CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES St. Patrick Parish

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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 4

4pm Ladouceur & Jacob Families

requested by John & Paulette

Jacobs

Sunday June 5

8am Robert Hall requested by his

family

10:30am **George "Joe" Puddister**, 8th

Anniversary, requested by his

family

6pm Intentions of all our

Parishioners

Monday June 6

8am **Amy Costa**, 1st Anniversary,

requested by the Medrek family **Michael Hoar** requested by the

Souza family

Tuesday June 7

8am Suzanne E. Batcheller, 3rd

Anniversary, requested by her Husband Robert A. Batcheller

Wednesday June 8

8am **Joseph Manning** requested by

the Harrington family

Thursday June 9

8am In Honor of St. Francis

Friday June 10

8am No Mass

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

Altar Flowers

This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of the Ladouceur & Jacobs Families by John & Paulette Jacobs

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 5/29/16 \$6,174
Groundskeeping \$1,511

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses \$7,685

Thank you for supporting our parish ~Fr. Von~



SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

June 12 Fuel

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

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.

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

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, June 6

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

Tuesday, June 7

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, June 8

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

Thursday, June 9

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall

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.

RECEPTION FOR STEVE CARUSO

Following the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, June 19th, 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.

New Offices Open House

On the weekend of June 11th & 12th there will be an open house in our new offices after all of the Masses. Come in to view our new space and see the new "views" that we will see. We would like to thank all of our parishioners who have made this move possible.

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.

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.

FROM THE PASTOR

My dear brothers and sisters,

This weekend's Gospel is about how Jesus raises the only son of the widow of Nain. Among other things, it is a reminder that Jesus has all authority and power, even over death. As God, Jesus conquers death and its power. In our examination of the Sacraments, this brings to mind the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**. Formerly called "extreme unction" (meaning "last anointing") or "Last Rites," it reminds us that Jesus gave the Sacraments to the Church so that we could get to Heaven. God always has His eyes on the long range plan – He will suffer with neglect and sin in order that we have the greatest opportunity to be with Him for eternity. Each of the Sacraments are meant to help us to grow here – yes, here, but not for the sole purpose of this world, but so that we can one day be with God. The Anointing of the Sick, as it is used at the point of death, points to this reality more than most. Let's look at this a bit more.

What happens in the Anointing of the Sick? As we know, all of the Sacraments use visible, tangible realities to point to an invisible reality. The Anointing is an extension of the healing ministry of Jesus. We hear in the Letter of James:

Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven. (5:14-15)

The laying on of hands and anointing by the presbyters (priests) brings about the healing power of God. There is a true **physical healing** that happens with this Anointing. Most priests have stories of how they went to Anoint someone who was dying, but the person ended up healed (most often not in a single instant, but still contrary to what was expected by medical personnel). There truly is a physical healing that happens with the Anointing. There is also a *spiritual* healing that happens. We believe that the Sacrament of the Anointing **forgives** venial sins. This should not surprise us that there are both physical and spiritual healings going on, since we are *embodied souls* or *ensouled bodies* – our bodies and our souls are so connected that they affect one another. This is the whole point of the Sacraments – what we do to our bodies affects our souls.

But what about when people are not cured? It is always a difficult question to ask why some people receive a physical cure and others do not. Sometimes it has to do with our choices, sometimes it has to do with God's greater plan. We do know, though, that there is *always* healing with the Anointing of the Sick. As a person may be preparing to enter Heaven, the Sacrament gives courage and peace, forgiveness and trust in God's Providence. It can truly help a soul to prepare itself to see God. I would encourage you not to wait until the last minute to be Anointed or have your loved one Anointed. While the Sacraments are efficacious (effective) in and of themselves, God also wants *us* to play a part in it. People who are unconscious and anointed at the point of death do receive the grace of God, but how much more effective it is in their lives when they can participate, receive the graces with an open heart, and make a conscious decision to prepare themselves. Also, Confession and Eucharist are part of the "Sacraments of the Dying", neither of which can be received if the person is not conscious. Again, I strongly encourage you, if you or a loved one is dying – receive the Sacrament *now* while there is greater opportunity to grab ahold of God's grace.

The Anoint of the Sick is NOT JUST FOR THE DYING, though. If your sicknesses or conditions are severe enough that they have taken the majority of your attention (for instance a feared surgery, old age, chronic debilitating pain, etc.) the Sacrament is there to help bring Jesus' peace, courage, strength and healing. Embrace the healing power of the Sacraments!

So what do we see happening at an anointing? The priest greets the people, and prays a prayer which includes the reading from James (above). In silence, the priest then lays his hands on the person's head and prays. After that, the priest anoints the person's forehead with the Oil of the Sick (blessed by the Bishop during Holy week) saying, "Through this holy anointing may the Lord in His love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit." He then anoints the person's hands saying, "May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up." In the case of someone who is dying, the priest may choose to bestow the Apostolic Pardon, which, if the person is disposed to receive the grace, removes all temporal punishment due to sin (a "get out of or Purgatory" prayer). Usually the Lord's Prayer is then prayed, and a closing prayer. In the case of someone who is dying, I will often also pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, since Jesus promises great graces and mercy for those dying.



Dear Jesus, through bread and wine at the Last Supper, and by Your Holy Word, You gave the Eucharist to Your Church. Grant now that our First Communicants will always treasure the gift they have in you. Give them the grace to be faithful to you and to remain in relationship with Your Church. When they receive their First Communion, the Bread of Life and Cup of Salvation, make them aware of the hope they have for eternal life in you. Amen.

Congratulations to the First Communicants, their Parents and Catechists. *Congratulations to:*

Marques Alves, Bryce Atkinson, Hailey Bellemore, Alexandra Beote, Kobe Berton, Jake Cabral, Zachary Chandonnet, Caden Chase, Gabrielle Chouinard, Brooke Cote, Elanor Coutermarsh, Lillian Coutermarsh, Emily Coutu, Jacob Davidson, McKenna Devanney, Colin Dunne, Ryan Eason, Michael Forestiere, II, Gabriella Gibbons, Alejandro Giraldo, Kathryn Haley, Caitlin Harrington, Alexander Huberty, Matthew Kelly, Euphemia Kerrigan, Nicholette Landry, Bethany Lemieux, Madeleine Lemieux, Emma Matthews, Ava Milley, Julianna Milward, Patrick Muise, Sophia Murray, Evan Nickerson, Brady O'Connor, David Otero, Andrew Repici, Kate Richardson, Nicole Ringdahl, Bennett Ryan, Morgan Ryan, Kaelin Shanahan, Kylee Sorrell, Kaitlin Souza, Michael St. Pierre, Mia Suchecki, Emilie Tackett and Jozef Tenczar.

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

Steve Ray interview part 1 **Airing 6/7 to 6/12**

"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

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 Sunday, June 12th 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.

FOOD PANTRY

The Pelham Food Pantry is in need of **Empty Egg Cartons.**