



Weekly Mass

Intentions

Saturday September 3

4pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday September 4

8am ~ **Stephen F. Wasylak**, 7th Anniversary, requested by Stephen Wasylak, Jr., & family
The Rourke Family requested by the Storch family

10:30am ~ **Rev. John Sledziona and Jackie Slater** requested by Donna Smith

Monday September 5

8am ~ **For All Souls in Purgatory**

Tuesday September 6

8am ~ **Irene Laforge** requested by the Laforge family

6pm ~ **Holy Hour for Life**

Wednesday September 7

8am ~ **Don Goyette** requested by the Goyette family

Thursday September 8

8am ~ **Leon & Louise Bousquet** requested by Patty Kennedy

Friday September 9

8am ~ **No Mass**
 7pm ~ **Healing Mass**

Saturday September 10

4pm ~ **Kevin Godosky**, 2nd Anniversary, **Walter Godosky**, 13th Anniversary, requested by Rick & Gail Gagne & family
Anthony Marino, Birthday Remembrance, requested by his wife & family

Sunday September 11

8am ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners
 10:30am ~ **Bob Doucette** requested by Shirley
Beverly Peterson requested by Wayne & Sue Cope & family

WITH PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY
 We pray for *Joyce Passalaqua* and *Edward Miranda*. We extend our sympathy to their families.



Sunday, September 4

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

Monday, September 5

Parish Office Closed
Happy Labor Day!

Tuesday, September 6

Holy Hour for Life, 6:00-7:00 PM, in the church
 Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM
 Women's Guild Meeting, 6:30 PM, in the parish center

Wednesday, September 7

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the chapel
 Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-9:00 PM
 Food Pantry, 1:00-2:30 PM
 Faith Life Registration Night, 6:30 PM, in the school cafeteria
 Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school
 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM, in the parish center

Thursday, September 8

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

Friday, September 9

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

Saturday, September 10

Men of St. Joseph, 7:00-9:00 AM, in the parish center



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of **Stephen F. Wasylak**, 7th Anniversary, by his family



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of **Stephen F. Wasylak**, 7th Anniversary, by his family



Reflection on Luke 14: 25-33 (Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time) – September-04-2022

“Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.” (Luke 14:27)

1. The first point of the Gospel’s weekend is to renounce.

In the Gospel of this week, Jesus teaches us about becoming the disciples of Jesus, we must also walk the same path as Jesus. His way is to renounce, to accept the cross. Do we dare to give up on ourselves? Do you dare to sacrifice for the benefit of others like God? Moreover, Jesus wants us to put God’s love above all things that are, truly to be His disciples.

In this passage Jesus speaks to us “Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, cannot be my disciple (Luke 14:26).” The renunciation of

all selfishness to follow God shows determination to commit to serving God and the Kingdom of God. This is the value that God leads each person to aim for and strive to achieve. Thus, acceptance of the cross, suffering, and even death are means of reaching our goal and helping us to become more and more like God. Jesus wants each of us to put Him first, asking us to love Him above all things and with all our strength. And only when we dare to give up all hindrances to love Him above all things will we be fully identified with Him. Then we will know to put things and people in the right place, know how to respect and love things and people rightly in the holy love of God.

2. The second point is to take up the cross

Today’s Gospel showed Jesus as the center of the Christian life. All values become relative before the absolute: Jesus. Money and wealth, spouse, children, family are values. Life is a value. But above all those values, we choose Jesus as the “Absolute Value” of all values. This is what the martyrs chose. When facing the cross, people are afraid. Jesus himself was troubled with his cross and called it a “bitter cup” in the Garden of Olives, but God’s love for him overcame his hesitation and fear, and he resolved to do his Father’s Will. Putting the cross in our lives, you and I will clearly see moments of storms, the hidden places of pain in the unshared heartaches that make us want to give up our lives in disappointment. Today, Christ invites you and me to take up the cross of our lives and move towards the Calvary of hope. The cross that each of us carries does not exalt suffering, it teaches us a spirit of overcoming suffering with the love of God, and Jesus will always stand at the end of the road to reward those who overcome obstacles that challenge us.

3. Requirement of love

So what Jesus meant was that if anyone wants to be his disciple, they must put God’s love above all love, in other words, God’s love must permeate and guide all love: Love of family, love of friends and even yourself. Thus, when believers have chosen to follow the Lord and be his disciples, they still have to love their relatives, family and friends; they still have to love themselves; they must also cherish their possessions as a gift from God. But when needed, all those feelings must be sacrificed for the love of God. That is the value ladder that every disciple who follows Jesus must set for himself.

Following God is not a matter of gain but a matter of love. Love is loyalty. Love is giving, giving slowly, giving forever, and giving life. That describes a love worthy of God’s love. The invitation of this week’s Gospel is to give, to receive, to forget yourself is to find yourself, to die in order to live forever.



The Right of Life Benefit Banquet is on November 3, 2022 at the Event Center in Nashua. If you register before September 22nd, you will receive a discount. For more information, or to register go to nhrtl.org/banquet2022.



Our Faith Life Program Has Begun!

What a blessing and pleasure it is to begin another Faith Life year. The first month of the Family of Faith books we use is always committed to an orientation of sorts to the program. This program brings the family together to learn together about their faith and grow closer to Jesus! We will also take time to remember how important we are as Parents. We truly are the first teachers of the faith in our children's lives and the Church is here to support us in this great endeavor.

You are invited to Registration Night!

If you are curious and would like to learn more about the program, please join us for Registration night.

It will take place on Wednesday, September 7th, at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria of the school. If you are not able to make this meeting, please reach out via email: faithlifeformation@comcast.net and we can talk 1-1 about the program.

God Bless you all and I will see you soon!

Adam Castor

Director of Faith Life

St. Patrick Parish



"None of you can become My disciple if you do not give up all your possessions." Are you being called to discipleship as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603)663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org.

Join us for our Monday Night Teachings on **Catholic Social Teaching** at 7:00 PM in the youth room at the school. The dates are September 12th & 26th and October 10th, 17th & 31st.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Healing Mass, Friday, September 9th, at 7:00 PM in the church

Men of St. Joseph, Saturday, September 10th, from 7:00-9:00 AM in the parish center

Community Dinner, Friday, September 16th, from 5:30-7:00 PM in the parish center

Adoration for Care of Our Common Home, Monday, September 19th, at 7:00 PM in the church

Parish Picnic, Sunday, September 25th, after the 10:30 AM Mass

Blessing of the Pets, Saturday, October 1st, at 1:00 PM, lower parking lot behind the church

Mass for the Conclusion of the Season of Creation, Monday, October 3rd, at 7:00 PM in the church

Holy Hour for Life, Tuesday, October 4th, from 6:00-7:00 PM, in the church

Blood Drive, Thursday, October 6th, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, in the parish center

Men of St. Joseph, Saturday, October 8th, from 7:00-9:00 AM, in the parish center

Healing Mass, Friday, October 14th, at 7:00 PM, in the church

St. Gianna's Place: A Catholic home for women in crisis pregnancies located in Hudson, will be holding a baby bottle campaign beginning **September 10th until October 9th**. Our doors have now been open for 3 years and we've been able to offer a loving, formative and supportive home to 17 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!

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Join us October 21-24, 2022

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.

ROSARY CHALLENGE

During Lent, the St. Patrick's Mission Team offered a Lenten Challenge that focused on prayer, almsgiving and fasting. Part of this challenge was praying the Holy Rosary daily. We are proud to report that at least **5,000 Rosaries** were said during that time! Fortunately, the majority of us (if not all!) found such benefit from our daily Rosaries that we have not stopped! One Rosary prayed is so powerful and to imagine the power of thousands is astonishing. Sister Lucia dos Santos writes, "The Most Holy Virgin in these last times in which we live has given a new efficacy to the recitation of the Rosary. To such an extent that there is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families...that cannot be solved by the Rosary. There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." Many of us have continued these daily Rosaries, but we would like to offer a Rosary Challenge starting in October, which is a month dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. As October gets closer, we will provide more details about the Rosary Challenge! Stay tuned!



Annual Parish Picnic Sunday, September 25, 2022

After the 10:30 AM Mass

Join us for Food, Fun, Fellowship, Kids activities and our First Parish Cornhole Tournament

While the Picnic is free, registration for the tournament is \$20 per team of two, and needs to be in by September 13th. Space for the Tournament is limited to the first 16 teams, so register soon. Register by filling out the bottom of the flyer and sending it into the Parish Office.

Coffee and Donuts will be starting up again on Sunday, September 11th, at 11:30 AM in the Parish Center. All are welcome!

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 8/21/22

Offertory Envelopes	\$4,402
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$2,232

Parish Collections for the week of 8/28/22

Offertory Envelopes	\$4,966
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$2,097

Total Offertory **\$13,697**

Faith Life	\$1,466
Evangelization	\$2,180
Assumption of Mary	\$1,316

Total Collected **\$18,659**

Thank you for your continue support
~Fr. Von~

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Sept. 11 Utility

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

Sept. 18 Faith Life Formation

This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life.

Sept. 25 Evangelization

To help promote the faith in our community through Retreats, Community Dinners, Charity and so much more.

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

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

Join us for the first Tuesday of the month, **September 6th, 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 or 635-3525) if you have any questions.

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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.

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 eqwright@comcast.net. More information online: www.kofcpelhamnh.org