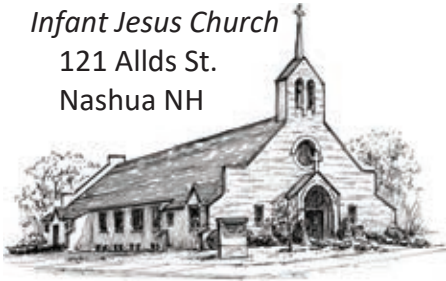
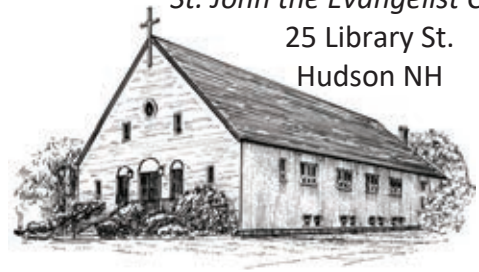


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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

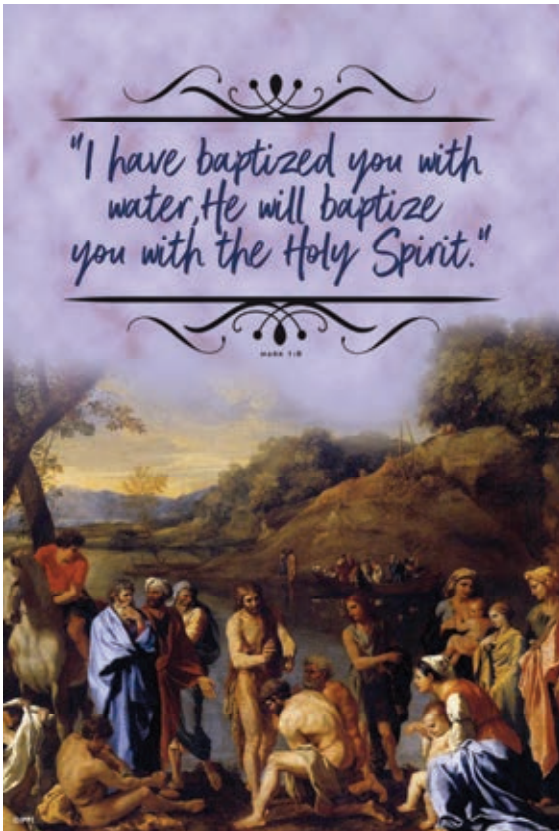
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Sunday	8:00 AM	SJE Church
	10:30 AM	IJ Church

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.



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
 SJE 8:30 AM

Saturday
 SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

Sunday
 SJE 8:00 AM
 IJ 10:30 AM

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

December 8 Immaculate Conception
 Robert & Irene Houle by their family

December 9 Advent Weekday

December 10 Advent Weekday
 Intentions of the parishioners

December 11 St. Damasus I
 Ida Scott by her daughters

December 12 Anticipated Weekend Mass
 Gerard & Vivian Dumont

by Dan & Ginny Dumont
 .Deceased loved ones of Joanne Charron

December 13 Third Sunday of Advent
 Dr. Thomas Petty by the Peters Family

Romeo Dupont 38th Anniv. &
 Claire Dupont-Picard

By Steve & Denise Theriault

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

2020 CHRISTMAS EVE / DAY MASSES

DECEMBER 24
4:00 PM SJE CHURCH
6:00 PM IJ CHURCH

DECEMBER 25
8:00 AM SJE CHURCH
10:30 AM IJ CHURCH

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 – December 7 through December 13, 2020

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab; Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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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 next weekend, taken up 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 their aging members.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

This weekend we have our annual encounter with that strange man with an even stranger message. The Church wants us to hear from him each Advent season, so he becomes in fact “the man of Advent”: John the Baptist. His is a call to lift our minds and hearts up from undue concern about earthly prep for Christmas 2020 and consider the superior importance of spiritual preparation for the next coming of Christ.

After all, the ultimate reason for Christmas is the incarnation, the taking on of a human nature of the Son of God, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. He truly becomes the “Emmanuel” foretold by the prophets, a title which means “God with us.”

In this early part of Advent, the focus turns to the matter of Christ’s second coming because that event should have a profound personal impact on how we live each day. The first Coming, we know, is all joy and glory to God in the highest. That’s as it should be, as we note God’s eternal plan slowly coming to fruition with the birth of the holy Babe. The second coming is described in more frightening terms because then this Babe will have matured and will be coming as our Judge. That will also mark the end of the universe as we know it. So that inescapable moment of judgment we each face could well have a background we can only imagine. Frightening beyond words.

As if to shake us out of the sentimentality associated with Christmas, the Church presents us with Mark’s gospel, where he hurries past the birth tale to Jesus’ adult baptism in the Jordan. It marks the beginning of Our Lord’s brief time being personally present as God’s best emissary. Jesus launches His “campaign” if you will. We will come back to this event in a few weeks to mark the liturgical end of the Christmas season early next year.

God knows we Americans are very familiar this year with the notion of “campaigns,” as we have just lived through months of one for the highest office in our land. I think the vitriol we saw on both sides causes us to look back in wonder that we could ever stoop so low to make a point.

Meanwhile, we must be careful not to turn John the Baptist into a kind of campaign manager. Rather, is he Our Lord’s precursor, the one who gets us ready to hear the Good News? Salvation history has come to its final chapter, after centuries of hoping for it. Thus does John the Baptist straddle both biblical testaments as the last prophet of the Old and the first of the New. The era of ultimate choice has arrived, and John is the first to make it known. In blunt terms, it is between Jesus and Satan.

Satan, you ask? Oh yes, he’s still around and very real. He is evil personified. We may not automatically think that way but every one of our sins is a vote cast for the evil one. This culture of ours has found a somewhat sleazy way out of living by objective morality by making everything subjective. So somebody might justify drinking too much at a Christmas party by thinking he/she deserves it “because 2020 has been a very bad year.” We should wonder just how such an excuse would hold up on Judgment Day. Tough and sober truth.

So, allow me to put an Advent twist on the well-known lyric of a Christmas song, “You better watch out; you better not cry, you better not pout, I’m telling you why: Jesus Christ is coming to

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Week Ending ~ Nov. 21 & 22, 2020	
Adult Envelopes (51)	\$1,950.00
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Week Ending ~ Nov. 28 & Nov. 29, 2020	
Adult Envelopes (55)	\$2,196.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (50)	\$870.00
Loose Cash	\$327.00
Offertory Total:	\$3,393.00
<i>May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!</i>	



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.**

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY VAN DRIVER NEEDED

Corpus Christi Food Pantry is in need of a volunteer to drive the pantry van. Someone to make “food pick-ups” at the food bank in Manchester and at local grocery stores in Nashua. This position requires some “muscle” and good driving record. If you can help, please call Maryellen at 882-6372 or email corpuschristifp@outlook.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.



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 Thank you.

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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 x233.

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