



Saturday May 2

The DiGiantomaso & Hudson Families requested by their family
Bob Frascarelli requested by Ronnie & Kathy Jean

Sunday May 3

Intentions of all our Parishioners
Emile Martin, 9th Anniversary, requested by his family
Bernie Thibault requested by John & Paulette Jacobs
For an outpouring of Holy Vocations in our Church

Monday May 4

For All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday May 5

For Health & Blessings for Donna Smith requested by the Haggerty family

Wednesday May 6

Special Intention of the Lemieux family

Thursday May 7

Special Intention of the Lemieux family

Friday May 8

No Mass

Saturday May 9

Michael J. Taylor, Sr., 30th Anniversary, requested by the Taylor family
Joe St. Cyr requested by Jim & Mary Anne Harris & family

Sunday May 10

Mary Larese, 9th Anniversary, requested by the Raby family
Marietta Potter requested by her family
Grace Buscema requested by her family
Intentions of all our Parishioners

Adoration is happening in the Church during scheduled Mass times.



Sunday, May 3

Confessions, 10:00 AM

Monday, May 4

Confessions, 8:15 AM

Tuesday, May 5

Confessions, 11:00 AM (unless there is a funeral)

Wednesday, May 6

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM
Confessions, 7:00 PM

Thursday, May 7

Confessions, 8:15 AM

Friday, May 8

Confessions, 6:00 PM



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of John J. Slavin, Jr., and Ted Slavin by John & Carol Slavin



The Women's Guild Penny Sale is postponed until October 3rd & 4th.

The Deadline for Mother's Day Memorials is Monday, May 4th.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday. Every year on the fourth Sunday of Easter, the Gospel is from John 10, Jesus speaking about the Good Shepherd. In the Gospel today, Jesus says that the sheep follow the shepherd "because they recognize his voice" (John 10:4). So let's follow the analogy. Jesus is the shepherd. We are the sheep. We follow Him (not strangers) because we recognize His voice. So ... does Jesus speak to you?

It's an odd thing that in our world, when we talk to Jesus it's called prayer, but when Jesus talks to us it's called schizophrenia. Do we believe that Jesus really speaks to us? It would seem that Jesus is telling us that He does. Certainly, He speaks to us through the Sacred Scriptures and through the Sacred Tradition of the Church (please note that Sacred Tradition is that which we believe is inspired by the Holy Spirit, passed down by the Apostles, and is a matter of faith or morals ... as opposed to tradition [little "t"] which is "the way we do things"). But, it would seem that Jesus is saying that He also speaks to each of us.

So the question again: does Jesus speak to you?

I would submit to you that *He does speak to you*. Jesus, I believe, is constantly speaking to us in our hearts. The question is whether we are quiet enough to hear Him speak? Jesus doesn't shout; He whispers. St. Mother Teresa said,

The fruit of silence is prayer, the fruit of prayer is faith, the fruit of faith is love, the fruit of love is service and the fruit of service is peace. (A Simple Path)

At the heart of all prayer is silence. This is both external and internal silence. We need to step away from our devices, our noisemakers, all the things that distract us from ourselves, and spend time in silence with Jesus. You see, as we spend that time in silence, we begin to attune our ears to the voice of the Shepherd.

I have found over the years – waxing and waning – that I can hear the voice of Jesus. This voice is not an audible voice in my ears, but it is a voice in my heart. As I listen more attentively, I become more accustomed to that voice, and I can tell when it is Jesus and when it is myself (or sometime "the other guy").

Does this seem odd or something only for the saints, but not the ordinary Christian? I would submit to you that each Christian, by the very fact of his or her baptism, is called to be a saint. Each Christian is a child of God. Since a good father speaks to his children, wouldn't it follow that *the Good Father* speaks to us, His children? He does because He loves us.

I invite you today, take some time in silence. Shut off the TV and radio. Step away from all the devices. Find a place to be alone with The Alone, and let silence wash over you. You may only be able to take a minute or two at first (yup, it can be boring!), but as you learn how to be in silence with God, you will learn to embrace the silence, and have a deeper and deeper communion with God in your heart. You will even begin to recognize the voice of the Good Shepherd. His voice is a voice of peace, of love, of compassion. Even when He needs to correct us, it is always one of a loving Father calling us to Himself.

I pray that you come to recognize the gentle voice of the Shepherd, calling you home to His Heart.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The St. Patrick's Women's Guild grants four \$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, in the Sacristy **and on the Parish Website**. Applications should be turned into the Guidance Office at Pelham High School or to St. Patrick's Parish Office by Monday, May 4, 2020.



OFFICE FOR HEALING AND PASTORAL CARE

Joseph Naff, MSW is the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Manchester. As Director of the Office for Healing and Pastoral Care, Mr. Naff is available to provide compassionate, confidential and free assistance to individuals who were sexually abused by those representing the Church. If you or a loved one would like to speak with Mr. Naff, you may contact him at (603) 663-0125 or jnaff@rcbm.org.

VOCATIONS

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you think God is calling you to serve the Church as a priest or in the consecrated life, call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.

ADORATION ON PARISH WEBSITE

You can watch Adoration now on our Parish Website. Go to the Parish website www.stpatrick-pelham.com and look under the quick links and click on Mass on Pelham Television. Then click on the link ptv.viebit.com

SOCIAL MEDIA

While there are no public Masses at this time, you can grow other ways in your faith while at home. You can join us on our Parish Website, Facebook and Formed.org. You can also follow Fr. Von on Facebook and Instagram (you can find him under "Volney DeRosia"). These are many other resources out there.



PTV – SCHEDULE – CHANNEL 22

For St. Patrick Mass Schedule

Sunday – 8:00 PM

Monday – 7:00 AM & 4:00 PM

Tuesday – 9:00 AM & 8:00 PM

Wednesday – 1:00 PM & 10:00 PM

Thursday – 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Friday – 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Saturday – 6:00 AM & 2:00 PM – **4:00 PM "LIVE"**

Subject to change

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

AMAZON

If you have an Amazon account, you can have St. Patrick Parish as your Charity. You sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser. From your desktop, go to **Your Account** from the navigation at the top of any page, and then select the option to **Change** your **Charity**. Select St. Patrick as your new **charitable** organization to support us.

During this time, St. Patrick Parish wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving for your regular weekly offering. St. Patrick relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. Visit the church office, on Monday and Wednesday from 8:30am to Noon, or go to our web site, www.stpatricks-pelham.com, at any time to set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation or view your online donation history. Please consider electronic giving. Thank you!



VBS is back again this year and if your child hasn't yet experienced this themed week of games, music, skits, crafts and food – then what are you waiting for?! Our summer camp hosts over 150 children, teens and adult volunteers from all over the diocese and fills up fast. Early registration is now open and forms are at the back of the church. Volunteer opportunities are also available for 20 teen service hours. If interested or for more information, please contact Christine Lemieux at christine@lemieux-design.net

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES NH UPDATE:
All programs continue to offer Support
during COVID-19 Crisis**

In this challenging and unprecedented time, Catholic Charities NH continues to serve the needs of the vulnerable across New Hampshire. While most of our physical locations are closed, all of our programs remain operational. Our staff is working remotely and is accessible to serve individuals and families facing increasing hardship during this difficult period. If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact 603-669-3030. You may also visit www.cc-nh.org/programs for more information on how we continue to adapt to changing needs statewide.

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 4/26/20

Offertory Envelopes	\$4,465
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$1,217
Total Offertory	\$5,682

Maintenance	\$988
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Total Collected	\$6,670
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As of 4/26 we have an offertory deficit of \$9,444

Thank you for supporting our parish
~Fr. Von~



May 10 Utility

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

May 17 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

May 24 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.

May 31 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

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

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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

1st Wednesday Adoration is for Vocations
Contact Jackie Hynes at 603-425-8459

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 3:45pm
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.

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