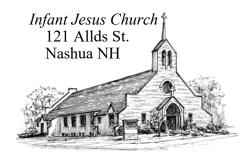
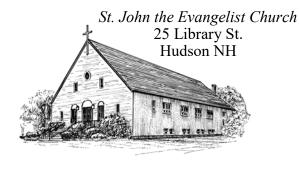
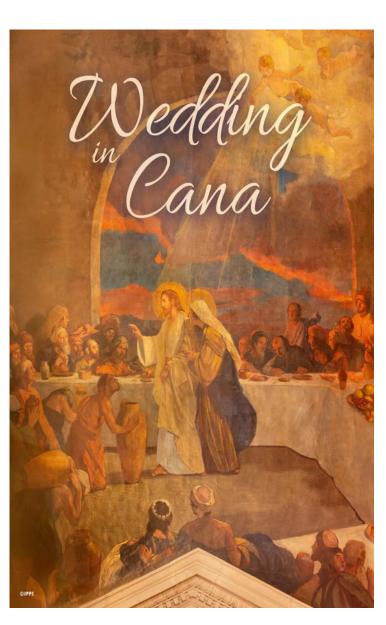
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

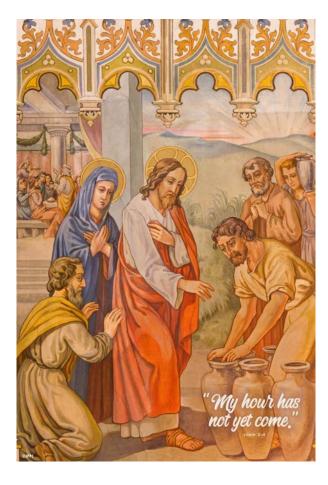
Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
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Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

OUTREACH

Hudson Food Pantry at St. Johns: 603-883-6048 Corpus Christi Food Pantry: 603-882-6372 NH Catholic Charities: 603-889-9431

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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



Mass Intentions

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Satu	<u>rday</u>	January 15Anticipated Weekend Mass
SJE	4:00 PM	Claire Gagnon 2nd Ann.
		By her family
IJ	6:00 PM	Deceased Members of
		The Ladies of Ste. Anne
IJ	7:30 PM	Mass in Portuguese
Sund		January 16 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
	8:00 AM	Al Terry
IJ	10:30 AM	Patricia St. Gelais 3rd Ann.
		by her husband & family
Tues	sdav	January 18
	8:30 AM	NO MASS
	nesday	January 19
	8:30 AM	NO MÁSS
Thu	<u>rsday</u>	January 20
	8:30 AM	Earl Budro
Frid		January 14
	8:30 AM	Intentions of the Parishioners
	rday	January 22Anticipated Weekend Mass
	4:00 PM	Christine Reisbek
IJ	6:00 PM	Deceased loved ones of Claire Pelletier
IJ	7:30 PM	Mass in Portuguese
Sund		January 23 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
	8:00 AM	Fr. Roger Bilodeau
	10:30 AM	Mr. & Mrs. Albert Poliquin Sr.
		by Mr. & Mrs. Albert N. Poliquin
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IJ = *Infant Jesus Church SJE* = *St. John the Evangelist Church*

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2021

Online Giving...Parishioners using this stewardship program will have donation statements emailed out directly from WeShare.

Parish Envelopes...Parishioners using the envelope system to support our parish are asked to give us a call at the parish office if you wish to receive a summary of your donations for the past year. We will be happy to send statements out to you by the end of January.

Weekly Readings for Jan. 17 – Jan .23

Mon.: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22 **Tuesday**: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28 **Wednesday**: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19 **Saturday**: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12

-30 or 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ January 8 & 9, 2022				
Adult Envelopes (48)	\$1,988.00			
WeShare (Online Giving) (53)	\$905.00			
Loose Cash	\$266.00			
Offertory Total:	\$3,159.00			
Debt Reduction	451.00			
May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!				

REFLECTION FOR 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"What wonders to know that Our Lord here below Is with us to bestow grace on our good doings and cause them to glow."

Yes, that's my verse above as I reflect on Cana. It's that famous wedding reception held in that tiny town with reverberations far beyond. Two distinct facts emerged from it. Note this fact for sure: the Son of God actually went to a wedding reception! Bear in mind what this means: the Lord and Master of the universe, creator not only of faraway galaxies that our human eyes can barely see without machinery, and also of creatures so deep in the ocean that only our cameras let us glance them; He who is and will be, our sole and supreme Judge actually walked into a party meeting and greeting, only to toast the newly weds; dine on the food and dance to the music.

To all those sour types who believe that God wants nothing to do with us in the little happenings of our ordinary lives, and dwell aloof from us here is proof of the opposite. How wonderful that is! Cana lives forever in our minds.

Here is the second fact: There is such a unique relationship between Jesus and Mary, that not many words need be spoken. A bond begun from the minute of the Angel Gabriel's visit to her which was all about Him. All that needed to be said was "Do whatever He tells you." As Our Lady's valedictory message, the last words of her in the Bible, it could not have been better for us to hear.

It is important for us to realize that no human agency, not even that of His own Mother, could dictate what Jesus would do. God the Father's will was Jesus' sole mandate. But somehow, I believe the power of the love between Himself and His Mother, persuades Our Lord to change His schedule. Oh what a certain young couple had to remember for family storytelling! Cana is forever.

So how are we to react to all this? I believe first of all that we must update our trust in Our Lord's loving awareness of us as individuals. He knows us by name. Taking our cue from St. Paul's Letter to Corinth, we can believe that each of our unique talents marks our place in God's creation. He knows us and loves us. Pure and simple. Marvelously comforting.

Secondly, Cana makes us aware that often the best approach we can make to Our Lord is through His holy Mother. She has such vital knowledge of Him that she knows just what to say and how to say it to her Son. This is not to deny direct prayerful address to Jesus. I speculate that the widespread discomfort of our non-Catholic sisters and brothers with Mary at least in part springs from our own misguided ways. I've not forgotten the shock I experienced as a boy when I witnessed an otherwise pious woman rush right past the tabernacle with no mark of respect shown the Real Presence in her haste to kneel at a shrine to Mary.

Meanwhile we can experience a touch of the joy of Cana in our hearts as the Sacred Host and Chalice are raised above our heads at Mass. It lets us join in spirit with St. Richard of Chichester, who once prayed thus: "O most merciful Friend, Brother and Redeemer, may I see You more clearly, love You more dearly, and follow You more nearly, day by day." *Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

CASA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteers make a life-changing difference for abused or neglected children. Volunteers are urgently needed NOW. You can provide a voice for a child in need. Register online today for a virtual info session on November 17 tat will focus on the need for volunteers in the greater Manchester and Nashua regions. Learn more and register at www.casanh.org/infosessions. If you register and are unable to attend, CASA will send you a link to the recorded session. For more information contact Katie Pelczar at 603-528-8006 ext. 6

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group meets every Monday 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at Millette Manor, 72 Vine Street, Nashua. This is an open group there is no fee and no registration required. For more information please call Pam Deres at (603) 598-2424.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

Christi Food Pantry and Assistance is looking for two new volunteers. This is a unique opportunity for you to provide essential and well needed service to people in our community. We are in search of a treasurer and a bookkeeper to oversee dayto-day, monetary transactions of the pantry.

The treasurer would be a member of our Board of Directors, would prepare the annual fiscal budget, file all tax returns, etc. The bookkeeper would be responsible for general bookkeeping and day to day clerical responsibilities.

Please contact Diana Lavash at 603-424-2491, if you are interested in either of these positions.

CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES

Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance is fortunate to help their clients because of your support. One such example of how the Assistance Office helps clients is by offering gas cards. Sometimes all a client needs to get through a difficult time is a little assistance, such as a gas card, which will enable them to get to a job interview or a medical appointment. Even this small amount of help can offer a large amount of relief. Thank you for your continued support.

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In past years, the Sisters of Holy Cross have sold raffle calendars to hep fund their orphanage in Haiti. Due to the pandemic and the aging membership of the Sisters, they will no longer sell calendars. If anyone would like to continue to support the orphanage donations can be forwarded to: Sisters of Holy Cross, c/o Claire Daneau Legacy Fund, 365 Island Pond Road, Manchester, NH 03109. Thank you for all the support and encouragement throughout the years.

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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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