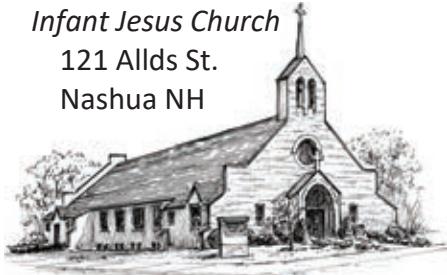


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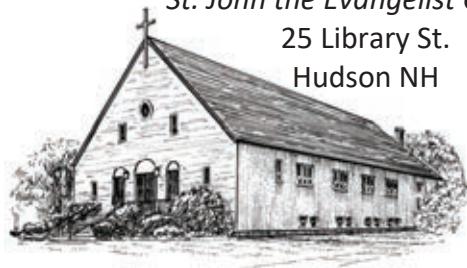
Infant Jesus Church

121 Allds St.
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St. John the Evangelist Church

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We can have
hope
because God
is faithful
and will keep
the promises
He made to us.
Our hope
comes from God.

Romans 15:12-13

Outreach:

Saint John XXIII Food Pantry: 603-883-6048
Corpus Christi Food Pantry: 603-882-6372
NH Catholic Charities: 603-889-9431

MISSION STATEMENT

*Strengthened by the Holy Spirit,
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E-mail: reled@stjohnxxiiinh.org

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

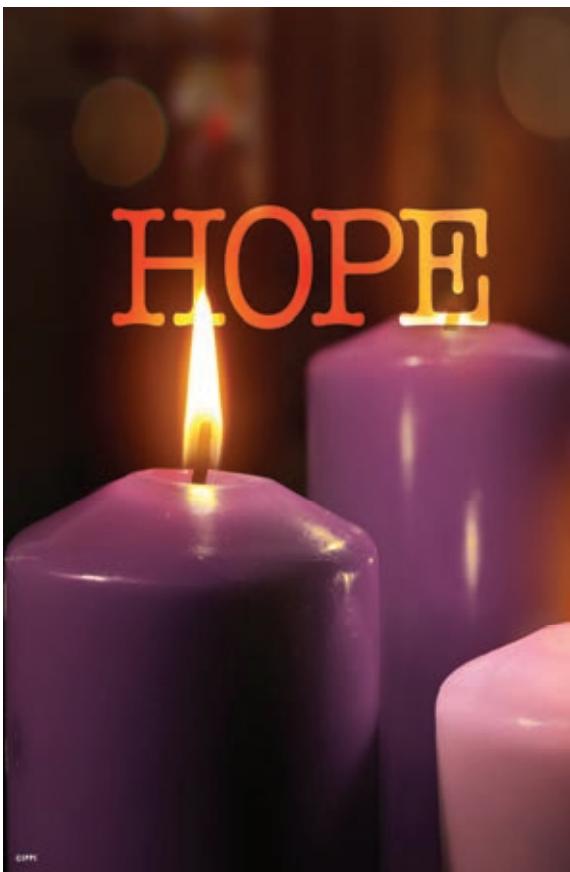
Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3: to 3:30 PM
at St. John the Evangelist Church.

November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent



Mass Intentions

Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

Sunday

SJE 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

Tuesday

IJ 8:30 AM

Wednesday

SJE 8:30 AM

Thursday

IJ 8:30 AM

Friday

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Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

Sunday

SJE 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

November 28 Anticipated Weekend Mass

Deceased loved ones of
Tom & Debbie Gagnon
Paul Ravenelle
by Maurice & Margaret Ravenelle .

November 29 First Sunday of Advent

Deceased members of McGowan & Quinn
families by Anne Marie Bitler
Deceased friends & family
of Steve & Denise Theriault

December 1 Advent Weekday

Emma Nicol by her friends

December 2 Advent Weekday

Cecile Duchesne by Ed Duchesne

December 3 St. Francis Xavier

Intentions of the parishioners

December 4 St. John Damascene

Deceased loved ones of Joanne Charron

December 5 Anticipated Weekend Mass

Shannon Allison 3rd Anniv. By her family
Deceased loved ones of the
Lancourt and Tessier families .

December 6 Second Sunday of Advent

Deceased loved ones of Catherine Duffy
Theresa Duchesne by her family

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

SAINT GIANNA'S PLACE

St. Gianna's Place, located in the former rectory at St. John the Evangelist, provides a temporary home for pregnant women in crisis. It provides a safe and loving home with meals, counseling, education and training to ensure that the women and their babies can be successful and self-sufficient. St. Gianna's Place is currently looking for volunteers. Whether you can volunteer once a month, or you could commit to an overnight now and again, if you are able bodied and want to help please call 603.521.8440 or send an email to:

Admin@StGiannasPlace.org.

MESSY FAMILY PROJECT

The Messy Family Project in this three-part, interactive webinar series, "Family & Faith in the Home", sponsored by the Diocese of Manchester. Each session will focus on introducing basic concepts of fostering strong marriage and family life, with the following three talks:

- January 13 – Communication in Marriage
- January 20 – Messy Parenting 101
- January 27 – Evangelizing Your Children

Contact Alyse Hlasny, ahlasny@rcbm.org or (603) 663-0108, with any questions or to register for the webinar and receive the zoom link.

Readings for the Week – November 30 through December 6, 2020

Monday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

Saint John XXIII Parish



BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS

For many years, baby items have been collected to assist the ministry of Real Options (formerly Care Net Pregnancy Center). This year, there is a great need for diapers (newborn and sizes 2 & 3), baby wipes, sleep sacks, baby towels, diaper bags, girl's & boy's 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. Knitted and crocheted items are treasured for their personal touch! If you can help, please place your donation in or near the cradle on the tabernacle side of the sanctuary at Infant Jesus Church, from Nov. 28 to Sunday, Dec. 13.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

One day, while filing away papers, the secretary of President John F. Kennedy found this note, written in the president's own hand. It read: "I know there is a God—and I see a storm coming. If He has a place for me, I believe that I am ready." Our Lord's warning this weekend to be ready, and President Kennedy's readiness to serve, invite me to ask: "How ready am I to put myself at God's service for whatever God may ask me to do?" Today begins Advent: a new season and a new Liturgical Year. It is a short season, often cut off from a full four weeks by the secular calendar. It is as if there's such a thing as "Lent Lite," since it asks us to do penance and fast in preparation for the great Feast of Christmas.

Of course, one nod to the world around us and the media that frame it, and you would believe that this is the season for shopping, decorating, and even baking. None of those is bad in itself. But if any of it robs us of some quiet time for reflection and prayer, then we have wasted Advent time.

In fact, this First Sunday of the season traditionally pulls us away from thoughts about the annual celebration of Christ's first coming to make us reflect on His second one. That is very much an unknown entity, even though it is inevitable.

The whole point of Advent is not to exclude our pre-Christmas fun, but to remind us of life's serious side. It's time to get ready for the next life as President Kennedy believed himself to be. Nor does Advent ask us to pretend that Christ has not already come to us. It is rather telling us that Christ wants to come closer to us. One day in the unknown future, framed in the Book of Revelation as one of fire raging and trumpets blaring, Jesus will come back as He promised He would, to judge us all and decide our eternal fate.

In the meantime, we are asked to remember the fact of His wanting to come closer to us. In fact, we should desire to be one of His points of entry into the world, always being attentive to what's coming, rather than just to opt for a settled and comfortable life. This means that we actually facilitate the coming of God's world into our own that began some 2,000 years ago with Christ. Now each of us has a part to play. In other words, each of us must so live that it doesn't matter when the end comes because our whole life is a preparation for it.

In this context, it is remarkable what insight comes to us by way of that twenty-something Little Flower who is Saint Therese of Lisieux. Once she wrote this: "Let us go forward in peace, our eyes upon heaven, the only one goal of our labors."

God love you and give you His Advent peace!

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

STEWARSHIP REPORT

Due to an early bulletin deadline, the Stewardship Report for November 21 & 22 could not be included. It will appear in next weeks bulletin.

STEWARSHIP APPEAL

The blessings of Advent are upon us. However, the threat of COVID-19 remains and our parish needs your financial support now, more than ever. Please consider participating in either stewardship program below, which helps our parish to maintain a steady income to manage our budget:

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—We Share

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!*

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

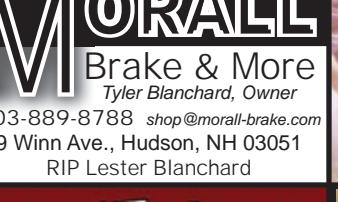
The Knights of Columbus Council #5162 will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday, December 5th at St, Kathryn Church Hall, Dracut Road, Hudson. Donation hours will be 9AM to 2 PM. The Red Cross is taking special precautions during the COVID-19 crisis to ensure the safety of donors and staff. You can sign up on line at www.rcblood.org/appt

SAINT JOHN HUDSON COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY In Need of Empty Egg Cartons

The food pantry is in desperate need of empty egg cartons. Bulk packages of eggs are donated to the pantry, but egg cartons are needed to distribute the eggs to families. Egg cartons can be left at either church in the food pantry donation area. Volunteers are needed to work in the food pantry on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday mornings from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM and on Thursday nights from 6PM to 8PM. . If you are interested and available during any of these times or have questions, call 882-2462 ext. 6 or email johnmckivergan@gmail.com

SAINT JOHN HUDSON COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY GIVING TREE

 Due to COVID19 virus, we will not be able to set up the giving tree this year. Instead, St John Hudson Community food pantry would appreciate donations of store gift cards (\$10, \$15 or \$20). Put gift cards into an envelope and deposit them into the black mailbox outside of the food pantry OR call 882-2462 Ext. 6 to schedule a time to drop them off. All gift cards need to be received no later than Saturday, December 12th. We appreciate your generosity and support. Thank you

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