



**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**

**Monday June 19**

**8am ~ Theresa Dias and Joao E. Quadros**  
requested by Barbara Hale

**Tuesday June 20**

**8am ~ Andrew Genereux**, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by his daughters Georgette & Andrea  
**Fabiola Morin** requested by the Lemieux  
family

**Wednesday June 21**

**8am ~ The Deceased Members of the Greaves  
Family** requested by a friend  
**In Thanksgiving for Dave & Kim** requested  
by a friend

**Thursday June 22**

**8am ~ Timothy St. Cyr** requested by a friend  
**Health & Blessings for Collette** requested by  
a friend

**Friday June 23**

**8am ~ No Mass**

**Saturday June 24**

**4pm ~ Emmett L Beane, Jr.**, Birthday  
Remembrance, requested by his wife Jane

**Sunday June 25**

**8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners**  
**10:30am ~ Emily Cronin** requested by her  
family  
**Lucy Devlin** requested by a friend

**Sunday, June 18**

**HAPPY FATHER DAY!**

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

**Tuesday, June 20**

Women’s Bible Sharing, 9:00-10:30 AM, in the  
youth room at the school

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

**Wednesday, June 21**

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 parish center

**Thursday, June 22**

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

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

**Friday, June 23**

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



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of  
**William Corey** by his family

“And as you go, preach, saying “The kingdom of  
heaven has come near.” How has Jesus called you  
to help Him build his Church?  
If you are discerning your vocation, contact the  
Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email:  
[mmason@rcbm.org](mailto:mmason@rcbm.org)



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

My initial reaction to this weekend's Gospel is *amazement* at how God provides for us. Jesus looks out at the crowds, how they are in such need of a Good Shepherd. He sees the need, and He tells the disciples to pray for the need to be filled. But then He does something else – He empowers them to meet the need. They need Jesus, but Jesus in His humanity can only be in one place at a time, so He gives the disciples the authority to be His presence to the people:

**"Make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'  
Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons."  
(Matthew 10:7-8)**

When referring to the priesthood, we use specific language about this, that the priest acts *in persona Christi capatis* – in the person of Christ the head. The Church recognizes an incredible reality about this: when the priest baptizes, it is Christ baptizing; when the priest absolves sins, it is Christ absolving sins; when the priest consecrates the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ, when He says, "THIS IS MY BODY," it is not the body of Fr. Von or Fr. Kelley or Fr. John, but the Body of Christ, for it is Christ who consecrates.

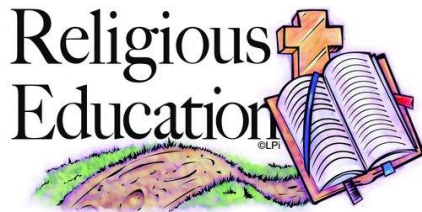
This may not be so surprising to people who put priests on a pedestal (please don't do that to me... I've been knocked down too many times to want to be up there!), but the reality is incredible – God uses us to answer prayers, to answer the needs of the world. Jesus sees the needs of the crowd and then gives the authority to the Apostles to be the shepherds – to bring Christ's very presence to the people.

But this is not just about the Apostles or even priests, remember. While the priest acts *in persona Christi capatis*, in a very real way, every baptized Christian acts *in persona Christi* – in the person of Christ, as the Body of Christ. Remember the words attributed to St. Teresa of Avila:

Christ has no body but yours,  
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,  
Yours are the eyes with which He looks  
Compassion on this world,  
Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good,  
Yours are the hands, with which He blesses all the world.  
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,  
Yours are the eyes, you are His body.

Can you imagine?! What a weight of responsibility! And yet, Jesus has poured out His Holy Spirit upon us so that we could have the strength, the grace to be His presence to the world, to be the ones who answer the need!

May we be open to all that God is doing in and through us. May we not be afraid when God calls us to be His presence to those around us. May we trust that, even in our littleness and weakness and sinfulness, God is using us – you and me – to bring His love to the world.



**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 **\$32,165** toward our goal of **\$53,280**. We still need to collect **\$21,115**.




The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and will reopen on Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. We will be closed to get ready for the new fiscal year.



**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](mailto:jennahcosta@yahoo.com). We hope you'll join us!



**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.

**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.

**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 6/11/23

Offertory Envelopes	\$5,437
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$1,877
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$7,314</b>

Utilities	\$2,204
Father's Day Memorials	\$765

**Total Collected**                      **\$10,283**

Thank you for supporting our parish  
~Fr. Von~

**SECOND ENVELOPES  
FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

**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.

**July 9**                        **Capital Improvements**

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

**July 16**                      **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.

**Found a Ring in our Church Parking Lot. If you have lost or misplaced it, please call the Parish Office at 603-635-3525.**

**WITH PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY**

We pray for Louise Purcell. We extend our sympathy to her family.

## **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

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### **PARISH WEBSITE**

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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](mailto:fathervon@comcast.net).

### **PRAYER LINE**

Please contact Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or [Lmurgia\\_871@comcast.net](mailto: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](http://www.formed.org) to register, go to [pelham.formed.org](http://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](mailto:eqwright@comcast.net). More information online: [www.kofcpelhamnh.org](http://www.kofcpelhamnh.org)