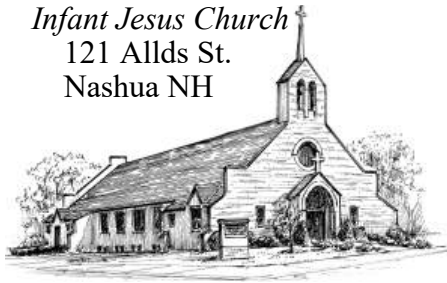
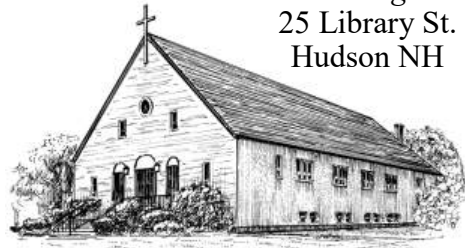


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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

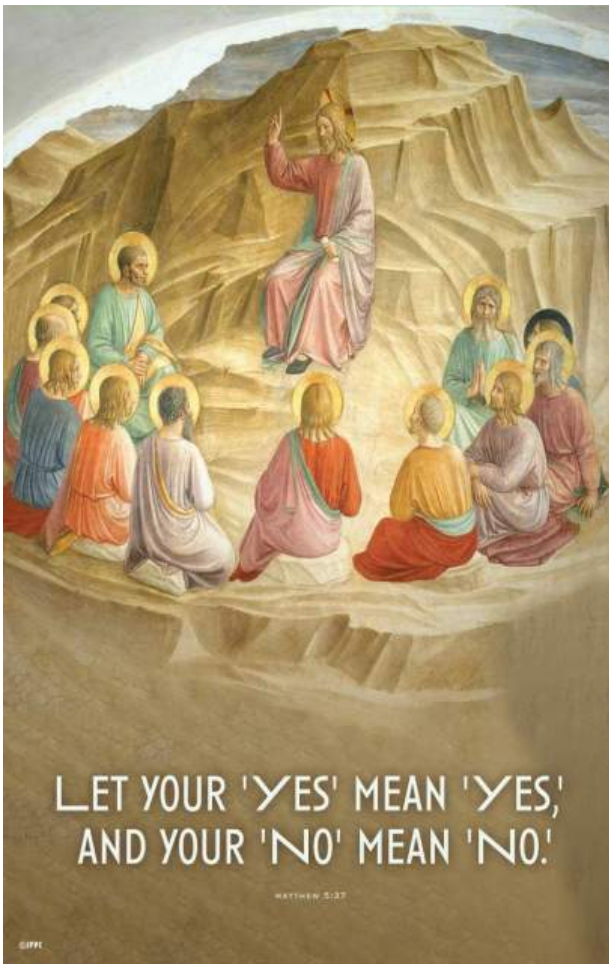
Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

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 8:30 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 8:30 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

February 11

Richard Shanholtz by the family

Fernande Lang by Joanne Charron

Mass in Portuguese

February 12 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intentions of the Parishioners

Raymond Belanger

by Leona Belanger & family

February 14

All Souls Intentions

February 15

All Souls Intentions

February 16

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February 17

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February 18

Mary & George Doyle by the family

Jackie Soucy

by the Bereavement Committee

Mass in Portuguese

February 19 7h Sunday in Ordinary Time

Raymond "Butch" Dumont

by Patti Peters

Intentions of the Parishioners

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

PILGRIMS FOR LIFE

The journey of faith is lifelong, and there is much work to be done as we seek to ensure that all human life is valued and protected. Learn about local prayer and advocacy opportunities for the cause of life. Visit www.catholicnh.org/pilgrimsforlife

Weekly Readings Feb. 13 – Feb. 19

Monday: Gn4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

INCLEMENT WEATHER MASS CANCELLATIONS

In the event of inclement weather: During the week, if Nashua schools are closed or delayed due to snow/ice, daily Mass will be cancelled. On the weekends, Mass cancellations will be posted on WMUR News. Mass intentions will be rescheduled to a later date. The parish office will open once weather conditions improve. However, please call and check before visiting.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ February 4 & 5, 2023

Adult Envelopes (43)	\$1,968.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (49)	\$820.00
Loose Cash	\$311.00
Offertory Total:	\$3,099.00
Debt Reduction	\$344.00

May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!

Saint John XXIII Parish

REFLECTION - SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From a grade school playground to the graduate seminar to the corporate boardroom we know there are rules to follow. Not always appealing but necessary. Otherwise there is chaos small and large. It takes a certain maturity to decode the logic inherent in those rules, and then the admission that they must be obeyed even if we don't like it. It takes a good dose of maturity and wisdom to realize that compliance with the rules is the only way to be fully human, cooperative with others, making for a civil society. However, once you and I accept Jesus as the only genuine Way, Truth and Life, we consequently can build a faith-based society. It's that simple. Early on in His ministry, Jesus told His disciples that He had not come to destroy the Law that they knew so well, but to fulfill it. The gospel passage we hear today shows us what that fulfillment looks like. From the basic command "Do not kill," meaning bodily death, comes the much more expansive meaning of the term to include the "murder" of a person's good reputation; or the "killing" of a person's self-esteem by using slander and insult against them. Another clear development, or "fulfillment" is the case of literal adultery expanded to mental adultery found in lust.

I find Our Lord's interesting instruction added at the end of this weekend's passage: "Let your 'yes' be yes and your 'no' meaning 'no'." We are so inundated these days by public figures whose speech is deceitful so often. Their words are so often prone to equivocation, that is, using ambiguity to mislead or hedge the truth.

In light of today's Gospel selection, I believe it would be fair to ask: "Did Jesus know that what He was asking of His hearers would be difficult to obey? That it would be tantamount to heroism to live His way in 2023?" Surely He did then and certainly now. That's the cost of discipleship.

I might confidently add that while the price is high nowadays, so it really was the same back then. But, as experience proves, the inner peace that observance brings is priceless. Just ask any of the saints.

There was once a popular expression among seminarians of my time that went like this: "Keep the rule and the rule will keep you." I hesitate to admit that often it was said with a dash of cynicism. But objectively speaking, the slogan is no less than salvific. What do you think?

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT THE DAY CAFÉ AT ST. PATRICK'S

St. Patrick's Parish in downtown Nashua is looking for a few volunteers for its community outreach called The Day Café. On Thursday, February 16th, at 6:00 PM, Fr. Kerper and the coordinators will host a session for anyone interested in this ministry. The meeting will be in the parish center, to the left of the church at 29 Spring St., at the end of the small parking lot on the left of the church.

The Day Café operates Monday through Friday, from 7:00-9:30AM. The Parish Center opens its doors to all members of our community for fellowship, friendship, networking as well as coffee, beverages, and snacks. Some of our visitors are unhoused, struggling, and adjusting to Nashua. By volunteering you will have an opportunity to be present to good people and live out the gospel message. The opportunities include greeting, listening, pouring coffee, serving snacks, and cleaning up. We also need people who will enjoy playing cards with our friends. Even one 2.5 hour shift can make a difference. Contact Vince Aquino at 603-548-9149, vinaquino@aol.com, for more information on this opportunity.

PLANET AID UPDATE

This month our parish received a stipend of **\$207.40** for the many pounds of gently used clothing, coats and shoes gathered in our two bins at St. John the Evangelist and Infant Jesus. Thank you for your ongoing support .

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

Corpus Christi Food Pantry & Assistance continues to serve the residence of Nashua that are struggling to make end meet. No matter how small or large a family is, our volunteers are able to fill the client's grocery bags with the items that they specifically need and request. Just this month, the pantry was able to provide over 100 pounds of food to a family of eight. The parents were beyond words with gratitude that they would be able to feed their children. It is very humbling to see such appreciation.

LENTEN RETREAT AT ST. KATHRYN'S PARISH

What better way to prepare for Lent than by attending a presentation on getting closer to God? Mark your calendars for this retreat to be held in Saint Kathryn's Parish Hall on February 19th from 2-4:00 pm, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson, NH. Franks and beans will be served free of charge. To register call Mike Todisco at 603-883-7679 by Sunday February 12th. Ideas will be presented on making your Lenten season easier and more productive

NEW SOUHEGAN DEANERY APPOINTMENT

Bishop Peter A. Libasci is pleased to announce that he has appointed eight new Deans to lead the regions of the Catholic Church of New Hampshire. The Deans, also known as Vicars Forane, assist Bishop Libasci with promoting and coordinating apostolic and pastoral activity and have supervisory responsibility over their deaneries. Very Reverend Robert Glasgow, Pastor of St. John Neumann Parish in Merrimack, has been appointed Dean of the Souhegan Deanery, which includes our parish. Visit www.catholicnh.org for more information. Please join us in congratulating Father Glasgow!

VOLUNTEER TUTORS NEEDED

Do you want to make a significant difference in another person's life? The Nashua Adult Learning Center is seeking Volunteer 1-on-1 Tutors for students in our ESL (English as a Second Language) and ABE (Adult Basic Education) programs. We can match you with a student who will fit your strengths, interests, and schedule. Tutoring can be done in-person or via Zoom. We provide training and materials. Are you a patient, kind individual, who can make a 9-month commitment to tutoring at least once per week? Contact MT Huard at (603) 716-7017, or email mhuard@nashuaalc.org. We'd love to connect you with a student who can benefit from your gifts!

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK

The observances of National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, Feb. 12) are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. For resources, visit www.catholicnh.org/national-marriage-week.

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