

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

777 West Hollis Street – Nashua, NH 03062

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
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Youth Choir	Chris Wenrich	880-7939

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Deanery Agencies

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

First Sunday of Lent

Weekly Schedule



Sunday, March 1, 2020

Youth Choir, Room 2/3/4, 8-10am
CYO Deanery Basketball, Center/Kitchen/Rooms 1,5,6,7 & 8, 12:30-5:30pm
EDGE Program, Center/Classrooms/Worship/, 6-8pm

Monday, March 2, 2020

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

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

Rosary, in church by the statue of Mary, 7:30am
Cribbage League, Center, 12-3pm
Cub Scout Meeting (Wolf & Lion), Room 1, 5:30-8pm
Adoration, Chapel, 6-8pm
BSA Commissioner Meeting, Room 5/6, 7-8:30pm
Knights of Columbus, Room 7/8, 7-9pm
Quilting, Room 2/3/4, 7-9pm

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

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

Home School, 8am-3pm
Adoration, Chapel, 8:30am-12 noon
Adult Choir Practice, Worship, 7-9pm
EDGE Team Meeting, Founders, 7pm

Thursday, March 5, 2020

Rosary, in church by the statue of Mary, 7:30am
Lenten Adult Enrichment (Morning Session), Center/Kitchen/Room 2/3/4, 9-11am
Rosary, Chapel, 6pm
Boy Scouts, Room 7/8, 6:30-8:30pm
Lenten Adult Enrichment (Evening Session), Center/Kitchen/Worship, 7-9pm (6:30 dinner-optional)

Friday, March 6, 2020

Rosary, in church by the statue of Mary, 7:30am
Stations of the Cross, Worship, 3:30pm
K of C Italian Knight Set-up, Center/Kitchen, 3-9pm

Saturday, March 7, 2020

First Saturday Devotion (After 4pm Mass), Chapel
K of C Italian Knight Dinner, Center/Kitchen, 5:30pm



For additional parish news, faith formation resources, diocesan and community events and more, please visit our website at:
www.stjoenash.org

ONLINE GIVING

For those of you interested in using "online giving", please go to our website: **www.stjoenash.org** and check out our options under Stewardship/On Line Giving or call Helen Dumont in the Finance Office for more details at 883-0757, ext. 3.



Weekend Offertory

Weekly Offertory needed to meet budget, FY2020.....\$8,820
Offertory Collection 02/22-02/23/20.....\$6,176
On Line Giving W/E 02/23/20.....\$1,049
Total Weekly Collections 02/22-02/23/20.....\$7,225
Fiscal Year Offertory needed to date (33rd wk.).....\$299,880
Fiscal Year Offertory collected to date (33rd wk.).....\$273,752

***2.5% of the Total Offertory goes to Tithing each week.**
Thank you for your support!

100 CLUB

Congratulations to the following February winners!

\$100 - Barbara Deneault, # 27

\$50 - Fernand Vachon, #43

Next drawing is: **Sunday, March 29th**

We still have 3 numbers remaining: 46, 53 & 56.

One of them could be your lucky number!
If interested please contact **Helen Dumont** at
603-883-0757, ext. 3.

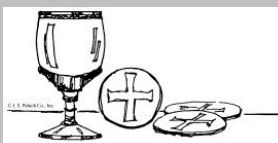
CRS Rice Bowl 2020 For Lent, For Life



First Week of Lent, Hunger in Our World

When Jesus fed the 5,000, he said, "Give them some food yourselves." Reflect on the challenge of global hunger.
How can you contribute to support the hungry in your community?

This Lent, commit to our global human family through daily prayer, weekly fasting, and almsgiving that changes lives. Jesus asks that we share what we have with those in need. With CRS Rice Bowl as our guide, we can respond to that Gospel call. Visit **www.crsricebowl.org**.



Offertory Special Request

The Welcome Committee teams that greet all of you when you arrive for the weekend Masses have a special request.

If you've scheduled a Mass intention for a family member or friend at one of our weekend liturgies that you plan on attending, would you consider arriving 15 minutes prior to Mass to let the greeters know that you are interested in bringing up the offertory gifts? If there are no family members or friends available to bring up the gifts, the greeters will have to ask a few of the Mass attendees or the ushers. Thank you for considering this special request!

Parish & Community News



KNIGHTS NEWS

Council 12311
St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Italian "Knight" Dinner

Saturday, March 7th at 5:30pm

\$15 per person (under 12 eat FREE!)

To support the scholarship fund,
the parish & the council



Pasta & Meatballs, Salad, Rolls, Desserts, Wine & More!

50/50 Raffle & Raffle Baskets!

Advanced tickets will be available after Masses the
weeks prior to the event.

*Come join us for good food, good company and a
good cause!*



Lenten Resources

*"During Lent, we are asked to devote
ourselves to seeking the Lord in
prayer and reading Scripture, to
service by giving alms, and to practice
self-control through fasting."*

- United States Conference of Bishops

Are you looking for resources to enrich your Lenten
journey and to help you grow closer to Christ? Visit the
"Lenten Resources" page on our parish website:
www.stjoenash.org/lenten-resources.

From **February 26th through April 5th**,
you're invited to join other Christians for 40
Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting
for an end to abortion. You're also invited to
stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day
vigil in the public right-of-way outside
Planned Parenthood, 24 Pennacook St,
Manchester, and also to help spread the word
about this important community outreach. For more info
please visit: www.40daysforlife.com/manchester.



Anniversary Celebration

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all
couples celebrating an anniversary in
2020 of **10, 15, 20, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 55+**
years, to attend the Spring Wedding
Anniversary Mass. **This celebration will
be held on Sunday, April 19th at
2:00 p.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral,
Manchester.** To register, please contact your parish
office by **March 20th**. Once registration has been
completed by the parish office, all registrants will receive
an invitation to this special celebration. Couples
celebrating anniversaries of 5, 25 or 50 years will be
asked to register later for a fall celebration.



**Saturday, March 14th at
7:30am (in the church hall)**

The Men of St. Joseph is an
association of Christian men across
the United States, united under the
Catholic Church, who meet on a
regular basis to learn and pray
together and encourage each other to
be the spiritual leaders of their families. We know it is a
struggle to balance being a husband, father, worker,
coach, friend and spiritual leader. The Men of St. Joseph
understand that with each other's support and shared
accountability, it becomes a little easier. Most
importantly we know that if we surrender our day to day
problems to God, we will be better husbands, fathers and
friends. Through Christ, we will become the best version
of ourselves.

We welcome all men to join us on this journey. Our next
monthly meeting will take place on **Saturday, March
14th from 7:30am to 9:00am in the church hall**. A free
hot breakfast will be served. For more information, and
to sign up (solely for a breakfast count), please visit our
website: www.stjoenash.org/men-of-st-joseph.



Spirited Theology

Tuesday, March 10th at the Radisson Hotel

Fr. Michael Kerper of St. Patrick Parish in
Nashua, NH will be presenting the second part
of his talk about the angels. (Note: you do not need to
have heard the first part to enjoy the second! If you wish
to hear the first talk prior to this event, however, check
out our Facebook Live videos!)

Topic - Angels: Hidden Congregation and Ministers

The spiritual beings commonly called angels worship
God continuously. They do this in communion and
solidarity with all people who participate in the Sacred
Liturgy and celebration of the Sacraments. This
presentation will examine the liturgical texts, rituals, and
theology pertaining to the angels, who join us whenever
we pray and worship together.

Spirited Theology events are held in one of the ballrooms
at the Radisson Hotel located at 11 Tara Blvd. in Nashua,
NH. Look for the Shade Bar & Grille sign at the side
entrance of the hotel. **Our gathering starts around
6:00pm for food and fellowship.** Dinner and drinks can
be ordered from the restaurant menu, so come early to eat
and socialize! (Catholic and non-Catholic friends are
welcome!) **The guest speaker will begin their
presentation at 7:00pm.** We hope to see you there!

For more information, check out our website
at www.spiritedtheology.com and be sure to
like us on Facebook!



First Sunday of Lent



GIFT Assignment:
First Sunday of Lent
(Cycle A)



Next **EDGE** sessions for
Grades 6, 7, 8 & 9:
Sunday, March 1st
at 6:00 p.m.



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Confirmation/First Communion

Family Retreat (Students in Grade 3 & Parents):
Sunday, March 15th - 1:00-3:00pm

First Reconciliation Family Retreat
(Students in Grade 2 & Parents):

Saturday, March 21st - 12 noon-2:00pm

The sacrament of reconciliation will take place at the end of the retreat.

Lenten Adult Enrichment **Pivotal Players, Volume II** **By Bishop Robert Barron**

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.**

Morning Session: 9-11am

Evening Session: 7-9pm (6:30pm optional dinner)

Thursday, March 5th ~ St. Augustine - The Teacher

Thursday, March 12th ~ St. Benedict - The Monk

Thursday, March 19th ~ Bishop Fulton Sheen -
The Communicator

Thursday, April 2nd ~ Flannery O'Connor -
The Storyteller

Lenten Adult Enrichment Registration Form

Name: _____

Phone # or Email: _____

____ Morning Session (9-11 a.m.)

____ Evening Session with dinner (6:30-9 p.m.)

____ Evening Session without dinner (7-9 p.m.)

Liturgy

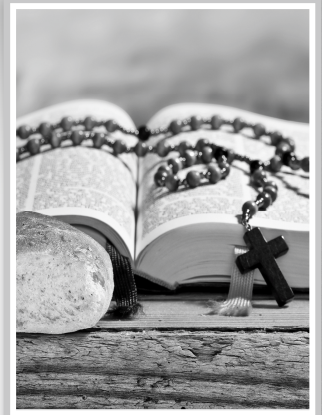
First
Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2020

Jesus said,
"One does not live
on bread alone,
but on every word
that comes forth
from the mouth of God."

Matthew 4:4

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Clara Maureen Raistrick

daughter of
Patrick & Katie (Leduc) Raistrick
was recently baptized. We prayerfully
welcome her into our Catholic faith.

Enrich Your Lenten Journey...



Daily Mass

Monday-Friday at 8:00am

Confessions

Saturdays ~ 3:00-3:45pm



Deanery Penance Service at Immaculate Conception

Parish: **Sunday, March 29th at 2:00pm**

Diocesan Day of Reconciliation:

Monday, April 6th ~ 11am-1:00pm & 5-7:00pm

Stations Of The Cross

Fridays at 3:30pm

Good Friday, April 10th at 3:30pm

Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament

Tues. evenings from 7:00-8:00pm (chapel entrance)

Wednesdays from 8:30am-12 noon

Rosary

Mon.-Fri. at 7:30am by the statue of Mary
inside the church

Thursday Evenings at 6:00pm (chapel entrance)

The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention



**March ~ Evangelization:
Catholics in China**

We pray that the Church in China may
persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel
and grow in unity.

First Sunday of Lent

REFLECTIONS

By Bishop Christian

This week we enter once again into the season Lent. It is spiritually very important that we make the most of the season. Our Lord says to us, "Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation".

Lent has its origins in the desire of early Christians to imitate Christ in his 40 days in the desert. Initially it was the time when those who were preparing for baptism entered into an intense period of prayer and fasting before their incorporation into the Church at Easter. But it soon became the custom for all those who were already Christian to accompany the catechumens on their spiritual journey and by their own more intense prayer, fasting and almsgiving to renew their own dedication to Christ. It is this deepening of our faith and Christian living that Lent offers to us.

Perhaps the most important thing for us to understand about Lent is that it is, first and foremost, not simply a time of "doing something". But we must understand why we add these things to our lives. We add them because we are called to change our minds and hearts. We are called to alter our ways of thinking and acting in those areas where we are not yet fully in accord with Christ. We have to take a look at where we are and where we should be and then do what is necessary to change. So our Lenten practices have a definite goal. They need to make us different people come Easter. As we celebrate Christ's Resurrection, we have to rise to a new way of living in those areas that need change. I urge you, then, to make this a good Lent, one where your practices and your prayers will truly result in a new mind and a new heart.

Some Lenten trivia:

- ♦ Did you know that the word **Lent** comes from the Old English word for spring? In other languages the word usually comes from the Latin term "Quadragesima" which means forty days.
- ♦ The word **Carnival** comes from the Latin word "carnevale" which means farewell to flesh. It was a time to eat up all the remaining meat, which could not be eaten during Lent.
- ♦ The words **Mardi Gras** are French words meaning "Fat Tuesday". It was the day to use up all the fats, eggs, and other dairy products before the fasting and abstinence of Lent began.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 2nd

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Peggy & Larry Sacco

Tuesday, March 3rd

8:00 am ~ All Souls Day Intention

Wednesday, March 4th

8:00 am ~ Claudette Adams by the St. Joseph Outreach Committee

8:00 am ~ Jeanette Mercure by Janice

Thursday, March 5th

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Pauline Porder

Friday, March 6th

8:00 am ~ Edgar Bernier by the Dumont Family

Saturday, March 7th

4:00 pm ~ Karin Megullas by Mae Sanchez & the boys

4:00 pm ~ Jim Dieckhoff by Carlota Frye & family

Sunday, March 8th

8:00 am ~ Steve Kelley by Terri Dieckhoff

8:00 am ~ Jane St. Pierre, 14th Anniversary, her estate

10:00 am ~ Barbara Nadworny by Janice Mercure

10:00 am ~ Bruce Robinson, 1st Anniversary, by his daughters

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
- Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: First Sunday of Lent
- Monday: Julian Calendar Lent begins
- Tuesday: St. Katharine Drexel
- Wednesday: St. Casimir
- Friday: World Day of Prayer; Abstinence; First Friday
- Saturday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity; First Saturday





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