

# Saint John XXIII Parish

## Nashua ~ Hudson

### **Mission Statement:**

*Strengthened by the Holy Spirit,  
the parish family of Saint John XXIII  
lives the gospel of Jesus Christ,  
celebrates the sacraments and  
offers a community of worship  
where all are welcomed.*

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**We are not on earth  
to guard a museum,  
but to cultivate  
a flourishing garden of life.**  
Saint John XXIII

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### **Mass Schedule:**

|           |                   |        |
|-----------|-------------------|--------|
| Saturday: | 4:00pm            | Hudson |
|           | 6:00pm            | Nashua |
| Sunday:   | 8:00am            | Hudson |
|           | 10:30am           | Nashua |
|           | NOON (Portuguese) | Nashua |

### **Weekday Masses:**

|                           |        |        |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| Monday, Wednesday, Friday | 8:30am | Hudson |
| Tuesday                   | 6:30pm | Nashua |

**Holy Day Masses:** Please see inside bulletin.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

|           |            |        |
|-----------|------------|--------|
| Tuesdays  | 5:30 – 6pm | Nashua |
| Saturdays | 3 – 3:30pm | Hudson |

or by appointment. Please call the parish office.

### **All other Sacraments:**

Please call the parish office.

### **Communion Calls:**

Please notify the parish office if anyone is unable to attend Mass because of illness, handicap or age.

### **Eucharistic Adoration:**

|                        |             |        |
|------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Thursday               | 6-7pm       | Nashua |
| Friday (Sept. to June) | 9am-11am    | Hudson |
| First Sunday           | 1:30-2:30pm | Nashua |

**Are you new to our community?**

**Welcome! Visiting? Welcome!**

**Considering joining our parish?**

**Welcome! All you need to do is**

**call the parish office, express your**

**wish to join the parish and the**

**process will be underway.**

### **Office:**

121 Allds Street, Nashua, NH 03060

Phone: 603-882-2462

Fax: 603-882-7104

**Website:** [www.stjohnxxiiinh.org](http://www.stjohnxxiiinh.org)

Parish Secretary: Claire Tessier ext. 3

E-mail: [office@stjohnxxiiinh.org](mailto:office@stjohnxxiiinh.org)

Business Manager: Larry Larouche ext. 4

E-mail: [bjfino@comcast.net](mailto:bjfino@comcast.net)

**Office Hours:** Mon. to Thur.: 9 AM - 4PM

Fridays: 9 AM - NOON

### **Clergy:**

Rev. Msgr. Eddy N. Bisson, Administrator

Rev. George Mattathilani, Parochial Vicar

603-882-2462 ext. 5, opt. 2

Rev. Cristiano Barbosa, Brazilian Ministry

Deacon Randy O'Neill

Deacon Edmund C. Hilston (retired)

**Religious Education:** 603-882-2462 ext. 8

Co-Ordinator: Mrs. Joyce Nadeau

E-mail: [reled@stjohnxxiiinh.org](mailto:reled@stjohnxxiiinh.org)

Fax: 603-880-4618

**Brazilian Community:** 603-882-2462 ext. 3

**Infant Jesus School:** 603-889-2649

Principal: Mrs. Kelly Veilleux

### **Outreach:**

Saint John XXIII Food Pantry: 603-882-2462 ext. 6

Corpus Christi Food Pantry: 603-882-6372

NH Catholic Charities: 603-889-9431

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday**

**SJE** 4:00 PM

**IJ** 6:00 PM

**Sunday**

**SJE** 8:00 AM

**IJ** 10:30 AM

**IJ** NOON

**Monday**

**SJE** 8:30 AM

**Tuesday**

**IJ** 6:30 PM

**Wednesday**

**SJE** 8:30 AM

**Friday**

**SJE** 8:30 AM

**Saturday**

**SJE** 4:00 PM

**IJ** 6:00 PM

**Sunday**

**SJE** 8:00 AM

**IJ** 10:30 AM

**IJ** NOON

**Dec. 15 - Anticipated Weekend Masses**

Trevor & Aaron Turcotte by their family  
Intentions of the parishioners

**Dec. 16 - Third Sunday of Advent**

Deceased loved ones of Frederick Kearns  
Rosario Asselin (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.) by his family  
Mass in Portuguese

**Dec. 17 - Late Advent Weekday**

Uncle John Schieber by Kathleen & Donna

**Dec. 18 - Late Advent Weekday**

Deceased loved ones of Jeannine T. Levesque

**Dec. 19 - Late Advent Weekday**

All Souls Day intentions

**Dec. 21 - St. Peter Canisius, priest**

Deceased loved ones: Plante & Turcotte families

**Dec. 22 - Anticipated Weekend Masses**

Intentions of the parishioners

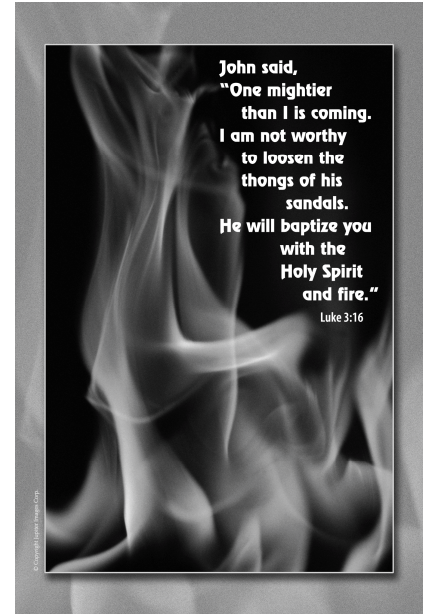
Claire Picard by her children

**Dec. 23 - Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Rita Levesque by Pauline & family

Dolores Beaudet (17<sup>th</sup> anniv.) by Lachance family

Mass in Portuguese



*IJ = Infant Jesus Church*  
*SJE = St. John the Evangelist Church*

**PRAYER INTENTION BOOK**

We invite you to enter your prayer requests in our Intention Books located at the main entrance of both churches. These intentions are remembered in the "Prayer of the Faithful" at all of our Masses.



**WITH OUR SYMPATHY**

Please keep *Jannette Poulin* in your prayers. May God's promise of eternal life be a source of comfort to her family and friends.



**PLEASE KEEP US UP TO DATE...**

Please call the parish office to let us know of any changes (family member, phone number, street or e-mail address, etc.) so that we can keep records current and stay in touch.

**COMMUNION CALLS**

**TO HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS**

Please notify the parish office if anyone is unable to attend Mass because of illness, handicap or age.

**Lessons & Carols Friday, Dec. 21, 2018 7 PM IJ Church**

- |                 |                         |                  |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Ron DiStasio | 2. Priscille Guerette   | 3. Bruce Tessier | 4. Joan Hilston   |
| 5. Ken Massey   | 6. Jeannine T. Levesque | 7. Dan Dumont    | 8. Claire Tessier |

**Liturgical Ministers Scheduled for Weekend Masses ~ Dec. 22 & 23, 2018**

| <i>Mass</i>          | <i>Lectors</i>     | <i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>                 | <i>Altar Servers</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--|----------------------|
| <b>4:00 PM (SJE)</b> | Deborah Woelflein  | Lisa Ricard - Shirley Kopka - Mike Morin     | Volunteer Needed     |
| <b>6:00 PM (IJ)</b>  | Priscille Guerette | Jeannine Gagnon - Volunteer Needed           | Volunteer Needed     |
| <b>8:00 AM (SJE)</b> | Ken Massey         | Joanne Sirois - Volunteer Needed             | Volunteer Needed     |
| <b>10:30 AM (IJ)</b> | Bruce Tessier      | Claudette Anger - Rita Clark - Paul Lukitsch | Volunteer Needed     |

# Saint John XXIII Parish News

## STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

| Week Ending ~ Dec. 8 & 9, 2018   |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| <b>Adult Envelopes</b> (122)   | <b>\$2,803.50</b> |
| <b>WeShare</b> (Online Giving) (38)                                    | <b>\$886.00</b>   |
| <b>less 5% Tithe</b>   | <b>\$184.00</b>   |
| <b>Loose Cash</b>  | <b>\$575.25</b>   |
| <b>Brazilian Community Offerings</b>                                   | <b>\$342.70</b>   |
| <b>Parish Youth Offerings</b> (1)                                      | <b>\$1.00</b>     |
| <b>Offertory Total:</b>  | <b>\$4,424.45</b> |
| <b>Brazilian Community</b>   |                   |
| <b>Monthly Donation</b>  | <b>\$1,000.00</b> |
| <b>Christmas Flowers</b> (15)  | <b>\$183.25</b>   |
| <b>Retired Religious</b> (50)  | <b>\$1,210.00</b> |
| <b>Immac. Conception holy day</b> (48)                                 | <b>\$582.00</b>   |
| <b>Loose Cash</b>  | <b>\$296.00</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$878.00</b>   |
| <i>May our loving God bless you<br/>for your continued generosity!</i> |                   |

### STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

Please consider participating in either stewardship program below, which helps our parish to maintain a steady income to manage our budget:

#### *\*2019 Parish Envelopes*

If you are not currently using these weekly offering envelopes and would like to begin, we have extras! Please call us at the parish office.

#### *Online Giving*

To sign on, please go to our parish website: [www.stjohnxxiiinh.org](http://www.stjohnxxiiinh.org), then click "Online Giving."

*Thank you to all who have made  
the commitment to support our parish!*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

*Sessions held in Hudson*

**Gr. K to 6:** Sunday, Dec. 16 ~ 9:15-10:15 AM  
Parish Center

**Gr. 7-8-9:** Sunday, Dec. 16 ~ 6:00-7:00 PM  
Rectory Meeting Room

*Next session: Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019*



## CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS

Envelopes for Christmas flower donations are available at all church entrances for parishioners not currently using online giving or the envelope system.

## PLANET AID UPDATE

This quarter, our parish collected **3,919** pounds of gently used clothing, coats and shoes from the bins at St. John the Evangelist and Infant Jesus. Thank you for your ongoing support of this organization, committed to reducing waste, saving resources, and helping the poorest of the poor through sustainable development projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America, as well as educating our young people on the importance of protecting the environment.

Please place **ONLY gently used clothing, coats and shoes** in the Planet Aid receptacle bins.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Information is due by Noon on Mondays. Please email: [office@stjohnxxiiinh.org](mailto:office@stjohnxxiiinh.org)

## This Week at Saint John XXIII...

| Sunday<br>16  | Monday<br>17   | Tuesday<br>18   | Wed.<br>19 | Thursday<br>20   | Friday<br>21  | Saturday<br>22  |
|---|--|---|------------|--|---|---|
| <i>Deanery<br/>Advent<br/>Penance<br/>Service</i><br>2:00 PM<br><i>St. Joseph the<br/>Worker Parish</i> | <i>Advent<br/>Movie</i><br>"The Gospel<br>of Luke<br>Part 2"<br>9:15 AM<br>& 7:00 PM<br><i>SJE Church hall</i> | <i>Reconciliation</i><br>5:30-6 PM<br><i>Rosary~6 PM</i><br><i>Prayer Service</i><br>7:15 PM (Portuguese)<br><i>IJ Church</i> |            | <i>Eucharistic<br/>Adoration</i><br>6-7 PM<br><i>IJ Church</i> | <i>Eucharistic<br/>Adoration</i><br>9-11 AM<br><i>SJE Church</i><br><br><i>Lessons &amp;<br/>Carols</i><br>7 PM<br><i>IJ Church</i> | <i>Reconciliation</i><br>3-3:30 PM<br><i>SJE Church</i><br><br><i>Bingo</i><br>6:30 PM<br><i>Team D</i> |

# Parish News Continues

## “GIVING HOPE” TO BENEFIT

### SAINT JOHN XXIII PARISH PANTRY

This year, the Gr. Hudson Chamber of Commerce is supporting a community wide effort to assist Saint John XXIII Pantry. The Chamber has set up a way that anyone can directly donate to **Give Hope** to those in need this holiday season and everyday! The donation link can be found at the Chamber website [www.hudsonchamber.com](http://www.hudsonchamber.com), select the “Events” tab and then select “Giving Hope Feed the Need”. The link is open **from now to Dec. 21.**

### SAINT JOHN XXIII FOOD PANTRY



#### Grocery Coupons

Saint John XXIII Food Pantry continues to look for your **unused** grocery coupons to shop to fill their shelves. Coupons can be placed in the receptacles at both church entrances in Hudson and at the main entrance in Nashua. They can accept coupons that are expired (within a 6 month period) which can be redeemed by our Armed Forces at their local PX stations.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” Light a spiritual fire in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: Jan. 18-20, in South Kingstown RI & Mar. 8-10, in Duxbury MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O’Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

### VITA NOVA MEN’S RETREAT

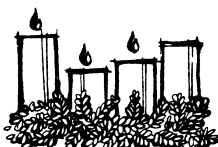
January 4-6, 2019

“CALLED BY NAME: ARE YOU LISTENING?”

The annual Vita Nova Men’s Retreat will be held at the Barbara C. Harris Center in Greenfield NH. The retreat, led by Fr. Matthew Mason begins on Friday evening and concludes with Sunday lunch.

Venue information: [bchcenter.org](http://bchcenter.org).

Register at: [vitanova.org](http://vitanova.org)



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### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Parishioners serving in this ministry lovingly knit or crochet these shawls, which are then blessed and presented (without cost) to those who are experiencing illness, grief or personal struggle. To receive a shawl, call Pam Morin at 548-0049, Dotti Reed at 275-7345 or the parish office.



*For more information about this ministry, contact Pam Morin, at 548-0049.*

### INFANT JESUS SCHOOL

3 Crown St., Nashua

Infant Jesus School is currently enrolling students for the 2019/2020 academic year. We have a special incentive available only until we break for Christmas (December 20). The registration fee is only \$100.00 per child. That is a savings of \$100 per child! More information about our school’s programs is available on our website ([www.ijsschool.org](http://www.ijsschool.org)), or by calling the school office (889-2649). We are always available to answer questions or set up a school tour or visit. Do not hesitate to contact us.

### CASA OF NH

CASA of NH trains concerned citizens to advocate for abused and neglected children in the courts. There are children waiting for someone to speak on their behalf. Your common sense, commitment to children, and a contribution of 10-15 hours a month will help ensure a child grows up in a safe, permanent home. To become a CASA/GAL volunteer and help the children in your community, please call 800-626-0622, or apply at [casanh.org/onlineapplication](http://casanh.org/onlineapplication). Nashua training scheduled for January 2019.



*Please remember to pick up a missalette at any church entrance before Mass, and to please return it as you leave church.*

## Advent Movie at Saint John XXIII Parish

- **“The Gospel of Luke”-Part 2**

Monday, Dec. 17 9:15 AM & 7:00 PM

St. John the Evangelist Church hall

*The Gospel of Luke*, more than any other, fits the category of ancient biography. Luke, as "narrator" of events, sees Jesus as the "Savior" of all people, always on the side of the needy and the deprived. Narrated in the New International Version (NIV) by British actor Richard E. Grant, this epic production, featuring specially constructed sets and the authentic countryside of Morocco, has been critically acclaimed by leading religious scholars as a unique and highly authentic telling of the Jesus story. (2017)

### DEANERY WIDE

(Nashua, Hudson Merrimack & Milford parishes)

### ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Sunday, Dec. 16 ~ 2:00 PM

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Nashua

As we prepare for Jesus' coming during the Advent season, come to the Lord and experience the extraordinary grace of His forgiveness. Many priests will be available to hear individual confessions.



### Lessons & Carols

Friday, Dec. 21

7:00 PM

Infant Jesus Church

A beautiful 90+ year old tradition comprising a wonderful blend of short readings from the Old and New Testaments, along with the singing of carols and hymns.

*Come join us as we remind ourselves  
once again*

*of the true meaning of Christmas!*

### Christmas Masses



Monday, Dec. 24 – *Christmas Eve*

4:00 PM – St. John the Evangelist

4:00 PM – Infant Jesus

6:00 PM – Infant Jesus (Portuguese)

10:00 PM – Infant Jesus

Tuesday, Dec. 25 – *Christmas Day*

9:30 AM – St. John the Evangelist

### CHURCH TABERNACLES

Over a period of time, the bishop's office received many requests to move the tabernacles to the central part of the sanctuary. The bishop has given verbal approval to this request. Consultations will have to be held with the Diocesan Director of Liturgy, as well as the Diocesan Director of Real Estate. A timetable will be worked on and will be announced after all approvals have been given.



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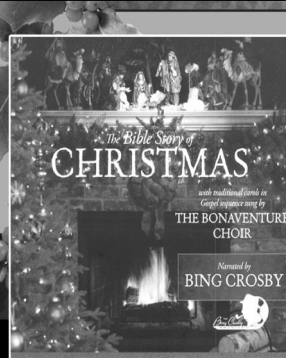
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**Child Safety Reporting**

If you know of or suspect abuse or neglect of a minor (under 18 yrs.), you must report it to the NH Division for Children, Youth and Families: 1-800-894-5533 or 603-271-6566.

If you have experienced abuse by someone representing the Catholic Church, you may contact the Office for Healing and Pastoral Care of the Diocese of Manchester: 603-668-0014 or 800-475-5585 ext. 233.

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