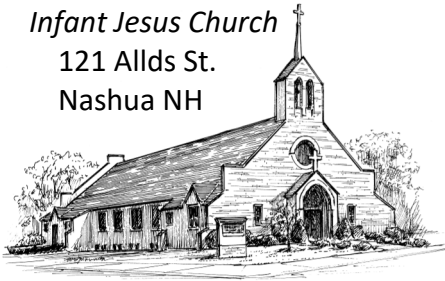
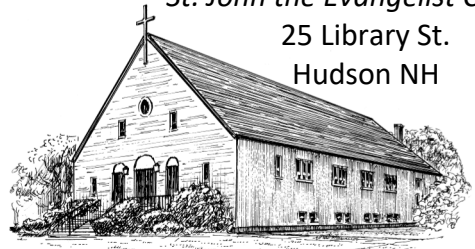


# Saint John XXIII Parish

Infant Jesus Church  
121 Allds St.  
Nashua NH



St. John the Evangelist Church  
25 Library St.  
Hudson NH



THE PRESENTATION OF

## THE LORD

FEBRUARY 2, 2020



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Behold, this child is destined for  
the fall and rise of many in Israel,  
and to be a sign that will be contradicted.

LUKE 2:34

### 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

#### Office/Mailing Address:

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ext. 3

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

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## Mass Intentions

### Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

### Sunday

SJE 8:00 AM

IJ 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

### 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 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

### Feb. 1 - Anticipated Weekend Masses

Deceased loved ones of Dan & Ginny Dumont

Paul Charron by his wife & family

### Feb. 2 - The Presentation of the Lord

Intentions of the parishioners

Mass in Portuguese

Deceased loved ones of Theresa Labrie

### Feb. 4 - Weekday

Emma Nicol by her friends

### Feb. 5 - St. Agatha, martyr

Deceased loved ones of Kevin Natwick

### Feb. 6 - St. Paul Miki & companions, martyrs

In memory of George & Evangeline Nadeau

### Feb. 7 - Weekday

NO Mass Today

### Feb. 8 - Anticipated Weekend Masses

Intentions of the parishioners

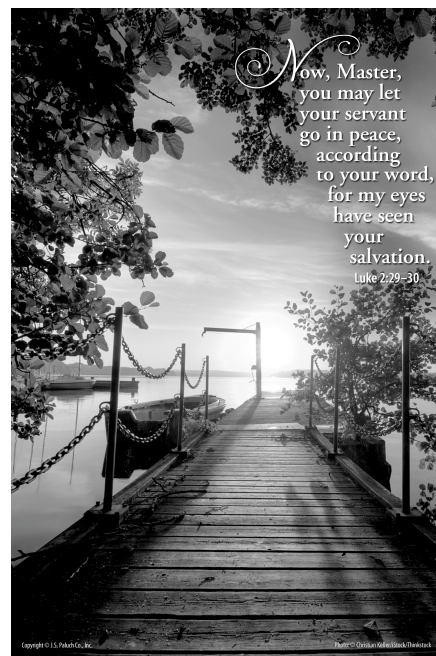
Deceased loved ones of M/M Albert Poliquin

### Feb. 9 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Marcel Dubord by Yvon Doyon

Mass in Portuguese

Theresa Duchesne by her family



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

## COMMUNION CALLS

### FOR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

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

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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



## 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.

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



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

Saint John XXIII

## Liturgical Ministers Scheduled for Weekend Masses ~ Feb. 8 & 9, 2020

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
4:00 PM (SJE)	Nicholas Bolton	Shirley Kopka - Ray Tassinari	Volunteer Needed
6:00 PM (IJ)	Diane Dubreuil	Juliette Jean - Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
8:00 AM (SJE)	Kathy Nichols	Michael & Denise Beauchesne	Volunteer Needed
10:30 AM (IJ)	Mike Morin	Priscille Guerette - David & Carol Croteau	Volunteer Needed

# Saint John XXIII Parish News

## STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

Week Ending ~ Jan. 25 & 26, 2020	
<b>Adult Envelopes</b> (120)	<b>\$2,945.00</b>
<b>WeShare</b> (Online Giving) (41)	<b>\$989.00</b>
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>\$846.00</b>
<b>Brazilian Community Offerings</b>	<b>\$223.00</b>
<b>Parish Youth Offerings</b> (1)	<b><u>\$1.00</u></b>
<b>Offertory Total:</b>	<b>\$5,004.00</b>
<b>Seminarian Fund</b> (30)	<b>\$499.00</b>
(additional 13)	<b><u>\$485.00</u></b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b><u>\$984.00</u></b>
<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:

#### ***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](http://www.stjohnxxiiinh.org), then click "Online Giving."

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

### DIOCESAN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The special collection this weekend, taken through the use of your parish envelopes, or *WeShare* online giving, is taken to assist the parish in funding its financial support for Catholic elementary and junior high schools. The proceeds from this collection remain in the parish.

### This Week at Saint John XXIII...

Mon. 3	Tuesday 4	Wed. 5	Thursday 6	Friday 7	Saturday 8	Sunday 9
	<i>Rosary</i> 7:55 AM~IJ Church  <i>Prayer Service</i> 7 PM (Portuguese) IJ Church		<i>Rosary</i> 7:55 AM~IJ Church  <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> 6-7 PM~IJ Church		<i>Reconciliation</i> 3-3:30 PM SJE Church  <i>Bingo</i> ~6:30 PM	<i>Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting</i> 9:15 AM Library

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

*Classes held in Hudson*

**All Grades:** Sun., Feb. 2 ~ 9:15-10:15 AM  
Parish Center

**Confirmation Class:** Sun., Feb. 2 ~ 9:15-10:45 AM  
Parish Center

*Next Sessions: Sunday, Feb. 9*

## CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2019

**Parish Envelopes...** Parishioners using the envelope system to support our parish are asked to call us at the parish office to receive a summary of your donations for the past year.

**WeShare...** Parishioners using this online giving system to support our parish should have received their 2019 donation statements by email directly from WeShare.

### 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

## 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.

# More Parish & Community News

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## NEW SAINT CHRISTOPHER ACADEMY OPENS IN FALL 2020

Families looking for a comprehensive authentically Catholic school for their PreK-3 through grade 8 children will have a new option in Fall 2020! St. Christopher School and Nashua Catholic Regional Junior High School will be unified as one Catholic academy, named Saint Christopher Academy, as of July 1, 2020. The new school model, unique to the Diocese of Manchester, will blend both schools into one Catholic academy housed on two campuses.

PreK-3 to grade 6 students will attend class at the lower campus at 20 Cushing Ave., the current location of St. Christopher School. Students in grades 7 & 8 will attend at the upper campus at 6 Bartlett Ave., the current location of Nashua Catholic.

“Our new school will bring together the numerous gifts, strengths and traditions of St. Christopher School, the former Infant Jesus School and Nashua Catholic Regional Junior High School, while also adding new advantages and opportunities made possible by the unified academy model. The Academy will be faith centered, academically excellent, and built upon a loving community where each child is cherished and challenged to grow,” explains Principal Cynthia Vita Clarke.

Contact Cindy Clarke at 882-7442, ext. 112, or visit [SaintChrisAcademy.org](http://SaintChrisAcademy.org) to apply for the 2020-2021 school year.

## ACADEMY OF NOTRE DAME OPEN HOUSE (Pre-K through Grade 8)

Thursday, Feb. 6 ~ 5:30-7:30 PM  
180 Middlesex Rd., Tyngsboro MA

Meet faculty, students and come see all that Notre Dame Academy has to offer.

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Just as Mary and Joseph took Jesus to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, present your marriage to the Lord. Strengthen, renew and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: Mar 13-15, in Duxbury MA & Apr 18-19, in Brewster MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

## UNITED WAY'S "COFFEE AND CAUSES"

Friday, Feb. 7 ~ 10 AM

Hunt Community, 10 Allds St., Nashua

Retirees, come join United Way for a talk called "Reframing Aging" on how retirement has been traditionally viewed by our community, what people do after they retire, and the future of retirement. Coffee and other refreshments will be served. For further information, contact Sara Ceaser, at (603)864-0201 or [sceaser@unitedwaynashua.org](mailto:sceaser@unitedwaynashua.org)

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## *The Presentation of the Lord*

**The List Goes On...** Today's readings reflect on something close to the heart of every human person: the fulfillment of our deepest desires. Without exception, each of us feels unfulfilled in some way. Despite advances in law, technology and medicine, every person experiences the frustration of "not yet" or "not enough." Our hearts always want more. God plants this desire in our hearts. God knows how we ache. What most of us fail to believe, deep down, is that God alone satisfies all our longing. We know, theoretically, that the Creator of the universe provides everything we need, but we could all use more quality time with God to consider the question, "What exactly do I need to be happy, Lord?" Perhaps we can spend more time in prayer and service, asking the Lord to show us what is truly important in life.

**Always Ready for Jesus...** We often think, "Once I get *this*, or once *that* happens, *then* I will be happy." But the Gospel shows a better way. All four adults in today's Gospel long deeply for the Messiah and "the consolation of Israel" he will bring. Human temptation might obsess over the promise of future peace and prosperity, leaving only anxiety and resentment for present suffering. But Mary, Joseph, Simeon and Anna leave the saving of the world to God; for their part, they focus on Jesus. Each of them keeps busy with daily details of the various lifestyles they have chosen. Mary and Joseph concern themselves with raising a family, while Simeon and Anna dedicate their lives to prayer in the temple...They model for us how to be happy and holy: performing their daily duties peacefully, always ready to recognize Jesus as he reveals himself.

**Today' Readings:** Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2: 22-40 (22-32) © 2020, J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

# Saint John XXIII Parish

## FR. GEORGE AWAY ON VACATION

Fr. George will be away on vacation in India from Friday, Feb. 3 to Tuesday, Feb. 25. Sincere thanks to Msgr. Eddy Bisson, Msgr. Richard Kelley and Fr. Bartholomew Ogumelu who will celebrate weekend Masses here while Fr. George is away.

### *Please note:*

- There will be **no weekday Masses** from Friday, Feb. 7 to Tuesday, Feb. 25. Weekday Masses resume: Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26.
- The recitation of the rosary in church will not take place on Tuesdays & Thursdays: Feb. 11, 13, 18, 20 & 25. Resumes: Thursday, Feb. 27.
- Friday's Eucharist Adoration will not take place on Feb. 7, 14 & 21. Resumes: Friday Feb. 28.

## 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, Feb. 9 ~ 9:15 AM  
Library

## PLANET AID UPDATE

This quarter, our parish received a small stipend of **\$125.00** for the many pounds of gently used clothing, coats and shoes gathered in our two 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 Plante Aid receptacle bins.

## RECITING THE ROSARY THIS WEEK

Come pray the rosary this Tuesday & Thursday, Feb. 4 & 6, from 7:55 AM to 8:25 AM, just before 8:30 AM Mass at Infant Jesus Church.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION THIS WEEK



**THURSDAYS:** 6 to 7 PM, IJ Church

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

## BABY BOTTLE DRIVE IN SUPPORT OF ST. GIANNA'S PLACE Sat., Feb. 1 & Sun., Feb. 2

St. Gianna's Place—a home for women in crisis pregnancies located in our former rectory in Hudson will hold a baby bottle campaign this weekend. Your financial support is greatly appreciated in order to defray the costs of day-to-day operations and maintenance. If you would like to help, simply take home a baby bottle, fill it with your donation, and return it to the bin at the main entrances of our churches **by Sun., Feb. 23**. With your support, we can change mothers, and their babies, lives through the love and care of this community. Thank you!

Can You  
Spare  
A Drop?



**Red Cross  
Blood Drive**

**Saturday, February 15**

**9 AM to 2 PM**

**IJ School Cafeteria**

*(Food will be served.)*

Walk-ins are welcome; however, for the best donation experience, we recommend that you schedule an appointment (1-800-RED-CROSS) or schedule online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)

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in Your Will.  
For further information,  
please call the Parish Office.

**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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