CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES

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FORMED

To help you grow in your faith go to www.formed.org and sign in with the parish registration code nr3434 (all lowercase).

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 fathervon@comcast.net or (603)-635-3525.

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: http://www.nhknights.org/

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday June 11

4pm Bernadette Bouchard &

Matthew L. Janos "Birthday Remembrance" requested by

Joan Janos

Sunday June 12

8am Intentions of all our

Parishioners

10:30am **Rejean Cusson**, 7th Anniversary,

requested by Lori Ann Nelson

6pm **Don Gillis, Sr.**, requested by his

family

Monday June 13

8am Gary Rudolph requested by the

Fancher family

8:30am Confessions

Tuesday June 14

8am Bernadette & Henri Bergeron

requested by the Lausier family

Wednesday June 15

8am **Dolores Hennessy** requested by

Therese Goupil

Cheryl Tomolilo requested by

Kevin & Alice Confessions

7pm Confession **Thursday June 16**

8am Michael MacNeil, 1st Anniversary,

requested by Leanne Buyck

Friday June 17

8am No Mass **Saturday June 18**

4pm Matthew L. & Matthew J. Janos

requested by Joan Janos

Sunday June 19

8am **Anthony Turturici** requested by

Deacon John & Claire

10:30am **James Buscema** requested by his

family

6pm For all Fathers living and

deceased



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of the Clark & Lavallee Families by Deacon Tom & Kathy Lavallee

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 6/5/16 \$7,439

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses \$7,439

Thank you for your continued support ~Fr. Von~

Capital Improvement

collected as of 6/5/16 \$1,870

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

June 19 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

June 26 Works of the Holy Father

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

(uly 3 Capital Improvement

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

July 10 Fuel

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

July 17 Parish to Parish Support

This collection provides grants to parishes in NH experiencing financial difficulties

July 24 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

July 31 Groundskeeping

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, June 13

Confessions, 8:30 AM

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Tuesday, June 14

Youth Group, 4:00-5:30 PM, fellowship in the field

Baptism Class, 6:00 PM, in the meeting room Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, June 15

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the meeting room

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

Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM

Confessions, 7:00 PM

Thursday, June 16

Blood Drive, 2:00-7:00 PM, in the parish center AA. 7:00 PM. in the K of C Hall

Saturday, June 18

Youth Group, 6:00-7:30 PM, in the school library

MASS OF HEALING AND HOPE

On Friday, July 8th Fr. Von will celebrate a Mass of Healing and Hope at 7:00 PM. If you or someone you love is in need of healing in body, mind, soul, emotions, relationships, or in any other way, please come and be prayed over – experience the merciful and healing love of Jesus.

END OF LIFE ISSUES Funeral Pre-Arrangements

On Monday, June 27th Fr. Von and Jim O'Donnell of Pelham Funeral Home will be presenting on pre-arrangements for Catholic Funerals. This will take place in the school library at 7:00 PM.

Three Beliefs: Presentation for NH Catholics on End-of-Life Decisions and Advance Directive Planning

On Tuesday, June 28th at 7:00 PM in the school library, Marc Guillemette, Director of Catholic Identity at Catholic Medical Center, will discuss the new edition of the Diocese of Manchester's: Three Beliefs – A Guide for New Hampshire Catholics on End-of Life Decisions. Copies of the Three Beliefs will be distributed and reviewed.

Presenters will be available both days to answers questions.



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are:

Hailey Kristen Fath, Veronica Haverty. **Audrey** Marie Katherine Hawes, **Braydon** Michael Makiej, Colin Robert Ouellette, Giselle Leeana Perault. Kevin Caden Poliquin Bella and Mina **Sullivan**. Please keep these children and

their families in your prayers.

New Envelopes Coming

You will notice that something is different in next month's packet of Sunday offering envelopes. After comparison with the envelope company the parish has used, we have made a switch to Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) of Huntington, Indiana. This change was made for economic reasons and because the appearance of the envelopes is superior.

Because it is my responsibility to see that we are not wasteful with our resources, we will not send envelopes to those who have not used them over the past 2 years. Some parishioners prefer to drop cash in the basket, some are unable to contribute, and some choose not to do so. Of course all those registered remain parishioners, but will just not receive the envelopes. Using your envelopes is the way we track attendance, so unless a parishioner is known personally through their involvement in the parish it is difficult to attest that they are practicing Catholics when asked to be sponsors or godparents. So I would encourage everyone to use the envelopes regularly or to register for the electronic donations.

Thank you for your consideration and cooperation.

We now have Children Church Envelopes available at the front entrance of the Church.

FROM THE PASTOR

My dear brothers and sisters,

This weekend's Gospel brings us the beautiful story of the sinful woman who washes Jesus' feet with her tears, dries them with her hair, and anoints them with ointment. This great outpouring of love from the woman is in reaction to the love and healing that Jesus brings. He confirms this healing with the words, "Your sins are forgiven" and "Your faith has saved you, go in peace" (Luke 7:48, 50). We look at this great love between them, and we are reminded that the heart and core of our Faith is not ritual or moral law but RELATIONSHIP. We are called to be in a love relationship with God, the One who has loved us from all eternity! When we look at the Sacrament of Reconciliation (also known as Penance or Confession), we are reminded that this Sacrament is about healing a relationship! This week, we'll do an overview of the Sacrament and how it heals our relationship with God. Next week, we'll look more at the Rite of Penance.

Sometimes when we think about Confession, we think about "having to go in the 'box'." We might argue, "Why do I have to confess my sins to a priest?" At the root of this mindset there is missing the intense love of Christ and how He chooses to work. In all of Jesus' actions, He works in an *incarnate* way – this is a fancy way of saying that He works in a body, in the flesh. Jesus knows that sometimes (most times!) we need a God "with skin" – we need to hear His love with our ears, not just in our hearts, we need to be able to feel the touch of His love, to see His Presence. He came into our humanity to heal us and draw us to the Father using His humanity as the conduit of grace. He still uses the Sacraments – outward signs which our bodies sense and experience – to bring us His love and grace. He has instituted the ministerial priesthood in order that we could hear His words of love spoken at Mass, touch and receive His Body brought to us in the Eucharist, AND HEAR WITH OUR EARS THAT WE ARE FORGIVEN OF OUR SINS! We "have" to go to confession to a priest, not because Jesus wants to see if we will jump over all of the obstacles He makes, but that we may truly KNOW that we are forgiven. In the Sacraments, the priest acts in persona Christi capatis (in the person of Christ the head) and is alter Christus (another Christ). In some mystical way, Christ is truly present in the priest when he celebrates Mass (he says, "This is my body..." not "This is Jesus' body"). Christ is present in the priest when he hears confessions. We go to Christ Himself when we confess! In our trust, we go to Him in the priest.

The grace of Confession is that we are *reconciled* to God. Sometimes we may find ourselves struggling with discouragement over our sins. Jesus says: "But I love you! Come to Me. Run to Me. Do not be afraid of Me. I want nothing more than for *you to have life*!" Remember, sin isn't about breaking rules, it is about putting a wedge between us and God. With VENIAL SINS (lighter sins), we hurt our relationship. With MORTAL SINS (heavy sins), we cut off our relationship with God (remember, to commit a mortal sin, you need three things: 1) it has to be serious matter; 2) you have to know it is serious matter; 3) you have to choose freely to commit the sin). Reconciliation doesn't just wipe away our sins (as if all we were trying to do was take away some stain on our soul); at a much deeper level it is telling God we're sorry and *reestablishing* the relationship we hurt or broke by our sins.

An analogy: If a wife were to walk in on her husband cheating on her, there would be a serious rift in the relationship. It would take a long time for this husband to reestablish trust with his wife. First, he would need to be deeply sorry – not because he was caught, but *because he hurt his wife*. Second, he would need to apologize and promise not to do it again. Then, he would need to begin the long process of reestablishing trust by showing his love for her, and a continued fidelity. After a time of healing, with the grace of God, the wife may then finally be able to let him back into her heart.

I think this is an apt analogy because throughout the Bible God constantly is referring to His relationship with us as a marriage. Our sin is *infidelity* to that marriage with God. The beautiful thing is that with the Cross and Resurrection, Jesus has done all of the "heavy lifting" in this marriage. When we sin, we need to be sorry for our sins (contrition). The Sacrament of Reconciliation actually *perfects* our sorrow, so that even if we are sorry for the wrong reasons, He Himself makes them right! In Reconciliation, we apologize to God and promise not to sin again (this is the part of the Act of Contrition when we say that we will "sin no more" and promise to "amend my life"). After this, there is no long process of rebuilding trust – *Jesus has already covered that gap*! Let me say that again, **what would take months or years to heal if we were to offend our spouse, Jesus did already, so we immediately are back in His Heart!** Wow! No need to be afraid! We should *run* to confession to receive His great love!

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, may we truly run to the Heart of Jesus to receive His mercy poured out especially through the Sacrament of Reconciliation!

PARISH AUCTION ~ SAVE THE DATE!!



Are you a clever shopper or a shopper extraordinaire? Come test your expertise at St. Patrick's Event "Price It Right" on Friday, October 21st at the Four Oaks Country Club, Dracut, MA. The cost is \$40.00 per person, Includes Dinner, Dancing from our DJ Steve Caruso and a chance to be entered into playing the game or be part of the audience. We will also have a Silent and Live Auction and Raffles.

Calling All Catechists!

To inspire our young people and show them the heart of Christ is a true vocation. If you love your Faith and also love the idea of passing it on to future generations then WAIT NO LONGER! We are planning for 2016-2017 Faith Life year. If you are interested in becoming a Catechist or Youth Minister I welcome you to join us for a BBQ on this Sunday right after the 10:30 AM Mass. We will meet in the Parish Center. For more information, please email Adam Castor, Director of Faith Life, at faithlifeformation@comcast.net

Faith Life Registration and Schedule for 2016-2017 is on the Parish Website and in the Parish Office.

RECEPTION FOR STEVE CARUSO

Following the 10:30 AM Mass on next Sunday, there will a reception held in honor of Steve Caruso, our music director, in the Parish Center. It will be held from 11:45 to 1:00 PM. Steve has been our music director for the past 15 years. Come and wish him well on his retirement.

POPE FRANCIS' THE JOY OF LOVE

Fr. Von will lead a discussion group on Pope Francis' most recent exhortation, *The Joy of Love (Amoris Laetitia)* on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7:00 PM in the Meeting Room. The group will meet from July 5th – August 16th. For a free copy of the book, you can download it at w2.vatican.va and click on "Amoris Laetita", or www.dynamiccatholic.com and click on "Free Resources".

New Hampshire Knights of Columbus PTV Channel 22 Steve Ray & Ignatius Press "Footprints of God" video series

"Footprints of God" – Paul part 1

Airing 6/14 to 6/19

"Footprints of God" – Paul part 2

Airing 6/21 to 6/26

"Footprints of God" – Apostolic Fathers part 1
Airing 6/28 to 7/3

The Daily Schedule

Sundays 2:00 AM & 4:00 PM Tuesdays 7:00 PM Wednesdays 1:00 PM Thursdays 3:00 PM Fridays 2:00 AM & 12:00 PM Saturdays 1:00 AM & 8:00 PM

St. Patrick Parish Youth Ministry SUMMER SCHEDULE!

June 14th 4:00-5:30 PM

Fellowship In The Field Frisbee, Soccer, Kickball, the choices are endless

June 21st 7:00-9:00 PM

LIFT Worship Night

St. William Church, Tewksbury, MA

June 26th 2:00-4:00 PM

Praise & Worship Afternoon

this will take place at St. Joseph's Parish in Salem

June 27th 5:00-6:30 PM

Lectio Divina - Youth Room

July 7th 4:00-5:30 PM

Fellowship In The Field

Frisbee, Soccer, Kickball, the choices are endless

July 15th, 16th & 17th

Steubenville East

July 25th 5:00-6:30PM

Lectio Divina - Youth Room

July 30th 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

World Youth Day Stateside Camp Fatima

August 1st 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Canobie Lake Park Trip!!

Let's end the Summer Right!

September 17th

Ascend The Mountain Hike With The Bishop Location and Time: TBD