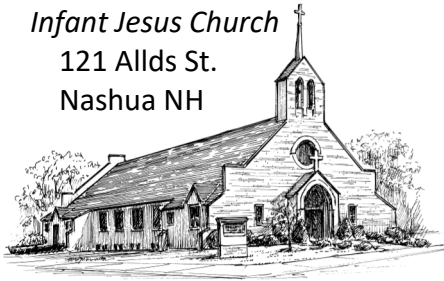
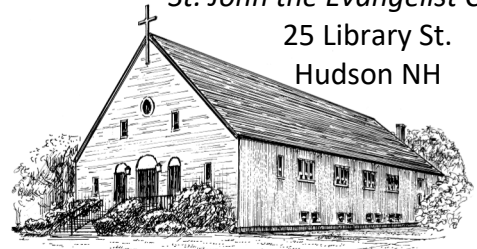


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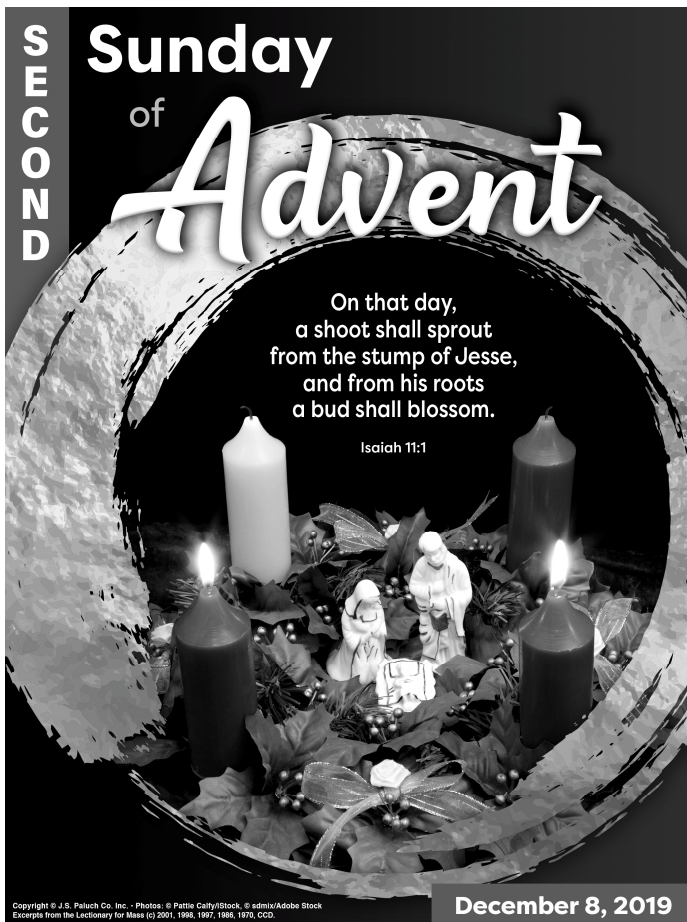


St. John the Evangelist Church
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SECOND Sunday
of *Advent*

On that day,
a shoot shall sprout
from the stump of Jesse,
and from his roots
a bud shall blossom.
Isaiah 11:1



December 8, 2019

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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.*

Saint John XXIII Parish

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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 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

Monday

SJE 8:30 AM

Tuesday

IJ 8:30 AM

Wednesday

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Thursday

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Friday

SJE 8:30 AM

Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

Sunday

SJE 8:00 AM

IJ 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

Dec. 7 - Anticipated Weekend Masses

Intentions of the parishioners

Deceased loved ones of M/M Albert Poliquin

Dec. 8 - Second Sunday of Advent

Shannon Allison (2nd anniv.) by her family

Mass in Portuguese

Romeo Dupont & Claire Dupont Picard by their family

Dec. 9 - Immaculate Conception of the Bl. Virgin Mary

Marcel Dubord by M/M Charles Roy

Dec. 10 - Advent Weekday

Emma Nicol by her friends

Dec. 11 - St. Damasus I, pope

Deceased loved ones of Virginia Steeves

Dec. 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

In memory of George & Evangeline Nadeau

Dec. 13 - St. Lucy, martyr

Deceased loved ones of the Kearns family

Dec. 14 - Anticipated Weekend Masses

Aaron & Trevor Turcotte by their family

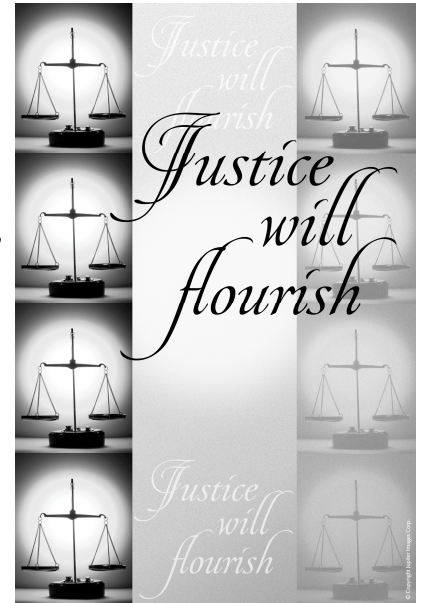
Intentions of the parishioners

Dec. 15 - Third Sunday of Advent

Dr. Thomas Petty by the Peters family

Mass in Portuguese

Deceased loved ones of Claire L. Pelletier



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 *Maximino Azevedo* in your prayers. May his family and friends find comfort in knowing that he is in God's eternal care.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00 - 3:30 PM SJE Church

**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 ~ Dec. 14 & 15, 2019

| <i>Mass</i> | <i>Lectors</i> | <i>Eucharistic Ministers</i> | <i>Altar Servers</i> |
|----------------------|----------------|--|----------------------|
| 4:00 PM (SJE) | Mike Morin | Ray Tassinari - Volunteer Needed | Volunteer Needed |
| 6:00 PM (IJ) | Kathy Nichols | Jeannine Gagnon - Julie Jean | Volunteer Needed |
| 8:00 AM (SJE) | Bruce Tessier | Michael & Denise Beauchesne | Volunteer Needed |
| 10:30 AM (IJ) | Joan Hilston | Laurie Collins - Paul Lukitsch - Al Poliquin | Volunteer Needed |

Saint John XXIII Parish News

STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

| Week Ending ~ Nov. 23 & 24, 2019 | |
|--|-------------------|
| Adult Envelopes (86) | \$2,049.00 |
| WeShare (Online Giving) (44) | \$822.00 |
| Loose Cash | \$600.00 |
| Brazilian Community Offerings | \$247.00 |
| Offertory Total: | \$3,718.00 |
| Week Ending ~ Nov. 30 & Dec. 1, 2019 | |
| Adult Envelopes (96) | \$2,644.00 |
| WeShare (Online Giving) (41) | \$745.00 |
| Loose Cash | \$700.00 |
| Brazilian Community Offerings | \$258.12 |
| Parish Youth Offerings (1) | \$1.00 |
| Offertory Total: | \$4,348.12 |
| Christmas Flowers (49) | \$792.00 |
| Online Giving (WeShare) | |
| All Saints (5) | \$140.00 |
| Human Development (6) | \$155.00 |
| <i>May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!</i> | |

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Classes held in Hudson

All Grades: Sunday, Dec. 8 ~ 9:15-10:15 AM
Parish Center

Next Session: Sunday, Dec. 15

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. This collection taken up this weekend, through your online giving, (WeShare), use of your parish envelopes or special envelopes available at all church entrances, helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

RECYCLE EXCESS CLOTHING

Planet Aid clothing bins are located on both parish campuses.

Items that can be deposited in these bins are:
gently used clothing • coats • shoes



CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS

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



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.

STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

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

2020 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!*

This Week at Saint John XXIII...

| Sunday 8 | Monday 9 | Tuesday 10 | Wed. 11 | Thursday 12 | Friday 13 | Saturday 14 |
|---|---|--|------------|---|---|---|
| <i>Prayer Shawl Ministry mtg. 9:15 AM Library</i> | <i>Immaculate Conception of Mary Mass: 8:30 AM SJE Church</i> | <i>Rosary 7:55-8:25 AM IJ Church Prayer Service 7 PM (Portuguese) IJ Church</i> | | <i>Eucharistic Adoration 6-7 PM IJ Church</i> | <i>Eucharistic Adoration 9-10 AM SJE Church</i> | <i>Reconciliation 3-3:30 PM SJE Church Bingo~6:30 PM</i> |

More Parish & Community News

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.

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 who are 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, Dec. 8 ~ 9:15 AM
IJ Rectory Library



NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM

St. Michael Parish, Exeter NH
Friday, Dec. 13 ~ 5:30 to 8:30 PM

Come follow the footsteps of Mary and Joseph on the night Jesus was born.

Tours leave every 15 minutes.
www.stmichaelparish.org

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Work to ensure your marriage bears good fruit by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: Dec 13-15, Duxbury MA or Mar 13-15, 2020, Duxbury MA. Call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them: <https://wwwmema.org/> for more information.

NEW INDEPENDENT LIVING IN WINDHAM

Searles Place at Warde, a faith-focused Catholic Charities NH Independent Living Community for people 62+, is now accepting reservations for January occupancy. Featuring 1 & 2 bedroom, open-concept apartments, it is located at the Warde Healthcare Campus, which offers a continuum of care options. Residents have inside access to Mass in the onsite chapel Monday through Thursday and on Sunday, a Pastoral Care Director and many other services and amenities. For more information, call 603.845.1664 / Email: SearlesPlace@nh-cc.org / Web: SearlesPlace.com

JESUS aCROSS the Border "Make Room" Christmas Concert ~ Friday, Dec. 20

7 PM to Midnight, Immaculate Conception Parish, Nashua

Join JESUS aCROSS the Border for the 3rd year in a row, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, our King, through our Christmas Event! We invite people of **ALL AGES** and religions for an evening of worship with a Christmas Concert, dynamic speaker and entertaining social gathering.

Our night kicks off with our "Make Room" Christmas Concert. Following the concert, dynamic priest and Assistant Vocations Director for the Diocese of Manchester NH, Fr. Von DeRosia, will give a talk based on the night's theme "Make Room". This talk will lead into a time of Adoration and Praise & Worship. Finishing the night off, local young adult group, *Thrive Young Adults*, will get the party going with some Christmas Carol Karaoke, pizza and hot chocolate!

JESUS aCROSS the Border is a unifying organization for local Catholic young adult groups. Our events are geared towards young adults, 18-35 years of age, but are open to anyone who would like to find out more about our mission.

FACEBOOK EVENT LINK: <https://www.facebook.com/events/747792252333953/>

Please email us at Info@JESUSaCROSStheBorder.org or visit our Facebook Page for more information.

Saint John XXIII Parish



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY SPECIAL MASS

Join us as we honor our Blessed Mother, who came into this world without sin and left in the same way.

Mass: 8:30 AM, Monday Dec. 9
St. John the Evangelist Church

RECITING THE ROSARY

Come pray the rosary on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 7:55 AM to 8:25 AM, just before 8:30 AM Mass at Infant Jesus Church.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

THURSDAYS: 6 to 7 PM, IJ Church

***FRIDAYS:** 9-10 AM, SJE Church

*Please note the time change.

*Come spend time in quiet prayer
before the Blessed Sacrament.*

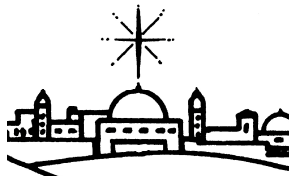
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

The parish office will be closed Fridays for the rest of this year. Our office hours will continue:

Monday through Thursday: 9 AM to 4 PM

2019 Christmas Eve/Day Masses

- Dec. 24: 4:00 PM SJE Church
6:00 PM SJE (Portuguese)
6:00 PM IJ Church
- Dec. 25: 8:00 AM SJE Church
10:30 AM IJ Church



SOUHEGAN DEANERY

(Nashua, Hudson, Merrimack & Milford parishes)

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Sunday, Dec. 15 ~ 2:00 PM

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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 confessions after a brief Liturgy of the Word.

BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS



For many years, baby items have been collected to assist the ministry of the Care Net Pregnancy Center, now called Real Options Pregnancy Help Services. This year, there is a great need for baby wipes, diapers (newborn and sizes 2 & 3), toiletries, sleep sacks, baby towels, wash cloths, bibs, diaper bags, girls & boys clothes (newborn to 3 months), and maternity clothes. Used baby and maternity clothes are fine; they only ask that they be clean and in good condition. New infant car seats would be greatly appreciated. Hand knit and crocheted items are treasured for their personal touch! If you can help, please place your donation on the tabernacle side of the sanctuary, at Infant Jesus Church, **by this Sunday, Dec. 8.**

THE GIVING TREE



Each year, Saint John XXIII Pantry provides families with Christmas gifts from The Giving Tree. If you can help, we ask that you pick a tag from "The Giving Tree" in the sanctuary at St. John the Evangelist Church. These tags have a suggestion for an item that could be purchased. *Be careful to secure the tag to the gift, as it has the family number on it.* Gifts for children should not be wrapped. Please return the gift (place under the tree in the sanctuary) **by this Sunday, Dec. 8.**

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

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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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