

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 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Weekday Masses

Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM

If Nashua schools are closed or delayed due to snow/ice, daily Mass will be cancelled. Mass intentions will be rescheduled 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
Adult Choir	Barbara Puder	557-5279
Art & Environment	Robert Gagne	883-3972
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Cub/Boy Scouts	John Puliafico	889-5677
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Teen Choir	Tom Lynch	889-3751
Youth Choir	Chris Wenrich	880-7939

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Liturgy	John Martin	883-9730
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Deanery Agencies

New Hampshire Catholic Charities	889-9431
Corpus Christi Food Pantry & Assistance	882-6372

The Presentation of the Lord



Weekly Schedule

World Day for
Consecrated Life



Sunday, February 2, 2020

Youth Choir, Room 2/3/4, 8-10am

Monday, February 3, 2020

Rosary, in church by the statue of Mary, 7:30am

Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Rosary, in church by the statue of Mary, 7:30am

Cribbage League, Center, 12-3pm

CYO Practice, Center, 5-10pm

Adoration, Chapel, 6-8pm

Cub Scout Meeting (Wolf), Room 1, 6:30-8pm

BSA Commissioner Meeting, Room 5/6, 7-8pm

Knights of Columbus Meeting, Room 7/8, 7-9pm

Quilting, Room 2/3/4, 7-9pm

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Rosary, in church by the statue of Mary, 7:30am

Homeschool, 8am-3pm

Adoration, Chapel, 8:30am-12 noon

CYO Practice, Center, 5-10pm

EDGE Team Meeting, Founder's, 7pm

Adult Choir Practice, Worship, 7-9pm

Thursday, February 6, 2020

Rosary, in church by the statue of Mary, 7:30am

Rosary, Chapel, 6pm

Boy Scouts, Center/Kitchen/Room 7/8, 6:30-8:30pm

Friday, February 7, 2020

MicroSociety Academy School Event, Center, 5:30-8pm

Saturday, February 8, 2020

Men of St. Joseph Breakfast & Meeting, Kitchen/Center,
7:30-9am

GIFT Program Parent Mtg. (After 4pm Mass), Worship

Healing Prayer Ministry (After 4pm Mass), Chapel

CYO Meat Bingo, Center, 6:30pm

Additional Christmas Flowers 2019



Family and friends of...

Edwin & Maribel Emata

Francis & Eliese Moore

100 CLUB

Congratulations to the following January winners!

\$100 - Frankie Tusini, # 47

\$50 - John Puliafico, #69

Next drawing is: **Sunday, February 23rd!**

We still have #s 46, 53, 56, 73, 78, 84 & 86 left. Might one of these numbers be lucky for you??? If interested contact **Helen Dumont** at 603-883-0757, ext. 3.

Weekend Offertory

Weekly Offertory needed to meet budget, FY2020.....\$8,820

Offertory Collection **01/25-01/26/20**.....\$7,997

On Line Giving W/E **01/26/20**.....\$959

Total Weekly Collections **01/25-01/26/20**.....\$8,956

Fiscal Year Offertory needed to date (30th wk.).....\$264,600

Fiscal Year Offertory collected to date (30th wk.).....\$244,053

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

Thank you for your support!

January Monthly Collections

Diocesan Collection for Seminarians.....\$2,687

Building/Grounds.....\$1,722

Christmas (Updated).....\$17,014

New Year's (Updated).....\$1,908

Capital Campaign ~ Jan. 2020

Reflecting activity 12/30/19 - 01/28/20

Total Pledged/Gifts.....\$1,128,408.50

Total Collected To Date.....\$1,037,042.54

Total Still To Be Collected.....\$91,365.96

Last Month's Collected Payments.....\$9,120.66

Your commitment is greatly appreciated!



Annual Fuel Collection

Next Weekend, February 8th-9th

Our special collection for fuel will take place next weekend. We constantly monitor our facility and program our thermostats based on the activities taking place each day. Areas not being used (including the church during the afternoons and evenings) are set to "unoccupied" temperatures to help with the cost of heating. We also work with the Diocese and purchase our gas supply as a group for cost efficiency. We ask that you be as generous as possible.

Bless you for your support!

2019 TAX STATEMENTS

If you received a tax statement last year you will automatically receive a copy of your 2019 donations and your contributions to the Capital Campaign within a few weeks.



If you are new to us this past year and wish to have us send you a tax statement, we ask that you please mark your current envelope with the following notation, **"Tax Statement Requested"**. Please note: Refer all questions or requests to **Helen Dumont, the Business Manager** at 883-0757, ext. 3. Thank you for your support.

The Presentation of the Lord

Parish & Community News



Come experience the Men of St. Joseph!

Are you interested in: supporting and growing your faith, fostering and strengthening your values and becoming a better person, family man and member of the church community?

The Men of St. Joseph is a group of men who meet on a **monthly** basis to learn and pray together and encourage each other.

All are welcome!

For more information and to sign up (solely to establish a breakfast count) please come to the church hall after the 8 & 10am Masses or visit our website at: stjoenash.org/men-of-st-joseph.

Next Meeting: Saturday, February 8th, 7:30-9am
in the church hall

Free hot breakfast: eggs, pancakes, toast, coffee, etc.
Please join us!



KNIGHTS NEWS

Council 12311

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Blood Drive

Friday, February 14th

1:00pm ~ 6:00pm

St. Joseph the Worker Parish



Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit:
redcrossblood.org and enter: JOSEPHTHEWORKER
to schedule an appointment.

Join us in answering the call to help others give blood!

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 16th

After the 8 & 10am Masses

A free will offering will be collected



Get 'em while they're hot! Please help support our Knights and their good works by making a donation and stacking your plate high at the pancake breakfast!

CYO Meat Bingo!!!

Saturday: February 8th
6:30-9:00pm



Come join us for our second Meat Bingo event of the season! This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year and all the funds raised from this event go directly to our organization. Most games are only \$1 to play and the more players we have, the more money we can raise for our teams. It's always a good time for all!

Bring your family and friends!

**Come down and support
St. Joe's CYO!**

GO CHARGERS!!!



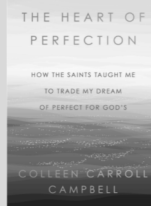
February Parish Book Club

Wednesday, February 19th

Our book club meets on the third Wednesday of every month. Our next meeting will be held in the Founder's Room on February 19th. We will be discussing:

***The Heart of Perfection: How the Saints Taught Me to Trade My Dream of Perfect for God's* by Colleen Carroll Campbell.** We begin at 6:30pm for snacks and socializing, with our discussion starting at 7pm. Please join us! We'd love to have you!

Check back here next week for a list of future books or visit our parish website at: www.stjoenash.org!



SCOUT SUNDAY



JOIN US FOR SCOUT SUNDAY

The Scouts of St. Joseph Parish will celebrate Scout Sunday on **February 9th at the 8:00am Mass**. All current and former Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and

leaders from any unit are welcome to join us for the celebration. We will meet in the Parish Hall before Mass and process in together. Please try to be there by 7:30am but no later than 7:45am.

If you are a Eucharistic minister, lector or altar server and would like to serve for this Mass, please make the arrangements with your appropriate parish contact.

Miriam Dinner

Are you looking to follow the Lord and ready to say "yes" when he calls? We would like to invite

women in our diocese ages, 14-40, who are considering a vocation to the religious life or would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call in their life to an evening of prayer, conversation, and dinner. Sister Mary Thomas Lesniak, a native of New Hampshire and a member of the Felician Sisters, will be sharing her inspiring vocation story.

When: Friday, February 7th from 6-8pm

Where: Joseph House (279 Cartier St. in Manchester)

Please RSVP to Becky Vinson at rvinson@rcbm.org or 603-663-0153 if you would like to attend.



The Presentation of the Lord

FAITH FORMATION



GIFT Assignment: The Presentation of the Lord (Cycle A)



Next **EDGE** sessions for
Grades 6, 7, 8 & 9:
Sunday, February 9th
at 6:00 p.m.

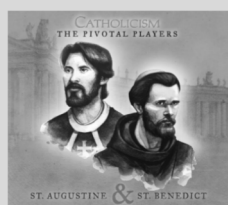


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GIFT Program Parent Meeting

This meeting is to help parents better understand the materials given to the children and to review the role of the parents in the work done in the home. The meeting will be held on **February 8th & 9th after all Masses.**



Coming This Lent... Bishop Robert Barron Pivotal Players Volume II

The Pivotal Players is a multi-part series that illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of western civilization. This short study focuses on two incredible saints from the fourth and fifth centuries:
St. Augustine of Hippo and St. Benedict of Nursia.

It will also focus on: **Flannery O'Connor and Bishop Fulton Sheen.**

Sessions will be held in the morning and evening on Thursdays during Lent.

More details to come!



What so ever you do...

For the past few years, members of the parish have joined the Middle School Faith Formation with a special outreach project helping the youth in Nashua that have aged out of the foster care system.

Thank you to everyone for your continued donations!

*** Recent Requests ***

- Socks for women and men
- Macaroni & Cheese (in microwave cups), Ramen Noodles (microwavable) & Frosted Pop Tarts
- Gift cards to: Dunkin, McDonald's, Wendy's Subway, etc.

Liturgy

THE PRESENTATION OF

THE LORD

FEBRUARY 2, 2020



Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted.

LUKE 2:34

World Day for Consecrated Life



World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on this Sunday, February 2, 2020 and in parishes on the weekend of February 1-2, 2020. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

Can You Please Help?

We are in great need of adorers on **Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.**

This would be a wonderful way to enhance your Lenten journey!

If you can help or for more information, please call:
Pat Hurd at 603-882-1503.

"Could you not keep watch for one hour?" - Mark 14:37

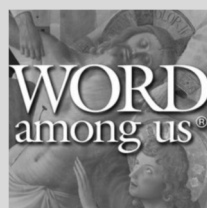


Communion Cup

Until further notice, the precious blood will not be distributed at communion in order to avoid transmission of the flu during the height of the season.



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The February issues of the *Word Among Us* are in the plastic wall hangings in the Narthex. Please take one! This monthly magazine offers meditations based on the daily Mass readings, inspirational essays, stories of saints and more!

The Presentation of the Lord

REFLECTIONS

By Bishop Christian

Have you ever met someone who is really old and really wise? I have met several such men and women, mostly at daily Mass. Their eyes are gentle. Smile lines are etched into the wrinkles of their faces. In some, a lifetime of generosity is written into their bodies, as though their hands reach out to hug you, even when they have not moved. Others are quieter, but their faces radiate peace. Kindliness and holiness have become a way of life for them.

Simeon and Anna are the first-century equivalent of those saints whom you and I have met. These two pray. They pray a lot. Simeon is described as “upright and devout.” When he sees the child, he believes. He believes! An eight-day-old baby is being presented to the Lord. And Simeon sees in that child the Savior of the world. How does that work? Something must have moved within him.

Faith is an inner assurance that rises within us to convince us that God is at work. That belief, at that moment, is a gift.

Anna has prayed night and day in the temple for years and years and years. Many of us have tasted the seasoning of the Spirit. But there are saints who have tasted of the pure Spirit, as though it were something they drank straight. Anna seems to be one of those people, those who live on the borderline between God and the world.

You might just be one of those people. If you are, thank you for your life of holiness. If you are not, then like me, let's keep working to drink deeply of God's Spirit, day after day. God is real, at work at all times. Faith is a gift, an inner assurance that this is so.

~ Thanks to John Barker and Karla Bellinger

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	The Presentation of the Lord; Blessing of Candles; World Day for Consecrated Life; Boy Scouting Sunday; Groundhog Day
Monday:	Fourth Week in Ordinary Time; St. Blaise; St. Ansgar
Wednesday:	St. Agatha
Thursday:	St. Paul Miki and Companions
Friday:	First Friday
Saturday:	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking; Blessed Virgin Mary



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, February 3rd

8:00 am ~ Roger Dumont by the St. Joseph Outreach Committee

Tuesday, February 4th

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Lou & Rhonda Digregorio

Wednesday, February 5th

8:00 am ~ Jim Dieckhoff by Peggy & Larry Sacco

Thursday, February 6th

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Juliette Desmarais

Friday, February 7th

No Daily Mass

Saturday, February 8th

4:00 pm ~ Jim Dieckhoff by Claude & Vicki Provencher

4:00 pm ~ Laura Duarte, 1st Anniversary, by her family

Sunday, February 9th

8:00 am ~ Amanda Gagne, 45th Anniversary, by her son Bob

8:00 am ~ Carmelle Desfosses, in memory of her birthday, by Diane & Charlie Reynolds

10:00 am ~ Paul R. Rioux by Helen Dumont

10:00 am ~ Richard Hill, 8th Anniversary, by his wife and family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday:	Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday:	Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16



The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention



February ~ Universal: Listen to the Migrants' Cries

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

The Pass Along Project

CLOTHING DRIVE

BENNEFITTING CHILDREN ENTERING FOSTER HOMES

Collecting next Wednesday
2/5 and Saturday 2/8 and
Sunday 2/9

Donations may be dropped off before and after masses to the "PASS ALONG PROJECT" collection bins
on Saturday and Sunday

**NEW AND GENTLY WORN CLOTHING NEEDED FOR
SIZES INFANT THROUGH YOUTH SIZE 14/16**

*New items needed include diapers,
underwear, socks and PJ's

*Gently worn items needed include
clothing for all seasons, shoes,
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