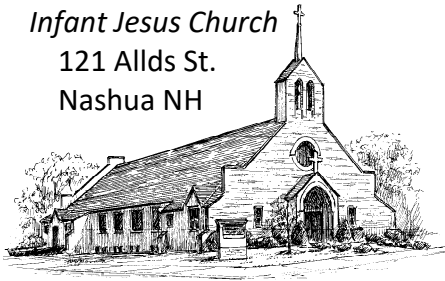
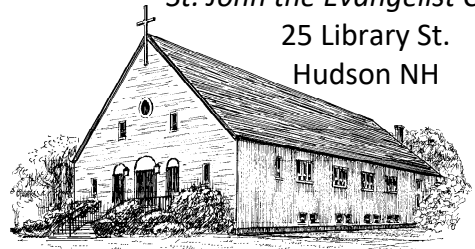


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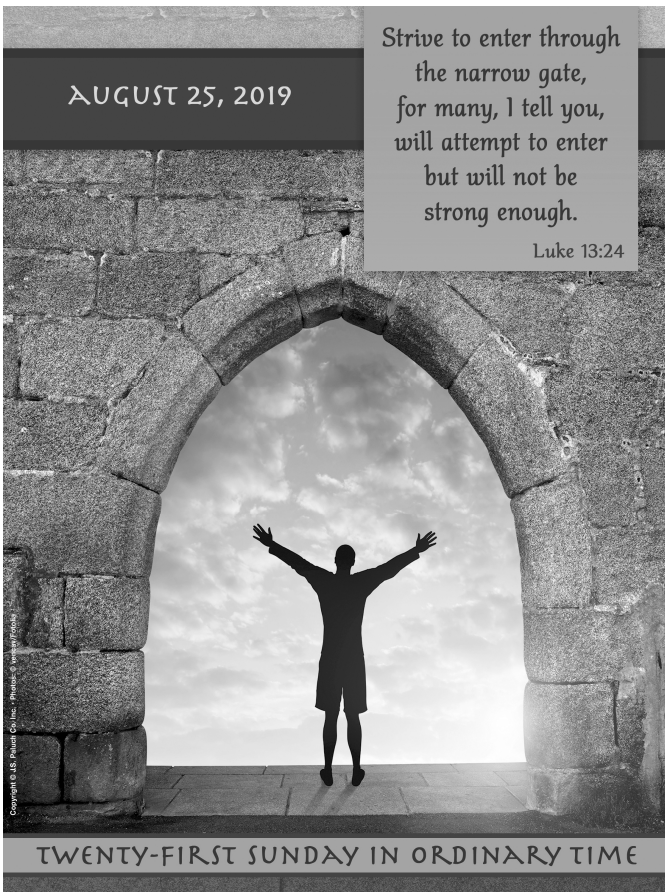
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AUGUST 25, 2019

Strive to enter through
the narrow gate,
for many, I tell you,
will attempt to enter
but will not be
strong enough.

Luke 13:24



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MISSION STATEMENT

*Strengthened by the Holy Spirit,
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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

Tuesday

IJ 8:30 AM

Wednesday

SJE 8:30 AM

Thursday

IJ 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

Aug. 24 - Anticipated Weekend Masses

Intentions of the parishioners

Aline Tardif by her family

Aug. 25 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Henry Michaud by Louis & Jeanne Michaud

Deana Cardinale (3rd anniv.) by her family

Mass in Portuguese

Aug. 27 - St. Monica

In memory of George & Evangeline Nadeau

Aug. 28 - St. Augustine, bishop

In memory of Fr. Robert Marchand

Aug. 29 - Passion of St. John the Baptist

For the repose of the soul of Fr. Richard Vickery

Aug. 30 - Weekday

John P. Casey, Sr. by his family

Aug. 31 - Anticipated Weekend Masses

Ron Houseman (17th anniv.) by his family

Richard McLaughlin (1st anniv.) by his family

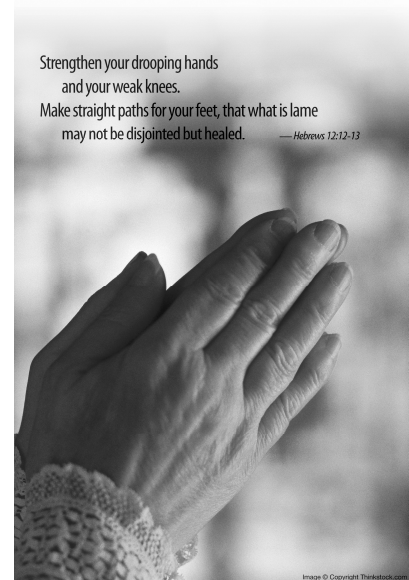
Intentions of the parishioners

Sept. 1 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intentions of the parishioners

Theresa Duchesne by Odile Rivard

Mass in Portuguese



Strengthen your drooping hands
and your weak knees.
Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame
may not be disjointed but healed. — Hebrews 12:12-13

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



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Parishioners serving 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, please call Pam Morin, 548-0049, Dotti Reed, 275-7345, or the parish office.

Next Meeting: Sunday, Sept. 8
9:15 AM, Rectory Library

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.

COMMUNION CALLS

FOR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

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

Liturgical Ministers Scheduled for Weekend Masses ~ Aug. 31 & Sept. 1, 2019			
<i>Mass</i>	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
4:00 PM (SJE)	Nicholas Bolton	Mike Morin - Marie DeVito	Volunteer Needed
6:00 PM (IJ)	Joan Hilston	Juliette Jean - Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
8:00 AM (SJE)	Ken Massey	Michael & Denise Beauchesne	Volunteer Needed
10:30 AM (IJ)	Carole Clancy	Rita Clark - David & Carol Croteau	Volunteer Needed

Saint John XXIII Parish News

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ Aug. 17 & 18, 2019	
Adult Envelopes (93)	\$2,258.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (34)	\$805.00
Loose Cash	\$436.00
Brazilian Community Offerings	\$300.00
Parish Youth Offerings (1)	\$2.00
Offeratory Total:	\$3,801.00
Assumption Holy Day (29)	\$498.00
Loose Cash	65.00
Total:	\$563.00
Fuel (additional 5)	\$60.00
NH Missionaries Abroad (32)	\$462.00
<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.

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

This collection, taken next weekend through the use of online giving (WeShare) or your parish envelopes, enables the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. It will also enable the continuance of *The Catholic Project*, a university initiative jumpstarted by philanthropy which aims to help bishops, priests, and the lay faithful develop a deeper understanding of the lay vocation and principles for effective action in the wake of the recent Church crisis. The project brings together the clergy and lay leaders to develop solutions to the issues facing our Church and bring about reforms. To learn more, please visit collection.catholic.edu. Thank you for your generosity.

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY REQUEST

Can you help? We are collecting NEW Socks and Underwear for school aged children once again this year for our families. Donations can be left at Infant Jesus Church in the pantry collection room (parking lot side, near lift). We are grateful for any assistance you may provide the children.

Volunteers are Always Welcome, especially on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons 1-4 PM. Please call 598-1641 for more information. We thank you for your generous support!

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.

This Week at Saint John XXIII...

Monday 26	Tuesday 27	Wednesday 28	Thursday 29	Friday 30	Saturday 31
	Rosary 6 PM~IJ Church Prayer Service 7 PM (Portuguese) IJ Church		Eucharistic Adoration 6-7 PM IJ Church		Reconciliation 3-3:30 PM SJE Church Bingo ~6:30 PM

More Parish & Community News



DIOCESAN WEDDING (5, 25 or 50 years) ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION **Sunday, Oct. 20 ~ 2 PM ~ St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester**

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples celebrating an anniversary in 2019 of 5, 25 or 50 years, to attend this Anniversary Mass. To register, please contact your parish office **by September 20**. The parish office will gather and submit all necessary information. Once registration has been completed by the parish office, all registrants will receive an invitation to this special celebration. Couples celebrating anniversaries of 10, 15, 20, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 55+ years will be asked to register later for a spring celebration. To all other married couples, congratulations and we look forward to seeing you at this fall's Wedding Anniversary Mass!

DIOCESAN CHORAL ENSEMBLES **SEEK ADDITIONAL SINGERS**

The Diocese of Manchester and the Cathedral of St. Joseph are currently seeking additional singers for all choral ensembles. If you like to sing, create beautiful music, deepen your soul in ways you have never imagined and like to have fun, give one of these choral ensembles a try!

Diocesan Festival Choir: The DFC supplements the Cathedral Choir at several diocesan liturgies over the course of the year.

Rehearsals: Mondays, 7:30 - 8:45 PM

Diocesan Children's Choir: This choral ensemble is open to children/young adults, in grades 4-12: (public, private/parochial and homeschool students)

Rehearsals: Thursdays, 4-5 PM

This ensemble often sings music in four part harmony and offers a wonderful and unique learning opportunity for children of all ages. This choir sings once a month at the cathedral at the 8:30 AM Sunday Mass.

The Cathedral Music Dept. is also announcing the establishment of a newly formed choral ensemble: **The St. Anthony Schola**. This ensemble is open to all men from around the diocese who like to sing. Repertoire consists of Gregorian chant as well as choral music written or arranged for TTBB voices.

The combined ensembles participate in a performance of Handel's *Messiah*, with orchestra, each year. This year's performance takes place on Dec. 14, at the Rex Theater, in Manchester. The choirs will produce a professional grade Christmas CD to be recorded in the months ahead. 2019 promises to be an exciting time to engage, sing and make music!

For more information about the ensembles and to schedule an interview/audition, kindly contact Eric Bermani at ebermani@stjosephcathedralnh.org.

All rehearsals are held at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, 145 Lowell St (corner of Pine & Lowell) Manchester.

BISHOP GUERTIN HIGH SCHOOL **FALL OPEN HOUSE PROGRAMS**

Sun., Oct. 20, 1:00 PM

Thurs., Oct. 24, 6:00 PM

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MIRIAM DINNER

Friday, Sept. 6 ~ 6-8:00 PM

Joseph House, 279 Cartier St., Manchester

Are you looking to follow the Lord and ready to say "yes" when he calls? We would like to invite women in our diocese, ages 14-40, who are considering a vocation to the religious life or who would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call for their life, to an evening of prayer, conversation with consecrated women, and dinner. Come hear the story of Sr. Agnes Therese Davis, TOR, a native of NH, who answered a call to religious life. Please RSVP to Becky Vinson at rvinson@rcbm.org or 663-0153, to attend.

ST. ANDREW DINNERS

Oct. 4 ~ 6-8 PM: Young men, ages 13-18

Oct. 18 ~ 6-8 PM: Men, ages 19-60

Joseph House, 279 Cartier St., Manchester

St. Andrew was the first of the Apostles to hear Jesus' call to follow him. We would like to invite men in our diocese, who are considering a vocation to the priesthood, or would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call for their life, to an evening of prayer, conversation with the Vocations Team and dinner. Please RSVP to Becky Vinson at rvinson@rcbm.org or 663-0153 if you would like to attend.

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00 - 3:30 PM (SJE)

SCHOOL RECYCLING DUMPSTER

Due to the closure of our school, coupled with increased recycling costs and reduced recycling revenues – the recycling dumpster in the Nashua parking lot will be going away **as of this Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019**. Thanks to all who supported the cause over the years. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Israel and the Nations...

The Old Testament is the story of God and the people of Israel. Today we can also see that other peoples—“the nations”—are important participants in the story. It was a crowded Middle East, and other nations like Egypt, Canaan, and Babylon were often close observers of Israel’s encounters with God. They witnessed God’s judgment upon Israel and God’s restoration of Israel (Ezekiel 36). God’s reputation spread widely among them. God ruled them and blessed them (Psalm 47, Psalm 67).

In today’s reading from Isaiah, the author presents a vision that all nations will one day be gathered to worship God. They will be accepted in God’s house as full members, and blessed with God’s salvation (Isaiah 56, Isaiah 19). God’s intention all along was to form Israel so as to invite “the nations” to participate in the great plan. When God first called Abraham, God said “I will bless you...All the families of the earth will find blessing in you” (Genesis 12). We, the Church today, share in this call.

The Last and First...

Jesus’ phrase in Luke’s Gospel today—“some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last”—also appears in similar form in Matthew (20:16) and Mark (10:31). All are concluding statements of a teaching of Jesus, but each appears in a different context. In Matthew, the phrase concludes the parable of the vineyard workers, upsetting listeners’ expectations of work and reward. In Mark, wealth is presented as an obstacle to salvation, again reversing expectations.

In Luke, when asked whether only a few may be saved, Jesus shifts the focus to who is best able to receive God’s invitation. Following his healing of a woman on the Sabbath (13: 11-17), Jesus emphasizes compassion over a narrow interpretation of Jewish law. To his listeners’ surprise, Jesus announces that those who practice compassion, rather than those in religious leadership, are the first to understand and accept God’s salvation.

Today’s Readings: Is 66: 18-21; Ps 117: 1,2; Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13; Lk 13: 22-30

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 PM	SJE Church
	6:00 PM	IJ Church
Sunday	8:00 AM	SJE Church
	10:30 AM	IJ Church
	(Portuguese) NOON	IJ Church

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

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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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