

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

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

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Schedule

Public weekend Mass: ***

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. & Sundays at 10 a.m.

Please note: The Sunday 8 a.m. Mass will be reinstituted in the near future.

Guidelines are available on our parish web site (www.stjoenash.org) and on our Facebook page.

The obligation to attend Mass is temporarily suspended for anyone reluctant to attend, especially those for whom it is medically inadvisable.

Public daily Mass: ***

Monday - Thursday at 8:00 a.m.

Confessions: ***

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 p.m.

The church will be open during the following hours for private prayer: ***

Monday - Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon

Sunday from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

***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.**

Corpus Christi Food Pantry

Heartfelt thanks for your August donations. God bless you all for your continued generosity!



September Requests:

Toothpaste

Deodorant

Mayo & Ketchup

Hamburger Helper

Rice & Pasta Sides

Canned Potatoes

Muffin Mixes

Syrup

Paper Towels

Canned Carrots

Canned Peas

Chicken Noodle Soup

Instant Potatoes

Spam

Corned Beef Hash

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me"

Matthew 25:35

Weekend Offertory

Weekly Offertory needed to meet budget, FY2021.....	\$8,055
Offertory Collection 08/29-08/30/20	\$6,236
On Line Giving W/E 08/29/20	<u>\$1,446</u>
Total Weekly Collections 08/29-08/30/20	\$7,682
Fiscal Year Offertory needed to date (9 th wk.).....	\$72,495
Fiscal Year Offertory collected to date (9 th wk.).....	\$65,474

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

Thank you for your support!

August Monthly Collections

Building/Grounds.....	\$1,502
NH Missionaries Abroad & Migrant Refugee.....	\$1,338
Assumption.....	\$1,109
Peter's Pence (Updated).....	\$1,295
Parish to Parish Support (Updated).....	\$1,447

Capital Campaign ~ August 2020

Reflecting activity 7/28/20 - 8/26/20

Total Pledged/Gifts.....	\$1,128,408.50
Total Collected To Date.....	\$1,079,518.19
Total Still To Be Collected.....	\$48,890.31
Last Month's Collected Payments.....	\$4,385.32

Your commitment is greatly appreciated!

NEW: Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land

Next Weekend: 9/12-9/13

At the request of Pope Francis, this Good Friday collection will be taken up again next weekend. It will help provide funding to support the work of the Holy Land Franciscans staff. It is used to help maintain Holy places and shrines and above all, for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren. Thank you in advance for your support!

Visit: **myfranciscan.org/good-friday/** for more info.



100 CLUB

Congratulations to the following **August** winners!

\$100 - Ken Sprankle, #44

\$50 - Yvette Pelletier, #39

Next drawing is: **Sunday, September 27th**

Good luck to all of our members!

Parish & Community News



Labor Day

Please note: The church will **not** be open for private prayer.

There will **not** be daily Mass and the parish office will be **closed** on **Monday, Sept. 6th** in observance of **Labor Day**.

Art Work and Chairs Available

As part of our capital improvement efforts, the art work on the walls of the staff office corridor and the chairs in our meeting/classrooms have been replaced. These chairs actually came with us from Lake Street, so we certainly got our money's worth from them. **The items that were replaced are available for anyone that would like them.** They will be available for the next few weeks at the kitchen end of the parish hall. If necessary, arrangements can be made for you to pick them up.

NOTE: The maroon chairs that are used regularly in the parish hall are **not** available.



VOLUNTEER



UPDATE: Corpus Christi Volunteer Request

Corpus Christi Food Pantry is looking for a few more volunteers to help on Tuesdays from 1:30 to 4pm to help put together client orders.

If interested, please call Maryellen at: 603-882-6372.

The rewards are out of this world!!!

How to properly wear a mask



Please make sure your mask fits to cover your nose, mouth and chin.

We continue to appreciate your respect of everything we're doing to ensure that everyone feels safe and protected and to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Thank you!



KNIGHTS NEWS

**Knights of Columbus Council 12311
St. Joseph the Worker Parish**

NEW: Red Cross Blood Drive Update

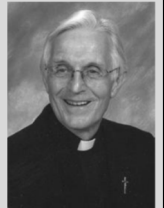
The Knights of Columbus would like to extend a **heartful thank you** to everyone who took part in the **August 21st blood drive**. They assisted in collecting **37 units of blood**, impacting the lives of **111 hospital patients!**
Thank you for giving the gift of life!

NEW: Contemplative Prayer Day of Enrichment

Retreat Director Fr. Bill Sheehan OMI will give a Day of Enrichment "Transforming the Heart of the World Through Contemplative Prayer" on **Sat. Sept. 19th, 9am-3pm** at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 180 Loudon Rd., Concord NH. Cost: \$10. Mail a check made out to "IHM" or pay at the door. It will be outdoors or inside the church depending on weather.

Wear a mask & bring a lunch.

Info: (603) 224-4393, ext. 1 or ray3@gmail.com



It's that time of year and we can help!

Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance is collecting **NEW socks and underwear** for school aged children once again this August and September (**boys & girls sizes from ages 5 to 18**). Donations can be left in the collection bins outside the parish office. Although the reopening of schools is unknown, the pantry hopes to alleviate the financial burden on many families with this assistance. They are grateful for any help you may provide for the children. Thank you for your generosity!

The purpose of the Carry the Cross Fundraiser is to help pay for the education of the holy seminarians in the Diocese of Manchester, NH. On **Saturday, October 10th**, Knights of Columbus member, Blaise O'Mara, will

be carrying a cross along the 8.4 mile Franconia Notch Ridge Trail to raise money for the seminarians.

To donate to the cause, please pledge any donation amount and sponsor Blaise. If you'd like to pledge and be a sponsor, please submit your name, parish name, and pledge amount by email to blaisexomara@gmail.com.

Also donate at: www.carrythecrossfundraiser.org.

Or, consider donating directly to the Seminarian Education Fund at: www.catholicnh.org/seminarian.



The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



FAITH FORMATION



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Updated: Fall Faith Formation

With prayer and discussion with Bishop Christian and the Faith Formation Committee, and with the recommendation of the Diocese of Manchester, it has been decided to temporarily offer a virtual option for the faith formation programs. (The GIFT program for grades Kindergarten through grade 5 and the Edge program for Grades 6, 7, & 8)

The GIFT program will be offered using Google Classroom through which the Gospel reading will be sent in a video format and a written format. Worksheets which the students can complete and return on Google Classroom as well as suggestions for the families will also be included each week. If for some reason you do not have Google Classroom, please contact Miss Janice (603-883-0757, ext. 4 or janicemercure@stjoenash.org) to make other arrangements. **The GIFT Program will begin the weekend of September 19th/20th, the Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time.**

We will continue to use the Edge program for grades 6, 7, & 8. The Edge program will be offered on Sunday evenings from 6-7:30pm. We will be using ZOOM for the virtual sessions at least for the time being. The first session will be held on Sunday, September 20th.

You will be notified if and when we can safely bring the students together in person. The programs may look a little different in order to adhere to the guidelines at the time. Prior to the start of in person sessions, you will be sent the details, in order for you to familiarize yourself and to be comfortable with the new procedures.

For those families who had children preparing to receive First Reconciliation, Confirmation and or First Communion last spring, the celebration of these sacraments will be held later this fall. Dates will be sent to you in the near future.

Thank You for your patience and cooperation.



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!

***** New requests as of 8/10/20 *****

- Individual packaged snacks (chips, Doritos, etc.), peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers & small packets of mayonnaise
- Mac 'n Cheese in single serving microwave cups
- Gift cards to: Market Basket, Shaw's, Wendy's & McDonald's

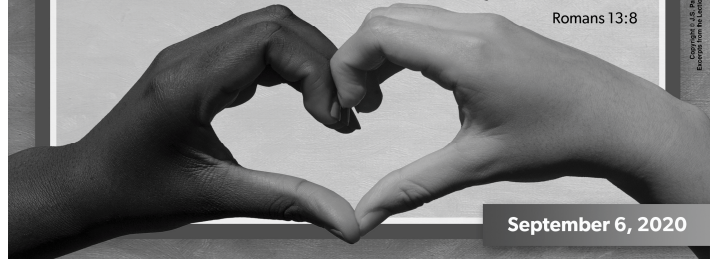
Liturgy

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Owe nothing to anyone, except to

love one another.

Romans 13:8



September 6, 2020



Bryson DiPalermo

son of Santino DiPalermo & Brooke Waye &

Kaydence Claire McMullen

daughter of Grant McMullen & Ashley Decato

were recently baptized. We prayerfully welcome them into our Catholic faith.

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

Thursday Evening Rosary (in the main church)

At 6:00 p.m.



The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention



September ~ Universal: Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

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REFLECTIONS

By Bishop Christian

Lewis Smedes is an author who wrote the book *Forgive and Forget*. In it he tells about an Allied prisoner who was forced to work in a Nazi field hospital. One day a nurse escorted him to the bed of a dying German soldier. The soldier asked to be forgiven for his part in the Holocaust, saying "I know what I am asking is almost too much, but without your forgiveness I cannot die in peace." The prisoner thought a long minute and then walked away without forgiving the soldier who died shortly thereafter. I suspect that many of us would have had trouble giving that soldier forgiveness. When we have been deliberately and terribly harmed by someone, to forgive them even when they sincerely beg for it is difficult indeed. There is something in us that cries out for revenge. We want that person to experience the pain he or she has brought upon us. And yet we know that this is not the way of the Lord. He who cried out from the cross, "Father forgive them", He who bore the punishment due to our disobedience of the Father, He who instructed us to forgive as we have been forgiven, requires us to want to forgive even when it seems impossible for us. In fact it well might well be impossible except for the working of the Holy Spirit in us who makes possible what we cannot do ourselves. We must pray for that power because the Lord is so clear about what his followers must offer to one another in His name. In the true story offered above, the prisoner survived the war, and according to Smedes, could not forget is inability to forgive the German. It bothered him the rest of his life. Lack of forgiveness kills two people: the offender and the one offended.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor," nos. 907-911
Tuesday:	Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday:	Sir 27:30 — 28:7; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Mass  for the
Intentions  for the
Week

Monday, September 7th ~ Labor Day

No Daily Mass

Tuesday, September 8th

8:00 am ~ Carol Clark by the St. Joseph Parish Outreach Committee

8:00 am ~ Lucien Bosse, in memory of his birthday, by his children

Wednesday, September 9th

8:00 am ~ Olivette & Maurice Noel by the Dumont Family

8:00 am ~ Ray & Jane St. Pierre, in memory of their wedding anniversary, by the estate

(Rescheduled from: Sun., 9/6/20)

Thursday, September 10th

8:00 am ~ Kurt Wolf by Anthony & Christel Napoli

8:00 am ~ Bertha & Pat Sprankle by their family

(Rescheduled from: Sun., 9/6/20)

Friday, September 11th

No Daily Mass

Saturday, September 12th

4:00 pm ~ For the Charest & Roy Families by Elaine Roy

4:00 pm ~ Madeleine Brown by Phil & Helen Forrest

Sunday, September 13th

8:00 am ~ Lionel Gagne, 30th Anniversary, by his son Bob (Rescheduled to: Thurs., 9/17/20)

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

(Rescheduled to: Mon., 9/21/20)

10:00 am ~ Theresa Candeloro by Jean & Sam Inzerillo

10:00 am ~ Robert Lafrance by his wife

*****Please note: Due to the temporary suspension of the Sunday 8am Mass, the scheduled intentions have been transferred to different dates. Those changes are noted above. Thank you for your understanding.**

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Labor Day

Tuesday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Peter Claver

Friday: Patriot Day

Saturday: The Most Holy Name of Mary;
Blessed Virgin Mary



Remember 9/11

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