



Saturday November 20

4pm ~ Charles Hudson, Birthday Remembrance, requested by his wife & children

Sunday November 21

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

10:30am ~ Norman Carpentier, 9th Anniversary, requested by Cheryl Brunelle & the Carpentier family

Monday November 22

8am ~ Frank Maglio, Jr., requested by Connie
David Thompson requested by Loretta Marino

Tuesday November 23

8am ~ George Dallaire requested by his family
Health & Blessings for Madeline Howard requested by Erin Haggerty

Wednesday November 24

8am ~ Sarah LaBrecque, 7th Anniversary, requested by Donna & Laura

Thursday November 25 Thanksgiving

8am ~ Armand Groulx, Sr., 30th Anniversary,
Richard Groulx, 2nd Anniversary, requested by Dennis & Irene Groulx
Michael Bedard requested by the Bedard family

Friday November 26

8am ~ No Mass

Saturday November 27

4pm ~ George Straughan, Birthday Remembrance, requested by Doug & Laura Masson

Sunday November 28

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
10:30am ~ Phillip John Cieszynski and Robert Stanley Cieszynski, Birthday Remembrance, requested by their family
Linda Kearney requested by her family

Sunday, November 21

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

Sacred Relics, 1:00 PM, in the church

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

Monday, November 22

Teaching on St. Joseph, 7:00 PM, in the youth room at the school

Tuesday, November 23

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service, 7:00 PM, in the church

Wednesday, November 24

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, 1:00-2:30 PM

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

Thursday, November 25

Happy Thanksgiving!

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

Friday, November 26

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



This week the Altar Flowers are for **Giving Thanks for Blessings** by the Villanueva family

The Cluster Advent Penance Service is being held on Sunday, December 5th, at 2:00 PM at Mary Queen of Peace in Salem, NH.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On this, the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year (we begin anew next week with the coming of Advent), we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King of the Universe. As always, this is an opportunity to examine our own relationship with Jesus.

The Gospel gives us a view of Christ's kingship which is diametrically opposed to the world's understanding of royalty. Here we see Jesus, already condemned by the Sanhedrin (the leadership of the Jewish people), now before Pilate, the Roman Governor. Pilate has all of the authority of the Roman Empire behind him. He has all of the worldly power, all of the leverage. This conversation takes place mere hours before Jesus would be crucified and die on the Cross. From the perspective of the world, Jesus has no power, no authority, everything will be taken from Him – yet the Church holds this moment up as a sign of Christ's Kingship. He is a *different kind of king!* He shows His royal dignity through service and love, not power

and lording it over others. He is a king that "testifies to the truth" (John 18:37). Objectively, Jesus is God and therefore is King of everything. However, He refuses to take our hearts by storm! He loves us and desires our free choice to love Him back, to embrace the truth of His Kingship. He will not assert power to take our hearts from us – we must choose to give them to Him. Is He King of our hearts, or our lives?

What does it mean for Jesus to be King in our lives?

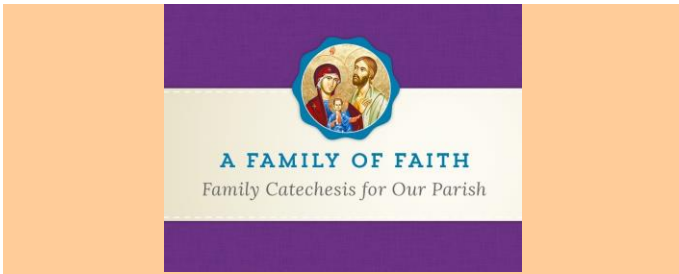
We can look at the different areas of our lives to see if they are really given over to Him, or if we cling to our own authority. He won't steal that from us. But, remember, He will give us what we really want. If we cling to our own authority and power, we will have that for all eternity. If we cling to His mercy and love – we will have *that* for all eternity in Heaven.

Do we allow Jesus to be King over our thoughts? Many times, we cling to our ideologies and refuse to surrender them to God. All of us see things from a finite perspective, but Jesus desires to mold our minds in the eternal perspective. When we are wounded by the words or actions of another, do we hold on to that hurt, or do we seek to forgive and to love? Jesus invites us to think as He thinks. If we invite Him to be Lord of our thoughts, He will remold and heal our way of thinking.

How about our desires? Jesus wants our desires, our longings to be molded to His desires. I would say that while we may be driven by our desires, it is not because our desires are too big, but because they are too small. We don't want *enough!* God has so much more in store for us! He is promising us a beautiful Thanksgiving dinner, and we're satisfied with chewing gum! Oh, if only we would allow Jesus to be Lord of our desires, He would mold them to be greater than we could imagine... and so open us to receive the fulfillment of our desires.

Do our actions, our work, our marriage and family, our money, our entertainment and leisure proclaim Jesus as King of our lives? Too often, we hold these close to us, trying to be in control. Yet, Jesus has so much more in store for us. When the vacations end up leaving us empty, the entertainment leaving us dry, when the work and marriage and family do not fulfill our deepest needs and desires, this is a sign that only God can satisfy.

This weekend, we are invited, again, to surrender control and authority of our lives over to Jesus. He IS King, but He is waiting for us to allow Him to be King in our lives so that He can bring in a reign of peace and love, mercy and justice, and the fulfillment of our deepest desires.



A Family of Faith - November

Our Community Gathering in the month of October was so much fun! To observe families growing in their faith together was truly inspiring.

During the month of November families will talk about the Story of Humanity. My story, your story, the story of every person walking this earth today. If we do not know where we came from and why God made us then we become confused about what our identity is.

Who am I? - You are God's chosen son/daughter
What is my purpose? - To know, love, and serve God.

Am I good? - Yes, you are made in the Image and Likeness of God!

To be made in the image and likeness of God means that we have intellect (intelligence) and free will (freedom). God is intelligent and free, and so are we!

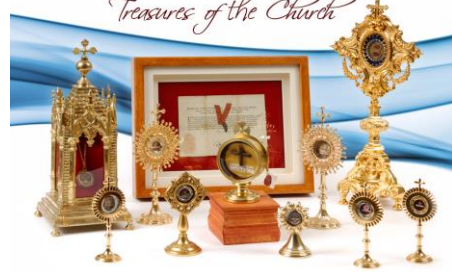
As we all know, the fall of man occurred in the Garden of Eden. This resulted in the Original Sin, a break in our relationship with Almighty God. This is why the Sacrament of Baptism is so necessary for our Salvation. It brings us back into the Body of Christ and we are made new.

At the end of the month we will spend time making preparations for the Season of Advent as a community. Advent is always such a beautiful time so let us begin to plan now for the coming of the Lord. How will you make room for Him during the Advent Season?



SACRED RELICS OF THE SAINTS

Treasures of the Church



St. Patrick Parish presents a teaching and exposition of **Sacred Relics on Sunday, November 21, at 1:00 PM in the Church.** Father Carlos Martins, a Vatican-appointed expert on relics will be here with an extraordinary Vatican collection of over 150 relics, some as old as 2,000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Patrick, St. Joseph, St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. There will also be a portion of the Veil of Our Lady and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. Throughout history, many healings have been worked in the presence of relics; and thousands have occurred through this ministry. Do not miss this opportunity.

You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards, etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members, which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession. This is once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Please spread the word.

Saints Mary and Joseph Parish in Salem, NH, will also have the Sacred Relics on display Monday, November 29th, at 6:00 PM.

VOCATION

"My kingdom is not from this world." Are you being called to proclaim the glorious reign of Christ the King as a priest or in the consecrated life? Call Father Matthew Mason (603) 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.

Monday Night Teachings on St. Joseph

Join Fr. Von in reading through Pope St. John Paul II's Apostolic Exhortation on St. Joseph, ***Redemptoris Custos***. Monday nights: **November 22nd and 29th, at 7:00 PM** in the youth room at the school

BAPTISM



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **RYAN FRANCIS BALDASARO, SOPHIA MARIE CARVALHO, JULIAN PAUL HANLON, GIULIETTA BETH PIZZO, LENA MARIE SANDS, ELEANOR JANE SCANLON, DYLAN JEAN VAUGHN.** Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.



Join us in our Tradition of the **Lighting of the Creche** on **Tuesday, November 30th, at 6:30 PM.** Immediately followed by Hot Chocolate, Cookies & Crafts in the Parish Center. All are welcome!

Mother Teresa



Mother Teresa was asked, "What will save America?" She responded, "HOLY HOURS WILL SAVE AMERICA!" When we spend time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, things change. Here at St. Patrick Church, Adoration takes place every Wednesday from 8:30-9:30 AM, and 2:00-8:00 PM. Won't you consider giving just one hour of your time each week to Our Lord, to help save America? Please make this commitment today by contacting Kathleen Garon at kgaron11@comcast.net or call the Parish Office to sign up for the hour most convenient for you. You will be glad you did!

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 11/14/21

Offertory Envelopes	\$5,867
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$2,021
Total Offertory	\$7,888

Utility	\$2,068
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Total Collected	\$9,956
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As of 11/14 we have an offertory deficit of \$1,820

Thank you for your continued support
~Fr. Von~

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Nov. 25 Thanksgiving-Emergency Fund
Helps families in need.

Nov. 28 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.

BAKERS WANTED

Saturday, December 4th, is the Christmas Craft Fair and we are looking for baked goods. If you can bake for us, please call the office to let us know. Then you will bring your baked good to the Parish Center on **Friday, Dec. 3rd, between 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM** or you can drop the baked goods at the parish office. Thank you!



Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service is Tuesday, November 23rd, at 7:00 PM here at St. Patrick Parish.

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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
2:00-8:00pm

For more information, or to sign up for Wednesday Adoration, contact Kathleen Garon at 978-482-5380

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 egwright@comcast.net. More information online: www.kofcpelhamnh.org