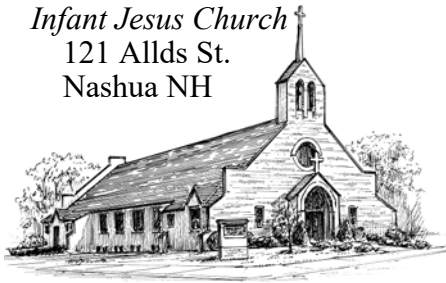
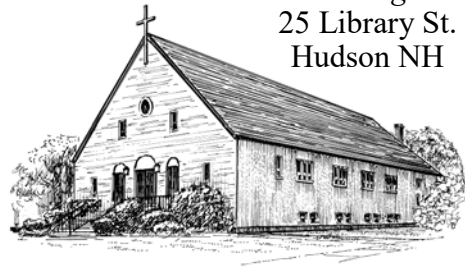


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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

OUTREACH

Hudson Community Food Pantry 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

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

October 1 Anticipated Weekend Mass

Donald Gale by Dan & Ginny Dumont
 Doris Lancourt by the Ladies of Ste. Anne
 Mass in Portuguese

October 2 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Shanholtz Family
 Theresa Duchesne by her family

October 4

NO MASS

October 5

NO MASS

October 6

NO MASS

October 7

NO MASS

October 8 Anticipated Weekend Mass

Cornelia Bolton
 Rachel Lavoie by the Ladies of Ste. Anne
 Mass in Portuguese

October 9 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Timothy Coulter by his family
 Ethan Kole Ketcham
 by his family

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

DIOCESAN PRIEST RETREAT

NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Fr. George will be on retreat this week with a group of priests from the diocese. Please keep him and his fellow priests in your prayers during their time of spiritual renewal. There will be NO WEEKDAY MASSES this week because of this reason.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ESSAY CONTEST

The New Hampshire Knights of Columbus is once again sponsoring a Student Respect Life Essay contest. The contest is open to any Junior High (grades 6 - 8) and Senior High (grades 9 - 12) student in New Hampshire. The New Hampshire Knights of Columbus will provide up to six cash awards of \$100 each. Please visit www.catholicnh.org/koc-respectlife for more information

Weekly Readings - Oct. 3 – Oct. 9, 2022

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ September 24 & 25 , 2022	
Adult Envelopes (36)	\$1,149.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (50)	\$845.00
Loose Cash	\$523.00
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Saint John XXIII Parish

REFLECTION - 27TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Those stock Western movie classics (that my barber seems to enjoy as they play on his TV while he snips and clips) have as well a set of moments for our present-day motivation. We innately know that “the good guys” in their white hats will always win over the “baddies” in their hats of black.

In a typical scene, the white hat hero notices a poster in the sheriff’s office advertising in large letters: “Wanted dead or alive; Black Bart for a reward of \$1,000, which we note was a large sum in “them there days”. So the reward money provides added motivation to his love of neighbor. He rides over the hills in a chase after the bad guy. A shootout follows, which ultimately provides for either a capture or a corpse. Bart’s bad days are over. The hero rides back to town with his prize slumped over a steed to claim the reward and maybe even get kissed by a fair maiden. The music fit for a finale plays ‘til the screen announces “The End.” Our thirst for adventure is satisfied. We stroll sated out of the theater until the next one.

We note that the plot here is usually simple, straightforward and settled. But life in the real world is never so simple. Neither is our need for a strong faith. It is our faith in the Man from Nazareth, Jesus Christ our Lord. He is our hero as we live out the adventure of a Christian life. He is never specifically portrayed wearing a white hat but representing nonetheless pure goodness and heroic strength.

Dare we ask Him: “Is there a reward for our fidelity? Do we have a right to one if there is?” We need not be timid here, because even great St. Peter had the temerity to ask Jesus, in plain speech, “What do we get out of this?” (Cf. Matthew 19:29)

I believe it is natural to look for some reward for our efforts at living Christlike. That’s only natural. But we’re called to have a supernatural outlook in this life, one motivated by love for the God who so loved us into being in the first place. Expecting a reward for every good deed we do is juvenile at best. If we need a reward; a burst of heavenly applause for each one we do, then something is lacking in us. Call it “Faith” in upper case type.

In today’s Gospel, we get Christ’s opinion on the matter. He says that doing works of love and service to others should be reward enough for a person of faith. Besides, God notices everything we do in this life, and He has a perfect memory. Let Him be in charge of what’s ahead in the next life. Meanwhile it is good to remember that the good we do, no matter how small or inconsequential, ultimately glorifies God and strengthens His Church for her mission. That should be its own reward. Let God handle the rest.

Here are some thoughts on all of this from the great C.S. Lewis in his book *The Weight of Glory* (New York: Macmillan, 1980):

“We must not be troubled by unbelievers when they say that this promise of reward makes the Christian life a mercenary affair. There are different kinds of reward. There is the reward which has no natural connection with the things you do to earn it, and is quite foreign to the desires that ought to accompany such things.

Money is not the natural reward of love; that is why we call a man a mercenary if he married a woman for the sake of her money. But marriage is the proper reward for a real lover, and he is not a mercenary for deserving it... The proper rewards are not simply tacked on to the activity for which they are given, but are the activity itself in consummation.”

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SISTERS OF HOLY CROSS YARD SALE

The Sisters of Holy Cross will be holding an indoor yard sale fundraiser on Saturday, October 15, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Holy Cross Center 357 Island Pond Road, Manchester, NH.

ACCLAIMED IRISH TENOR EMMET CAHILL

Acclaimed Irish Tenor Emmet Cahill will perform at Saint Joseph Cathedral, 145 Lowell Street, Manchester, NH, on Thursday, October 6th at 7:30 PM. \$35 General Admission, \$50 Concert plus meet and greet at 6:15 PM. Tickets available at EmmetCahill.com 15% discount code: MANCHESTER

CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES

In addition to food, Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance tries to help their clients by offering toiletry items. Basic items such as bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste and laundry detergent can help a person have more self-respect, self-confidence and a better outlook on life. This small act of helping our clients, helps to give them a better outlook on life. Without your support, Corpus Christi could not offer these items. Thank you very much.

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