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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 fatheryon@comcast.net.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4PM

Sunday 8AM, 10:30AM, 6PM

WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Thursday8amFridayNo MassFirst Friday and First Saturday8am

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 Iune 1

> 4pm **Robert R. Dexter** requested by

> > his wife & family

Jeanne Gagne, 1st Anniversary,

requested by Rick, Gail & family

Sunday June 2

> Teresa Evans, 1st Anniversary, 8am

> > requested by St. Patrick Staff

Brian Knight requested by 10:30am

his family

The Okoye Family requested by

Nwanne & Obiora

Intentions of all our Parishioners 6pm

Monday

For all Souls in Purgatory 8am

Tuesday **June 4**

> Mario Matos requested by his 8am

> > wife Rita

Norman Coombs, Birthday Remembrance, requested by his

family

Wednesday June 5

Paul Hartley requested by 8am

Roger Montbleau

George Bebris, Birthday Remembrance, requested by

his wife

Thursday June 6

> Paula Jean Beadoin Weeks 8am

> > requested by Theresa Goupil

Friday June 7

> **Leon Bousquet**, Birthday 8am

> > Remembrance, requested by

Patty Kennedy

Holy Hour 6pm

Saturday **June 8**

> Matthew L. & Matthew J. Janos 4pm

> > requested by Joan Janos

Sunday June 9

> **Robert Hall & Corev Lemieux** 8am

> > requested by the Hall family

Rejean Cusson, 10th Anniversary, 10:30am

> requested by Lori Ann Nelson George "Joe" Puddister, 11th Anniversary, requested by his

family

Intentions of all our parishioners

PARISH COLLECTIONS

In order for the parish to meet its regular our offertory and expenses. designated parish collections must bring in

\$8,700 per week.

Parish Collections for the week of 5/26/19

Offertory Envelopes \$4.664 Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,411 **Total Offertory** \$6,075

Maintenance \$1,475

Total Collected \$7,550

Thank you for supporting our parish ~Fr. Von~

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

June 9 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

June 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.



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Norman Provencal, Birthday Remembrance, by The Provencal Family



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Fabien Chiasson by Virginia Chiasson

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, June 2

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

Monday, June 3

Teachings on Seven Deadly Sins & Virtues, 7:00 PM, in the youth room at the school

Tuesday, June 4

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, June 5

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the chapel Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall

Thursday, June 6

Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, June 7

Holy Hour, 6:00 PM, in the church Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

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

Are You Called to be a Catechist?

Planning for Faith Life Classes has been taking place for the 2019-2020 school year. If you are interested in sharing your unique skill set and giving back to the parish, we are looking for Catechists. To be a teacher of the faith and pass it on to future generations is truly a privilege.

If you are interested in learning more, please email Adam Castor, Director of Faith Life at faithlifeformation@comcast.net

PENTECOST WEEKEND RETREAT June 7-9, 2019

Is the Holy Spirit calling you? Inviting all single men between the ages of 18 and 50. Come! Spend a weekend with our Lord. Meet other men who are exploring the path to become a priest. For more information, or to register, please www.liveinblackandwhite.com or contact Matthew Mason 603-663-0196 at or mmason@rcbm.org

SEVEN DEADLY SINS Seven Lively Virtues

A Video Series by
Bishop Robert Barron
Join us Monday nights on June 3rd, 10th & 17th, at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school.

VOCATION

"You will be My witnesses to the ends of the earth." If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt Mason at the Vocation Office at 603-663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Website: www.liveinblackandwhite.com

My name is **Benjamin Gorewitz** and I am a seminarian studying for the Diocese of Manchester. I am entering my fourth year of minor seminary at Our Lady of Providence Seminary and I will be a senior at Providence College this Fall. I am truly blessed to be joining your community this summer to experience parish life. I am looking forward to getting to know you all throughout my time at Saint Patrick's and I thank you for welcoming me into your parish.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The first reading this weekend speaks of the martyrdom of St. Stephen. It notes at the beginning of the reading that Stephen was "**filled with the Holy Spirit**" (Acts 7:55). This is important to note, we who are preparing for the great feast of the Holy Spirit next Sunday (Pentecost). What did being filled with the Holy Spirit look like for Stephen?

The first thing I note about St. Stephen's infilling with the Holy Spirit is that He is able to recognize the presence of Jesus, even when others cannot see Him: he "saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God" (Acts 7:55), even though none of the others around him saw Jesus. True, Stephen was seeing a vision, and most of us probably will not see visions of Jesus in our lifetime. However, He had trained His eyes to recognize the presence of Jesus. He spent His time getting to know Jesus in prayer and to serve Him in His people (remember that Stephen was one of the "seven," the first deacons, who were sent to serve the poor in the Greek community [see Acts 6:1-7]). God also calls us to train our eyes to see the presence of Jesus. We do this by spending time with Him in prayer, coming into a living relationship with the living Christ. We do this by serving others. We do this by spending time gazing on the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. As we spend time piercing the appearance of bread to see the very presence of God, we train our eyes to see His presence in the disguise of the people around us. As we spend time in *Eucharist* (which literally means "thanksgiving"), we begin to see the loving finger of God in daily events, the works of our lives, in the struggles and joys of our lives. With the Holy Spirit, we train our eyes to see Jesus, even when others cannot see Him.

The next thing to note about St. Stephen is that He did not keep his faith to himself. This was not a personal, only-for-me thing. He shared how he saw Jesus: "and he said, 'Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God" (Acts 7:56). This took courage, especially since it was NOT well received (they stoned him, after all). Stephen knew that he had to share how he saw Jesus present. With the Holy Spirit, we are called to share our faith with others. It takes courage, but, then again, courage is a Gift of the Holy Spirit. The love of Christ that is poured out onto us, is not meant to be just for ourselves, but for the whole world. It is called "Good News" for a reason... not to be hidden, like a lamp under a bushel basket. No, our call is to share the loving presence of Christ.

Being filled with the Holy Spirit also means that we become more closely conformed to Jesus Christ. As they stoned Stephen, he said two different things: "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit" and "Lord, do not hold this sin against them" (Acts 7: 59, 60). These words echo the words of Jesus from the cross "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit" and "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" (Luke 23:46, 34). Filled with the Holy Spirit, we become more like Christ – we take on His attitude, His mindset, and we become conformed to His Heart, loving what He loves, detesting what He detests.

I want to look at each of these two "words" more closely. As Stephen is dying and asks Jesus to receive his spirit, he shows a great *trust* in the Lord. Stephen knows that Jesus will not abandon him, even in death, and that Jesus is faithful. With the Holy Spirit, we grow in *trust* of God, that His love holds us even in the darkest and most hopeless of circumstances. Stephen also asks *forgiveness* for his persecutors – the ones who were killing him at that very instant. With the Holy Spirit, we are able to do the impossible – forgive our enemies. In this Stephen found peace, and so can we.

Finally, I want to note how St. Stephen died. St. Luke says, "he fell asleep" (Acts 7:60). What a delightful way to die – in such peace that it was like falling asleep – even as he is dying from the violence of rocks being hurled at him. But with the Holy Spirit, he was at peace. And that peace can be ours!

As we move toward the feast of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit next weekend, let's take this week to pray to the Holy Spirit, who was given to us in Baptism. The prayer can be as simple as, "Come, Holy Spirit," or "Come, Holy Spirit; come now; come as You will." Let's ask Him to be stirred up in our lives, that He may *fill us*, every part of us so that we may, like St. Stephen, be more completely conformed to Christ.



May the faith you confirm today be your key to open the doors... Hope, when all seems lost JOY, when despair consumes you, LOVE, when hatred afflicts you, and PEACE, when turmoil surrounds you. Guard it well and keep it lose, this precious key, for when it is lost all is lost. But when it is found, it will set you free and always guide you HOME.

Congratulations to our Confirmation Students, their Parents and Catechists.

Emily Aho, Jacob Albert, Cameron Alves, Marques Alves, Nathan Arruda, Alexia Arruda, Cody Arseneault, David Ausevich, Jessica Bailey, Elise Baisley, Benjamin Balzanelli, Joseph Balzanelli, Colleen Banks, Evan Bates, Isaac Bates, Niccolo Baviello, Erin Beaulieu, Aiden Becker, Andrew Becker, Jillian Bistany, Aaron Bistany, Jared Bistany, Kailey Blanchette, Shaelyn Bonaparte, Taylor Borst, Emma Bowlan, Justin Bowlan, Kyle Bowlan, Nathan Bowlan, Bradley Brunelle, Sarah Brunelle, Alexander Brunelle, Tallon Carney, Katherine Carroll, Alexander Carroll, Sarra Catizone, Tatum Cheney, Gianna Chouinard, Gabrielle Chouinard, Molly Coakley, Olivia Coakley, Sarah Connolly, Timothy Connolly, Hannah Cook, Kyle Cook, Sarah Coppinger, Noah Coppinger, Isabella Curley, Britnei Curley, Gwenyth Dahlinger, Stephanie Dauteuil, Rebecca Dauteuil, Justin DeConto, Brianna DeConto, Teagan Desrosiers, Riley Desrosiers, Aidan Desrosiers, Kendall Desrosiers, Kinsley Desrosiers, Brianna Doherty, Ronan Donaghey, Declan Donaghey, Jacob Donovan, Luke Draper, Dvlan Driggers, Logan Dumont, Jake Dumont, Connor Dunbrack, Everett Edwards, Samantha Edwards, Arianna Flanders, Lillian Flanders, Michael Flanders, Samuel Fondakowski, Anna Fondakowski, Nathanael Fondakowski, Christina Fox, Anthony Furtado, Daniel Gendreau, Jason Gendreau, Kyle Gendreau, Michael Gendreau, Jr., Isabella Genest-Horne, MaKenna Genest-Horne, Jeremiah Gloor, Victoria Gloor, Alyra Godin, Nathaniel Godin, Christopher Grondin, Thomas Grondin, Kathryn Haley, Andrew Haley, Joseph Haley, Zachary Harrington, Caitlin Harrington, Alyssa Hartmann, Anna Hartmann, Casey Haverty, Alexandra Hayes, Rebecca Hayes, Dominic Herrling, Jake Herrling, Kayleigh Huberty, Alexander Huberty, Connor Humphreys, Bradley Ivany, Caitlin Ivany, Elyce Jedraszek, Isabel Johansen, Riley Johnson, Sophia Joncas, Leah Kelly, Matthew Kelly, Ellie Kerrigan, Francis Kirkpatrick IV, Jake Kirsch, Evan Koes, Ryan Koes, Lauren Kubit, Haileigh LaFlamme, Megan Lavallee, Jillian LeBlanc, Joelle LeBlanc, James Lemieux, Curtis Letendre, Joshua Letendre, Meadow Lindsay, Joelle LoBuono, Brianna LoBuono, Brady Lynde, Ryan Lynde, Simon Manners, Spencer Matarazzo, Bradley Matarazzo, Kylie McDonald, Abigael McKenney, Keegan McKenney, Nicholas Merrill, Connor Millstone, Gabrielle Minuti, Patrick Minuti, Evan Montminy, Hanna Montminy, Ryan Morin, Riley Morin, Kylie Muldoon, Jackson Musto, Olivia Musto, Catherine Nale, Nathan Neville, Katherine Noonan, Brady O'Connor, Brooklyn O'Connor, Sophia Quellette, Candace Pacheco, Nicole Paquette, Matthew Paquin, Aiden Patten, Nicholas Pike, Justin Pike, Mariela Polanco, Xavier Polanco, Alyson Putnam, Andrew Repici, Emma Repici, Kate Richardson, Drew Richardson, Amber Rickards, Ava Rickards, Logan Rickards, Nicolas Robichaux, Sophia Rodriguez, Ethan Rose, Jocelyn Ryder, William Ryder, Gregory Sander, Harriet Sander, Caroline Sander, Isabella Sciacca, Leah Silverwatch, Patrick Soonthornprapuet, Gavin St. Jean, Jonathan Strout, Andrew Strout, Joshua Surprenant, Hailey Tanguay, Jordan Tanguay, Victoria Taris, Ava Tenczar, Jozef Tenczar, Emma Thompson, Makena Truong, Ethan Vawter, Emiley Vinciguerra, Kelsey Vinciguerra, Annie Wholey, Joseph Wholey, and Maegan Wilson

SAVE THE DATE: PARISH MISSION

Monday, September 9th through Wednesday, September 11th, the Franciscan TOR Sisters will be coming to St. Patrick to do a Parish Mission about ongoing conversion seen through the life of St. Francis of Assisi. Mark your calendars, and plan to be here!