



**Saturday October 23**

4pm ~ **Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Chisholm** requested by the Chisholm family

**Sunday October 24**

8am ~ **Intentions of all our Parishioners**  
10:30am ~ **Antonette D'Alessio, 32<sup>nd</sup>** Anniversary, and **Charles D'Alessio, 16<sup>th</sup>** Anniversary, requested by the Tocco family

**Monday October 25**

8am ~ **Bishop John McCormack**

**Tuesday October 26**

8am ~ **No Mass**

**Wednesday October 27**

8am ~ **Bishop John McCormack**

**Thursday October 28**

8am ~ **Harry Brunelle** requested by his niece  
**Francis Silva** requested by Donna Cook

**Friday October 29**

8am ~ **No Mass**

**Saturday October 30**

4pm ~ **Matthew L. Janos, 36<sup>th</sup>** Anniversary, requested by Joan Janos

**Sunday October 31**

8am ~ **Intentions of all our Parishioners**  
10:30am ~ **Christian Gualtieri** requested by the Shaw family

**Sunday, October 24**

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

**Tuesday, October 26**

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

**Wednesday, October 27**

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, October 28**

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

**Friday, October 29**

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



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of **Clint St. Onge, 50<sup>th</sup>** Birthday Remembrance, by Mom, Chad & Curt St. Onge



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of **Clint St. Onge, 50<sup>th</sup>** Birthday Remembrance, by Mom, Chad & Curt St. Onge

**HEARING ASSISTANCE AT MASS**

If you have trouble hearing at Mass, we have purchased 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.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We hear today about how Jesus heals Bartimaeus, the blind man. I just want to share some of my reflections on the different parts of the Gospel passage.

First, this story is a reminder that Jesus is the Divine Healer. He came into our humanity to overcome our sin and death so that we can have eternal life with Him. But it's more than just about when we leave this world – He cares for us right here, right now. He heals our sinful souls. He heals our broken hearts. He heals our wounded emotions. He heals our sick bodies. In my experience, I have seen Jesus heal souls far more often than the other types of healing, but I have witnessed emotional healing to a great extent, and I have even witnessed miraculous physical healings. He is truly The Healer. Oh, that we would trust Him more to heal what we *need* healed!

Second, Jesus heals Bartimaeus of his blindness. This is a real physical healing of physical blindness, but it also is a sign that Jesus heals our spiritual blindness. How often do I look but not see?! It is so easy to be blind to how God is moving in our lives! It can be incredibly scary not to see God's love! It would mean that we're in this on our own, that we have to fend for ourselves, that everything we have worked for can be taken away in an instant! O, that today we would be able to see His love! Even in the midst of the greatest storms of life, we would find peace! Jesus invites us to surrender that blindness to Him so that He can show us how much love He has for us.

Another reflection is that Bartimaeus is persistent in his plea to Jesus. Even when others tell him to be silent, he keeps crying out to Jesus. Do we have that persistence? When we're in need, do we keep crying out to Jesus, or do we give up, letting our hands fall in?

This question Jesus asks Bartimaeus is a key question: "**What do you want me to do for you?**" (Mark 10:51). Jesus cares about our needs, yes, but also our desires. What do I want of Jesus? He *really* wants to know! I think this also indicates that Jesus won't crush our freewill. He wants us to be involved. He wants us to *want Him* moving in our lives. Will we ask Him, invite Him, into our brokenness, our hurt, our woundedness? Sometimes, all He is waiting for is an invitation.

My final reflection on this is about Bartimaeus' faith. He asks to be able to see. He doesn't say, "If you can, I wouldn't mind if maybe you could possibly do something so that I might not stumble around as much, and maybe can have ..." He is direct in asking for the impossible, "I want to see" (Mk 10:51). Boldly, he asks God for the impossible, with trust that He can do it, and that He *wants* to do it. He doesn't demand anything, but he asks boldly, knowing that Jesus wants to answer. Jesus recognizes his faith and heals him, and faith leads not only to Bartimaeus' healing, but also to his following Him. Jesus is inviting us to have faith in Him – faith that asks boldly and follows totally. Let's pray with bold and persistent faith that the Lord will heal our spiritual blindness, and every other infirmity in body, mind and soul.



### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

October is the month set aside for members of St. Patrick Parish to nominate other members or themselves to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council. Nominations forms are available in the front entrance of the Church. Please use a separate nomination form for each name submitted. Please submit your nomination by **Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.**

#### GENERATIONAL HEALING MASS

On Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, Fr. Von will have a Generational Healing Mass. This Mass focusses on praying for the darkness and brokenness in our families throughout the generations. To prepare for this, you will need to fill out a family tree. Forms to help you with this can be found at the main entrance of the Church, the parish office, and on our parish website (**under "Sacraments & Prayer" click "Healing Mass"**).

### CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

This year has been a year dedicated to the patron of the universal church: St. Joseph. As this year comes to a close on December 8<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Von invites you to consecrate yourself to St. Joseph using Fr. Donald Calloway's book *Consecration to St. Joseph - The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father*. The preparation for this consecration begins on Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. There will be a limited number of copies of this book at the main entrance if you would like to do this 33-day preparation for the consecration.

#### MARCH FOR LIFE

Registration is now open for our 2022 pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. for the Annual March for Life. The dates for the March for Life is **January 20-21**. For more information, or to register, visit [form.jotform.com/RCBM/2022m4l](http://form.jotform.com/RCBM/2022m4l) and contact Fr. Von.

### VOCATION

"What do you want Me to do you for you?" Could your answer be the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father Matthew Mason (603) 663-0132, or write: [mmason@rcbm.org](mailto:mmason@rcbm.org).



#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Generational Healing Mass**, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM, in the Church

**Community Dinner**, November 12<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30-7:00 PM

**Craft Fair**, December 4<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Advent Penance Service**, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 PM, at Mary Queen of Peace in Salem



#### 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 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**, at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school

#### ROOMBA RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus are raffling off an iRobot i7 Roomba to fund their donations to various charities. The drawing will be held on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Individual tickets will be sold for **\$5 each, or a book of 5 can be purchased for \$20**, which saves \$5 over buying the ticket individually. **We are selling raffle tickets in the parish office.**



## A Family of Faith - October

What a joy it has been to hear from families already about the quality of the materials and how excited their children are to sit down with mom and dad to discuss our beautiful Catholic faith. At the end of September, we came together as a community and enjoyed the parish picnic, connecting to the greater parish community.

During our first year of this program, we will be learning about the Profession of Faith. In the month of October, specifically families will be discussing the beauty of God's Creation. Remembering that God is Creator should immediately humble us. We think of beautiful sunsets, the majestic view from atop a mountain and we are left in awe of our Lord who truly is the Divine Artist.

What is even more important to remember is that you, yes you, are His master work. God has made you in His image and likeness and that is far more beautiful than any sunset.

The families will celebrate God's Creation at the end of the month by creating nature art and going on a nature scavenger hunt around the grounds of the parish.

**Registration for our 2021-2022 Faith Life is still open.** It is not too late if you have not yet registered. You can find registration materials on our parish website or by stopping in at the Parish Office, Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM.

### HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

Join us for the first Tuesday of the month, **November 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 6-7 PM** for a Holy Hour for Life in the Church. In this time before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we will pray for a cultivation of the Culture of Life. There will be guided prayer as well as time for silence. Please contact Fr. Von ([fathervon@comcast.net](mailto:fathervon@comcast.net) or 635-3525) if you have any questions.

### 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 10/17/21

Offertory Envelopes \$4,735

Offertory Electronic Giving \$2,219

**Total Offertory \$6,954**

Faith Life \$1,340

**Total Collected \$8,294**

**As of 10/17 we have an offertory deficit of \$2,552**

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

### SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

#### Oct. 24 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. 31 Maintenance

This collection helps with the Church and School grounds.

#### Nov. 7 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

#### Nov. 14 Utility

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

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

## **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

12 Main St.  
Pelham, NH 03076  
603-635-3525 (office)  
603-635-3919 (fax number)

**Office Hours:** Monday-Friday 8:30-4:00

## **PARISH WEBSITE**

Website: [www.stpatricks-pelham.com](http://www.stpatricks-pelham.com)

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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](mailto:fathervon@comcast.net).

### **PRAYER LINE**

Please contact Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or [Lmurgia\\_871@comcast.net](mailto: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

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Adoration is for Vocations  
Contact Jackie Hynes at 603-425-8459

## **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](http://www.formed.org) to register, go to [pelham.formed.org](http://pelham.formed.org)

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Care to join the Knights of Columbus?  
Please contact Erick Wright at 603-635-8772 or [eqwright@comcast.net](mailto:eqwright@comcast.net). More information online: [www.kofcpelhamnh.org](http://www.kofcpelhamnh.org)