



Saturday October 3

4pm ~ Rose Buckley, 34th Anniversary, requested by her daughter Barbara Agrella
Frank Straughan requested by Doug & Laura Masson

Sunday October 4

8am ~ Susan Santamaria requested by her family
Rolande Jean requested by the Raby family
10:30am ~ Antonette & Charles D'Alessio, 31st & 15th Anniversary, requested by the Tocco family
6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Monday October 5

8am ~ For All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday October 6

8am ~ James Crotty requested by the 8 O'Clockers
Kevin Caron, requested by the Lemieux family

Wednesday October 7

8am ~ Intentions of the Blessed Mother requested by the Lemieux family
Ron Aubrey requested by Andrea Genereux

Thursday October 8

8am ~ For all Souls in Purgatory
Alfred LeBlanc, Jr., 1st Anniversary, requested by his wife

Friday October 9

8am ~ No Mass

Saturday October 10

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

Sunday October 11

8am ~ Rev. John Sledziona requested by Donna Smith
10:30am ~ Janyn Provencal, 6th Anniversary, requested by the Provencal family
6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday, October 4

Blessing of Pets, 1:00 PM, lower lot parking behind the church
 Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Tuesday, October 6

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, October 7

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM
 Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM
 Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school

Thursday, October 8

Blood Drive, 1:00-6:00 PM, in the parish center
 Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the school

Friday, October 9

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



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Robert Hall, 24th Anniversary, requested by Anita Hall & family

The World Apostolate of Fatima
 Manchester Diocesan Division, Inc.
 "Annual Celebration"
 "The Apparitions at Fatima ~ Miracle of the Sun"
 Saturday, October 10, 2020
 From 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
 Saints Mary and Joseph Parish
 Mary, Queen of Peace Church
 200 Lawrence Road, Salem, NH 03079
 For more information contact,
 Lily MacKenzie at 603-894-6583
 or go to the Parish Website:
www.saintsmaryandjoseph.org



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,
St. Paul reminds us today:

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:6-7).

I would say that at all times we need to be reminded of this, but especially now, as we continue to deal with the effects of COVID-19, a polarized political system, violence throughout the United States and the world, and any other personal problems we may have. St. Paul tells us to have *no anxiety*. This reminds me of the famous line of St. Padre Pio, “Pray, hope, and don’t worry. Worry is useless.”

Do we allow worry and anxiety to weigh us down? Do we take our eyes off Jesus, and end up focused on our problems. The thing is, when we look at our problems they look huge! How can we ever overcome them?! Yet, Jesus is bigger! In the immortal words of Larry the Cucumber (see “VeggieTales”) “God is bigger than the boogieman!” Jesus is not only bigger than our problems, He is *infinitely bigger*! Our problems really are smaller than ants next to the Empire States Building in comparison to Jesus. Yet, because of His infinite love for us, each of our problems is also very important to Jesus. He loves us so much! He wants to help us through our problems. Sometimes He doesn’t just take them away because He sees the larger picture and knows how enduring our trials will strengthen us and help us to grow, but He never *likes* to see us suffer.

St. Paul’s guidance is not just about “ignoring” our problems. Rather, it is taking them to the Heart of Jesus. He tells us to make our requests known to God. You see, this is prayer. Not that we speak words to the ceiling, without hope of being heard, but rather an intimate conversation with the God of the universe. We do this not just in petition, but in “prayer and petition, with thanksgiving.” We spend time with Jesus and invite Him into our deepest problems and struggles. As we do, we are giving Him permission to act in these areas. As with the “Our Father,” though, we are to say, “Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

It comes down to this: **Do we trust God?** At the very beginning, Adam and Eve walked with God. Satan made them doubt God’s love for them and told them to snatch at equality with God. Every sin, every problem since then has led to worry or anxiety because we don’t believe in the love of God, we don’t trust that He truly is a “good, good Father.” We try to run our lives, not believing that His will is for our happiness and glory.

If we give ourselves over to God, if we offer to Him all of our troubles with trust that He, in His grandeur and love, will walk with us through them and help us to overcome all of them, then we will find that “**peace of God that surpasses all understanding.**” Like Blessed Solanus Casey said, “Thank God ahead of time.” This is a great act of trust, as we offer to God our troubles, and thank Him that He *is* taking care of them. St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta had a similar practice. When praying the “Quick Novena” (nine *Memorares* to Our Blessed Mother), she would immediately add a tenth *Memorare* in thanksgiving that Our Lady was answering the petition and taking care of the problem.

As we continue to go through troubling times, let us look to God with confidence in His love. Let us surrender our anxiety and worry to Him, and with “**everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.**” In that trust in God’s care, we will find the peace of God!



FALL WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Masses with the Bishop to mark significant wedding anniversaries of the faithful of the Diocese of Manchester have occurred for nearly 40 years. These important celebrations remind us all of the beauty and dignity of marriage in Christ. While it is fitting that such celebrations look differently during these unprecedented times, invoking God’s blessing on those who continue to offer Christian witness by their marital union continues nonetheless!

Bishop Libasci invites couples **celebrating 5, 25, and 50 year anniversaries** to watch and unite their prayers with the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass via livestream on **Sunday, October 18th, at 2:00 PM**. In addition to the worship aid and a special novena for marriage, couples will receive an invitation to a post-Mass virtual gathering where they will have an opportunity to speak with other couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries. Any questions may be directed to dmcdonald@rcbm.org. To register for the virtual celebration, please direct couples to <https://fallanniversary2020.eventbrite.com>.

VOCATIONS

“Have no anxiety at all...” You belong to Christ. If the Lord invites you to follow Him as a priest or in the consecrated life, how will you respond? Call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.

Our enrollment continues to grow here at **St. Joseph Regional Catholic School**; thanks be to God! In fact, we are hoping to add an **additional first-grade classroom** to accommodate the interest! In addition, we have limited spots in or preschool, grade seven, and grade eight. Contact Mrs. Latino for information: 893-6811 ext. 19, clatino@sjrcs.com.

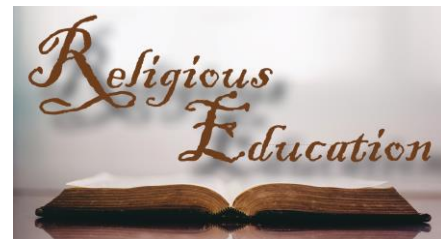


TALK ABOUT ST. JOHN PAUL II

Mark your calendars: Thursday, October 22nd, former Swiss Guard, Mario Enzler, Ph.D., will speak to us about St. John Paul II. The evening begins with Mass at 6:00 PM, followed by his talk. Mario recently published a book [I Served a Saint: Reflections of a Swiss Guard in honor of the centenary of the birth of St. John Paul II.](#)

AMAZON

If you have an Amazon account, you can have St. Patrick Parish as your Charity. You sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser. From your desktop, go to **Your Account** from the navigation at the top of any page, and then select the option to **Change** your **Charity**. Select St. Patrick as your new **charitable** organization to support us.



Join us for our 2020-2021 Family Faith Life year. Although this year will be different we are still called together as a church community to grow in our faith. Homeschool options are available to families, this is the time to establish and build up the Domestic Church in your homes.

Classes have started so now is the time to register. Registration materials can be found on the parish website or picked up at the parish office Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.



In honor of St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day, Fr. Von will have Blessing of the Pets on this Sunday, October 4th, at 1:00 PM. You can come with your Pets (appropriately leashed, tethered, or in carriers, as needed) to the lower parking lot behind the Church.

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.

<u>Acts of Mercy</u>	
<u>How many</u>	<u>Spiritual</u>
___	Instruct the Uninformed
___	Counsel the doubtful
___	Admonish sinners
___	Comfort the sorrowful
___	Bear wrongs patiently
___	Forgive Offenses
___	Pray for the living and the dead
<u>How many</u>	<u>Corporal</u>
___	Feed the hungry
___	Clothe the naked
___	Give drink to the thirsty
___	Shelter the homeless
___	Comfort the imprisoned
___	Visit the sick
___	Bury the dead

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 9/27/20

Offertory Envelopes	\$5,771
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$1,545
Total Offertory	\$7,316
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As of 9/27 we have an offertory deficit of \$6,085

Thank you to all of our parishioners who have been supporting us during this pandemic. I appreciate your generosity.
 ~Fr. Von~

NH Priest Retirement
 collected as of 9/27/20
 \$2,497
 Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Oct. 11 Utility
 This collection helps with the cost of utilities for the Church, Rectory, Parish Center and School.

Oct. 18 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. 25 Faith Life Formation
 This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Nov. 1 Capital Improvements
 This collection helps with projects around the parish.

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

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.

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

Monday-Thursday 6:30-7:40am
Wednesday 8:30-9:30am
2:00-8:00pm

1st 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 to register, go to pelham.formed.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Care to join the Knights of Columbus?
Please contact Erick Wright at 603-635-8772 or egwright@comcast.net. More information online: www.kofcpelhamnh.org