



Saturday November 14

4pm ~ Michael J. Taylor, Jr., Birthday
Remembrance, requested by the Taylor family
Florence & Louis Jacques requested by their son

Sunday November 15

8am ~ Joseph M. Ferreira, 3rd Anniversary,
requested by his wife Molly & family

10:30am ~ Grace Buscema, Birthday
Remembrance, requested by her family

6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Monday November 16

8am ~ William Copeley requested by the Lemieux family

Albert & Irene Bernard requested by daughter-in-law Katherine Bernard

Tuesday November 17

8am ~ Francisco & Luis Silva requested by Lucy

Wednesday November 18

8am ~ Brother Joseph Zurowski, CM
Mary Glaude requested by Donna Smith

Thursday November 19

8am ~ Raymond Bernard requested by his wife Katherine Bernard

Friday November 20

8am ~ No Mass

Saturday November 21

4pm ~ Charles Hudson, Birthday
Remembrance, requested by his wife & children

Matthew J. Janos, 15th Anniversary, requested by Joan Janos

Sunday November 22

8am ~ Norman Carpentier, 8th Anniversary,
requested by Cheryl Brunelle & the Carpentier family

10:30am ~ Bob Wakefield requested by Shirley

6pm ~ Intentions of all our Parishioners

Sunday, November 15

Faith Life Classes **Remote Only**
Men & Women AA, 7:00-8:00 PM, in the school

Monday, November 16

Faith Life Classes **Remote Only**

Tuesday, November 17

Food Pantry, 6:30-7:30 PM
Faith Life Classes **Remote Only**

Wednesday, November 18

Men's Morning Group, 6:00-7:00 AM, in the chapel

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, November 19

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

Friday, November 20

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



This week the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Raymond Bernard, by his wife Katherine Bernard

"Well done, good and faithful servant..."
How are you called to use your talents? If Christ may be inviting you to faithful service as a priest or consecrated religious, call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As I mentioned last weekend in my homily, the Church (at the end of the liturgical year) focusses more on “the end”. This weekend’s readings point this out.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that **“the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night”** (I Thes 5:2). St. Paul points out to us that we must be prepared, and he encourages us by reminding us who we are – **“we are not in the darkness”** but rather, we are **“children of the light and children of the day”** (I Thes 5:4, 5).

So how are we to prepare? I mentioned last week that remembering the four last things (death, judgment, heaven and hell) helps us keep focused on choosing Jesus in this moment, so we can choose Him at our last moment on earth. But how do we do this? What does this look like? In this weekend’s Gospel, Jesus gives us one way to follow Him. We are to use the gifts He gives us to build up His Kingdom.

In the parable, Jesus tells of a man who gives his three servants five talents, two talents, and one talent, respectively, each according to his ability. A “talent” was a coin of significant value, and our modern understanding of “talents” comes from this parable. Two of the servants used the talents and doubled their investments. Wow! They doubled investments! The third buries the talent and returns it unused to the master. For this, he is punished.

This parable points out to us that the gifts that God gives us – the “talents” – are not our own. We are stewards of these gifts. How we use them matters. Sometimes we don’t think much of our talents – wishing we had something else. I remember when I was in seminary, I was known primarily for my music talent. In an effort not to be pigeonholed, I purposely got involved in non-music areas – running the daily newsletter for the seminary and being a sacristan, to name just a couple. Despite this, when talking with the Rector of the Seminary, he only remembered that I was a musician. In that moment, I wished for some other talent! But our talents are not ours to choose, but to use. One amazing thing is that if we use them for the Lord, He will multiply the talent beyond our imagining! It comes with much work, of course, but He has a way of transforming five loaves in order to feed 5,000 men!

Sometimes, though, we bury our talents. We don’t want to invest the time and energy, the “blood, sweat and tears” required. Those times that we would rather waste our time binge-watching “The Mandalorian” or surfing YouTube, or hours playing “Fortnite”. This has consequences, Jesus said, since we are responsible for what has been entrusted to us. The talents we do have: do we use them simply for our own gain? Almighty God created us to be in relationship – not lone-rangers. Our talents are not just for ourselves, to make us look and feel good, but for others. What talents do you have? Whatever those talents are, and however many we have, Jesus says we are to exercise them, practice them, and use them for the building up of His Kingdom.

We don’t know the time of reckoning, when the “thief” will come. Jesus invites us to use the gifts He has given us *today!* May we recognize, appreciate and use all that God has given us, so that we may build up His Kingdom. May we never hear, **“You wicked, lazy servant,”** (Matthew 25: 26), but rather, **“Well done, my good and faithful servant”** (Matthew 25: 21).



FAITH FORMATION
FAITH LIFE CORNER

"I will place my law within them, and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people."

Rules, rules, so many rules! This might be a line you have heard recently from your children but, the reality is that adults can fall prey to the same rebellion at times when it comes to God and His Church. This month in the Faith Life Program families are exploring the major question, why does God give us so many rules to follow?

The short answer to this question is, Love! Think of a parent who does not enforce boundaries and rules for their children. Is that what love looks like, to allow the children we are responsible for to run amok? No, we understand that real love and mercy sets boundaries in order to protect the one that is loved.

God is Love and in His great Mercy He gives us the gift of rules, like the 10 Commandments, to follow so that we may one day be with Him in Eternal Paradise. What a good Father we have.

God Bless you all. Pray for me, and know that I am praying for you.

-Adam Castor
Director of Faith Life

Coping with COVID
Online Support Group

Catholic Charities NH is hosting another online support group, "Doping with COVID," which will provide key information and coping strategies to help you navigate the current COVID-19 crisis and the uncertainty with days ahead. The (free) five-session program will be held on Tuesday (11am-noon), starting November 17. Featured speakers, including those from the medical and mental health fields, will help you feel less alone, understand sources of stress and gain valuable relaxation techniques. To register, visit www.cc-nh.org/coping. You may also call 603-752-1325 or email efrenette@nh-cc.org.

Virtual Vocation Dinners

The Lord is continuing to call! We would like to invite women in our diocese who are considering a vocation in the Church or would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call for their life, to a virtual evening of prayer and conversation with the Vocations Team of the Diocese of Manchester. Virtual Miriam Dinner with women of all ages: Friday, November 20th, at 7:00pm. For more information, and to register, please visit the diocesan vocations website at liveinblackandwhite.com.

Facilitator Couples Wanted

The Diocese of Manchester is seeking part time Facilitator Couples for our Diocesan Engaged Couple Courses, which may occur remotely or in-person. Couples married at least five years are invited to apply for these positions; training will be provided. Couples will collaborate to lead positive, formative weekend experiences for engaged couples based on Ascension Press' *Joy-Filled Marriage* Program. Interested parties may visit the following link for more information and the full job description: <https://www.catholicnh.org/employment/>. Applications should be sent to Giselle North at gnorth@rcbm.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
TURKEY CHEER

St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus Council 6902 sadly announces that after many consecutive years, we must, this year, cancel our Annual Turkey Cheer. The Corona virus, and the dangers it presents to us all, has left us no choice but to arrive at this decision. It is our sincere hope that we can all get together again in 2021, on the Saturday before Thanksgiving to continue this fun filled community tradition.

ST. PATRICK PARISH NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Thank you for your support of our parish. COVID-19 has changed many things this year. Unfortunately, COVID-19 has even impacted the finances of our parish and we need your help. St. Patrick is prayerfully requesting that you consider making a donation or setting up a recurring gift using our online giving provider, VANCO. Signing up is easy and can be done from your computer, smartphone, or tablet.

How eGiving benefits you and our church:

- Consistency: Your support will allow us to continue our important ministries and will help us maintain our buildings.
- Convenience: Support the parish from the comfort and safety of your home with a smartphone or computer.
- Cost-Effective: Reduces our printing and mailing costs

Make a Donation or Access Your Account at:
www.stpatricks-pelham.com

Click on box that says Electronic Giving on the right side of the page.

If anyone took a Baby Bottle for St. Gianna's Place, please return them to the Church or drop them off at the Parish office. Thank you!

<u>Acts of Mercy</u>	
<u>How many</u>	<u>Spiritual</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Instruct the Uninformed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Counsel the doubtful
<input type="checkbox"/>	Admonish sinners
<input type="checkbox"/>	Comfort the sorrowful
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bear wrongs patiently
<input type="checkbox"/>	Forgive Offenses
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pray for the living and the dead
<u>How many</u>	<u>Corporal</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Feed the hungry
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clothe the naked
<input type="checkbox"/>	Give drink to the thirsty
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shelter the homeless
<input type="checkbox"/>	Comfort the imprisoned
<input type="checkbox"/>	Visit the sick
<input type="checkbox"/>	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 11/8/20

Offertory Envelopes \$ 5,326

Offertory Electronic Giving \$ 1,401

Total Offertory \$ 6,727

Utilities \$ 2,162

Total Offertory \$ 8,889

As of 11/8 we have an offertory deficit of \$ 8,954

Thank you to all of our parishioners who have been supporting us during this pandemic. I appreciate your generosity.

~Fr. Von~

SECOND ENVELOPES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEKS

Nov. 22 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development supports programs and services for persons with low income, both in NH and around the U.S. Grants support programs that address community problems, increasing educational opportunities, and the creation of jobs. A portion of this collection also supports Black and Indian Missions in the U.S.

Nov. 26 Emergency Fund

This fund is used to assist those in need who come to the parish office.

Nov. 29 Teen Ministry

This collection helps with expenses for Teen Ministry.

Your contributions toward the support of the parish and its ministries are greatly appreciated.

Dec. 6 Capital Improvements

This collection helps with projects around the parish.

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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.

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

Monday-Thursday 6:30-7:40am
Wednesday 8:30-9:30am
2:00-8:00pm

1st Wednesday Adoration is for Vocations
Contact Jackie Hynes at 603-425-8459

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.

FORMED

To help you grow in your faith go to www.formed.org to register, go to pelham.formed.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Care to join the Knights of Columbus? Please contact Erick Wright at 603-635-8772 or eqwright@comcast.net. More information online: www.kofcpelhamnh.org