

Saturday March 16

4pm ~ Maureen Boyden, 7th Anniversary, requested by her family & friends
Wilrose & Marietta Jean requested by the Jean family
Sunday March 17
8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Patricia Goddard, 2nd Anniversary, requested by her family
Lionel Levesque & Phyllis Houle requested

by the Lemieux family

Monday March 18

8am ~ Bunny Jackson Milukas requested by a friend

Jodie Fennessy, 1st Anniversary, Paddy & Darlene Culbert

Tuesday March 19

8am ~ In Honor of St. Joseph requested by Donna Taylor

Wednesday March 20

8am ~ Fr. Jerry Orsino OMI requested by a friend

Lory Dalpe requested by Lou & Si Dalpe Thursday March 21

8am ~ Health & Blessings for Edward Milukas requested by a friend Roland & Rita Delisle requested by Al &

Christine Lemieux & family

Friday March 22

8am ~ No Mass

6pm ~ **Roland Delisle** requested by John & Joyce Keslo

Ginnie Fichera requested by David & Maureen Groff

7pm ~ Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 23

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Sunday March 24

8am ~ Eva Bedard, 1st Anniversary, requested by Barbara & Glenn Campbell

10:30am \sim Intentions of all our Parishioners



Sunday, March 17

Coffee & Donuts, 9:00 AM, in the parish center Coffee & Donuts, 11:30 AM, in the parish center Cluster Penance Service, 2:00 PM, Mary Queen of Peace, Salem, NH

Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school Monday, March 18

Confirmation Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, in the church **Tuesday, March 19**

Women's Bible Sharing, 9:00-10:00 AM, in the youth room at the school Confirmation, 6:00 PM, in the church Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, March 20

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-9:00 PM Food Pantry, 1:00-2:30 PM Blood Drive, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, in the parish center

Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school Confessions, 8:00 PM, in the church **Thursday, March 21**

Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the school Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, March 22

Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM, in the church Saturday, March 23

Faith Life Community Gathering, 9:00-10:30 AM, in the school



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of **Terry Wallace**, Birthday Remembrance, by her family



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As I mentioned on February 18th, there are eight essential elements to the Eucharistic Prayer. We have made our way through the first four, and now will looking at the other essential elements.

After the Consecration is the "Mystery of Faith." This is the *Anamnesis*. This literally means remembering. When we stop remembering, we forget. So we remind ourselves of the mysteries of our faith. But this remembering has the air of the Israelite remembering – it is not just a calling to mind, but a making present again what has happened. We say (or sing):

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Or:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Or:

Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free. After the Anamnesis comes the *Oblation*, or Offering. Again, we follow Eucharistic Prayer II:

Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

You may have noticed in the Mass, almost all of the prayers are offered to the Father. Sometimes they are offered "through our Lord Jesus Christ... in the unity of the Holy Spirit," but almost always directed to the Father. This prayer is no different. We join with Jesus in offering Jesus to the Father. In this moment, everything we have offered in the Offertory and Preparation of Gifts, has been transubstantiated, and now is offered up to the Father.

The next essential element is the *Intercessions*. This makes up the bulk of the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer:

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with Francis our Pope and Peter our Bishop, and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

In these intercessions, among other things, we pray for the Church (including the Pope and our Bishop), those who have died, and for the intercession of the saints in heaven. Again, this is an act of faith and trust in the love of God who really hears and answers our prayers.

The Eucharistic Prayer concludes with the *Concluding Doxology* ("Through him, and with him, and in him...") and the Great Amen. Here, we ask that through, with and in Christ, all glory and honor might be given to God in the Holy Spirit. Here we "seal" the Eucharistic Prayer, giving God our assent to and belief in all that just happened.

Next week, we'll move into examining the Communion Rite, and the glorious grace that is Holy Communion.

FAITH LIFE IN THE MONTH OF MARCH

Called to Live a Life of Mercy When we encounter people who do not know we are Catholic, how is that revealed to them? This is the major question that we are talking about this month and I would challenge you to ponder it as well. Christ has instructed us to live a life of Charity, a life of Mercy. This means that we primarily reveal to the world that we are Catholic through the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

We also remember, that when we live this life of Mercy God Blesses us abundantly. Jesus teaches this in the Beatitudes, reminding us that there is great blessing in store for those who are obedient to Him.

During this Season of Lent, may we above all strive to live a life of Mercy.

I would ask that you also keep all young people preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Communion in your prayers. This is Sacrament month, and it is such a joy to celebrate the gift of the Sacraments with so many families.

I leave you with this prayer from St. Teresa of Calcutta:

"Give us a heart as beautiful, pure, and spotless as yours. A heart like yours, so full of love and humility. May we be able to receive Jesus as the Bread of Life, to love Him as you loved Him, to serve Him under the mistreated face of the poor. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." In Christ.

Adam Castor

Director of Faith Life

VOCATION

"The Father will honor whoever serves me." Are you called to belong to serve Christ alone as a priest or through consecrated life?

Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Matt Mason, the Vocations Director at 603-663-0196 or <u>mmason@rcbm.org.</u>

Our Cluster Penance Service is this Sunday at 2:00 PM at Mary Queen of Peace in Salem, NH.

EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE	
Holy Thursday, March 28	
Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM	
Adoration following Mass until Midnight	
Good Friday, March 29	
Confessions: 12:00-2:45 PM	
Adoration of the Cross: 3:00 PM	
Divine Mercy Novena: 4:30 PM	
Stations of the Cross: 7:00 PM	
Holy Saturday, March 30	
Blessing of the Food: 2:30 PM	
Divine Mercy Novena: 3:00 PM	
Easter Vigil: 7:30 PM	
PLEASE NOTE: NO 3:00 PM CONFESSIONS	
AND NO 4:00 PM MASS	
Easter Sunday, March 31	
Masses: 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 AM	
Divine Mercy Novena 12:45 PM	

CREATION CORNER: This weekend Jeremiah reminds us of how God writes. God wrote the ten commandments on stone tablets, and, a short while later, they lay broken at the feet of the people worshiping the golden calf. But now God's says, "I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts." What law? The law of love, for God and for neighbor – and "neighbor" includes all of God's creation.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The St. Patrick's Women's Guild grants three \$500.00 scholarships each year to graduating seniors who will be furthering their education. These scholarships are for parishioners of St. Patrick Parish and/or residents of Pelham, NH. Applications for these scholarships are now available in the Guidance Office of Pelham High School, in the Parish Office, and in the Sacristy. Applications should be turned into the Guidance Office of Pelham High School or to St. Patrick's Parish Office by Monday, April 29, 2024 by 3:00 PM.

We will have a 6:00 PM Mass on the following Friday during Lent: **March 22**nd

FAITH CATHOLIC WRITING SCHOLARSHIPS

This scholarship is open to all Catholic highschool seniors in the Diocese and is given directly to the winner in the form of a \$1,500 check. This vear's theme is: Tell us how you want to be Christ's hands and feet in the world. The essay should be between 800 and 1,200 words. It is important that the entry comes from a teacher, parish youth minister, director of religious formation or pastor. Students may not submit essays directly. By submitting the entry, the adult is verifying that the student is a Catholic who actively practices his or her faith. Essays must be submitted to Parable Editor Rosemary Ford by April 5th. She will judge the essays and send the top three entries in the Diocese to Faith Catholic for final judging. The finalists will all be published in Parable magazine. Email submissions to rford@rcbm.org or mail them to 153 Ash Street, Manchester, NH 03104. For more information and contest rules, visit https://faithsyndicated.org/2024-father-

charles-irvin-memorial-writing-scholarship.





The Pelham Food Pantry is in need of **Canned Fruit, Baked Beans** and **Pasta Sauce.** Thank you for your generosity!



Coffee and Donuts and Children's Crafts will be hosted by the Women's Bible Sharing Group this weekend. Please come and join us.

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 3/10/24
Offertory Envelopes \$6,387
Offertory Electronic Giving \$2,143
Total Offertory \$8,530Total Funds Collected \$8,530Thank you for your continue support

~Fr. Von~

Catholic Relief collected as of 3/10/24 \$1,566 Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Mar. 24 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

Mar. 31 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.

Monday Night Teachings St. Ignatius of Loyola's 14 Rules for Discernment of Spirits Join us Monday Nights at 7:00 PM in the youth room March 18 **No class on March 25**

The deadline for the Easter Memorials is Monday, March 25th.

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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 <u>fathervon@comcast.net</u>.

PRAYER LINE

Please contact Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or Lmurgia_871@comcast.net Saturday Sunday 4PM 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 <u>www.formed.org</u> to register, go to <u>pelham.formed.org</u>

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Care to join the Knights of Columbus? Please contact Erick Wright at 603-635-8772 or <u>eqwright@comcast.net</u>. More information online: <u>www.kofcpelhamnh.org</u>