

# Saturday March 25

**4pm** ~ **The DiGiantommaso Family** requested by their family

**Gregory Barrows** and **Catherine Callahan** requested by Dan & Sue Martin

Sunday March 26

8am ~ Trevor Hennessey, 7th Anniversary, requested by the Haggerty family Frances Riley requested by Wayne & Sue Cope 10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Monday March 27

8am ~ Therese Dastous requested by Donna Smith

**Tuesday** March 28

8am ~ Viola Ogiba requested by Donna Smith Wednesday March 29

**8am** ∼ **Rena Cayer** requested by the Bedard family

**David W. Clark,** Birthday Remembrance, requested by his family

Thursday March 30

8am ~ Terry Parent requested by a friend Linda Maclean requested by the Fancher family

Friday March 31

8am ~ No Mass

**6pm** ~ **Rev. John Sledziona,** 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, **Norman Lambert** requested by Donna Smith

7pm ~ Stations of the Cross

Saturday April 1

8am ~ Charles Puente and Richard Ramondi requested by David & Maureen Groff 4pm ~ Anita Hall requested by Andrea

**Celine Martin,** Birthday Remembrance, requested by the Martin family

Sunday April 2

8am ~ Frank Agrella, 37th Anniversary, requested by his daughter Barbara
Nunzio & Rosanna Concemi and Maria
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10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners



# Sunday, March 26

Coffee and Donuts, 11:30 AM, in the parish center

Lenten Penance Service, 2:00 PM, Mary Queen of Peace, Salem

Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school Monday, March 27

The Chosen, 7:00 PM, in the youth room at the school

#### Tuesday, March 28

Bible Sharing, 9:00-10:00 AM, in the youth room at the school

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

# Wednesday, March 29

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

Food Pantry, 1:00-2:30 PM

Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school

Confessions, 8:00 PM, in the church

# Thursday, March 30

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

# Friday, March 31

Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school **Saturday**, **April 1** 

Movie: The Passion of the Christ, 6:30 PM, in the vouth room at the school



"Did I not assure you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" Do you believe Christ may be calling you to see the glory of the Blessed Trinity through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

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My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend we hear about the raising of Lazarus from the dead. This story is only told in the Gospel of John. It seems to be John's way of revealing (before the Resurrection) that Jesus has power over death (Matthew, Mark and Luke use the Transfiguration). Here is a man (Lazarus) who has been dead long enough to start rotting, and yet Jesus is able to raise him up. Truly, there is nothing He cannot do!

Following the story line, though, you might question His love for Lazarus, Martha and Mary. When Jesus finds out that Lazarus is ill, the Scripture says, "Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was" (John 11:5-6).

Staying away when a loved one is sick – especially when you can heal him – doesn't sound very loving. Both Mary and Martha comment on this as well as they say, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died" (John 11:21, 32). Somehow, they recognize that Jesus has power over sickness, and they question: Where were you?

How many times does this happen in our lives? We experience hardship or heartache, we're in over our heads, and we cry out, "Where were you God?! If you had been here, this wouldn't have happened?!!" We feel like God is far away, not the close, loving God we sometimes feel we need. Yet, despite that feeling, God is near. He does love you; He does love me.

Sometimes God has been described as a last-minute-God, and "the God of the 11<sup>th</sup> hour" – saying that God will come through, but He might wait until the very end. This is said in order to help us trust Him. But the truth of today's Gospel is that He is sometimes the God of the 12<sup>th</sup> hour... or even the 13<sup>th</sup> hour. Sometimes, it looks like the deadline has passed, and there is now absolutely no hope. Jesus didn't get there in time to save Lazarus' life. He didn't even come the next day, but four days later. From our perspective – it's way too late. Yet, it was not a sign God didn't love them, but rather wanted to show His power over even death!

In this incredible story, we learn that God is indeed faithful in His love, even when it seems it is too late. Then again, we learned this with Abraham and Sarah, who were childless well into their geriatric years... and then the promise was fulfilled.

Do we believe God is this faithful? Do we believe God really will be true to His promises, even when... especially when it seems impossible? He invites us to trust in Him and His love. When we're feeling broken down, like there is no hope, He is still with us. In fact, it is then He is closest to us, as He has united Himself to us by the Cross.

May we always keep our eyes fixed on the Lord's love for us, especially when He feels distant! May we trust that His love will NEVER fail.

#### **CAMP FATIMA**

Spaces are filling up for 2023! Register today to secure a spot at Camp Fatima for boys where your son can have fun and grow in faith, confidence, and friendship. NH parishioners are eligible for a 155 discount on tuition. Contact Andrew Thibault for more information: <a href="mailto:andrew@bfcamp.com">andrew@bfcamp.com</a> or 603-931-5500.

#### **CREATION AT THE CROSSROADS**

A Small-group Interfaith
Discussion Series in 4 Sessions
on Pope Francis' letter to the world,
Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home
(materials provided – offered in Pelham, NH)
6:30-8:00 PM

March 30<sup>th</sup>, at First Congregational Church April 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, at St. Patrick's School Bld. To Register Contact:

St. Patrick's Parish Office at 603-635-3525

For Information Contact:

Julia Steed Mawson at

islandwork999@gmail.com

Walter Bacigalupo at <u>walterpat@me.com</u> Laudato Si' Circle – a Creation Care Ministry

#### EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

# Holy Thursday, April 6

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM Adoration following Mass until Midnight

Good Friday, April 7

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, April 8

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, April 9

Masses: 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 AM Divine Mercy Novena: 12:45 PM

Deadline for the Easter Memorials is Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.



An evening of visual beauty, live music, and reflection that will open your senses to the secret of God revealed in all of creation and orient your whole life toward the satisfaction of your deepest longings.

# **Made For More Trailer:**

https://vimeo.com/260114539

<u>Parish "Made For More" Home Site:</u> https://M4MNH.eventbrite.com

Tuesday, May 9th, 2023 7:00-9:30 PM Cost: \$25 per person

World-renowned speaker and author Christopher West, along with award winning musician, Mike Mangione, are coming to St. Patrick Parish with a beautiful multimedia event called MADE FOR MORE: VISIONS OF THE PROMISED LAND. Bring family and friends. No one should miss this awesome and inspiring event!

# **SCHOLARSHIPS**

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 students who are 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 in to the Guidance Office at Pelham High School or to St. Patrick's Parish Office by Monday, May 1, 2023.

# **MONDAY NIGHT TEACHING**

Monday Night Teaching Series will be watching and discussing "The Chosen" Series. The dates are March 27th, April 10th, 17th & 24th, May 8th, 15th & 22nd, at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school.

St. Patrick Women's Guild will be sponsoring their Annual Penny Sale, on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Parish Center. Proceeds from this sale help to support our various charities such as the Food Pantry, scholarships to graduates, and adopted daughter in Honduras, Samaritans Purse, projects at St. Patrick's Church and so much more. If you would like to donate NEW ITEMS to the Penny Sale, please bring the items down to St. Patrick's Office.

# CLUSTER PENANCE SERVICE Sunday, March 26, 2023 2:00 PM Mary Queen of Peace 200 Lawrence Road, Salem, NH

There will be many priests available for Confession. Come and experience the **Mercy** and **Healing of God**.

# This week we will reflect on the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary

The Glorious Mysteries are just that....GLORIOUS! The Resurrection, the Ascension of the Lord, the Descent of the Holy Spirit, the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother, and the Crowning of Mary as Queen of Heaven. Jesus has overcome death! He wants us to live our lives courageously, faithfully, and committed to bringing the greatest possible glory to God just as He did. As we pray through these beautiful mysteries let us ask for Our Blessed Mother's intercession in helping us to remember whatever we do, we do all to the glory of God.

# Scripture to ponder 1 Corinthians 10:31

**Fasting idea:** Try giving up something you consider a necessity but take for granted without realizing it. For example, try sleeping without your pillow for a night or taking a cool shower in the morning.

**Almsgiving idea:** Prayerfully consider making a donation, to the Vocation Ministry. There is a need to create a vocation friendly atmosphere that encourages those considering priesthood, marriage and religious life. For more information, please visit the link below.

https://vocationministry.com/

#### **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 3/19/23

Offertory Envelopes \$5,587 Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,992 **Total Offertory** \$7,579

Teen Ministry \$1,457

Total Collected \$9,036

Thank you for supporting our parish ~Fr. Von~



# SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

# Apr. 2 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

#### Apr. 9 Utility

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

# **Apr. 16** Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

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

First Saturday Mass is this Saturday, April 1st, at 8:00 AM.

We will have a **6:00 PM Mass** on the following Friday during Lent: **March 31**st.

#### THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST

On Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30 PM in the youth room at the school we will be showing the movie: The Passion of the Christ.

# **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

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# **PARISH WEBSITE**

Website: www.stpatricks-pelham.com

#### **Pastor**

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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 <a href="mailto:fathervon@comcast.net">fathervon@comcast.net</a>.

#### **PRAYER LINE**

Please contact Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or Lmurgia\_871@comcast.net

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday 4PM

Sunday 8AM, 10:30AM

#### **WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday through Thursday8amFridayNo MassFirst Friday and First Saturday8am

# **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 to register, go to pelham.formed.org

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

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