

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	October 15
4pm	Matthew L. Janos , 31 st Anniversary, requested by Joan Janos
Sunday	October 16
8am	Emile Deschene "Birthday Remembrance" requested by his wife & children
10:30am	Janyn Provencal , 2 nd Anniversary, requested by the Provencal family
6pm	Barbara Kearn "Birthday Remembrance" requested by Paul & Janet Wheeler
Monday	October 17
8am	Robert Hamel requested by Therese Goupil
	Philip Crete requested by Priscilla LeBlanc
7pm	Mass for Reparation
Tuesday	October 18
8am	Mario Matos requested by his Rita
Wednesday	October 19
8am	Charles J. Brady , 8 th Anniversary, requested by son & daughter-in-law
7pm	Confessions
Thursday	October 20
8am	Walter Lisien requested by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turgeon
Friday	October 21
8am	No Mass
Saturday	October 22
8am	Robert Tebo & Rita Palveka
4pm	Catherine Bisson "Birthday Remembrance" requested by her Grandparents Ruth & Paul Bisson
Sunday	October 23
8am	Bernardin Raby , 6 th Anniversary, requested by the Raby family
10:30am	Joseph Dias requested by Karen & Kevin Martin
6pm	Intentions of all our Parishioners

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 10/9/16	\$7,823
Utility	\$1,585

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses **\$9,408**

Thank you for supporting our parish
~Fr. Von~

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Oct. 23 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. 30 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Nov. 6 The Archdiocese for the Military Service

The Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services will fund their Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program, which identifies vocations within the military and is now educating 30 men for the priesthood and subsequent military chaplaincy.

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



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Emmett L. Beane, Jr. by his wife Jane

**Sunday, October 16**

Coffee & Donuts, 11:30 AM, in the K of C Hall
Children of Mary, 11:45 AM, in the meeting room

Monday, October 17

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

Tuesday, October 18

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM
Pastoral Council Meeting, 7:00 PM, in the meeting room

Wednesday, October 19

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
Confessions, 7:00 PM

Thursday, October 20

Blood Drive, 2:00-8:00 PM, in the parish center
AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall
Praise Band, 7:30 PM, in the church

Saturday, October 22

Mass and Consecration to Merciful Love, 8:00 AM

MARCH FOR LIFE – A PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Join Fr. Von, hundreds of pilgrims from NH, and hundreds of thousands of pilgrims from across the nation to be a peaceful voice for those most vulnerable in our society who have no voice – the unborn. The trip to Washington, DC will take place on Thursday January 26, 2017, the March on the 27th, and return early morning on the 28th. For more information, grab a registration form from the main entrance of the Church, or speak with Fr. Von (635-3525).

During the month of October, the Knights of Columbus will pray the Rosary on each Friday from 6:00-7:00 PM in the Chapel. At 6:45 PM the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy will be recited.

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).

**Jesus and Mary want to live
in your Family's Home!**

The Daughters of Mary, Mother of Healing Love will be coming to our parish to help us prepare for the Home Enthronement. We invite you to take part in this special event, to properly prepare for Home Enthronement we recommend you do the following:

~ Begin to pray in front of an image of Our lady (picture or statue) with your family at home. Begin to ask for Her intercession for an outpouring of The Holy Spirit so that there might truly be a 'New Pentecost' in the parish through this Home Enthronement.

~ On **Monday, October 24th & Tuesday, October 25th from 6:00-7:00 PM** we will be offering special times of Eucharistic Adoration so your family can properly prepare for the Home Enthronement. We will also be having our regular Eucharistic Adoration time on **Wednesday, October 26th from 2:00-8:00 PM.**

~ On **October 27th & 28th at 6:30 PM** there will be a Two Part Catechesis on Home Enthronement which will take place in the church. This Mission will be done by the Daughter of Mary, Mother of Healing Love.

CONSECRATION TO MERCIFUL LOVE

This Friday, October 21st, ends our thirty-three days of preparation to the Consecration to Merciful Love. If you can, please join us Saturday morning, October 22nd at 8:00 AM for Mass and the Consecration. If you cannot make it, feel free to pray the Consecration prayer on your own.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION

Next weekend, Fr. Brian Kennedy, C.Ss.R., pastor of St. Matthew Parish in Windham, will preside at all the Masses. Fr. Brian has spent many years ministering in the Dominican Republic, and is coming to speak about the missions of mercy in which he and people from New Hampshire participate in the Dominican.

FROM THE PASTOR

My dear brothers and sisters,

It is with great joy and excitement that I announce that Catholic Medical Center (CMC) in Manchester will be opening the **Women's Wellness and Fertility Center of New England** in early 2017. This new center will be using NaPro Technology to help women manage their fertility in effective, affordable and morally acceptable ways. Their opening can lead to many opportunities to speak about the Catholic Church's teaching on sexuality and marriage.

While I cannot get into extensive detail here, I want to open up the conversation. Unfortunately, when most people think about the Church's understanding of sexuality, they might think of the words *outdated*, *outmoded*, *don't*, or *controlling*. The truth is that the Church gleans its wisdom of our sexuality from the one who made us as sexual beings – Almighty God Himself – and from centuries of deep thought on the topic. If, for instance, the Church's stance against artificial contraception comes up, most people in our society laugh it off, or reject it outright. I challenge you, though, to ask the hard question: *Why* does the Church teach what she teaches? Don't just ignore the question, but delve into it. In a sense, I'm saying: *I dare you to prove the Church wrong*. Many who have tried over the centuries have come to embrace the *beauty* of the Church's teaching. And this is the key to it all – the Church's teaching on sexual morality, when understood correctly, *is beautiful* and draws us to desire to follow it. You see, the Church is not *imposing* morality, but proposing the most **beautiful, joy-filled** way to live!

So, in brief (and it must be brief... please, read, study, learn more!), the Church believes that God designed sexuality to be a reflection of His inner life and love. The Father eternally begets the Son, and the love between the Father and Son is so real, it is the person of the Holy Spirit. God designed for *us* to participate in creation (procreation) in an embrace of love which reflects His love – a love so real that it may become a person. This love of God (as seen on the Cross) is **Total, Faithful, Free, and Fruitful**. In this love, new people are begotten who didn't exist before and will exist forever (some have said this is God's favorite thing to do... make people who will be with Him forever!). To put it another way, God's plan is to connect **babies** and **bonding** in the sexual embrace, within the context of a loving, committed relationship (marriage). When we intentionally separate these elements – babies and bonding, in a loving, committed relationship – we are doing an injustice to very essence of what the sexual embrace is about.

Now, I know this may not be convincing, for I have not the time to get into all detail and beauty, but let's take this as it is, and look at the practical effect of believing this. It means that artificial contraception goes against how God created sexuality to be, and artificial means of fertilization does as well. It is amazing to see how our scientific findings are now corroborating the Church's constant teaching (okay, not so amazing since the same God who made science and the human body also made morality!). There are so many negative side effects of hormonal contraception – including physical problems which could even lead to permanent infertility, cancer, strokes and death; emotional problems, and relationship problems – and we never hear about these, yet it is right on the information packets of “the pill”.

This brings us back to the beginning of the article, and the opening of the CMC Women's Wellness and Fertility Center. They will be teaching the Creighton method of Natural Family Planning (NFP) – a scientific and natural method of achieving or avoiding pregnancy. This scientific method is as or more effective than any artificial contraceptive at avoiding pregnancy. Once learned, there are no on-going expenses. NFP has no side-effects (unless you count as side-effects: (a) having a dramatically low [0.2%] divorce rate; (b) experience happier marriages; (c) having considerably more marital relations; (d) sharing a deeper intimacy with spouse; (e) realizing a deeper level of communication with spouse; and (f) being personally happier). NFP also *helps* achieve pregnancy when desired. CMC will also provide NaPro methods of **helping correct infertility** in ways that are **more effective** and **less expensive** than in vitro fertilization. It keeps together God's plan for procreation (babies and bonding in the sexual embrace), and avoids anything which is immoral, such as freezing or destroying our children, as in vitro very often does.

For more information, check out www.cmc-womenswellness.org.

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 such-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!

UNBOUND: FREEDOM IN CHRIST CONFERENCE

October 29, 2016

Registration at 8:00 AM

St. Andre Bessette Parish

291 Union Avenue, Laconia, NH 03246

For more information, call Jude at 603-524-9609 or email: AbbaHealingCenter1@gmail.com

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

LIONS BOX FOR USED EYEGLASSES

One of the Pelham Lions Club goals is to eradicate blindness. Lions have worked on projects designed to prevent blindness, aid the blind and visually impaired, restore eyesight and improve eye health and eye care for hundreds of millions of people worldwide. There will be a collection box in the Chapel to facilitate the collection of old eyeglasses, including sunglasses. Cases are not needed. Thank you.



Tryouts for the CYO 2016-2017 Basketball season will be held on October 20th. The season runs from October through early March. Practices are once a week with a game on the weekend – generally on Sunday afternoon. All interested children of parishioners are encouraged to tryout. Time slots and gym locations for the tryouts are as follows:

Thursday, Oct. 20th PM at Pelham Memorial School (59 Marsh Road)

Girls, 5th & 6th grade at 6:00 – 7:15 PM

Boys, 7th & 8th grade at 7:15 – 9:00 PM

For more information, please contact Jennifer Nale (jennifernale@yahoo.com)

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>