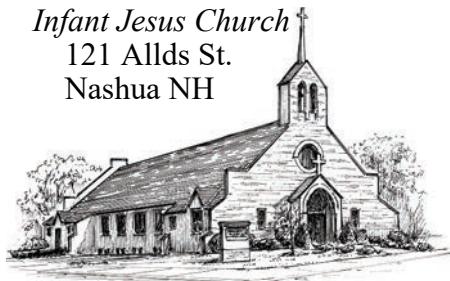


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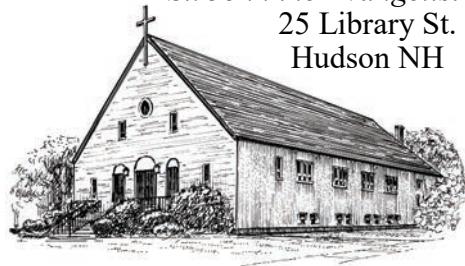
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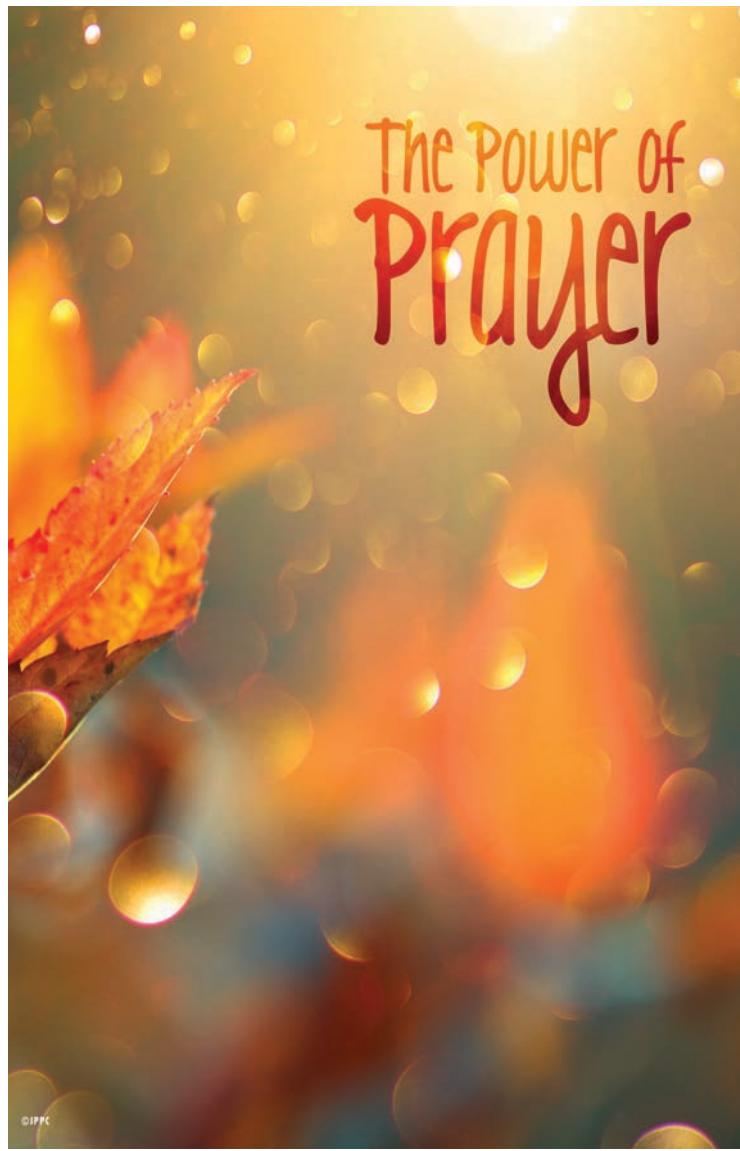


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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

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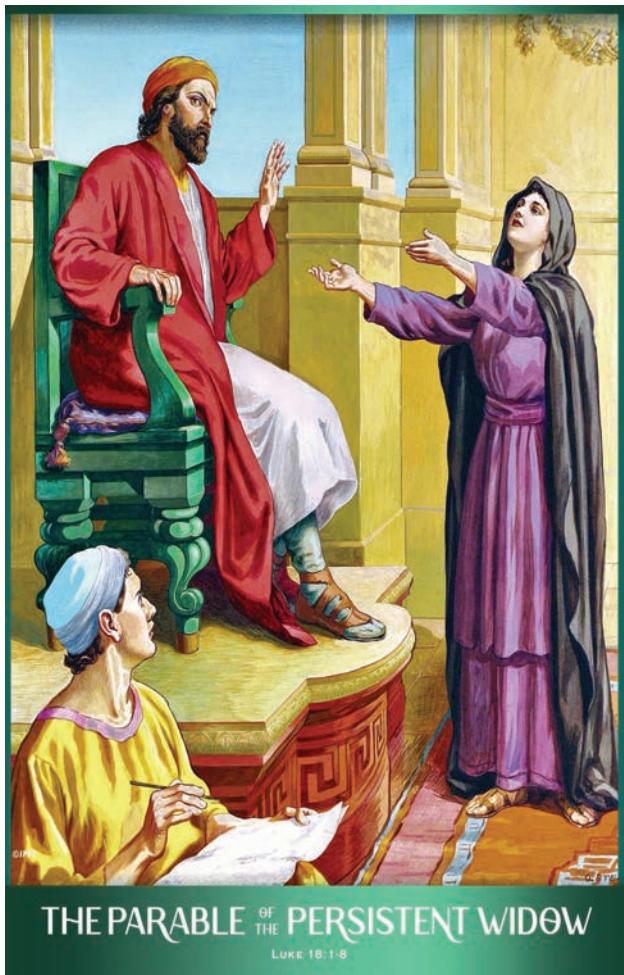
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

October 16, 2022

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE PARABLE OF THE PERSISTENT WIDOW

LUKE 18:1-8

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

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Saturday

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Sunday

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IJ 10:30 AM

October 15 Anticipated Weekend Mass

Tim Sabol 19th Ann.

by his family

Hervey & Marie Durocher

by their family

Mass in Portuguese

October 16 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paul Galipeau by Sandy

Theresa Duchesne by her family

October 18

Intentions of the Parishioners

October 19

Richard Shanholtz by his family

October 20

Intentions of the Parishioners

October 21

Walter Doyle by a friend

October 22 Anticipated Weekend Mass

Gerard Dumont

by Dan & Ginny Dumont

Alma Gaudreau 51st Ann

by Diane & Jeannine

Mass in Portuguese

October 23 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deceased Members of

the Giallanza Family

Lorraine Lachance by Ladies of Ste. Anne

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

JOURNEYSONGS HYMNALS

Journeysongs hymnals are still available. 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. The cost of the hymnal is \$20. See Fr. George to purchase your copy

Weekly Readings - Oct. 17– Oct. 23, 2022

Monday: Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 13:1-9

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 23RD

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH COLLECTION

Next Sunday we celebrate World Mission Sunday . Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia and the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ October 8 & 9, 2022	
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WeShare (Online Giving) (50)	\$845.00
Loose Cash	\$330.00
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Saint John XXIII Parish

REFLECTION - 29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

During the successive and oppressive heat waves of last July and August, I “weathered,” if you will, the situation of being housebound by reading a new book by historian Garrett M. Graff entitled Watergate: A New History. The book appealed to my love of history in general, and of that awful time in our country’s history in particular. I heartily recommend the book not only for all those who were not living at that awful time for our country but also for those who did to discover what really went on. It was a very dangerous time for our democracy. Yet it represented in the end the wisdom of our Constitution with its specifying three branches of government, in particular the Judicial one. Richard Nixon was many things, but above all he was a sad and cynical man with apparently no moral center. It was, in the end, the difficult task of honest and dedicated people in our government, up to and including the nine judges on the Supreme Court, who ultimately saved our nation from disaster.

The fictional corrupt judge in Our Lord’s masterful parable, a man who “did not fear God or any human being,” was, of course, an instructive teaching tool for Jesus. His lesson is clear and perennial, namely the power of persistent prayer. Note here the cause of the judge’s frustration. It was a widow. Some poor woman who kept “bothering” him. In the end, he yields to her, set to deny any opposition to her plea, and concedes that he will deliver a “just decision.” He’s afraid that if he didn’t, she would come after him with – and here we can speculate a little – her clenched fists, or a broom handle, or one of her dead husband’s canes! Bear in mind that this stalwart lady was at the bottom of the pecking order in that patriarchal society. Much like the Taliban of our own day. She had no husband to speak up for her. Likely the males thereabout would just snicker or laugh out loud at her plea for attention. They would likely plan to tell the whole story later at a bar with their male friends.

But Jesus has a point to make. God His Father would indeed answer the prayer pleas of His chosen faithful. Hopefully that’s us here and now.

Now just to be completely candid in applying the truth about God’s ways regarding our present day prayer requests, “speedily” is a relative term. We are so used to getting our other requests immediately filled by companies with widespread connections and stuffed warehouses that we start thinking God should be just as quick with His responses. Evidence abounds for the opposite. Just ask St. Monica, or any number of other saints whose requests were either slow in coming or even denied for awhile for their own good. Add in Israel’s “sojourn in the sand” for 40 years and you get the message.

I agree that sometimes it takes faith to trust in God. Just like it takes trust to have faith. So easily we give up on God. “He can’t be listening” we say. Or worse: “Maybe He thinks I’m not worth His attention.” Worst of all is this mindset: “He’s not answering me because I have mightily sinned.” Converted sinners can become saints. Just ask St. Mary Magdalene

So on this October Sunday, when through God’s love we are here “on this side of the grass,” as a former parishioner of mine liked to say. I started out here with a book about the evil in the Watergate incident. Our lives should be about the good in striving for Heaven’s Gate.

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

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The NH 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

HOW TO DEAL WITH DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Is your family member or friend struggling with memory loss? You are not alone, and Catholic Charities NH is here to support you. How to Deal with Dementia” is a five-week online support group, starting Wednesday, October 19, providing an understanding of dementia, its impact on those affected and resources you can use to best support your loved one. To register, visit www.cc-nh.org/dementia. You may also call (603) 357-3093 or email mhyzer@nh-cc.org There is no cost to participate.

CORPUS CHRISTI HELP WANTED

Corpus Christi is looking for a few men to join our team of dedicated volunteers who pick up food from Hannaford on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings. This involves loading the truck with produce, bakery items and meat. The food is brought back to the food pantry and unloaded. This will take approximately 1-1/2 to 2 hours each day. If you can help one or more days, please call Maryellen at 603-882-6372.

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