



Saturday September 30

4pm ~ Matthew J. Janos requested by Joan Janos

Lynn Kulesza requested by her husband John

Sunday October 1

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

10:30am ~ Antonette D'Alessio, 34th Anniversary, **Charles D'Alessio, 18th** Anniversary, requested by the Tocco family

Monday October 2

8am ~ A Mass of Thanksgiving for our Guardian Angels requested by Walter Bacigalupo

Tuesday October 3

8am ~ David Perigny and Marianne Brettell requested by their cousins Georgette & Andrea **Fernand, Jacqueline & Evelyn Dallaire** requested by their family

Wednesday October 4

8am ~ Susan Santamaria, 32nd Anniversary, requested by her family **Jim Narragon** requested by the 8 O'Clockers

Thursday October 5

8am ~ Patricia Whittaker Montgomery requested by a friend **Michael Perruccio** requested by John & Christina Vogl

Friday October 6

8am ~ Thomas Straughan, 2nd Anniversary, requested by Doug & Laura Masson

Saturday October 7

8am ~ Jim Narragon & Dale Narragon requested by David & Maureen Groff **4pm ~ Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Chisholm** requested by the Chisholm family

Sunday October 8

8am ~ Robert Hall, 27th Anniversary, requested by Anita Hall & family **10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners**

Sunday, October 1

Coffee & Donuts, 9:00 AM, in the parish center
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Faith Life Parent Session, 11:30 AM, in the school
Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Monday, October 2

Faith Life Parent Session, 6:00 PM, in the school
Jesus and the Eucharist, 7:00 PM, in the youth room at the school

Tuesday, October 3

Women's Bible Sharing, 9:00-10:00 AM, in the youth room at the school
Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM
Women's Guild Meeting, 6:30 PM, in the church

Wednesday, October 4

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
Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM, in the parish center

Thursday, October 5

Blood Drive, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, in the parish center
Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the school
Mass for Creation, 7:00 PM, in the church

Friday, October 6

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



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of **Timothy St. Cyr**, Birthday Remembrance, by his mother Cheryl & brother William



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of **Timothy St. Cyr**, Birthday Remembrance, by his mother Cheryl & brother William



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today, I'll continue out meditation on the Eucharist as Presence.

I hope you spent some time this week pondering over the incredible presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, that He would be there waiting for us, a prisoner of the tabernacle, as it were, so that we could approach Him any day, any time.

I mentioned last week that we become like our friends, for as we spend more time with them, we take on their attributes. Jesus desires for us to become more like Him. "God is love," St. John tells us (I John 4:8, 16), and so to become more like Him, we have to grow in love. We see the power of Jesus' love in the Eucharist in many ways. The height of it is that the whole Pascal Mystery is present in the Eucharist. What is the Pascal Mystery?

Pascal is synonymous with "Passover," and in this sense, it is the mystery of what God has done for us by suffering, dying, rising, ascending into heaven, and sending us the Holy Spirit. When we look at the Eucharist, we see all of that in one moment.

The photographer Hiroshi Sugimoto wanted to take a picture of a movie... not a picture of a single point in the movie, but a single picture of a whole movie. He set up his camera in a movie theatre and opened the lens when the movie began, closing it when the movie ended. When the film was developed, all of the mixture of light during the movie caused the picture of the movie screen to be gleaming white. When we look at the Eucharist, all we see is white, but what is there is the whole "movie" – as it were – of Christ's love for us poured out on the Cross.

Jesus wills our good, and does what it takes for our good to come about:

The Eucharist adds nothing to Jesus, but is entirely for our benefit. Christ present in the Eucharist is absolutely disinterested, for He is there entirely for us, for our welfare. Christ's Eucharistic presence on our altars and in our tabernacles, day and night, adds nothing to Him, but everything to us. He is the divine "prisoner of the tabernacle" in order to be able to be with us whenever we wish it, to be available to give us the consolation of His presence whenever we need it, desire it, and seek it, whenever we thirst for the face of God when all other consolations have run dry in this place of exile, this valley of tears. (*The Eucharist: Mystery of Presence, Sacrifice and Communion* by Lawrence Feingold, p. 14)

Jesus' total gift of self on the Cross, is then translated into His total gift of self in the Eucharist. He is ever-present to us, ready to receive us and our brokenness. He "endures all abuse, all irreverence, all sacrilege, with utmost meekness, for the sake of being perpetually present as divine Victim in our midst" (*ibid.*). Oh! What an incredible love!

As Jesus invites us to spend time with Him, we become like Him. As we spend time in His presence, we allow Him to mold our hearts and transform us into His love. As He is there entirely for us, He will help to mold us to be less about ourselves and more about love and service to others. As He endures all offenses against Himself, He trains us to bear the cost of love. Admittedly, God may not do this action in us all at once, but the more time we spend with Him, the more He will change us.

Again, I invite you to spend time with the God of the universe present in the Blessed Sacrament. Being with Him will change your life!

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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

HEARING ASSISTANCE AT MASS

If you have trouble hearing at Mass, we have portable hearing assistants that tap into our sound system. If you would like to borrow one for Mass, please check in the Sacristy before Mass.

Monday Night Teachings Jesus and the Eucharist

During the National Eucharistic Revival
Strengthen your

Faith

Join us Monday Nights at 7:00 PM
in the youth room

October 2nd – October 30th.

(No class on October 23rd)

**Teaching Mass in the Church on
November 6th, at 7:00 PM**



BABY BOTTLE DRIVE



St. Gianna's Place: A Catholic Home for women in crisis pregnancies located in Hudson, will be holding a baby bottle campaign until October 8th. Our doors have been open for 4 years and we've been able to offer a loving, formative and supportive home to over 20 women and their children during this short time! Your financial support is greatly appreciated in order to defray the costs of the day-to-day operations and educational programs we offer to our moms. If you would like to help, simply take home a baby bottle, fill it with your donation, and return it to the bin at the entrance of the church. With your support, we can change mothers' and their babies lives through the love and care of this community. Thank you!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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Calendar of Events

Blood Drive, Thursday, October 5th, from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, in the Parish Center

Mass for Creation, Thursday, October 5th, at 7:00 PM, in the Church

Healing Mass, Friday, October 13th, at 7:00 PM, in the Church

Men of St. Joseph, Saturday, October 14th, from 7:00-9:00 AM, in the Parish Center

Generational Healing Mass, Friday, November 3rd, 7:00 PM, in the Church

Community Dinner, Friday, November 10th, 5:30-7:00 PM, in the Parish Center

Men of St. Joseph, Saturday, November 11th, 7:00-9:00 AM, in the Parish Center



Vocations

“He humbled Himself and became obedient...” If the Lord invites you to follow Him in humble obedience as a priest or in the consecrated life, how will you respond?

Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org

Light of the World

Join us October 20-23, 2023

For a life-changing retreat!

Light of the World

held at St. Patrick School

sign up by contacting

the Parish Office at 603-635-3525 or

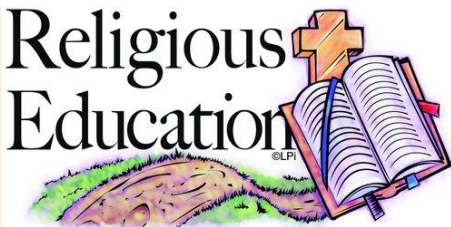
kathy7421@comcast.net

The retreat is free,

and you sleep at home.

Please indicate dietary restrictions.

If you need rides to and from the Retreat, and this is stopping you from signing up, we do have the ability to provide rides for a number of participants. Let us know when you sign up.



**October Faith Life Update
You Were Made for Heaven!**

As we begin the Faith Life Year, this is our topic of conversation. The fact that God, in His loving goodness, has chosen to create us for eternity. The idea of eternity or forever can be difficult to grasp for us. Difficult as it may be, we must try and understand this, Truth. Our actions and choices in this life dictate where we will spend eternity. We have an opportunity to spend day after day in the presence of the Lord, completely filled with all that He is the source of. Heaven is a place of perfect Joy, Peace, Happiness, and Love. In order to be welcomed into Heaven God has left a very clear plan for us to follow. He has left this clear plan in the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes. These laws are laws of love because they are the path that leads to Heaven. God desires us to be there with Him for all eternity and loves us so much.

Today, in every small action, let us Choose Heaven! Let us Choose Heaven by following the path of the Ten Commandments and Beatitudes. We are still accepting Faith Life Registrations at this time. Please email Adam Castor at faithlifeformation@comcast.net with any questions.

CREATE A LEGACY

Be a part of ensuring the future of our Church

In dealing with the most important questions of where our resources will go after we are not around to manage them, it is important to have a plan. When making these future plans, consider making a legacy gift to St. Patrick Parish and make an impact on our future ministries and the Catholic faith. With a simple bequest in your will or estate plan, you can make a significant difference in the future of our parish for generations to come. For more information about how to include St. Patrick’s Catholic Church in your will, please contact Fr. Von or Therese Soucy in the parish office.

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 9/24/23

Offertory Envelopes	\$5,563
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$2,192
Total Offertory	\$7,755
Evangelization	\$1,489
Total Collected	\$9,244

Thank you for your
faithful & generous support
~Fr. Von~



**SECOND ENVELOPES
FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

Oct. 8 Utility

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

Oct. 15 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Oct. 22 World Mission Sunday

On World Mission Sunday we join the Church throughout the world in fulfilling our evangelical mission to “go out to all the world.” The Society for the Propagation of the Faith coordinates programs for evangelization and catechesis throughout the world.

Oct. 29 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

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

CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES

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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