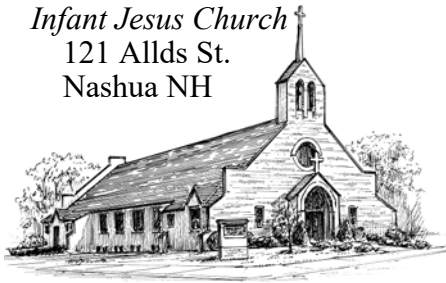
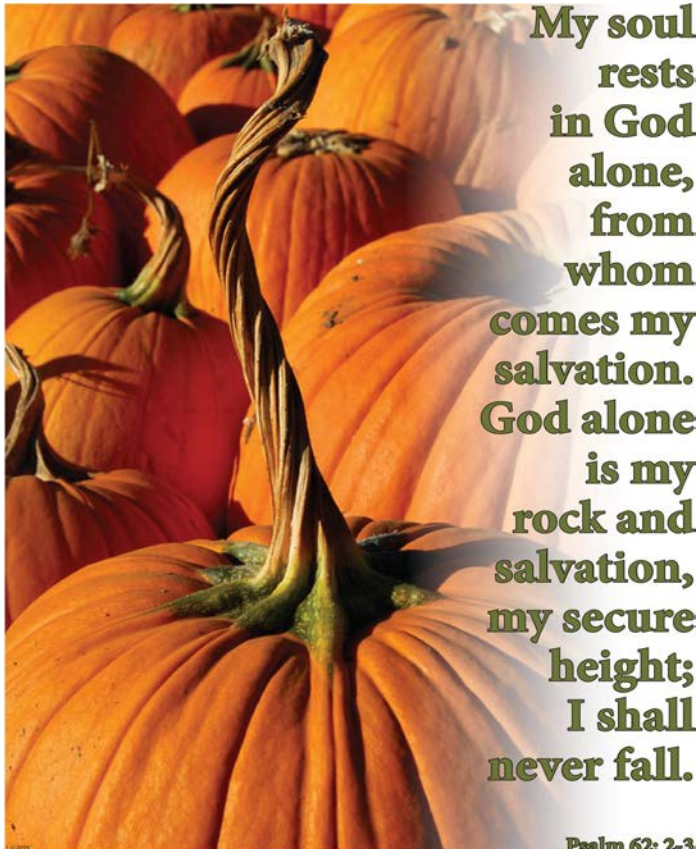
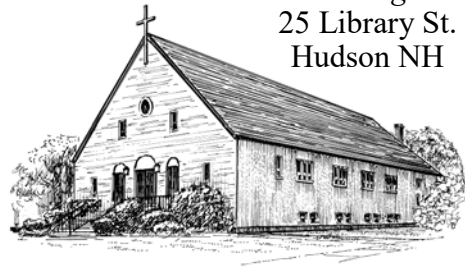


# Saint John XXIII Parish

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Nashua NH



St. John the Evangelist Church  
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**My soul  
rests  
in God  
alone,  
from  
whom  
comes my  
salvation.  
God alone  
is my  
rock and  
salvation,  
my secure  
height;  
I shall  
never fall.**

Psalm 62: 2-3

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Corpus Christi Food Pantry: 603-882-6372  
NH Catholic Charities: 603-889-9431

## 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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Deacon Carl Hilston (retired)

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## WEEKEND MASS TIMES

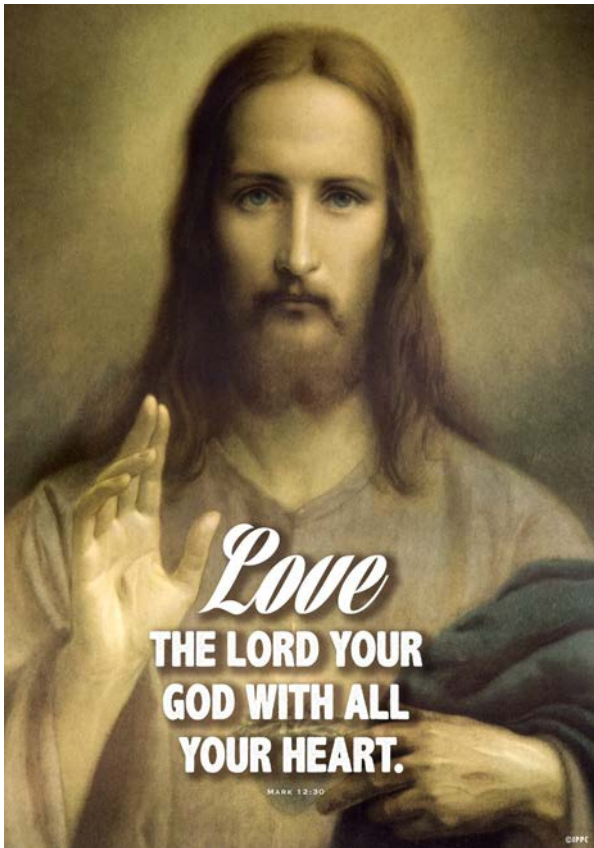
Saturday	4:00 PM	SJE Church
	6:00 PM	IJ Church
	7:30 PM	Portuguese Mass IJ
Sunday	8:00 AM	SJE Church
	10:30 AM	IJ Church

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



**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday**

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

IJ 7:30 PM

**Sunday**

SJE 8:00 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

**Monday**

SJE 8:30 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

**October 30 Anticipated Weekend Mass**

Alexandra Mathieu, Jim & Polly Clifford

By Joe & Sheila Cannava

Intentions of the parishioners

Mass in Portuguese

**October 31 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Marcel Dubord by his family

Paul Charron by his wife & family

**November 1 All Saints Day**

All Saints Day Mass

**November 2 All Souls Day**

For All Souls

**November 3 Saint Martin de Porres**

Intentions of the parishioners

**November 4**

NO MASS

**November 5**

NO MASS

**November 6 Anticipated Weekend Mass**

Santo & Anna Cannava

By Joe & Sheila Cannava

Paul Charron by his wife & family

Mass in Portuguese

**Nov. 7 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Raymond Gosselin by the Dubord Family

Cecile Dumais

by Steve & Denise Theriault

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.

**ALL SAINTS DAY MASS**  
Monday, November 1st  
8:30 AM at St. John The Evangelist Church



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**October 25 – October 31**

**Monday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

**Tuesday:** Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

**Wednesday:** Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33

**Thursday:** Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10

**Friday:** Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 16:1-8

**Saturday:** Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 or Mk 12:41-44

**ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES**  
All Souls Day Intention envelopes are available at church entrances, this weekend and for the next few weekends. Please take one, fill in the names of you loved ones and return them to us. Your intentions will remain in the sanctuary throughout the month of November.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Week Ending ~ October 23 & 24, 2021	
Adult Envelopes (53)	\$1,522.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (54)	\$931.00
Loose Cash	\$432.00
<b>Offertory Total:</b>	<b>\$2,885.00</b>
<b>Propagation of the Faith Collection</b>	
<i>May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!</i>	

## Saint John XXIII Parish

### REFLECTION FOR 31ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

You remember them from your school days. It was the boy or girl whose arm invariably shot upward whenever the teacher would ask: "Are there any questions?" They often annoyed me, even if the person was unaware. And especially if I knew them outside the classroom. I admit that the devil in me imagined something like a can of paint falling on their head and drenching them downward, a la the burglars-turned-victims by the young boy in the movie "Home Alone."

This imaginary punishment arose from my rash conclusion that these questioners were actually only after "brownie points" and not the actual answer to their query. I suppose I'll find out for sure on Judgment Day. Later in life, as fate would have it, I wound up being a teacher. When a hand went up from a questioner, I knew it was my solemn duty to answer the questioner with trust that he or she was sincere.

Our scribe in today's Gospel passage was nothing like those suspicious adolescents. He was most sincere. In fact, we know this was one of the rare occasions in Our Lord's story when a scribe was not hostile or acting from a malicious motive. Note how the man drew forth Our Lord's approval.

Recall that the Scribes were those Palestinian scholars and teachers of Jewish law and tradition, active from the 5th century B.C. up to the 1st century A.D. who transcribed, edited and interpreted the Bible. They knew their Scriptures. So the topic of the greatest commandment often arose in their discussions. The common people asked about it. The Holy Spirit wants us to listen in for a learning exercise of our own.

Jesus took the first two precepts and blended them. It was for sure a masterful stroke. Is it any wonder that many of His early disciples called Jesus "Master?"

Now comes our reaction to this scene. We know the problem. Relatively easy to keep "Part 1" (the love of God). After all, God doesn't live next door and mow the lawn early on a Saturday morn, your one day to sleep late. He doesn't tailgate. Doesn't flatter the boss. Doesn't let the pet pooch run loose on your yard to make deposits, or ever chew His food with His mouth open. Loving God is easy if for no other reason than the fact that He is invisible yet loves us unconditionally.

It's that troublesome "Part 2": (the love of neighbor) that's sometimes a big problem. We have to try to see Christ in our neighbor. Not just the one next door, but everywhere. With anybody of a different political opinion. Or of a different creed or color. Anywhere and everywhere on God's green earth.

As for the times we live in being the cause of our problem with this and other Christian teachings, here is St. Augustine on the matter: "You hear people complaining about this present day and age because things were so much better in former times. I wonder what would happen if they could be taken back to the days of their ancestors—would we not still hear their complaining? You may think past ages were good, but it is only because you are not living in them." (From Readings, Wed. of 20thweek) Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

### CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES

A service that Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance offers their clients is guidance in managing their finances, especially in times of a crisis. Recently, a homeless client requested help with minor auto repairs. The client was living in his car that he used to get to work. The car needed repairs. The Assistance Program was able to repair the car and offer guidance on how to manage his finances in the future. Without your assistance, this service would not be possible.



### PARISH VEHICLE DONATION

Do you have a vehicle you would be willing to donate to the parish? Our parish van has finally reached the point of "no return" and will not pass inspection. If you can help contact the parish office at 882-2462 ext. 4.

### LOOKING FOR LECTORS

Due to Covid concerns and restrictions, the use of Lectors at Mass had been suspended. As we work toward a healthier time, we would like to reintroduce Lectors to our Masses. If you were a Lector in the past or are interested in being a Lector, please see Deacon Carl at any of the weekend Masses and he will be glad to get you scheduled.

### VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

During the week of November 7-13, 2021, the nation and our diocese will once again celebrate Vocation Awareness Week. The theme of the diocesan celebration this year is "Finish the Race." (2 Timothy 4:7) A vocation is not a sprint, it's a marathon, and we need the Lord's strength every day of our lives to persevere in our discernment, our prayer, our calling, and our service to God and others.

Sometimes it seems like the challenges of life and the world never end, but the finish line is before us and we keep running so that we can say with St. Paul, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." Please continue to pray for vocations.

### JOURNEYSONGS HYMNALS

We are transitioning to a new hymnal, Journeysongs. Scripture readings for all three cycle years, hymns, mass settings and rituals are all included in this one book—which means we no longer have to change them every year. To keep with Covid protocols we are encouraging everyone to purchase and use their own—rather than share. The cost of the hymnal is \$20. See Fr. George to purchase your copy



### ST. JUDE PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR

St. Jude Women's Guild 42nd Annual Country Christmas Fair Saturday, November 6, 2021 9 AM to 4:PM, 435 Mammoth Road in Londonderry The fair is not a vendor fair. It will feature hand-crafted items including table centerpieces, wreaths, snowmen & ornaments. There will be a queen-size quilt raffle, as well as our amazing raffle table. A Country Cupboard Room will feature a bake sale, tasty goodies, table linens & kitchen accessories. Questions call Denise Pratt at 423-1854 .

### BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY AND CATHOLIC ETHICS

In today's world, medical technology continues to be a great gift that serves to enhance the quality of human life. On the other hand, there are technological advancements that all too often push the envelope in ways that no longer adhere to Roman Catholic moral values, teachings, and principles. This Presentation is intended for an Adult Audience. *An Introduction to Biomedical Technology and Catholic Ethics. The Beginning of Human Life, and End of Life Issues.* By Deacon Edward P. Munz, B.A., M.Div., C.A.G.S., D.Min. Mondays, November 8, 15, 22, and 29, 7:00pm - 8:30pm. Immaculate Conception Church Gathering Hall, 216 East Dunstable Road, Nashua, NH. For more information and to register, please visit <https://iccnashuanh.org>

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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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