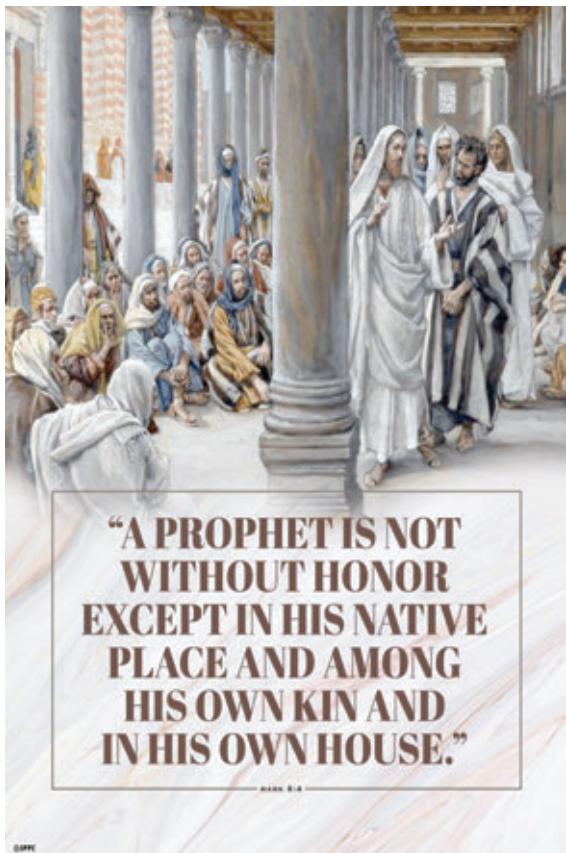


# Saint John XXIII Parish



**July 4, 2021**

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



### **Mass Intentions**

#### **Saturday**

**SJE** 4:00 PM

**IJ** 6:00 PM

**IJ** 7:30 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

**IJ** 7:30 PM

#### **Sunday**

**SJE** 8:00 AM

**IJ** 10:30 AM

#### **July 3 Anticipated Weekend Mass**

Yvon Theriault 30th Ann.

By his wife and family

Edward G. Dame 25th Ann. by his son

Mass in Portuguese

#### **July 4 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Intentions of the parishioners

Theresa Duchesne by Lori & Doug Fowler

#### **July 6 Saint Maria Goretti**

Intentions of the parishioners

#### **July 7**

Edgar Turmel by Claire Budro

#### **July 8**

Lionel Noel by Claire Budro

#### **July 9**

Intentions of the parishioners

#### **July 10 Anticipated Weekend Mass**

Dorothy McCaffrey

By J. DeNitto and family

Lillianne (Levesque) Trudeau 5th Ann.

By her family

Mass in Portuguese

#### **July 4 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Raymond Burns by Patricia Peters

Deceased loved ones of the

Cardinale / Balandis Families

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

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30 PM  
at St. John the Evangelist Church.



### **July 5 - July 11**

**Monday:** Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26

**Tuesday:** Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38

**Wednesday:** Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday:** Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 10:7-15

**Friday:** Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23

**Saturday:** Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33

**Sunday:** Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; Mk 6:7-13

### **ST. KATHRYN RELIGIOUS GOODS**

#### **"ALL THINGS CATHOLIC"**

St. Kathryn Religious Goods located at St. Kathryn Parish, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson is open Monday - Thursday from 9 AM to Noon and Saturday from 9 AM to Noon. The store carries a wide variety of Catholic reading materials, rosaries, statuary, children's items, artwork, gifts, medals, and new items are arriving all the time. St. Kathryn Religious Goods, staffed by volunteers, plays an important part of the parish outreach ministry to spread the Catholic faith in southern NH, northern MA and beyond. Visit [www.stkatheryns.org/store](http://www.stkatheryns.org/store) or call 595-4463 for more information.

### **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Week Ending ~ June 26 & 27 2021

<b>Adult Envelopes</b> (46)	<b>\$2,208.00</b>
<b>WeShare (Online Giving)</b> (50)	<b>\$842.00</b>
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>\$226.00</b>
<b>Offertory Total:</b>	<b>\$3,276.00</b>
<b>Holy Father Collection</b>	<b>\$547.00</b>

*May our loving God bless you  
for your continued generosity!*

# Saint John XXIII Parish

## REFLECTION FOR 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Last April, many of us became “Brits” for the day as we watched the combined military and religious funeral rites for England’s late Prince Philip. We knew something of his fidelity in his tireless service to his adopted country, and in his accepted role as consort to the queen for more than 75 years. We also had to acknowledge his humility as expressed in the funeral ceremony.

It was back in 1922, when his uncle, King Constantine I of Greece, had been forced to abdicate in the wake of his disastrous prosecution of the Greco-Turkish war. Only 18 months old and barely ahead of the rioting mob, Philip was smuggled out of Greece in an orange crate that his family had converted into a makeshift crib. A British light cruiser then safely transported them to France. My point here is that all this involved a certain rejection, even if the boy was too young to realize it. Here we are today, celebrating our Independence Day from that very same England. In that masterful Declaration of Independence, written by Thomas Jefferson, we as a people clearly displayed our rejection of England’s rule. It so stung King George that he declared war on the colonies that defied him. My point is that there really is pain involved in all kinds of rejection. It’s a sting to the heart. Most of us have experienced some form of it in our personal lives. Rejection hurts most of all in matters of the heart. With little effort I can recall the sting I felt when the girl I asked to the junior prom turned me down. Many of us have felt the sting in the breakup of a love affair; or the divorce from marriage vows once happily taken.

Hurt infects us when the college admission board turns us down. Or when the expected pay raise is denied, or the promotion not granted. The list is long and long remembered.

It is only natural that we wonder where God is in all of these things. Does He know what it feels like? Does He care? If in Jesus He was “like us in all things but sin” was rejection part of the equation? In this weekend’s Gospel, we get the answer. Surely Jesus was rejected, even by His own relatives. More than that, biblical scholars tell us there was an implied insult in calling Him “the Son of Mary,” because in those days all Jews were identified as being sons of their fathers.

Where does that leave us? I believe in a place of consolation and ultimate peace. Our God truly understands our pain. Rejection was no stranger to Him. Yet, He offered a cure: Trust in Faith. This accompanied by His declaration of support: He loves us unconditionally. Maybe at the painful moments we don’t want pat answers or even Scripture quotes. It is only later that we realize that when we coped with rejection and kept on trusting God, we became a better person.

G. Campbell Morgan was 1 of 150 young men who sought entrance into the Methodist ministry in 1888. He had passed his written exam but faced the test of giving a trial sermon in front of a panel. When the results were released, Morgan’s name was among the 105 who were rejected.

He wired his father with one word: “Rejected.” Then he sat down and wrote in his diary: “Very dark. Everything seems still. He knoweth best.” The reply to his wire was quick to arrive. It read. “Rejected on earth, accepted in heaven. Dad.”

Morgan in later years became the famous Doctor George Campbell Morgan D.D. who was a British evangelist, preacher, a leading Bible teacher, and a prolific author. As Morgan went on to prove, rejection on earth is often of little consequence. As his father wisely recognized, it is of no consequence in heaven. And that, after all, is our true home.

While you enjoy your holiday, may God love you and give you His peace. Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BBQ VOLUNTEERS

Knights of Columbus #122 will be hosting a BBQ for our new friends at Family Promise on Saturday August 7th starting at noon. We are looking for volunteers to help serve on this day, games and maybe face painting. Please contact Rick Dupont (566-4269) if interested. The Knights are also accepting donations to help cover the cost of this day. Please place envelopes in the weekly collection basket addressed to K of C #122. As always please remember us in your prayers as we fulfill our mission of service to others

## CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY NOTES

Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance has a number of clients that either walk or take the bus to get help from us. This can be a challenge for some of our clients; especially clients that are walking with children and/or have a number of heavy bags of groceries to carry home. It is a blessing when we can occasionally give a client a small, utility/shopping cart they can use to bring their food home. This simple gesture can bring assistance and relief because the client does not need to struggle trying to carry all the bags at one time.

## FAMILY PROMISE

We now have 23 families (74 residents) in house. For information about our mission, or if you are interested in visiting the new home of Family Promise of Southern New Hampshire, please contact Pam Wellman, Executive Director at 603-883-7338, ext.1. For volunteer opportunities, please contact Matthew Hodgkiss, 603-883-7338, ext. 3. Please visit our website at [www.familypromisesnh.org](http://www.familypromisesnh.org).

## GRANDPARENTS DAY JULY 25TH

Pope Francis has decided to institute the Church-wide celebration of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Starting this year, it will be held on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Not only are grandchildren and youths invited to be present in the lives of older people, but older people and grandparents also have a mission of evangelization, proclamation and prayer, and of encouraging young people in their faith. To read Pope Francis' Message for the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly (07.25.21). Visit , <https://bit.ly/3wPfuLz>

## THE MESSY FAMILY PROJECT VIDEO SERIES

Mike & Alicia Herson of The Messy Family Project have dedicated themselves to strengthening Catholic marriage & family life. They recently shared their wisdom with a group of New Hampshire couples just like you, and here's great news: we've repurposed the talks so that even more people can benefit. So, ready to enrich your family? Register for an upcoming weekly email series featuring special talks from Alicia & Mike. Visit [www.catholicnh.org/video-series](http://www.catholicnh.org/video-series) to sign up for free!

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