

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

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Parish Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Friday

9:00 AM - 12 NOON

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Weekend Liturgies

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM

*Note: The Sunday 8:00 AM Mass will be reinstituted in the near future.

Weekday Masses

Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM

In case of inclement weather (snow/ice), call the parish office after 7:15 AM to check if Mass has been cancelled. Mass intentions will be scheduled to a later date.

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We strive to be a parish of Good Stewards, praising and thanking God for His gifts of life, faith, family and friends and our parish and civic communities. We ask for His grace to grow and develop these gifts abundantly for the sake of His kingdom among us.

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM & upon request

Baptism

Please call the Parish Office.

Marriages

Please call Parish Office 6 months prior to wedding date.

Program Coordinators

Adoration	Pat Hurd	882-1503
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Liturgy	John Martin	883-9730
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New Hampshire Catholic Charities	889-9431
Corpus Christi Food Pantry & Assistance	882-6372

The Epiphany of the Lord

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, January 3, 2021

100 Club Membership Sales
(after Mass), Parish Hall

Monday, January 4, 2021

Faith Formation Committee Meeting via Zoom, 7pm

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Adoration, Worship, 6-7pm
Quilting, Room 2/3/4, 7-9pm

Wednesday, January 6, 2021

Adoration, Worship, 8:30am-12 noon
EDGE Team Meeting via Zoom, 7pm

Thursday, January 7, 2021

Rosary, Worship, 6pm

Friday, January 8, 2021

No events scheduled

Saturday, January 9, 2021

100 Club Membership Sales (after Mass), Parish Hall

***Please be sure to maintain proper physical distancing (at least 6 feet) when entering, inside and exiting the church. We also ask that if you or someone in your household has any symptoms such as a cough, fever, sore throat, etc., please refrain from entering the church. **For the safety of others, those 5 years of age and older are requested to wear face masks.** We thank you for your patience and consideration during this difficult time.



For parish updates, faith formation resources and much more, please visit our parish website at: www.stjoenash.org and our Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/stjoenash

LET US
ADORE HIM



Weekend Offertory

Weekly Offertory needed to meet budget, FY2021.....\$8,055
Offertory Collection 12/19-12/20/20.....\$6,777
On Line Giving W/E 12/20/20.....\$1,393
Total Weekly Collections 12/19-12/20.....\$8,170
Fiscal Year Offertory needed to date (25th wk.).....\$201,375
Fiscal Year Offertory collected to date (25th wk.).....\$187,409

2.5% of the Total Offertory goes to Tithing each week.

Thank you for your support!

**The offertory report for Christmas and last weekend (12/26-12/27) will be listed in next week's bulletin. Due to bulletin company deadlines, this week's bulletin was transmitted on 12/23.*

100 CLUB

Fund Raising Committee 2021 100 Club Membership Drive

Ticket sales have begun! Please see us after Masses in the parish hall.

The tickets are \$100 for the year or \$10 per month beginning in January through October. Two prizes are awarded per month. 1st place: \$100, 2nd place: \$50.

Then, on the 1st Sunday in November, the remaining prizes totaling \$3,500 are drawn. Don't be disappointed! Get in on the fun and join us! This activity raises \$5000 for the parish as well!

INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION



The decision to cancel Daily Mass due to inclement weather conditions will be announced via a special greeting on our parish answering machine.

Please call: 603-883-0757 beginning at 7:15am on the day in question. There will be a special message if Daily Mass is cancelled. If there is no message, then Daily Mass is NOT cancelled.

We will also post the cancellation on WMUR. The parish office will open once weather conditions improve. However, please call and check before visiting.

Heartfelt
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

We'd like to thank
Barbara Alves,
Nancy Armstrong,
Donna Cormier,
Francine Davis-
Campano,
Annette Levesque,
Vicki Provencher and
Pauline Trubacz for

their help with our recent finance report mailing and bulletin stuffing. *We truly appreciate the gift of your time!*

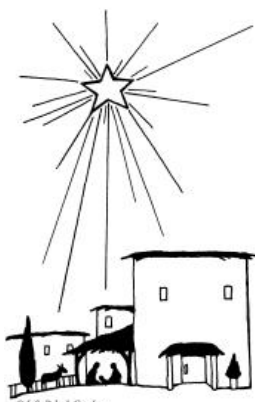
Corpus Christi Food Pantry January Requests

Corn, Carrots & Peas
Chicken Noodle Soup, Ramen Noodles
Hamburger Helper, Rice/Pasta Sides
Jelly, Mayonnaise & Ketchup
Coffee: Regular, Decaf & Instant
Saltines & Graham Crackers
Children's Toothpaste & Disposable Razors



Thank you for your continued support and acts of kindness!!!

Parish & Community News



With Gratitude...

A heartfelt thank you to all the committees, ministries, servers and parishioners who generously donated of their time, talent and treasure during this Christmas season.

We're grateful to all who made the celebration of our Christmas liturgies prayerful and uplifting and our worship space so beautiful!

Thank you to all who helped us remember those in need in the Nashua area through our Outreach Holiday Gift Program and your continued contributions to the Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance.

We're especially grateful to our parishioners for their contributions towards our beautiful Christmas flowers and their ongoing support of our parish, especially during this time of pandemic. We're grateful for the blessing of each one of you!

God bless you for your generosity!
Bishop Christian and the Parish Staff

NEW: Calendar Raffle Winners

Please check our parish website, www.stjoenash.org or our parish Facebook page for our daily winners! A list and update will be published in next week's bulletin!

Pope Francis Proclaims Year of St. Joseph

In a new Apostolic Letter entitled "Patris corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150 anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St. Joseph" from **December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021**. The decree said that Pope Francis established a Year of St. Joseph so that "every member of the faithful, following his example, may strengthen their life of faith daily in the complete fulfillment of God's will." It also added that the pope had granted special indulgences to mark the year. For more information visit:



<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/pope-francis-proclaims-year-of-st-joseph-10779>

Catholic Charities NH To Host Next Online Bereavement Support Group

Have you recently lost a spouse, family member or friend, and are struggling with grief and loss?

Catholic Charities NH will be hosting its next online support group, **"Bereavement – Experiencing Loss, Being Lost and Finding your Way Again"**, a six-series program helping participants to learn about the dynamics of grief, discover new ways to cope while healing and gain the opportunity to be supported and support others also sharing a painful journey. Sessions will be held on **Thursdays (Jan. 28 - Mar. 4) from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**

To register, visit www.cc-nh.org/bereavement. You may also call 603-752-1325 or email efrenette@nh-cc.org.



LIVE UNITED



United Way
of Greater Nashua

Do you have a senior friend or loved one who is feeling isolated?

Maybe they live alone or are staying in their home due to health concerns.

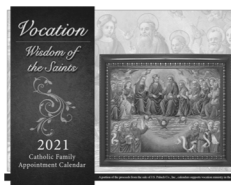
United Way of Greater Nashua is connecting isolated seniors with

volunteers who can offer weekly calls or want to exchange letters with them. Seniors who would like calls or letters should contact us at (603) 438-2173 or sceaser@unitedwaynashua.org.

2021 Parish Calendars

Our 2021 parish calendars have arrived and are available in our gathering space. Please take one!

A BIG THANK YOU to our Knights of Columbus Council 12311 and CYO for this generous donation!



Family & Faith in the Home The Messy Family Project

Join Mike and Alicia Hernon of *The Messy Family Project*

in this three-part interactive webinar series, "Family & Faith in the Home", sponsored by the Diocese of Manchester. Each session will focus on introducing basic concepts of fostering strong marriage and family life, with the following three talks:

January 13th - Communication in Marriage

January 20th - Messy Parenting 101

January 27th - Evangelizing Your Children

Register to receive the Zoom link for all three sessions at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/family-faith-in-the-home-workshop-series-registration-121213654303>

To learn more about The Messy Family Project visit:
<https://www.messyfamilyproject.org/about>



The Epiphany of the Lord



GIFT Assignment:
Feast of Epiphany
Assignment will be in
Google Classroom



Next EDGE Zoom Meeting:
Sunday, January 10th
at 6:00pm

Living the Liturgy at Home Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord Prayer

Lord our God, in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, you have become one of us. During this Christmas season, help us to enter more deeply into the mystery of the Incarnation. Help us to recognize your presence in the Holy Child in the manger, in the sacraments of the Church, and in the people around us: in family, friends, and strangers, knowing that Christ was born for all and that we are all children of God. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Conversation Questions

During Christmas Time, how have you been led closer to Jesus?

The Wise Men brought gifts to Jesus. If you were to join them, what gifts would you bring to Jesus?

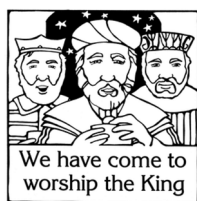
Faith in Action

Use this traditional Epiphany blessing at home. Gather your family at the front door and lead them in praying the Our Father. Then write [first two digits of the calendar year] + C + M + B + [last two digits of the calendar year] above the doorway in chalk. The numbers stand for the numbers of the new year, and the letters stand for the first initials of the names of the three Wise Men. Conclude by singing "We Three Kings" or another favorite Christmas song together.

Did you know?

...that the Bible never says how many Magi came to see Jesus? Tradition usually counts them as three because three gifts are mentioned. The names have many variations, but they are most commonly known as Melchior of Persia, Caspar (or Gaspar) of India, and Balthazar of Arabia.

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Liturgy

The Epiphany of the Lord

Magi from the east arrived
in Jerusalem, saying,
"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising and
have come to do him homage."

Matthew 2:1-2



January 3, 2021

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Levi Wilson Pena Bautista

son of Wilson Pena &
Tyra Horgan

was recently baptized.

We prayerfully welcome him into
our Catholic faith.



The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention January ~ Evangelization: Human fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full
fellowship with our brothers and sisters of
other religions, praying for one another, open
to all.



Make a New Year's Resolution! All Are Welcome! Please Join Us!



Adoration Of the Blessed Sacrament (in the main church)

Tuesday evenings - 6 to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday mornings - 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon

*"Know also that you will probably gain more by praying 15
minutes before the Blessed Sacrament than by all the other
spiritual exercises of the day." ~ St. Alphonsus Liguori*

Thursday Evening Rosary (in the main church)

at 6:00 p.m.



*"The rosary is a long chain that links heaven
and earth. One end of it is in our hands and
the other end is in the hands of the holy Virgin... The rosary
prayer rises like incense to the feet of the Almighty. Mary
responds at once like a beneficial dew, bringing new life to
human hearts." ~ St. Therese of Lisieux*

The Epiphany of the Lord

REFLECTIONS

By Bishop Christian

Happy New Year!! It's hard for me to believe that another year has passed, and so quickly. Hopefully each one of us can look back and find many blessings for which to be thankful to the Lord. Recently, I came across a survey that came up with peoples' top 10 New Years' resolutions. Here they are for your consideration with a few personal comments.

1. Spend more time with family and friends. (Loving and being loved is what makes life worthwhile.)
2. Fit in fitness. (In other words, get some regular exercise.)
3. Tame the bulge. (This only applies to the 55% of us who are overweight.)
4. Quit smoking. (On average, smokers try four times before they quit.)
5. Enjoy life more. (Why isn't this No. 2?)
6. Quit drinking. (Some of us need to quit; some of us need to cut back.)
7. Get out of debt. (Maybe for some of us this means limiting ourselves to one credit card.)
8. Learn something new. (When we stop growing, we begin dying.)
9. Help others. (Why isn't this No. 3?)
10. Get organized. (How much time is wasted and stress is induced because we can't set priorities?)

All of these are laudable goals and I can understand why they would be so popular with so many people. But for those of us who are disciples of Christ, there is something glaring that is missing. Our first resolution, every year, should be to grow in intimacy with Him. We need to remember that He has come so that we "might have life and have it to the full." God has created us for joy, beginning now and enduring into eternity. If our life is less joyful than it should be, it may well be because we haven't let the Lord lead us into that joy. We need, then, to make more time for prayer, for mediating on the Scriptures, for receiving the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and for consciously doing works of charity. I have a strong sense that if we were to do these things, then all the other things on the list of resolutions would take care of themselves.

It will soon be 2022. What will we have done with 2021?



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Mass Intentions  for the Week

Monday, January 4th

8:00 am ~ Deceased members of the Toth & Paquin Families

Tuesday, January 5th

8:00 am ~ Steve Kelley by the St. Joseph Outreach Committee

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Anne & Bob Micci

Wednesday, January 6th

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Denise Duhamel

Thursday, January 7th

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Claude & Vicki Provencher

Friday, January 8th

No Daily Mass

Saturday, January 9th

4:00 pm ~ Irene Waye by her family

4:00 pm ~ Norman Charpentier by Joanne

Sunday, January 10th

10:00 am ~ Roger Dupont by Claude & Vicki Provencher

10:00 am ~ William F. Gunning, 38th Anniversary, by his sister-in-law Dorothy

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72: 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11



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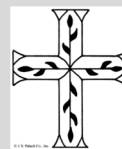
Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week

Monday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Tuesday: St. John Neumann

Wednesday: St. André Bessette

Thursday: St. Raymond of Penyafort; Julian Calendar Christmas



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