



**Saturday October 28**

**4pm ~ Leo Miranda** requested by the Martin family

**Dr. Anthony Caruso**, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary, requested by St. Patrick Parish

**Sunday October 29**

**8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners**

**10:30am ~ Mark Murch**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary, requested by Stephen & Lori Ann Nelson

**Harry Brunelle** requested by his niece Connie

**Monday October 30**

**8am ~ Anthony & Edith Voto** requested by Lisa Voto & Denise Zolvd

**Tuesday October 31**

**8am ~ Una Harrington** requested by a friend

**Christian Gualtieri** requested by the Shaw family

**Wednesday November 1 All Saints**

**8am ~ Blanche Turcotte Day**, Birthday Remembrance, requested by Patty Kennedy

**10am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners**

**7pm ~ Christian Gualtieri** requested by his family

**Thursday November 2**

**8am ~ Harmony Montgomery** requested by Kathy Corey-Fox

**Friday November 3**

**8am ~ Una Harrington**, Birthday Remembrance, requested by her family

**The McKenzie & Wisnewski Families** requested by their families

**7pm ~ Generational Healing Mass**

**Saturday November 4**

**8am ~ Michael Perruccio** requested by John & Christina Vogl

**Liette Goyette** requested by Donna Smith

**4pm ~ Helen Taylor**, 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, **In Honor of St. Joseph** requested by the Taylor family

**Florence & Louis Jacques**, Wedding Anniversary, requested by their son

**Sunday November 5**

**8am ~ Emmett L. Beane, Jr.**, 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, requested by his wife Jane

**10:30am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners**

**Sunday, October 29**

Coffee & Donuts, 9:00 AM, in the parish center

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

**Monday, October 30**

Jesus and the Eucharist, 7:00 PM, in the youth room at the school

**Tuesday, October 31**

Women's Bible Sharing, 9:00-10:00 AM, in the youth room at the school

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

**Wednesday, November 1**

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-6:00 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, November 2**

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

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

**Friday, November 3**

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

Generational Healing Mass, 7:00 PM, in the church

**Saturday, November 4**

Grade 2 Reconciliation Retreat, 9:00-11:30 AM, in the school



**First Friday Mass is this Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 8:00 AM**

**First Saturday Mass is this Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 AM**

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, and will reopen on Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 8:30 AM.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In our celebration of the Eucharistic Revival, we have been looking at the Eucharist as Presence, as Sacrifice, and as Communion. Currently, as we examine the Eucharist as Sacrifice, we are making our way into the Mass and how to get more out of it. The last couple of weeks, I have looked at how to prepare for Mass. Today, we'll look at how the Mass begins.

The priest vests for Mass in various robes. Some might look at this as "Father dressing up," but the reality is that the priest is purposely covering himself. There is only one priest – Jesus Christ. The priest at the Mass is ordained by a bishop and is ontologically (on the level of his very being) changed. He now is an *alter Christus* – another Christ – and, during the sacraments, he acts *in persona Christi capitis* – in the person of Christ, the head. In this ontological change, it is not Fr. Von or Fr. Kelley celebrating

the Mass, but Jesus Christ, the High Priest. He puts on the vestments so that people don't look at him, but look at Christ.

The first vestment he dons is the alb. Alb means white, and this white garment is a symbol of how each of us put on Christ in Baptism. Here at St. Patrick Parish, the servers also wear albs (in other places, they might, instead, wear a cassock and surplis), as a reminder of their Christian dignity – they have put on Christ Jesus. It is a reminder of the words of St. Augustine (which I will paraphrase) – *with* you I am a Christian; *for* you I am a bishop. First and foremost, priests are part of the people of God, saved by Christ.

The priest, then, can put on the cincture – a rope like belt. This is a reminder of the call to purity – purity of body, mind and heart. The stole goes on after this. The stole is the symbol of the priestly authority – much like the badge of a police officer – it identifies the priest as priest participating in the liturgies of the Church. The priest stole hands over the neck of the priest as a type of "yoke," showing that the priest is yoked to Christ. (A deacon also wears a stole, but this is over the left shoulder and attached at the right hip. This is a symbol of service – much like an apron.) Finally, the priest puts on the chasuble, which symbolizes the virtue of charity – the call to love.

The chasuble and stole are primarily green, violet, rose, white (or off-white) or gold, and red. These are not randomly chosen, but point to the season or feast day on which they are worn. Green symbolizes hope and is worn during Ordinary Time. Violet symbolizes humility and penance, and is used in Advent and Lent (and may be worn at funerals). Rose symbolizes joy and love and may be worn on the third Sunday of Advent and the fourth Sunday in Lent. White or gold symbolizes glory, joy and innocence, and is worn during Christmas, Easter, funerals, feast days of Jesus, Mary and the saints that were not martyred. Red symbolizes the fire and blood and is worn on Pentecost, Passion Sunday, Good Friday and the feast of martyrs.

The Mass begins with a hymn and a procession. St. Augustine said that singing well is praying twice. As we enter into the Mass, we join our voices in praise of God. This is not just something to keep you busy while the priest walks in, but is an integral part of the liturgy – uniting hearts and minds. We take ourselves out of the "pop music" of the world and sing praises to God. The procession is also important. It is not merely for getting the priest from point A to point B. Rather, it speaks to a different form of celebration. We enter together into the mystery of the Mass, coming with reverence into the presence of Almighty God.

## VOCATION MINISTRY

St. Pat's Harvest Vocation Ministry team would like to introduce a new program to our parish family—the Vocation Prayer program. We recognize the need for prayers for vocations and need your help. *What is a vocation* you may be wondering? A vocation is God's call for our lives—that may mean the vocation of marriage, the vocation to the priesthood or the vocation of consecrated religious life (religious brothers or sisters for example). Vocation comes from the Latin word "vocare" which means calling or summoning. Each week, the bulletin will feature a family who will be praying for vocations. When you sign up you will receive an email with specific prayers to pray throughout your week. These prayers will be very short and will only take a few minutes or less a day. Prayers are powerful! This program will kick off National Vocation Awareness week on 11/5. To sign up to pray, please email [stpatsharvestteam@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsharvestteam@gmail.com).

"There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood, just as there can be no priesthood without the Eucharist" –Pope Saint John Paul II



Save the following date, **Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**, from **9:00 AM – 4:00 PM** for the Christmas Craft Fair. We will have crafts from many local artisans, delicious food, a bake table with delicious goods from our parishioners, and raffles. It is a fun day for the family and ideas for your Christmas shopping.

## 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 **Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**.



**Generational Healing Mass**, Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 PM, in the Church  
**Community Dinner**, Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7:00 PM, in the Parish Center  
**Men of St. Joseph**, Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-9:00 AM, in the Parish Center  
**Turkey Cheer**, Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM, in the Parish Center  
**Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service**, Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 PM, at the Congregational Church

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**Christmas Craft Fair**, Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, in the Parish Center  
**Men of St. Joseph**, Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-9:00 AM, in the Parish Center  
**Penance Service**, Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 PM, at Mary Queen of Peace, Salem, NH  
**Blessing of the Creche**, Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM  
**Healing Mass**, Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM, in the Church



## SEMINARIAN BRUNCH FUNDRAISER

Saturday, November 4, 2023

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

LaBelle Winery, Amherst

\$100 ticket to brunch

For more information, please visit  
[www.liveinblackandwhite.com](http://www.liveinblackandwhite.com)

Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are as follows: 8:00 & 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM

**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](mailto:faithlifeformation@comcast.net) with any questions.



**TURKEY CHEER**

Knights of Columbus Council 6902 is proud to once again have the Turkey Cheer!! It will be held Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center. Doors open at 5:00 PM and dinner will be served at 6:00 PM. Raffles to start at 7:00 PM. The cost will be \$15 for adults and \$13 for children under 12. There is a 275-ticket limit and will be a first come first serve basis. The raffles will be held like a penny sale. Purchased tickets are placed into a container that represents each prize. A winner will be selected for each prize. There will be lots of prizes to choose from. We are excited and looking forward to seeing you all!! We will be selling tickets after Masses starting October 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Brewster at 603-508-0129 or Chuck Curtis at 603-404-8623.

<b>PARISH COLLECTIONS</b>	
In order for the parish to meet its regular expenses, our offertory and other designated parish collections must bring in <b>\$8,700</b> per week.	
Parish Collections for the week of 10/22/23	
Offertory Envelopes	\$4,948
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$1,935
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$6,883</b>
<b>Total Collected</b>	<b>\$6,883</b>
Thank you for supporting our parish ~Fr. Von~	

<b>World Mission Sunday</b> collected as of 10/22/23 \$1,521 Thank you for your generosity!
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**SECOND ENVELOPES  
FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

**Nov. 5 Capital Improvements**  
This collection helps with projects around the parish.

**Nov. 12 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.

Coffee and Donuts and Children’s Crafts will be hosted by Women’s Bible Sharing Group this weekend. Please come and join us.

**VOCATION**

“Love God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, and with all your mind.” Is Christ calling you to let Him manifest His love in you as a priest or consecrated religious? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: [mmason@rcbm.org](mailto:mmason@rcbm.org)

Fr. Von will have a <b>Teaching Mass</b> in the Church on Monday, November 6 <sup>th</sup> , at 7:00 PM. All are welcome.
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## **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

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## **PARISH WEBSITE**

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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  
2:00-9:00pm

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.

## **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)