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

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Weekly Schedule

Please note that Mass will not be available to the general public and all parish activities have been cancelled until further notice.

The church will be open 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. for private prayer.

Confession is available on Saturday at 3 p.m.



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

Brown Bag Update

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all of you who took brown bags, shopped for items and dropped them off at the parish! Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance was very grateful for your contributions! *God bless you for your generosity towards our*

brothers and sisters in need! If you didn't have a chance to drop off your contributions this past weekend, please feel free to drop them off at the parish any time in the coming weeks during the hours of 8am-5pm.



Weekend Offertory

Weekly Offertory needed to meet budget, FY2020.....\$8,820
Offertory Collection 03/21-03/22/20.....\$2,899
On Line Giving W/E 03/22/20.....\$960
Total Weekly Collections 03/21-03/22/20.....\$3,859
Fiscal Year Offertory needed to date (38th wk.).....\$335,160
Fiscal Year Offertory collected to date (38th wk.).....\$310,169

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

Thank you for your support!

Supporting the Parish

Just as you do, the parish also still has regular financial obligations during this time and we humbly ask that, insofar as your financial situation permits, you continue to contribute your weekly offering to the parish.

You can put it in the mail, drop it off during business hours, or go to our website to use the online giving opportunity there.

Thank you for doing the best you can in this regard.



OFFERING



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.

CRS Rice Bowl 2020 For Lent, For Life

Fifth Week of Lent, Opportunity to Dream

Young people must be provided good nutrition to be able to pursue their dreams. Did you have the opportunity to dream? What can you do to give young people the opportunity to dream?

Visit www.crsricebowl.org for more.

Thank you for using your CRS Rice Bowls! We ask that you return them on Palm Sunday weekend, April 4th-5th. There will be a basket near the baptismal font for you to place your donations. God bless you!



We'd like to take this opportunity to thank **Joanne Anderson, Frank & Trina Clark, Donna Cormier, Andrea Hoffer, Marc & Lisa Richard and David Werner** for their help with our recent mailing regarding the coronavirus.

We are so very grateful for the gift of your time!

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Parish & Community News

Staying Home from Mass

The Celebration of Mass as we know it in the Diocese has changed in light of the recent events. Priests of our Diocese will continue to celebrate Mass as the intention for an announced Mass must be satisfied. It is of great comfort to those who cannot share in the Eucharist that their own intentions will continue, and that their pastors continue to pray for them. Attendance at Mass will not be available to the general public. Our Divine law still requires us to keep holy the Lord's Day with prayer and avoiding unnecessary work.

Mass continues to be available to the Faithful on television through the **EWTN** and **Boston Catholic Television** as well as through many online resources. Below are a few recommendations for daily and weekend Masses online.

Daily

EWTN Daily Mass: <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/daily-readings>

Bishop Barron Daily Mass (on demand after 8:15am): <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>

8:30 am - Immaculate Conception: <https://www.facebook.com/iccnashuanh.org/>

9:30 am - The CatholicTV Network: <http://www.catholicTV.org/masses/catholicTV-mass>

12:30 pm - Pope Francis Daily Mass from the Vatican: <http://catholicTV.org/shows/pope-francis-daily-mass>

Saturday

7 pm - Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception: <http://catholicTV.org/masses/national-shrine-mass>

Sunday

8 am - Spanish Mass La Santa Misa (rebroadcast 5:30 pm & 10 pm): <http://catholicTV.org/masses/la-santa-misa>

10 am & 4 PM - Immaculate Conception: <https://www.facebook.com/iccnashuanh.org/>

10 am - University of Notre Dame Mass: <http://catholicTV.org/masses/notre-dame-mass>

12:30 pm - Pope Francis Sunday Mass from the Vatican: <http://catholicTV.org/shows/pope-francis-daily-mass>

CatholicTV Mass w/Bishop Robert Reed (rebroadcast 7 & 11:30 pm): <http://www.catholicTV.org/masses/catholicTV-mass>

An Act of Spiritual Communion

Even if one cannot sacramentally receive the Eucharist, everyone should be aware of the practice of making a spiritual communion, where we unite ourselves to God through prayer. It is a beautiful way to express to God our desire to be united with him when we are unable to complete that union in the reception of Holy Communion.

Below is a traditional prayer of spiritual communion that many saints have prayed over the years.

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and
unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



During difficult times, **music can draw us closer to God** and through his grace bring peace to our troubled hearts.

K-Love Christian radio is now in our area!
You can listen to uplifting contemporary Christian music by tuning to **107.3FM!**

Music For Your Soul! Check out our website at:
www.stjoenash.org/music-for-the-soul.



Prayer

The more you devote yourself in prayer the more you will do well in your work.

St. John Baptist de la Salle

Fifth Sunday of Lent



GIFT Assignment: Fifth Sunday of Lent (Cycle A)

GIFT & EDGE Program News

In an attempt to keep everyone safe at this time during the outbreak of the Coronavirus, we will be suspending the GIFT and EDGE programs until further notice.

The Family is considered the "Domestic Church", therefore, you may want to use the readings I sent you and complete the worksheets at home.

Remember, when two or more are gathered in Jesus' name, He is present. Also, remember that when we read the Gospel, Jesus is present. You might consider closing this family worship time with the Our Father and Hail Mary.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 603-883-0757, ext. 4 or janicemercure@stjoenash.org.

Thank you and God bless!
Miss Janice

Living the Liturgy at Home Fifth Sunday of Lent

Prayer before a Crucifix

Loving Father, as we look at this crucifix, may we remember that Jesus gave his life for us. He became just like us so that we would live. He lived his whole life saying yes to you. May we imitate him during this time of Lent. May we be willing to make sacrifices to bring life to others. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Model. Amen.

Conversation Questions

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus weeps when he finds out that his friend Lazarus has died. What does that tell us about the kind of friend Jesus is?

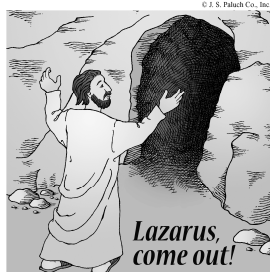
What have you witnessed in your life that leads you to believe in Jesus?

Faith in Action

Is your home ready for Jesus? Is it a welcoming place like the home of Martha and Mary? If not, how can your family be more welcoming?

Did You Know?

...that the raising of Lazarus is the last of the signs and wonders in John's account of the Gospel and was seen as the "last straw" for the enemies of Jesus who were seeking a reason to punish him?



Liturgy

*Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice!*

— Psalm 130:1



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Palms



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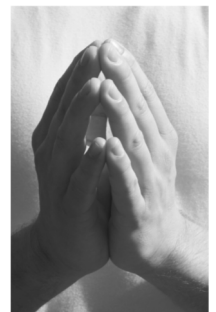
We're happy to tell you that palms will be available for pick up at the church in the Narthex beginning on **Saturday, April 4th through Good Friday, April 10th** during the hours of **8 a.m. and 5 p.m.**

You may also take this opportunity to return your **CRS Rice Bowls**. There will be a basket near the baptismal font for you to place your donations. God bless you!

Prayer in a Time Of Pandemic

O God of compassion,
your people are anxious
in this time of pandemic.
Send your Holy Spirit among us
to dispel our fears.
We cry out to you in our confusion;
comfort us in our affliction.
Grant our leaders wisdom to guide us.
Strengthen and sustain those who are ill,
and be with those who care for them.
Help us to travel this road
in solidarity with our neighbors,
with our eyes fixed on the salvation
promised us through the death and
Resurrection of your Son,
who is Lord forever and ever.
Amen.

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

REFLECTIONS

By Bishop Christian

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord. An innocent man mounts the steps to the guillotine. He hasn't led the best of lives. He has seen in himself nothing worthy of honor. But he has exchanged places in prison with the young husband of the woman he loves. He had promised to do anything to protect her and hers. He has saved the man at the cost of his own life. Some of you may recognize the scene from Charles Dickens' "*A Tale of Two Cities*". As Sydney Carton goes to meet his death the words of Jesus echo in his mind, what Jesus said to Martha, grieving over the death of her brother Lazarus. I am the resurrection and the life. When my parents died, I wasn't overcome with grief. That came later. I thought about the promise of Jesus to Mary and Martha. My parents, even though they should die, would live. It wasn't just that Jesus would give them life, but that Jesus was life. It wasn't just that Jesus would raise them up as he raised Lazarus, only to die once more, but that Jesus was the Resurrection. If we are in Jesus, we are in the Resurrection and the Life. It's what Sydney Carton learned at last, and what all Christians, even in the deepest sorrow, must remember.

Thanks to Anthony Esolen of Magnificat

Fifth

Sunday of Lent

March 29, 2020

Jesus said,
"I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me,
even if they die, will live,
and everyone who lives and
believes in me will never die."

John 11:25-26

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 30th

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Hildegard Gillette

8:00 am ~ For all parishioners celebrating anniversaries this month (Rescheduled from March 29th)

Tuesday, March 31st

8:00 am ~ Mr. & Mrs. Louis Thibeault by Dennis & Peg Thibeault

Wednesday, April 1st

8:00 am ~ All Souls Day Intention

Thursday, April 2nd

8:00 am ~ Deceased family & friends of Gloria St. Pierre

Friday, April 3rd

8:00 am ~ Patrick J. Finnigan, Jr. by Peg Finnigan

Saturday, April 4th

4:00 pm ~ Olivette Noel by her daughter Helen

4:00 pm ~ Lou Desmarais by his wife

Sunday, April 5th ~ Palm Sunday

8:00 am ~ Maurice Desfosses, 17th Anniversary, by Diane & Charlie Reynolds (Rescheduled to Sunday, 8/9/20)

8:00 am ~ Arthur Reynolds, 12th Anniversary, by Diane & Charlie Reynolds (Rescheduled to Sunday, 8/2/20)

10:00 am ~ Dorothy Caron by her family

10:00 am ~ Ernest J. Corio by Irene Ball & Family

*****Please note: Bishop Christian will celebrate private Masses daily and on weekends and will pray for all scheduled Mass intentions. Some of the scheduled intentions will be transferred to different dates. Those changes will be noted above. Thank you for your understanding.*****

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

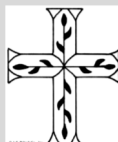
Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Wednesday: April Fool's Day

Thursday: St. Francis of Paola

Friday: First Friday; Abstinence

Saturday: St. Isidore; First Saturday





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