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**MASS SCHEDULE**

*Saturday*

4PM

*Sunday*

8AM, 10:30AM

*Sunday*

6PM

**WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE**

*Monday*

9am

*Tuesday through Thursday*

8am

*Friday*

No Mass

*First Friday*

8am

*First Saturday*

8am

**HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE**

*Holy Day*

8am & 7pm

When school is in session

10am

**FIRST FRIDAY ROSARY**

The Knights and the Women's Guild invite everyone to First Friday Rosary at 6pm in the chapel. The Rosary is followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 6:45 PM.

**RECONCILIATION**

*Saturday*

3pm to 3:30pm

or by appointment

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK &**

**COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND**

*Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements*

**BAPTISM**

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a baptism. Parents are required to meet with the pastor and participate in a baptismal catechetical session prior to the celebration of the sacrament.

**MARRIAGE**

Arrangements with the parish must be made at least nine months prior to the wedding. Fulfillment of a Diocesan, pre-marriage program is required.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Care to join the Knights of Columbus? Please contact Erick Wright at 603-635-8772 or [erick.wright@myfairpoint.net](mailto:erick.wright@myfairpoint.net). More information online: <http://www.nhknights.org/>

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday February 7**  
4pm The Hudson & DiGiantommaso,  
Families requested by their family

**Sunday February 8**  
8am Clint Updyke, 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by his family  
10:30am Grace Buscema, 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by her family  
6pm Robert Chatel requested by Ann &  
Mark Fancher

**Monday February 9**  
9am Phyllis Johnson requested by Carol  
Blazon

**Tuesday February 10**  
8am Beverly Danielius requested by  
the Baillargeon family

**Wednesday February 11**  
8am George Dallaire "Birthday  
Remembrance" requested by his  
daughter Kim

**Thursday February 12**  
8am Edesse Paquette requested by  
Therese Goupil

**Friday February 13**  
8am No Mass

**Saturday February 14**  
4pm Bernadette Bouchard, 30<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary, requested by Joan  
Janos

**Sunday February 15**  
8am Nancy LaPlant, 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by her daughter  
10:30am The Martin & Laurin Families  
requested by Gerry & Rosemarie  
Martin  
6pm Intentions for all our parishioners



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of George Dallaire "Birthday Remembrance" by his daughter Kim

**PARISH COLLECTIONS**

In order for the parish to meet its regular expenses, our offertory and other designated parish collections must bring in **\$8,700** per week.

Parish Collections for the following week:  
Offertory 2/1/15 \$7,817  
St. Patrick Catholic School \$1,476

Total funds collected for this week for parish expenses \$9,293

Thank you for your continued support  
~Fr. Von~



**SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

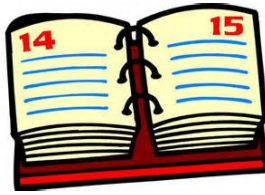
**Feb. 15 Fuel**  
This collection helps with the cost for the Church, Rectory and Parish Center.

**Feb. 22 Faith Life Formation**  
This collection helps with expenses for Faith Life. Your contributions toward the support of the parish and its ministries are greatly appreciated.

**Mar. 1 Capital Improvement**  
This collection helps with projects around the parish.

**Mar. 8 St. Patrick Catholic School**  
This collection helps with the school assessment from the Diocese. Your contributions toward the support of the parish and its ministries are greatly appreciated.

**Youth Group Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30 PM in the Meeting Room.**



**Sunday, February 8**

Children of Mary, 11:30 AM in the meeting room  
Coffee & Donuts, 11:30 AM, in the K of C Hall

**Monday, February 9**

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, in the church

**Tuesday, February 10**

Baptism Class, 6:00 PM, in the meeting room  
Food Pantry, 6:30 PM

**Wednesday, February 11**

Men's Morning Group, 6:00 AM, in the meeting room  
Adoration 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM, in the church  
Bible Sharing, 9:00 AM, in the meeting room  
Food Pantry, 1:00 PM  
RCIA, 6:30 PM, in the meeting room

**Thursday, February 12**

AA, 7:00 PM, in the K of C Hall  
Choir Practice, 7:30 PM, in the church

**WOMEN RETREAT**

Women's Lenten Retreat with author Genevieve Kineke. For women of all ages. Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM at St Patrick Parish in Nashua, NH. Refreshments and lunch included. Cost is \$25. Registration required by March 6<sup>th</sup>. For more information, or to register please contact Stephanie at (603)718-8629 or [sjaniak07@yahoo.com](mailto:sjaniak07@yahoo.com).

**PARISH MISSION**

**Save the Date.....**

Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> through Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Fr. Marc Montminy from St. Michael Parish in Exeter and St. Mary Parish in Newmarket, NH will come and lead us in our Parish Mission.



Please check out our newly designed website from John Patrick the same company that does our bulletins. Click on the new links for Fr. Von Homilies, Fr. John Homilies, and many other new and exciting news!

**PARISH CENTER EXPENSES**

The average monthly cost of heating the Parish Center is \$3,011. The Average monthly electric bill is \$545. We have posted a sign by the thermostat and the light switches in the Parish Center to remind users the responsible use of utilities. Please be vigilant! Each dollar saved is one less needed. Thank you.

**CONSOLING THE HEART OF JESUS**

Consoling the Heart of Jesus is a Do-It-Yourself Retreat inspired by the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, has put together this ten week program to help us grow in holiness and deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ. This retreat will be offered at St. Patrick Parish beginning on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will gather in the downstairs meeting room at 8:45 AM. Coffee and light refreshments will be available. The class will begin promptly at 9 AM and end at 10:30 AM. We begin with a prayer, followed by a video and discussion period. To participate, you will need to purchase a book and workbook for a fee of \$25.00. Pre-registration is required, as materials need to be ordered.

We will be also offering an evening class starting on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the meeting room.

For more information, or to register, please call the parish office at 603-635-3525.



My dear brothers and sisters,

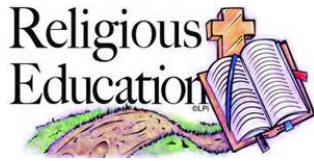
In today's Gospel, we hear about how Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and how she immediately gets up and waits on Jesus and His disciples. One might look at this the wrong way, in a world that values power as a great virtue. But in the Kingdom of God, it is not power, but love – love lived out in *service* – that is the most important virtue. Simon's mother-in-law recognizes this, and in joy pours herself out in service to Jesus and her other guests. This weekend, we celebrate several different groups which have service at their core: Scout Sunday, World Day of Consecrated Life, and World Marriage Sunday.

**Scouting** is designed to teach boys and girls, young men and women, to be people of service. They teach skills and leadership. At the heart of all leadership, though, is service to the community, the nation and the world. In my days as a scout, this was emphasized over and over.

**Consecrated Life** is also a life focused on service. Here we look at religious priests, brothers and sisters who have given their life in service to the Church, through prayer and action, all for the love of Christ. Their vocation – their call from God – has helped so many, and built up the Church. It is from the religious that we have hospitals, schools (from elementary through higher education), and incredible outreach to the poor (think of all that Mother Teresa did – and she was just one among many). Much of what we see as good in our society today was started by Religious Orders. The Religious have preached the Gospel to those in faraway countries, who never had the chance of knowing Christ. Many have died from martyrdom, giving the supreme witness to the Faith. They poured themselves out in service to others and to Christ – and they continue to do this today.

When we look at **Marriage**, we may not immediately see the connection with service, but the Sacrament of Matrimony is not simply a choice to live together, or to have joint checking accounts; it is a call from God for a man and woman to be an image of His love for the Church. In St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians, he says, "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church and handed himself over for her to sanctify her..." (Eph. 5: 25-26). The love between a husband and wife was created by God and then raised to a Sacrament by Christ to show us the love God has for us. How much does Christ love us? Well, He loves us to death – quite literally. He handed Himself over to death so that we might have life. And why? So that we could be holy (*sanctified*), and so be with Him forever in Heaven. Jesus came to serve, not to be served, and so He calls husbands and wives into this relationship of service to one another – service designed to help get the spouse to Heaven.

Too often, we don't think of marriage in this way, but marriage is not about saying, "What can you do for me?" but "How can I serve you?" (Remember, FAMILY means: Forget About Me, I Love You.) We look to the other and die to ourselves, our wants, our preferences, for the good of the other. Seeking the good of the other doesn't mean being a doormat, though, but desiring the other to have the greatest good – to get to Heaven. That desire then moves into action as it serves the other by helping the other to become a saint. While this, mentality may be lost by many in our culture, this is why God made marriage – as a reflection of the self-denying, self-giving love at the Heart of the Trinity – the very Heart of God. As we recognize those who serve as Scouts, Religious, and in Married relationships, may it call all of us to a greater desire to be like Christ and serve in love.



### **Jr. Youth Program:**

- **Class on February 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-5:45 PM in the K of C Hall**

**February 18<sup>th</sup>** Ash Wednesday 6:00 PM special class on Lent in Parish Center followed by 7:00 PM Mass

- **No Class on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> or March 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **Classes resume March 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-5:45 PM in the K of C hall**

### **Teen/Confirmation Ministry:**

- **Class on February 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-5:45 PM in the school**

**February 18<sup>th</sup>** Ash Wednesday 6:00 PM special class on Lent in Parish Center followed by 7:00 PM Mass

- **February 15<sup>th</sup> class only for teens participating in the Living Stations, from 3:00-5:00 PM in the K of C Hall**
- **No classes on February 22<sup>nd</sup> or March 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **March 8<sup>th</sup> Living Stations rehearsal from 3:00-5:00 PM in the church. Teens not participating in the Living Stations have a home assignment**
- **March 15<sup>th</sup> Living Stations rehearsal from 3:00-5:00 PM in the church. Teens not participating in the Living Stations from 4:00-5:45 PM in the school**

### **Grades 1, 3-6**

- **February 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> in the school from 6:00-7:15 PM**
- **No classes until March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>**

Thank you to all who supported the Teen Ministry 30 Hour Fast. If you were not able to do so and would like to contribute, please put your donation in the basket and write "30 hour fast" and we will see that the food pantry receive it. God bless you in answering Jesus' call to reach out to the least favored.

### **ST. PATRICK PRAYER LINE**

St. Patrick Parish has an on-going Prayer Line. Many of our friends and family are going through difficulties; the loss of loved ones or personal problems and sickness. Our mission is to pray for them. If you want to pray for others or need prayer, you are welcome to e-mail Lillian Murgia at Lmurgia\_871@comcast.net or call Rosemary Dole at 603-635-2486. Anyone wishing to serve on the Prayer Line, praying for other people, please contact, Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or e-mail at Lmurgia\_871@comcast.net

### **LIFETOUCH DIRECTORY**

We recently had a Lifetouch Photography event. If you elected to have your complimentary 8x10 sent back to our organization for pick up, the portraits are now located in the parish office for you. Please stop by to receive your portrait. If your portrait is not in the current shipment, it means it will be coming in a future shipment and we will notify you of when that occurs.



The Food Pantry is in dire need of either a **new** vacuum or a **gently** used vacuum. If you are interested in donating one to the Food Pantry, please contact Cheryl Brunelle at 603-635-3610.

### ***Making a difference in someone's life! Become a Volunteer!***

Opportunities to help others abound!  
If you would like to make a difference in someone's life and serve in healthcare,

Call us to learn more about how to  
***D'Youville Life & Wellness Community***  
***981 Varnum Avenue***  
***Lowell, MA 01854***

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