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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 fathervon@comcast.net.

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: www.kofcpelhamnh.org



Saturday March 9
 4pm **Lise Demers**, 20th Anniversary,
 requested by her family
Michael Crane, 2nd Anniversary,
 requested by his wife & sons

Sunday March 10
 8am **Phyllis Dexter** requested by
 St. Patrick Staff
 10:30am **John Montminy**, 5th Anniversary,
 requested by Scott & Flora
 Montminy & family
 6pm **Intentions of all our Parishioners**

Monday March 11
 8am **Nicholas Betancur** requested
 by his family

Tuesday March 12
 8am **Terry Wallace** requested by
 Trisha Yankowskas
Armand Groulx, Jr., requested
 by Dennis & Irene Groulx

Wednesday March 13
 8am **John Fitzgerald & Richard
 Krawczyk**, Birthday
 Remembrance, requested by
 their family

Thursday March 14
 8am **Linda Bousquet**, 10th Anniversary,
 requested by Patty Kennedy

Friday March 15
 8am No Mass
 6pm Confirmation

Saturday March 16
 4pm **Stephen Koch**, requested by
 Pat Lawlor

Sunday March 17
 8am **Maureen Boyden**, 2nd
 Anniversary, requested by her
 husband & family & friends
 10:30am **Paul McLaughlin**, requested by
 the Lemieux family
Margaret & Frank Cotta
 requested by their daughter
 Shirley
 6pm **Intentions of all our Parishioners**

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 3/3/19

Offertory Envelopes \$7,582

Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,407

Total Offertory \$8,989

Total Collected \$8,989

As of Mar 3th our offertory is at a deficit of

\$3,530

Thank you for your
 faith & generous support
 ~Fr. Von~

Capital Improvement

collected as of 3/3/19

\$1,396

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Mar. 17 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Mar. 24 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

Mar. 31 Catholic Relief/Home Mission

Provides funding for Catholic Relief Services, USCCB Offices of International Justice and Peace, relief work of the Holy Father, USCCB's Migration & Refugee Services, and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network.

Apr. 7 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

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



Sunday, March 10

Coffee & Donuts, 11:30 AM, in the K of C Hall
 Children of Mary, 11:45 AM, in the meeting room
 Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Monday, March 11

Confirmation, 6:00 PM, in the church

Tuesday, March 12

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

Wednesday, March 13

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the chapel
 Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM
 Bible Sharing, 9:00 AM, in the school classroom
 Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM
 Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school

Thursday, March 14

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

Friday, March 15

Fish Bake, 4:00 PM, in the parish center
 Confirmation, 6:00 PM, in the church
 Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school



EASTER BASKETS 2019

Easter Blessings!

We plan on making Easter baskets, again, this year for children registered at our food pantry as well as children living in nearby shelters. More information will be available as we collect information about those in need.

Contact: Cheryl at cdbrunelle@comcast.net or 508-864-8084 (call or text). Baskets may be dropped off in the chapel between now and April 8th.



Jeanne Dyjak who is the music director for the 4:00 PM Mass will be leaving us on Saturday, March 16th. Please wish her well on her new adventure.

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

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St. Patrick Women's Guild will be sponsoring their 24th Penny Sale on April 13th & 14th. This year we will be in the school and entrance will be under the carport. Proceeds from this sale help to support our various charities such as the Food Panty, scholarships to graduates, an adopted daughter in Africa, Samaritans Purse, projects at St. Patrick's Church and so much more. If anyone would like to donate **new items** to the Penny Sale, please bring the items down to St. Patrick's Office or call Therese Soucy at 635-3525 or 635-2117. So don't forget to keep the dates open and join us on April 13th & 14th at St. Patrick School.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Jesus leads us into the desert. It is beautiful to reflect on this time that Jesus spent in the desert. John has just baptized Him in the Jordan River. The Holy Spirit descended on Him, and He heard the voice of the Father saying, **“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased”** (Luke 3:22). Then Spirit leads Jesus into the desert for forty days to be tempted (see Luke 4:1-2).

As we begin our forty days of Lent, we also will meet temptation. If you are anything like me, any time you intentionally give something up, you want it more than you did before you gave it up. You could go for days without thinking about it – until you decide to give it up... and then it is often on your mind! Jesus goes out expecting temptation, knowing He will meet it. He goes there because we go there. He is tempted because we are tempted. He experiences hunger, thirst, longing, lust for power, desire to be known, esteemed, praised – all because *we* experience these temptations.

And He conquers them.

He conquers them to show that it is possible to conquer them.

He conquers them to show us *how* we can conquer them – by relying not on yourself, but on God. Jesus said to St. Faustina: **“The cause of your falls is that you rely too much upon yourself and too little on Me. But let this not sadden you so much. You are dealing with the God of mercy”** (*Diary of St. Faustina* 1488). Jesus relies on Scripture and on His Father... and He conquers these temptations. Humility conquers Satan. Period.

There is a beautiful Litany of Humility (attributed to Rafael Cardinal Merry del Val), which has helped me in humility over the years. It has helped refocus my priorities on Jesus. I invite to you pray it, and pray it often, especially throughout Lent.

Lord Jesus. Meek and humble of heart,
From the desire of being esteemed,
From the desire of being loved,
From the desire of being extolled,
From the desire of being honored,
From the desire of being praised,
From the desire of being preferred to others,
From the desire of being consulted,
From the desire of being approved,
From the fear of being humiliated,
From the fear of being despised,
From the fear of suffering rebukes,
From the fear of being calumniated,
From the fear of being forgotten,
From the fear of being ridiculed,
From the fear of being wronged,
From the fear of being suspected,
That others may be loved more than I,
That others may be esteemed more than I,
That, in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease,

That others may be chosen and I set aside,
That others may be praised and I unnoticed,
That others may be preferred to me in everything,
That others may become holier than I, provided that I may become as holy as I should,

Hear me.

Deliver me, Jesus.

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Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

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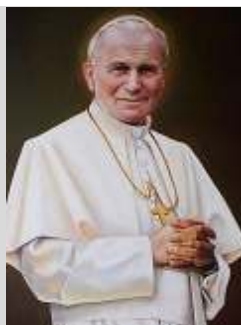
UPCOMING STEUBENVILLE EAST FREE WILL OFFERING

Every year thousands of teens gather on the UMASS Lowell Campus for one reason; to draw closer to Jesus. Every year we have a group go from our parish and it is truly life changing for them. We will have our annual free will offering to support our teens after Masses on April 6th & 7th. We are always so humbled by your giving and these teens truly depend upon it. **Thank you** in advance and, above all, we ask that you continue to keep our group in prayer.



FISH BAKE

The Knights of Columbus will again this year be running their annual Lenten Fish Bake. The event will take place on the following Fridays during Lent, March 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th, April 5th & 12th. It will take place at the Parish Center and would run from 4:00-6:45 PM. The meal will consist of baked haddock with cracker crumb topping, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll and butter. Meal prices would be \$11.00 and \$10.00 for seniors (over age 65). Take-out meals can be ordered by calling 635-3829 after 4:00 PM. Hope to see you there.



On the Christian Meaning of Human Suffering Salvifici Doloris

Join Fr. Von in studying St. John Paul II's letter about making sense of suffering in our lives. Monday nights: **March 18th, April 1st, 8th, 22nd & 29th at 7:00 PM** in the **Youth Room** at the **school**. For more information, contact Fr. Von fathervon@comast.net or 603-635-3525.



JESUS aCROSS the Border – Monthly Gathering March 15, 2019 – 7:30 PM – 12:00 AM

All Saints Parish (120 Bellevue Ave, Haverhill, MA). Social Event: Shamrock Surprise with NEW Pure in Heart Haverhill Group. What do shamrocks and rainbows all have in common? They are usually decorations on St. Patrick's Day... But they also act as symbols reminding us of God's presence. Shamrocks can be used as metaphors for the Trinity and rainbows as a sign of God's covenant with us. Let these symbols connect you with God at our March event as we help unveil the NEW Pure in Heart Haverhill young adult group! The night begins at 7:30 PM with Adoration, Confession, and Praise and Worship music led by Collin McBride! A Young Adult Mass will follow this at 9:00 PM, celebrated by Fr. Chris Wallace. If you thought not all that was reason enough, join us and the NEW PIH Haverhill afterwards for our social event honoring St. Patrick's feast day with a Shamrock Surprise! This will surely be a unique, one of a kind experience, which makes for the PERFECT time for you to invite that friend again who has been on the fence about joining us! Free parking. Email us at info@JESUSaCROSSTheBorder.org or visit our Facebook page.

Confession during Lent: Sundays 7:30-7:45, 10:00-10:15 AM and 5:30-5:45 PM.

Wednesday, March 20th at 7:00 PM

Reconciliation Service on March 31st at 2:00 PM at St. Matthew in Windham



If anyone would like to sign-up for the Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one for 2019, please contact the parish office at 603-635-3525.