



**Saturday June 27**

**4pm ~ Emmett L. Beane, Jr.**, Birthday  
Remembrance, requested by his wife Jane

**Sunday June 28**

**8am ~ Louise Bousquet**, Birthday  
Remembrance, requested by Patty Kennedy

**10:30am ~ James Buscema & Patricia  
Cormier** requested by their family

**6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners**

**Monday June 29**

**8am ~ Rolande Jean & Tina Wurst** requested  
by Doug & Laura Masson  
**Kevin Cao** requested by the Lemieux family

**Tuesday June 30**

**8am ~ Paul Soucy** requested by Pat Lawlor

**Wednesday July 1**

**8am ~ James Crotty** requested by Gloria  
Hudson  
**Albert & Irene Bernard** requested by  
daughter-in-law

**Thursday July 2**

**8am ~ Rev. John Sledziona** requested by  
Katherine Bernard  
**Intentions of the Blessed Mother** requested  
by the Lemieux family

**Friday July 3**

**8am ~ Joe Sullivan** requested by his sister-in-  
law  
**Fr. Lucien Loiselle** requested by the Lemieux  
family

**Saturday July 4**

**8am ~ Women of Mary**  
**4pm ~ Andre Berard**, 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by his wife Suzanne & family

**Sunday July 5**

**8am ~ Germaine Raby**, 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by the Raby family  
**Eugene Driscoll, III**, 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by Donna & Ryan Driscoll  
**10:30am ~ Jerry Brady**, 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
requested by Stephen & Lori Ann Nelson  
**Alice Rancourt** requested by her friends  
**6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners**



**Sunday, June 28**

Baptism, 12:00 PM, in the church  
Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

**Tuesday, June 30**

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM

**Wednesday, July 1**

Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM and 2:00-8:00 PM  
Food Pantry, 1:00-3:00 PM  
Women's AA, 7:00-8:30 PM, in the school

**Thursday, July 2**

Men's AA, 7:00 PM, in the school

**Friday, July 3**

Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school



This week the Altar Flowers are in memory of Una Harrington by Virginia Chiasson



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Raymond Bernard, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary, by his wife & children

**First Friday Mass is this Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 8:00 AM.**

**First Saturday Mass is this Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 AM.**



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Jesus' words in the Gospel today are harrowing:

**Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me** (Matthew 10:37)

Jesus makes it clear that He must be the center of our lives – more than any other relationship in our lives.

This may, at first hearing, sound as if Jesus has control issues ... that He is insecure and wants us not to have any other friends than Him. I've known people who have been in manipulative relationships where the other person has been a control freak! Of course, in human persons, this would be an outlandish claim. If I said that to you, you would (rightly) say, "Yup. I'm not worthy of you. Later!" as you run away as fast as you can!

With Jesus, however, we have a different perspective. Jesus loves us more than anyone else in the whole world. His love is not a manipulative, possessive love, but true love. Remember that love is not a feeling, but a choice – real love chooses the good of the other as other, not for selfish motivation. When Jesus is saying that we must love Him more than father or mother, son or daughter, He is saying that we were made with a God-shaped hole in us. Only God can fulfill our deepest desires. No human being will ever be able to fill that emptiness. In essence, He is saying,

**I know you. I made you. I know that you long for union, to give yourself away and to receive another fully. When you put all of your expectations on another human person, though, they will never be able to live up to those expectations. Only I can. Only I can fill that emptiness. I have made you for myself, and your heart will be restless until it rests in Me.**

The beautiful thing about our relationship with God is that by loving Him first, we are able to love everyone else more fully. It is only when we put God first, at the center of our lives, our decisions, our desires, our hearts, that we will find that our love is not stunted, but grows infinitely greater! We find that by loving God first, the love we have for father and mother, son and daughter – and everyone else in our lives – is now greater, for we are able to love them with the very love of Jesus Himself, and not only with our poor, tiny love.

In the following line, Jesus tells us that we need to take up our cross and follow Him to be worthy of Him. This may, again, sound masochistic, but it really isn't. Remember that while the cross was a form of torture and capital punishment, when Jesus took it up, it became the sign of *self-giving love*. By taking up our cross and following Jesus, we are not saying, "I give myself over to torment," but, "I give myself completely over to love. I will die to myself, my own will, *because I love you so much!*" Since love means willing the good of the other for the other's sake, not my own, this means that we have to deny ourselves. So when you hear "Cross," think "Self-giving love".

As we continue to strive to follow Jesus, let us strive to put Him first in our lives. Let us beg Him for the courage to have that self-giving love, which dies to self and lives for God and others.



## STEUBENVILLE LIVE: JULY 17-18, 2020 FOR TEENS & FAMILIES

Live-stream from Steubenville Florida! This virtual Steubenville Youth Conference engages not only high-schoolers but their families, too! And, as an added bonus, everyone who registers for Steubenville Live gets free access to Real Life Catholic's I AM 30-day coaching program.

*Featuring:*

- **Hosts:** Brian Kissinger & Chris Padgett
- **Worship Leader:** Josh Blakesley
- **Priest:** Fr. Mike Schmitz
- **Speakers:**
  - Mary Bielski
  - Michael Gormley
  - Oscar Rivera, Jr.

Follow this link to register:

<https://steubenvilleconferences.com/live/>

There will be an information on **Monday July 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM** in the Youth Room in the School on the Pilgrimage to Guadalupe. The Pilgrimage takes place on **November 12-17, 2020**. Please RSVP in the Parish Office, or through the Parish Facebook Event.

### VOCATIONS

"I know that he is a holy man of God". Is the Lord inviting you to know, love and serve Him more closely in the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: [mmason@rcbm.org](mailto:mmason@rcbm.org).

### NIGHT OF HOPE: JULY 19, 2020 FOR ADULTS

You don't have to feel alone or disoriented by the shadows hanging over our world. Come together as Church for this FREE virtual event, live stream from Franciscan University!

*Featuring:*

- **Hosts:** Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT
- **Worship Leader:** Bob Rice
- **Keynote Speaker:** Dr. Scott Hahn
- **Priest:** Fr. Dave Pivonka

Follow this link to register:

<https://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/night-of-hope/>



Here at St. Patrick we have a Prayer Shawl Ministry. These shawls are made by many volunteers and are either knitted or crocheted. If you know of someone who

is sick or needs comfort, please call the parish office to receive one. We have many shawls of varying colors. The Prayer Shawls are free.

On the other hand, if you are interested in making prayer shawls, the parish office has instructions. Just call us at 603-635-3525 and we will get the instructions to you.

### SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

St. Patrick Women's Guild awarded four Students Scholarships of \$500.00 each. The receipts are: **Chris Druding**, **Payton Hamlin**, **Abigail Spaulding** and **Colleen Williams**. Congratulations to all the Scholarships winners.

### 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



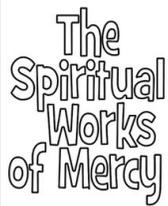
welcome to e-mail Lillian Murgia at [Lmurgia\\_871@comcast.net](mailto:Lmurgia_871@comcast.net) or call Rosemary Dole at 603-635-2486. Anyone wishing to serve on the Prayer Line, praying for other people, please contact, Lillian Murgia at 603-635-2634 or email at [Lmurgia\\_871@comcast.net](mailto:Lmurgia_871@comcast.net).

**ADORATION**

Did you know that the God of the universe has made Himself so present to us that we get to visit with Him? He is truly Emmanuel, "God with us". We call this Adoration. We have Adoration here at St. Patrick Parish every Wednesday from 8:30-9:30 AM, and from 2:00-8:00 PM. To sign up to be a committed adorer, once a week, or once a month, contact Jackie Hynes at 603-425-8459 or [jacquelinehynes@gmail.com](mailto:jacquelinehynes@gmail.com)

**MASS ON PARISH WEBSITE**

You can watch Mass now on our Parish Website. Go to the Parish website [www.stpatrick-pelham.com](http://www.stpatrick-pelham.com) and look under the quick links and click on Mass on Pelham Television. Then click on the link [ptv.viebit.com](http://ptv.viebit.com)



As of last weekend, we have **912,504** Acts of Mercy! We need another **87,496** to reach a 1,000,000. You can find the acts of mercy sheets in our weekly bulletin, parish office or at the Church entrances.

**Acts of Mercy**

**How many                      Spiritual**

- Instruct the Uninformed
- Counsel the doubtful
- Admonish sinners
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Forgive Offenses
- Pray for the living and the dead

**How many                      Corporal**

- Feed the hungry
- Clothe the naked
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Shelter the homeless
- Comfort the imprisoned
- Visit the sick
- Bury the dead

**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 week of 6/22/20

Offertory Envelopes	\$5,976
Offertory Electronic Giving	\$1,675
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$7,651</b>

Faith Life	\$1,292
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<b>Total Collected</b>	<b>\$8,943</b>
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**As of 6/22 we have an offertory deficit of \$8,676**

I would like to thank all of our parishioners who have been supporting us during this pandemic. I appreciate your generosity.

~Fr. Von~



**SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS**

**July 5                      Capital Improvements**

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

**July 12                      Utility**

This collection helps with the cost of utilities for the Church, Rectory, Parish Center and School.

**July 19, 2020                      Parish to Parish**

This collection provides grants to parishes in NH experiencing financial difficulties. Our assessment for this collection is \$1,598.

**July 26                      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.

## **CHURCH & PARISH OFFICES**

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### **FORMED**

To help you grow in your faith go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)  
to register, go to [pelham.formed.org](http://pelham.formed.org)

### **Help Souls on their way to Heaven**

When Fr. Von gets called to anoint people who are dying, he calls on a group of people to pray a **Divine Mercy Chaplet** for them.

If you would like to join this ministry or want more information, contact Fr. Von at (603)-635-3525 or [fathervon@comcast.net](mailto:fathervon@comcast.net).

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

*Saturday* 4PM  
*Sunday* 8AM, 10:30AM, 6PM

### **WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE**

*Monday through Thursday* 8am  
*Friday* No Mass  
*First Friday and First Saturday* 8am

### **HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE**

*Holy Day* 8am, 10am & 7pm

### **ADORATION**

*Wednesday* 8:30-9:30am  
2:00-8:00pm

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Adoration is for Vocations  
Contact Jackie Hynes at 603-425-8459

### **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 3:45pm  
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 [eqwright@comcast.net](mailto:eqwright@comcast.net). More information online: [www.kofcpelhamnh.org](http://www.kofcpelhamnh.org)