

CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES

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FORMED

To help you grow in your faith go to www.formed.org and sign in with the parish registration code **nr3434** (all lowercase).

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 fathervon@comcast.net or (603)-635-3525.

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: <http://www.nhknights.org/>

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	November 5
4pm	Matthew J. Janos , 12 th Anniversary, requested by Joan Janos
Sunday	November 6
8am	Alexandre & Alma Boisvert & Family requested by Anita & family
10:30am	Helen E. Taylor , 7 th Anniversary, requested by the Taylor family
6pm	Intentions of all our Parishioners
Monday	November 7
8am	For all Saints Armand Gagne requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turgeon
Tuesday	November 8
8am	Michael Cannon , 1 st Anniversary, requested by his wife Connie
Wednesday	November 9
8am	For all Souls in Purgatory Claire Morin requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turgeon
Thursday	November 10
8am	Francis Cote , 25 th Anniversary,
Friday	November 11
8am	No Mass
Saturday	November 12
4pm	Florence Jacques , requested by Dorothy Mohr & Jeanne Herrmann
Sunday	November 13
8am	Rena Cayer requested by her family
10:30am	Beverly Trainor requested by Pat Fitzgerald
6pm	Helene Jeknazarian requested by her sister & family



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Donny Gillis by his family

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 following week:

Offertory 10/30/16	\$7,873
Faith Life	\$1,447

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses **\$9,320**

Thank you for supporting our parish
~Fr. Von~

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Nov. 13 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

Nov. 20 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development supports programs and services for persons with low income, both in NH and around the US. Grants support programs that address community problems, increasing educational opportunities, and the creation of jobs. A portion of this collection also supports Black and Indian missions in the U.S.

Nov. 27 Utility

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

Dec. 4 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

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

THE PELHAM FOOD PANTRY

The Pelham Food Pantry is in need of **Paper Towels** and **Toilet Paper**.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 6

Coffee & Donuts, 11:30 AM, in the K of C Hall

Children of Mary, 11:45 AM, in the meeting room

Monday, November 7

Catholicism: The Pivotal Players, 7:00 PM, in the meeting room

Tuesday, November 8

Baptism Class, 6:00 PM, in the meeting room

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Women's Guild Meeting, 6:30 PM, in the parish center

Wednesday, November 9

Men's morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the chapel

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

Bible Sharing, 9:00 AM, in the meeting room

Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM

Thursday, November 10

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

Praise Band, 7:30 PM, in the church

Friday, November 11

Parish Office is closed

Win an iPad Air 2

St. Patrick Parish invites you to consider our electronic giving program as a way to automate your regular weekly offerings. Electronic giving is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for our church. There is no cost for you to participate. This program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis. Online Giving lets you go to **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. Authorization forms and additional information are available from the church office or on line at **www.stpatricks-pelham.com**. **Any family who signs up for Electronic Giving during the months of October and November, either through VANCO Services or Automatic Withdrawal, will be entered into a drawing for an iPad Air 2. So register now to be placed in the drawing!**

PRAYER WARRIORS NEEDED

We are in need of Prayer Warriors to help pour out God's grace on our young people who will be receiving their First Reconciliation and Communion, and those receiving Confirmation this year. If you would like to sign up to pray and sacrifice for our young people, please contact Fr. Von (fathervon@comcast.net or 603-635-3525).



The following couple will enter the Covenant of Marriage in November:

Jennifer Becotte
&
Christopher Perault

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

TURKEY CHEER

The Knights of Columbus Council 6902 is having their Annual Turkey Dinner and Raffle on Saturday, November 19, 2016 at St. Patrick Parish Center. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Dinner starts at 6:00PM followed by our **raffles**. For tickets and to reserve a table of 8 please call:

John Costa 603-508-0579

James Dolan 603-635-7737

Tickets are also available at the door. Adults \$10.00/Seniors & Children \$8.00 per person. Donations for raffles greatly appreciated. Please contact John M. Costa at 603-508-0579.



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick. They are: **Ace Abram Carito-Afzaal, Aubrey Marie Becotte, Kaiden James Doherty, Alana Rose LaFrance, Matthew William Martone and Isabella Angelique Rainis.** Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

FROM THE PASTOR

My dear brothers and sister,

This week we celebrate National Vocation Awareness week. At the heart of this celebration is the truth that God has a plan for each of us! God did not create anyone to be worthless, useless, or discarded, but each person is loved, and has a purpose, a mission in this world. Every single one of us is called to be with God forever in Heaven. When we focus our awareness on Vocations, what we are doing is recognizing that God's plan for our life is knowable and attainable. This starts by asking the question: "What does God want of me?" Do we do this with our children? Most often we ask them, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Do we ever ask, "What do you think **God** wants you to be when you grow up?" Every Vocation is a call from God to self-denial and generosity of heart.

Let's look first at the Vocation to Marriage. This Vocation is a call to committed love in a lifelong relationship. The Vocation of Marriage has been falling off in recent years, as fewer and fewer people are getting married. Even those who do get married rarely ask, "Is this what **God** wants for me? Is this the person **God** has chosen for my life?" God has a wonderful plan for marriage – for joy-filled marriage for **all** those called to this vocation. Yet divorce is all over our society, and even those who stay married often are not filled with joy. Let's start submitting our relationships – especially the relationship of marriage – to the Lordship of God, who *is love itself*, who *wants* our joy even than we want it.

There is also the Vocation to Religious Life. Many men and women are called to give themselves to the Church through vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Their gift of self to the Church, while promising celibacy (a form of committed love to God and His Church, as opposed to a particular person), brings about the freedom of being able to serve and pray for the Church in ways that are not available to most married people.

The Vocation to Priesthood is a calling to give yourself to the Church as a bridegroom to a bride. The priest takes on the role of acting in the person of Christ the head, so that he may feed the Church (the Bride) with the Body and Blood of Christ, wash her clean through Baptism and Reconciliation, and give her the other Sacraments of God's love.

Sometimes young people balk at the thought of giving themselves to the Church through priesthood or religious life, fearing that it is a boring or lonely life. I can attest that the adventure of following Christ has never left me bored. I can also attest that while there are points of loneliness in my life (but then again, even married people get lonely, too), my life has been filled with love. I never want for "having children" as I count 1,600 families as my children (that's a lot of kids!). Boring?! Lonely?! Anything but!!!

Let us pray this week for a great outpouring of vocations in our Church – that young people may listen for and be open to the call of God, that they hear it, and respond with the generosity of a profound "YES" to God's call for their lives. Let us also pray for those of us who "have" their vocations – that we may live out our vocations in generosity of heart and joy of spirit.

A LITTLE VOCATION PRAYER

At dinner each night this week, after you say grace, add this short prayer, "**Jesus, help me to be who You want me to be. Let it be done to me according to Your word.**"

USING GPS TO NAVIGATE LIFE

After Mass today, have a conversation with your children, asking, "what do you want to be when you grow up?" After a few moments of discussion, ask, "Who do you think *God* wants you to be when you grow up?" Emphasize to your children that God has a specific plan in mind for them, and that following God's plan is the surest way to happiness. Every life decision – which college to attend, whom to date, which job to pursue, whether to enter seminary, whom to marry – should be undertaken only after praying for God's guidance. In other words, encourage kids to navigate life using GPS – God's Positioning System.



We are looking for crafters for St. Patrick's Christmas Craft Fair to be held on December 3, 2016. Cost is \$30.00 for an 8'x6' space. All crafters who have **hand crafted items** are welcome. It is a fun day with a coloring contest for kids, scrumptious food and homemade goodies at our Bake Table. Please call the parish office at 603-635-3525 for an application and more details.

EXCITING NEW APP FOR ST. PAT'S

St. Patrick Church of Pelham, NH App is designed to provide parishioners a powerful tool for communication and collaboration. The app will help you quickly find Mass Times, Parish Staff Directory, Events Calendar, and much more. The app facilitates communication between the different groups and ministries in the parish. You can receive push notification of last-minute changes and other important information. St. Patrick Church of Pelham, NH App also provides valuable resources that will help you grow in your faith: devotionals, news, audio podcasts, video, and more. Here is the link to sign up now: <http://myapp.parishapps.com/St%20Patrick%20Pelham%20NH>

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 PELHAM GOOD NEIGHBOR FUND

47th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DRIVE

The Pelham Good Neighbor Fund committee is asking for your support so that we will be able to help individuals and families during Christmas with food, clothing and toys for the children who live in Pelham. We are asking individuals, families, businesses, organizations, schools, civic and church groups to be as generous as possible. Volunteers will be accepting food and cash donations on Saturday and Sunday, December 10th and 11th from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM in the parking lot at the Pelham Plaza. If you would like to make a donation on line, please visit our website at www.pelhamgoodneighborfund.org, or you can make your check payable to the **Pelham Good Neighbor Fund, P.O. Box 953, Pelham, NH 03076**. Your cash donation is tax deductible since we are a 501(C)(3) charitable organization. The committee also uses the money collected during the drive to provide financial assistance 52 weeks a year for food, heat, rent, electricity, and other household expenses for Pelham residents. Your financial support would be greatly appreciated so we can help our Neighbors in Need.

If you need help during the holidays, please call one of the people listed below or email us at pgnfsponsorchild@live.com. If you would like to sponsor a child or family for Christmas, please also call one of the people listed below or go to St. Patrick's Church to pick out a name tag(s).

Jeanne DiRocco (603)635-2089

Brenda Blake (603)339-0679

Karen Fournier (978)319-8650

You can call Jeanne DiRocco anytime, Brenda Blake and Karen Fournier after 6:00 PM during the week and after 10:00 AM on the weekend. We need to hear from you no later than Wednesday, December 7th. Your call for help will be handled in strict confidence.

ST. PATRICK MEN'S CLUB

St. Patrick Men's Club will be held on **Saturday, November 12th from 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM**, for breakfast and fellowship. If any man or young man is interested in attending/joining the Men's Club, please come and join us. All men are welcome!