



Saturday May 20

4pm ~ Jeanne Gagne, 5th Anniversary,
Raymond Gagne, 18th Anniversary, requested
 by Rick & Gail Gagne & family
Frank Martin, Birthday Remembrance,
 requested by the Martin family

Sunday May 21

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Joseph P. Delorfano, Sr., 12th
 Anniversary, requested by his wife Angela

Monday May 22

8am ~ Rena Cayer requested by the Bedard
 family
Archie Judd requested by a friend

Tuesday May 23

8am ~ Irene Laforge requested by the Laforge
 family

Wednesday May 24

8am ~ Gilbert Goupil requested by Theresa
 Goupil
Robert Comeau, Wedding Anniversary,
 requested by his wife & family

Thursday May 25

8am ~ Terri Evans, 5th Anniversary, requested
 by her mom & family

Friday May 26

8am ~ No Mass

Saturday May 27

4pm ~ Lt. Donald Taylor, Birthday
 Remembrance, **In Honor of St. Joseph**
 requested by Donna Taylor

Sunday May 28

8am ~ Robin Morin Sandall, 5th Anniversary,
 requested by Barbara Hale
10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday, May 21

The Crowning of Mary, 11:30 AM in the Grotto
 Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Monday, May 22

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

Tuesday, May 23

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

Wednesday, May 24

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-9:00 PM
 Food Pantry, 1:00-2:30 PM
 Women’s AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school

Thursday, May 25

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

Friday, May 26

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



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of
Terri Evans, 5th Anniversary, by her mom &
 family



Vocations Partnership
With God!

“And I consecrate myself for them, so that they also may be consecrated in truth.”
 If you think God may be offering you the grace of serving Him and His people as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Next weekend is the Feast of Pentecost. This is a feast of the Holy Spirit, as we remember how He descended upon the Disciples in tongues of fire. In the first reading today, we hear about how the Disciples gathered in the Upper Room. Jesus had told them to go into Jerusalem and pray, to await the coming of the Holy Spirit with “power from on high” (Luke 24:49, see Luke 24:46-47, Acts 1:6-9).

This is the time we’re in, what we celebrate today – the in-between time, the time of waiting. We just celebrated the Ascension of Jesus into Heaven (on Thursday), and now we wait in Novena (nine days of prayer) for the coming of the Holy Spirit. We, too, wait and pray for a greater outpouring of His Holy Spirit, so that we may be better witnesses to the world of His love.

It is important to notice that Mary, the mother of Jesus, is specifically named as being with the Disciples in the Upper Room (Acts 1:14). Mary’s presence there helped for the Disciples to receive the Holy Spirit. Remember that Mary is the spouse of the Holy Spirit. At the Annunciation, the Angel tells Mary that “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you” (Luke 1:35). Mary was overshadowed by the Holy Spirit in a very special way. The tradition of the Church recognizes this as her betrothal, as it were, to the Holy Spirit. Being without sin from the first moment of her conception in the womb of her mother St. Anne, living her life in complete obedience to God, and having been “wed” to the Holy Spirit, places her in a unique position to assist the Disciples to receive this outpouring of the Holy Spirit. I’m sure this time was a very tender time for her to share with the Disciples intimate stories of Jesus’ life before they had met Him, and of “mothering” them. Mary helped the Disciples in this time to be open to the Holy Spirit.

She can help us, as well. Mary and the Holy Spirit never got a divorce! She is the Mother of Christ – both the head (Jesus) and the members (the Church – us). She mothers us and helps us to be open to the Holy Spirit moving in our lives. She helps us to say, “May it be done to me” (Luke 1:38); she trains our souls to “magnify the Lord” (Luke 1:46) as hers did; she points to Jesus and says to us, “Do whatever he tells you” (John 2:5); she is present with us through our crosses, and directs us to gaze upon Jesus as she did at the foot of the Cross.

In this month of May, this month of Mary, as we prepare for a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, let us ask Mary to mother us, to help us to be as open as she was to the movement of the Holy Spirit, so that we may be witnesses of God’s love to all the world.



"It's been a few days since I've seen my kids. My hearts racing; I can't wait to hold them. This is just a glimpse into God's heart at Mass."

Mark Hart

As a parent, I fully understand what this quote is talking about. God gives us this experience of longing to be with our children so we can understand how much He desires to be close to us. The Holy Mass is where God draws near to us as a Father, reminding us of how much we are loved by Him.

It always brings me the greatest joy to see young people receive Holy Communion for the very first time. I ask that you continue to pray for all of the young people who received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion last month.

During this month of May, the month of Mary, we bring the Faith Life Program to a close. It is always such a gift to prayerfully reflect on the year and then begin plans for next year. Stay tuned, registration for the fall will open over the summer. Perhaps your child or grandchild will join us, perhaps you know an adult who has not been Confirmed yet. Whatever the case may be, it is never too late to receive these beautiful Sacraments that Jesus Himself left for us.

Praying for you always,

Adam Castor

Director of Faith Life

WOMEN'S BIBLE SHARING SUMMER BOOK CLUB

For the last four months, the Women's Bible Sharing group has met weekly to discuss scripture, build community and grow closer to God together. With summer just around the corner, we invite you to join us for Women's Bible Sharing summer book club where we will meet monthly on Tuesday mornings (6/20, 7/25 and 8/22) 9-10:30 AM exploring When God Whispers Your Name by Max Lucado.

For more information, please contact Jennah Costa jennahcosta@yahoo.com. We hope you'll join us!



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
(VBS) – SAVE THE DATE**
STELLAR is coming! This summer, kids will learn to SHINE A LIGHT ON JESUS' LOVE!
 Mark your calendars for July 10-14, 2023 (9am-noon). Open to campers ages 5-12.

NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are grateful to all of our parishioner who have made a gift to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. **Our goal for this year is \$53,280.** 100% of the funds raised above this Appeal goal are returned to our parish this year. If you have not made your gift yet, please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend or you can make your gift online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca. Extra gift envelopes are available in the pews. We need the support of all our parish families in order to reach our parish goal. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.



We are inviting you to a farewell reception for **Seminarian Phong Le** on Sunday, May 28th, following the 10:30 AM Mass in the Parish Center. Come and join us to say good-bye and wish him well.

The Crowning of Mary will be held this Sunday after the 10:30 AM Mass. We will process out to the Grotto (weather permitting). You are invited to join us in the Parish Center after for some refreshments. All are welcome!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NH ONLINE SUPPORT
Surviving Separation or Divorce

Are you struggling with life changes, isolation, and difficulties resulting from separation or divorce? Catholic Charities NH is hosting a five-week online support group called "Surviving Divorce and Separation." This group is designed for individuals who are facing new realities during or after separation or divorce. You will have the opportunity to both receive and offer support to others experiencing similar situations, and together, discover that you are not alone. Sessions will be held on Wednesdays, beginning May 24th, from 5:30-6:30 PM via Zoom.

To learn more or register, please visit www.cc-nh.org/separation

FORMED

To help you grow in your faith go to www.formed.org. They really have some good materials like Movies, Daily Reflection, Documentaries and much more. To register, go to pelham.formed.org

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Peter 4:13-16: "Beloved: Rejoice to the extent that you share in the sufferings of Christ, so that when his glory is revealed you may also rejoice exultantly." In your marriage you will have good times and hard times. Marriage takes work! Learn how to sow good seeds in your relationship, to pray as a couple, and grow more in love than ever when you sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. There, you and your spouse will come together to learn how to build the best relationship. The experience are listed below.

June 2-4, 2023 in Upton, MA

June 23-25, 2023 in Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays.

Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited, there is a \$100 application fee. For more information, or to apply, call Joe & Ginny Vattelle at 978-870-5646 or <https://wwmema.org/>.

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 5/7/23

Offertory Envelopes	\$6,133
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$2,077
Total Offertory	\$8,210

Mother's Day Flowers	\$920
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Total Collected	\$9,130
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Thank you for supporting our parish
 ~Fr. Von~

Capital Improvement

collected as of 5/7/23

\$1,752

Thank you for your generosity!



**SECOND ENVELOPES
 FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

May 28 Catholic Communication

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.

June 4 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

June 11 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.

WITH PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY

We pray for David Collins. We extend our sympathy to his family.

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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 fathervon@comcast.net.

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 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.

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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