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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 May 11
 4pm **Michael Taylor, Sr.**, requested by the Taylor family
Connie O'Malley requested by Donna Smith

Sunday May 12
 8am **Robert T. Hall** requested by his family
 10:30am **Grace Buscema** requested by her family
 6pm **Intentions of all our Parishioners**

Monday May 13
 8am **John Mathieson** requested by Tricia Yankowskas
Dora Carpentier requested by Carol Martin

Tuesday May 14
 8am **Rene Bordeleau** requested by Ray & Rose Graham

Wednesday May 15
 8am **Rena Cayer** requested by the Bedard family

Thursday May 16
 8am **Peg & Jack Childs** requested by their children

Friday May 17
 8am No Mass
 6pm Holy Hour

Saturday May 18
 4pm **The Digiantommaso & Hudson Family** requested by their families

Sunday May 19
 8am **Lisa McCoy**, 53rd Birthday Remembrance, requested by Mom, Brian & family
 10:30am **Frank Martin** requested by the Martin family
 6pm **Intentions of all our Parishioners**



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Robert Dexter by his wife & children

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 5/5/19

Offertory Envelopes \$5,789

Offertory Electronic Giving \$1,261

Total Offertory \$7,050

Total Collected \$7,050

Thank you for supporting our parish
 ~Fr. Von~

Capital Improvements

collected as of 5/5/19

\$1,477

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

May 19 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

May 26 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

June 2 Catholic Communications

This collection supports diocesan and national efforts to ensure a Catholic presence in the media as well as Catholic communications programs such as PARABLE magazine and our diocesan website.

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



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Mary Milinazzo Hammar by Mike & family

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 12

Happy Mother's Day

Blessing of the Child in the Womb, 11:30 AM, in the church

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

Tuesday, May 14

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, May 15

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

Confessions, 7:00 PM, in the church

Thursday, May 16

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

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, May 17

Holy Hour, 6:00 PM, in the chapel

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



The following couples will enter the Covenant of Marriage in May:

Joseph McCarthy & Faith Williams
and
Matthew Campagna & Stephane Rene

Please pray that their marriage will mirror the Love of God.

VOCATION

"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life inspire you? Contact Fr. Matthew Mason at the Vocation Office at 603-663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Website: www.liveinblackandwhite.com

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 visit: www.liveinblackandwhite.com or contact Fr. Matthew Mason at 603-663-0196 or mmason@rcbm.org



THE BLESSING OF THE BIKES

On Sunday, May 19th, at 1:00 PM, the Blessing of Bikes will take place in St. Patrick Parish upper parking lot. All biker riders (pedal bike riders and motorcycle riders) are invited. The event is open to all parishioners and non-parishioners. Please call Ed St. Onge at 603-635-1012 for more information. Rain date is Sunday, May 26th.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend is Good Shepherd Sunday. Every year, on the fourth Sunday in Easter, we hear from the tenth chapter of the Gospel of John, which speaks about Jesus being the Good Shepherd. It is because of this that the Church has named the fourth Sunday in Easter as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, **“My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me”** (John 10:27). This speaks so profoundly about vocations, because vocation means “Calling.” Who does the calling? Jesus, of course! He is the One who calls us to follow Him. It is only in listening to His voice that we find our purpose, the meaning for our lives. Many times, though, we think of vocation only as the calling to priesthood, religious life, or the diaconate.

The truth is each one of us has a calling. Jesus is calling each of us to a unique way of living His love and life in the world. That calling does have a form of life (marriage, celibacy for the kingdom, single life of service), but it goes deeper than this: it permeates every aspect of our lives, into every moment, calling us to live the unique call of God for *my life*. You see, for those of us who have “found our vocations” (for instance, if you are already married), it doesn’t mean that we are done discerning our vocations. No, God continues to call us in this place, in this time, in these circumstances of our lives to grow closer to Him, to serve His people in a unique way, to live His love in our particular circumstances.

This is important to remember, especially when we speak about and pray for vocations. Why? If a teenager thinks that his vocation is either marriage or priesthood, and that’s all that his vocation is, he might think, “I’m too young to get married or go into the Seminary, so I don’t really need to think about my vocation right now,” or he may think, “Well, I don’t really have a place or purpose in my life right now, since I’m too young for a vocation.” The reality is, this teen has a vocation *right now* – it is to be a student, a son, and maybe a brother. He might miss God’s call for his life in this moment if he thinks vocation is something for the future.

On the other hand, if we have “found” our vocation, we may miss the particular call for God in my life right now. For instance (since this is Mother’s Day), a wife and mother may think that since she “has” her vocation, she doesn’t need to wonder about how God wants her to live her vocation in the here and now. When she recognizes God’s call in the ordinary, in the spit up and dirty diapers, in the “daily grind” of life, the ordinary can become extraordinary!

Then we look at those who are widows or widowers. If vocation is just the “state of life,” they may think, “I *had* a vocation, but my spouse died. Now I don’t have a vocation anymore.” Again, the truth is that God is calling each of us, in this moment. He has a unique plan, a unique calling for each of us in the here and now. We never “had” a vocation; we always *have* a vocation!

This weekend, the Church asks us to pray in a special way for Vocations. Since you know that each of us has a vocation, a calling, in this place and in this time, it is truly a call to pray for each person (including ourselves) to know what God is doing in our lives, and how to respond. It is only in saying “yes” to God that we truly find our fulfillment. I invite you to ask God to give each of us the courage to say “yes” to God in this moment, to the call to holiness, the call to follow Him, the call to serve Him and the people around us, here and now.

May the Good Shepherd continue to lead us closer to His Heart. May we listen for His voice this day; may we hear it and follow Him, and, in following Him, may we find our true fulfillment: the unique purpose God has for each of us.

BLESSING OF THE CHILD IN THE WOMB

All mothers and fathers who are expecting are invited to join the *Blessing of the Child in the Womb*. Fr. Von will bless the unborn babies as well as the mothers, fathers and families gathered after the 10:30 AM Mass next weekend on May 12th.

SEVEN DEADLY SINS

Seven Lively Virtues

A Video Series by

Bishop Robert Barron

Join us Monday nights on May 20th, June 3rd, 10th & 17th, at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school.

A SPECIAL INVITATION FOR ALL

Bishop Libasci invited you to support priestly vocations by joining him for the **Transitional Deacon Ordination**, Saturday, May 25th, at 10:00 AM at St. Joseph Cathedral for **Mr. Ryan Amazeen** and **Mr. Joshua Livingston**, and for the **Priest Ordination**, Saturday, June 1st, at 10:00 AM at St. Joseph Cathedral of **Rev. Mr. Adrian Frackowiak** and **Rev. Mr. David Wong**.

PELHAM GOOD NEIGHBOR FUND

20TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Pelham Good Neighbor Fund will be awarding 2 or more \$2500.00 Scholarships. The scholarships will be funded in part by Wireless Zone Foundation for Giving. The criteria to qualify is as follows:

- Must be a Pelham resident
- Formal Acceptance to a 2 or 4 year College or Technical School
- Copy of Letter of Acceptance from the College or Technical School
- Demonstrated Financial Need
- Provide a copy of your High School Transcript
- Work History, Community Involvement and/or School Activities

You can pick-up an application at the Guidance Office at the Pelham High School or go to our website at www.pelhamgoodneighborfund.org. The application must be returned no later than Saturday, May 25, 2019 and mailed to:

Bonnie Ward
19 Clark Circle
Pelham, NH 03076

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

In Honor of Mother's Day the Knights of Columbus will be giving out carnations after the 4:00 PM, 8:00 & 10:30 AM Masses on May 11th & 12th. Free will donations will be accepted with all proceeds going to support Birthright of Southern NH. Thank you in advance, a very happy, and Blessed Mother's Day to all Mothers, Grandmothers and Great Grandmothers.

The Diocese of Manchester is seeking part time presenters and part time hospitality coordinators for our **Engaged Couples Weekends** in the following regions; The Seacoast area, Greater Manchester/Nashua area, Western NH and Northern NH areas. These positions will collaborate to lead positive, formative weekend experiences for engaged couples based on Ascension Press' *Joy-Filled Marriage* program. These workshops will take place on various weekends throughout the year. Couples married at least five years are encouraged to apply. Training will be offered for these openings. If you are interested in applying, please send your resume to Chris Hagen at chagen@rcbm.org by May 17th. Please visit the following link for more information and the full job description.

www.catholicnh.org/employment/#ecs

SANCTUARY CANDLE

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.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

On the weekend of May 25-26, Fr. Matt Mason, Vocation Director for the Diocese of Manchester, will speak at all of the Masses here at St. Patrick Parish. After the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, at 11:45 AM, Fr. Matt will lead us through a Holy Hour for Vocations. We invite you to come and pray with us for a greater awareness to our call from God, and for courage to say "Yes" to His call.

