yours, O Priest of Jesus Christ!

This is the call of the priesthood.

This weekend is the Solemnity for the Body and Blood of Christ. We are called to remember this great grace of God that He would choose to be close to us, to give us His very self through the Eucharist. Not in symbol only, but in reality does He give Himself to us in the Eucharist. By the Eucharist, God remains present to us until the end of time. By the Eucharist, we can come close and pour out our hearts to Him. By the Eucharist, we come into union with the God of the Universe. By the Eucharist, we can unite our bodies to God's, our hearts to God's, our minds and wills to God's. By the Eucharist, we gain eternal life (John 6). By the Eucharist – the very Body and Blood of Jesus poured out in sacrifice on the Cross for us – the world is saved and set free! St. Padre Pio said that “It would be easier for the world to exist without the sun than without the Holy Mass.”

Because God has chosen to give us this incredible grace of the Eucharist, and made it essential for the salvation of the world, we then need the priest. Without the ministerial priesthood, there would be no Mass, no Eucharist.

I ask you to pray for priests. First, I ask you to pray for those who are priests, that we may grow in holiness, not in laxity, that we may resist the tug of the world to lukewarmness and be set on fire, so that we may draw others into the fire of holiness in the Heart of God. Second, I ask you to pray for more priests. Please pray that the Master of the Harvest sends out laborers for His harvest so that we may always have access to the incredible gift of Jesus in the Eucharist, Reconciliation, and all the Sacraments!



FAITH LIFE UPDATE FOR JUNE

It is Summertime!

Vacations, sports and many other adventures always fill my family's summer. These things are good because they are all opportunities to create memories and strengthen our bonds as a family.

As we move into summer and our making plans, let us never forget the greatest adventure of all - Our Catholic Faith! Summer is an opportunity to grow closer as a family and also to grow closer to Christ. As you are making your summer "bucket list" I would encourage you to consider putting some of the following ideas on it.

- Attend Mass every Sunday as family
- Visit an Adoration Chapel
- Make sack lunches for a local soup kitchen or homeless ministry
- Do yard work for an elderly neighbor
- Make a pilgrimage to your Cathedral (or a nearby basilica or pilgrimage site)
- Pick wildflowers, write a card, and take them to a homebound parishioner
- Make a meal for someone in your parish who is sick or just had a baby
- Invite friends over for a backyard barbeque and family rosary
- Go through your clothing and toys and share with a young family or donate to a local charity
- Find area free lending libraries and leave books about saints or the Faith
- Pray the Stations of the Cross outside
- Visit a cemetery and pray for the dead
- Go to Mass and Confession on the First Fridays of the summer
- Pass out bottles of ice-cold water at a local event or charity
- Stay up late and pray Night Prayer under the stars
- Harvest some of your garden produce for a soup kitchen or to share with someone in need
- Make dinner for your parish priests or invite them to your house
- Host a lemonade stand on behalf of your local pregnancy resource center
- Have a movie night and watch *The Chosen*
- Offer an afternoon or evening of babysitting to a family with young children
- Take your grandparents to Mass and breakfast on the feast of St's. Joachim and Anne
- Go on a hike and pray the Rosary (inspired by John Paul II and Bl. Pier Giorgio)

These are simple things we can do throughout the summer months to bring our faith alive and keep Christ always at the center.

Have a Blessed Summer!

Adam Castor

Director of Faith Life

NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are grateful to all of our parishioners who have made a gift to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised **\$26,795** toward our goal of **\$53,280**. We still need to collect **\$26,485**.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AT MASS

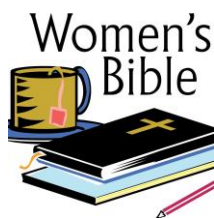
If you have trouble hearing at Mass, we have portable hearing assistants that tap into our sound system. If you would like to borrow one for Mass, please check in the Sacristy before Mass.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) – SAVE THE DATE

STELLAR is coming! This summer, kids will learn to SHINE A LIGHT ON JESUS' LOVE!

Mark your calendars for July 10-14, 2023 (9am-noon). Open to campers ages 5-12.



WOMEN'S BIBLE SHARING SUMMER BOOK CLUB

For the last four months, the Women's Bible Sharing group has met weekly to discuss scripture, build community and grow closer to God together. With summer just around the corner, we invite you to join us for Women's Bible Sharing summer book club where we will meet monthly on Tuesday mornings (6/20, 7/25 and 8/22) 9-10:30 AM exploring *When God Whispers Your Name* by Max Lucado.

For more information, please contact Jennah Costa jennahcosta@yahoo.com. We hope you'll join us!

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 5/28/23

Offertory Envelopes \$4,871

Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,992

Total Offertory \$6,863

Parish Collections for the week of 6/4/23

Offertory Envelopes \$5,240

Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,947

Total Offertory \$7,187

Total Collected \$14,050

Thank you for supporting our parish

~Fr. Von~

Catholic Communication

collected as of 5/28/23

\$1,359

Thank you for your generosity!

Capital Improvement

collected as of 6/4/23

\$1,561

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

June 18 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

June 25 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

July 2 Works of the Holy Father

This collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to aid the most needy throughout the world – those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters.

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