

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.*

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

Mass Schedule:

Saturday:	4:00pm	Hudson
	6:00pm	Nashua
Sunday:	8:00am	Hudson
	10:30am	Nashua
	1:00 pm (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:

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Deacon Edmund C. Hilston (retired)

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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 11:40 AM

IJ 6:30 PM

Wednesday

SJE 8:30 AM

IJ 11:40 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

Mar. 23 - Anticipated Weekend Masses

Intentions of the parishioners

Deceased loved ones of Jeannine T. Levesque

Mar. 24 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Deceased loved ones of the Giuliani family

William Boudreau by his family

Theresa Duchesne by Marie Barbosa

Mass in Portuguese

Mar. 25 - Annunciation of the Lord

For the repose of the soul of Fr. Richard Vickery

Mar. 26 - Lenten Weekday

Infant Jesus School Mass

Earl L. Budro by Claire Budro

Mar. 27 - Lenten Weekday

Intentions of Richard Camire

Infant Jesus School Mass

Mar. 29 - Lenten Weekday

Deceased loved ones of James & Rose Gardner

Mar. 30 - Anticipated Weekend Masses

Intentions of the parishioners

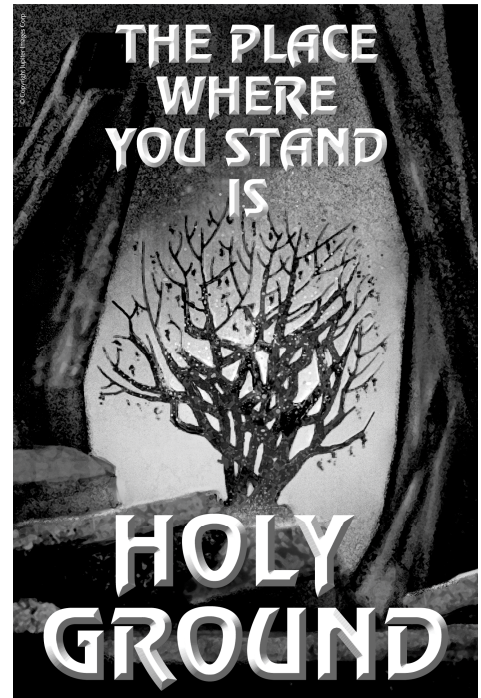
Alice Sarchioni by Joseph Moreira

Mar. 31 - 4th Sunday of Lent

Deceased loved ones of Dotti Reed

Deceased loved ones of the Godin family

Mass in Portuguese



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

ROOTED IN GOD'S MERCY

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about a man who had planted a fig tree in his orchard. The fig tree was not bearing fruit, and the owner was ready to give up. The gardener is more patient. He will cultivate the soil around it and fertilize it. Then, if it still fails to bear fruit, it can be cut down. The parable tells of God's patient mercy. Like the gardener, the Lord wants us to be rooted in God's merciful love and live fruitful lives, responsive to the grace and goodness in which we stand. Like the fig tree, however, we sometimes fail to bear good fruit, remaining dormant, living for ourselves, grumbling when we face challenges rather than relying on the fertilizer of the sacraments, especially Reconciliation and the Eucharist. Moses was never the same after his encounter with God on Mount Horeb. We are called to be open to an encounter with God's love every day. Lent is a season when we more consciously turn away from sin and toward God, opening ourselves to conversion, change of mind and heart, in order to be touched and changed by the Lord's patient mercy. Doing so, we can be sure we will never be the same again.

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Liturgical Ministers Scheduled for Weekend Masses ~ Mar. 30 & 31, 2019			
<i>Mass</i>	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
4:00 PM (SJE)	Mike Morin	James Gardner - Ray Tassinari	Volunteer Needed
6:00 PM (IJ)	Priscille Guerette	Julie Jean - Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
8:00 AM (SJE)	Kathy Nichols	Darlene Fisher - Marie DeVito	Volunteer Needed
10:30 AM (IJ)	Walter Kwiecinski	Claudette Anger - Al Poliquin Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed

Saint John XXIII Parish News

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ Mar. 16 & 17, 2019	
Adult Envelopes (138)	\$3,367.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (36)	\$862.00
Loose Cash	\$740.00
Brazilian Community Offerings	\$470.00
Offertory Total:	\$5,439.00
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Brazilian Community	
Monthly Donation	\$1,000.00
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Fuel (54)	\$2,228.00
<i>May our loving God bless you 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 to WeShare, please go to our parish website: www.stjohnxxiiinh.org, then click "Online Giving."

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



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.

This Week at Saint John XXIII...

Monday 25	Tuesday 26	Wednesday 27	Thursday 28	Friday 29	Saturday 30
	<i>IJ School Mass</i> <i>11:40 AM-IJ Church</i> <i>Reconciliation</i> <i>5:30-6 PM</i> <i>Rosary</i> <i>6 PM</i> <i>Prayer Service</i> <i>(Portuguese)</i> <i>7:15 PM-IJ Church</i>	<i>IJ School Mass</i> <i>11:40 AM</i> <i>IJ Church</i>	<i>IJ School Stations of the Cross</i> <i>1:30 PM</i> <i>IJ Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>6-7 PM</i> <i>IJ Church</i>	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>9-11 AM</i> <i>SJE Church</i> <i>Stations of the Cross</i> <i>6:00 PM</i> <i>IJ Church</i>	<i>Reconciliation</i> <i>3-3:30 PM</i> <i>SJE Church</i> <i>Bingo</i> <i>6:30 PM</i> <i>Team B</i>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sessions held in Hudson

Gr. K to 2: Sunday, Mar. 24 ~ 9:15-10:15 AM
Parish Center

Confirmation Preparation:

Gr. 3-6 Sunday, Mar. 24 ~ 9:15-10:45 AM
SJE Church Hall

Gr. 7-12: Sunday, Mar. 24 ~ 6:00-8:00 PM
SJE Church Hall

Next Sessions: Sunday, March 31

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES/HOME MISSIONS

*This special collection will be taken up through the
use of online giving or your parish envelopes
next weekend.*

Catholic Relief Services provides funding for Catholic Relief Services, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishop's Offices of International Justice & Peace and Migration & Refugee Services, the relief work of the Holy Father and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network.

Catholic Home Missions supports the strengthening of the Catholic Church where it is most financially challenged in the United States.

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.

Bulletin Deadline: Information is due by Noon on Mondays. Please email: office@stjohnxxiiinh.org

More Parish & Community News

OLIVE WOOD RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SALE after Masses ~ March 30 & 31

Maysoun Khair will be at the main entrance of our churches next weekend, representing the Bethlehem School of Joy, for children with learning difficulties, and for over a hundred other Christian families who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand-carved olive wood religious articles. Items on display include the Nativity, Last Supper scenes, crucifixes, rosaries and many other beautiful religious statues. Come see their beautiful handiwork and help support this home industry project to keep the school, and Christians, present in the Holy Land of Jesus' birth. Thank you and God bless you!

IJ SCHOOL PAPER RECYCLING

The staff invites you to join them in recycling paper. The bin is located in the schoolyard of our Nashua campus and is accessible 24 hours/day. Paper suitable for this program includes all CLEAN and DRY:

- Newspapers ~ Magazines ~ Mail
- Shopping catalogues ~ Telephone books
- Office & School Papers
- Corrugated boxes (BROKEN DOWN)

This recycling program earns money for the school, saves landfill space and cleans up the environment.

IJ SCHOOL CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS & BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION

The Parent Support Group asks for your continued help in support of these programs. A box is located at each of the main entrances of our churches where parishioners can deposit their trimmed labels and boxtops. Your efforts **really do** help us support our children!! Thank you!

NATIONAL AWARD-WINNING EXCELLENCE, RIGHT IN THE HEART OF NASHUA...

Nashua Catholic Regional Jr. HS is a National Blue Ribbon School. This prestigious award is conferred upon a select number of schools that demonstrate excellence in academics and community atmosphere. We're proud to be among only 4 schools in NH with this distinction! Our school motto: *To Believe, To Achieve, To Inspire*, encourages our entire community to believe in God and themselves, to achieve higher in all aspects of their lives, and to inspire others through acts of kindness and service. Come visit Nashua Catholic and see what makes us award-winning. Learn more at ncrjhs.net or 882-7011.

IJ SCHOOL MASSES TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS: 11:40 AM Infant Jesus Church

Bishop Libasci and the Superintendent of Catholic Schools felt that the institution of two Masses per week would benefit the school, the parish and the surrounding community. These Masses beginning now during Lent, will be celebrated by Fr. Jeffrey Paveglio, chaplain for Trinity High School, St. Joseph Junior High School, Camps Fatima & Bernadette and the Parochial Vicar at St. Joseph's Cathedral, and will continue through this school year. All are welcome to join our students in Grade 3 to 6 at these Masses.

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.

"MY LIFE, MY WISHES"

Sat., April 6 ~ 8 AM to 11 AM

Immaculate Conception Gathering Hall, Nashua

Learn how to plan for future legal and financial challenges. Topics include tools and resources for long-term planning. Keynote speaker: Sarah Ambrogio, Elder Law Attorney. Free and open to the public. Continental Breakfast will be served. To register, contact the parish office at 888-0321, or by email at office@iccnashuanh.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Is your marriage bearing fruit? Don't wait until it is too late. Make time for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: April 13-14, in Brewster MA & June 8-9, in Medway MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

Lent at Saint John XXIII Parish

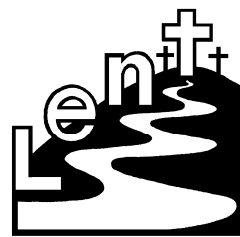
- **STATIONS OF THE CROSS, MARCH 28 & 29**

Thursday, Mar. 28 ~ 1:30 PM IJ Church (*led by our school children*)

Friday, Mar. 29 ~ 6:00 PM IJ Church

- **FRIDAYS IN LENTEN SEASON**

Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat on the Fridays of Lent.



EASTER DONATIONS FOR OUR PANTRIES

Corpus Christi Pantry is seeking donations of gift cards from local grocery stores or non-perishable food this Easter season. Your donations can be placed in the pantry storage closet at Infant Jesus Church (near the lift elevator).

Saint John XXIII Pantry is seeking donations to assemble Easter baskets for children. Candy, small gift items and small gift certificates for teenage boys and girls are greatly appreciated. Children's Easter basket donations can be placed in specially marked baskets located at all church entrances. Gift certificates, from local grocery stores, are also appreciated.

*Please bring your donations in
by Sunday, April 7.*

Thanks you for any help you are able to give!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS' CORNER

Email/Letters were sent to all of our Liturgical Ministers earlier this week in preparation for the May-June-July weekend Mass schedule. Just a reminder to contact Priscille Guerette no later than **Sunday, March 31**, to let her know if you are **not** available to serve at Masses in this time frame. The new schedule will be sent out in early April.

Holy Week Scheduling...Emails/Mailings will go out to Liturgical Ministers around the first week of April to let us know about your availability to serve at these special Holy Week Services.

*Sincere thanks to Priscille Guerette for volunteering to undertake
our Liturgical Minister's quarterly weekend Mass scheduling!*

Infant Jesus School Spring Fling 2019 \$2000+ Grand Prize

Saturday, March 30, 2019

Alpine Grove Banquet Facility
19 S Depot Road Hollis NH

The evening begins with a cocktail hour at 6 PM, followed by a buffet dinner and will then continue with Silent Auction items, beautiful raffle baskets and the Reverse Raffle. The absolute deadline to purchase tickets for the main event is the end of school on **MONDAY, MARCH 25**, by calling the school at 889-2649. The baskets are on display in the school until Friday. Please stop by during school hours. The raffle baskets are also displayed on our website and tickets for those are available through the following link:

www.ijschool.org/purchase-tickets-for-spring-basket

Thank you for your support of Infant Jesus School.

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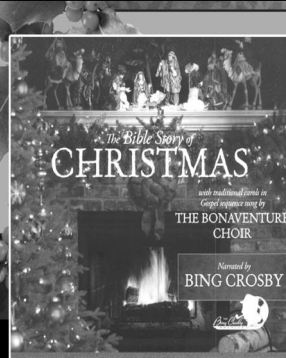
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If you know of or suspect abuse or neglect of a minor (under 18 yrs.), you must report it to the NH Division for Children, Youth and Families: 1-800-894-5533 or 603-271-6566.

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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