

All Saints Parish

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

We are so grateful to you, our parishioners, for your generous support of our parish. You share your time, talent, and treasure with us, and you keep our parish, our churches, and our faith alive and growing in western New Hampshire.

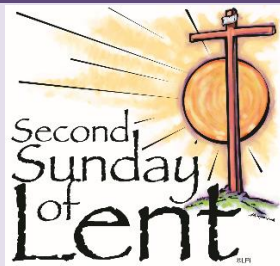
As you see in our weekly bulletin, we need to take in \$3,000 per week from our offertory collection to keep our parish going. This money is used to pay for oil heat, electricity, insurance, repairs, salaries, diocesan expenses, etc. We often do not meet our \$3,000 requirement per week. If we do not, the difference must be made up. Since July, we have been short a total of \$9,014.00. We must take money out of our parish savings to make up the difference. That is not a long-term solution. One day, there will be no savings left.

I would like to ask you to consider prayerfully if you could increase your weekly donation to our parish. If you are now giving \$5, could you increase it to \$6? If you now give \$10, could you increase to \$12? This would represent a 20% increase in our weekly income. This would help the parish to meet our weekly expenses and make up for past shortfalls. I thank you for all that you do for our parish. With a small increase in your weekly donation to the first collection, our parish will be in much better financial condition.

May the Lord bless and reward you for your sacrificial donations to His Church. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Father John



Jesus took Peter, James and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Mark 9:2

On the Mount of the Transfiguration, Peter, James and John realize for the first time the divinity possessed by Jesus. That same spirit, that same "divinity" shines within and through them and us, as well. The Spirit of God dwells within us enabling us to realize our own potential for generosity, compassion and gratitude.

The transfiguration is a vision that holds glorious promise – but a vision that will only be realized at a heavy price. Accepting the God of blessing and joy is one thing, but when God asks us to give readily and humbly and sacrificially to others, to forgive others without limit or condition we hesitate and begin to back away. The weeks ahead call us to descend the mountain with the "transfigured" Jesus and to take up our crosses – be they physical, emotional, economic, or intellectual – and realize the sacred goodness and value within each one of us to being the glory of Easter into our lives and the lives of those we love.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays	6:00PM	St. Peter's Church
Mondays	6:00PM	St. Catherine's Church

Please Note: During Lent, Friday's Mass is 5:30PM at St. Peter's Church.

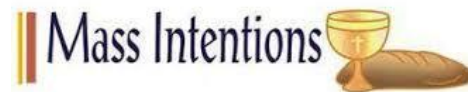
Question and Answer Forum with Fr. John

Dear Father,

I go to other churches and they have really upbeat music for their Gloria and Holy, Holy. Why do we always chant these parts of the Mass?

Dear Friend,

The chants we use are recommended by the Church; they're actually the most formal of the liturgical options for the Gloria and the Holy, Holy. Other music, while perhaps more "upbeat" and "catchy," is really not as formal (nor as fitting) as the chants. The more formal ("appropriate") the musical setting, the more likely we'll catch God's ear as we pray these prayers (and yes, they're actually "prayers" more than they're "songs").



Saturday, February 24, 2018

4:00PM **St. Peter**
Betty Snide by Gerry & Liz Brady

Second Sunday of Lent, February 25, 2018

8:30AM **St. Peter**

Mass Pro Populo

10:30AM **St. Catherine**
Brent Porter by Terrell and Brendan Klema

Monday, Feb. 26 **NO MASS**

Tuesday, Feb. 27 **5:30 PM** **St. Peter**
Calvin Lancey by Tom & Gloria Surber

Wednesday, Feb. 28 **5:30PM** **St. Catherine**

Rev. Donald Jacques

Thursday, March 1 **5:30PM** **St. Catherine**

Alyson Haefner (in honor of her birthday) by Mary Haefner

Friday, March 2 **5:30PM** **St. Peter**

Brother David Carignan

Saturday, March 3, 2018

8:30AM (First Saturday) **St. Catherine**

The Holy Souls in Purgatory

4:00PM **St. Peter**

Anne Brown by Kathy Golec

Third Sunday of Lent, March 4, 2018

8:30AM **St. Peter**

Mass Pro Populo

10:30AM **St. Catherine**

Toni Beaudry by Wayne & Juanita Sweet



Hannah Casey	Ada Hobel	Corinne Grise
Diane Fagan	Nelida Picard	Imelda Detelj
Jean Barden	Valerie Bailey	Daryl Lavoie
John Chamberlin	Jeff Risatti	Donna Small
Jim Rouvalis	Jeff Zaja	Sandra Hebert
Richard LaCasce	James Baljak	Kathy Baldasaro
Lynette Johnson	John & Brenda Buck	Nancy Parsons
Jenna Barrett	Eric Allen	Belinda Shadler

Parish Sacrificial Giving

February 18, 2018

Offertory	\$ 2635.00
Ash Wednesday	837.00
Seminarian	100.00
Building	65.00

Weekly Goal: \$3,000.00

Special Fuel Collection Next Weekend, March 3/4

Thank you so much for your continued generosity, sacrifice and support!

Sunday, February 25, 2018



Sunday, March 4, 2018

St. Peter's Church Hall
For all students grades 1-10,
Parents of students and Adults of parish
Guest Speaker: Deacon David Romano
Topic: Catholic Charities

4th Degree Spiritual Night

Monday March 5, 2018 at 7PM
St. Joseph's Hall in Claremont
Guest speaker: Faithful Friar Fr. John Loughnane
Beverages and snacks provided
Open to the Knights of Columbus Council
Family members and potential candidates welcome

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle

Monday, March 5, 2018
St. Catherine's Church from 6:30-7:30PM

The Blessed Mother is calling all of us to prayer in cenacle with her, where we will receive the precious gift of the Holy Spirit. The Cenacles are truly a powerful weapon in Our Lady's hands as we enter more deeply into the time of great trials, of confusion and of apostasy. *"Multiply your cenacles of prayer. Multiply your rosaries... And then, together we will form a great net of love that will envelop and save the whole world."* (192) – *To The Priests, Our Lady's Beloved Sons.*

WINGS

Spring Program - April 12-May 17
Every Thursday after the 8AM Mass at St. Bernard's Church, 185 Main Street, Keene, NH. All are invited.

Catholic Relief Service Rice Bowls

Join our faith community – and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States – in a life changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Rice Bowls are available at the entrance of the church.

Easter Flower Envelopes

Easter Flower Envelopes are available at the entrance of the church for you to use in memory of your loved ones. The names listed will be placed on the altars and remembered at all the Masses during the Easter Season.

Spiritual Adoption of The Unborn

Month 1



Thank you for praying for me. I am one month old now. I have a heart pumping my blood and a backbone. I am very, very tiny and I appreciate your prayers.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

Pro-Life Prayer Vigil

February 24 from Noon-1:00pm

Across from Planned Parenthood

136 Pleasant Street, Claremont, N.H.

All are welcome to come witness for life and pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the end of abortion.

St. Andrew Dinners

The Diocese of Manchester would like to invite men in our diocese who are considering a vocation to the priesthood or would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call for their life, to an evening of prayer, conversation with the Vocations Team, and dinner. Fridays from 6-8 pm Please RSVP for these dinners to Becky Vinson at rvinson@rcbm.org or 663-0153.

High School: Age 14-18

April 27 Joseph House, Ste. Marie Parish, Manchester

Young Men: Age 19-24

March 23 Joseph House, Ste. Marie Parish Manchester

June 1 St. Joseph Parish, Epping

Older Men: Age 25+

May 25 Joseph House, Ste. Marie Parish, Manchester
Please pray for our priests and seminarians and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood here in the Diocese of Manchester

Array of Hope Concert

St. Michael School, Brattleboro, Vt.

March 3, 2018, 1-4PM

The Array of Hope concert is a wide-ranging live concert experience that features multiple musical acts, motivational speakers and thought-provoking films. Array of Hope is a journey of faith, hope and love, that entertains the audience, touching and transforming hearts through powerful witnessing to God's love for us with Father Jon Schnobrich and Bishop Coyne. Focused on ages 7th - 12th grade. We welcome families to join us. For more information contact: Kelley Alderman Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry 802-658-6110 ext. 1130. Mass 4PM – Evening ends 7PM.