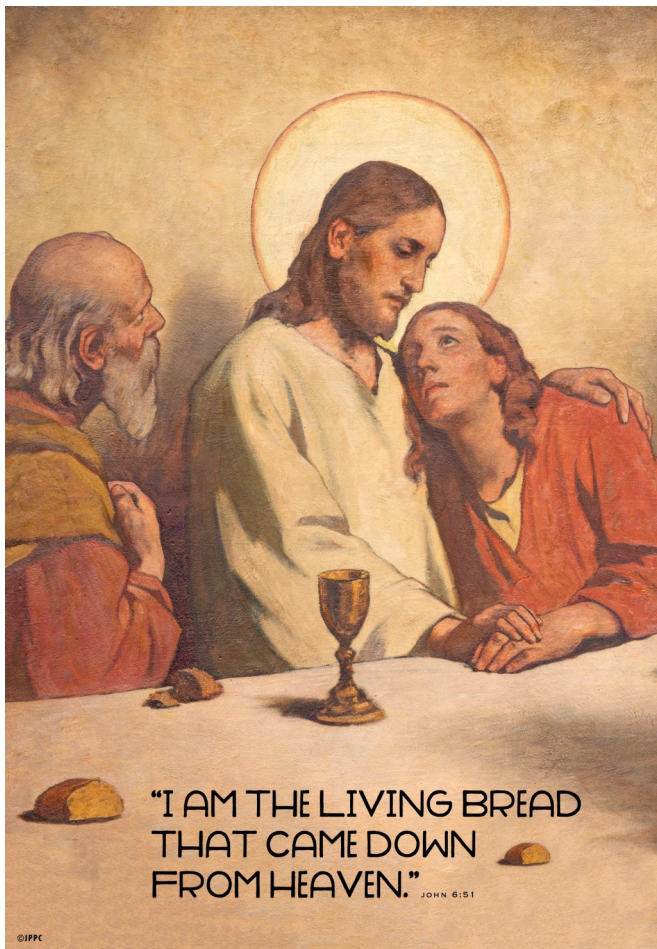


*Saint John XXIII Parish*

*The Solemnity*  
**Of The**  
**Most Holy**  
*Body & Blood*  
**Of Christ**





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

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Friday

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Sunday

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June 10

Mary Doyle by the family  
Sr. Angela Moreau c.s.c.  
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne  
Mass in Portuguese

June 11 Feast of Corpus Christi

Timothy Coulter by his family  
Theresa Duchesne by her family

June 13

All Souls Intentions

June 14

Louie Giallanza by the family

June 15

All Souls Intentions

June 16

All Souls Intentions

June 17

Walter Doyle by a friend  
Theresa Labrie  
by The Bereavement Committee  
Mass in Portuguese

June 18 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Joe Desmond by Patti Peters  
Douglas Duchesne by his family

**Weekly Readings June 12 – June 18**

**Monday:** 2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 5:1-12

**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135; Mt 5:13-16

**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9; Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 5:20-26

**Friday:** Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

**Saturday:** 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 2:41-51

**Sunday:** Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36—10:8

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FLAG COLLECTION**

The Knights of Columbus Council #122 will be collecting tattered, damaged or worn flags at both churches until June 11th. The flags will be burned at a ceremony on Flag Day June 14th. Boxes will be available at both churches to collect your flags. Please pass this information on to your family and friends

**2023 NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL**

We are grateful to all our parishioners who have given to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised **\$13,800.00** toward our goal of **\$33,254.00**. 100% of the funds raised above this Appeal goal are returned to our parish this year. If you have not made your gift yet, please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend, or make your gift online at [www.catholicnh.org/nhca](http://www.catholicnh.org/nhca). Extra gift envelopes are available in church. We need the support of all our parish families to reach our parish goal. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Week Ending ~ June 3 & 4 2023	
Adult Envelopes (56)	\$1,790.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (48)	\$790.00
Loose Cash	\$293.00
<b>Offertory Total:</b>	<b>\$2,873.00</b>
<b>Debt Reduction</b>	<b>\$260.00</b>
<i>May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!</i>	

# Saint John XXIII Parish

## CORPUS CHRISTI REFLECTION

I Call on your imagination for this scene: a well-armed robber has invaded your home; ransacked it for valuables; demands all your money. Oddly enough, in these tense moments, he suddenly gives you an option. Speaking from behind his mask, he demands at gunpoint that you answer his question: "What do you value the most?"

Trembling, your mind presents pictures of all sorts of things flashing by your internal vision. Suddenly you recall your last time at Mass and you blurt out "Jesus in the Eucharist." The robber is stunned a bit; pauses a few minutes that seem like hours and suddenly flees out your back door.

Far-fetched case? Certainly. Unexpected answer? Maybe. But even if the Eucharist didn't spring to our minds right away in such a nerve-wracking situation, it would be at the top of our values in the calm ordinary time of our Catholic lives.

Someone recently gave me a beautiful reflection of St. Vincent de Paul on the Holy Eucharist in his "Exhortation to a Dying Brother," written in 1647. It fits today's great feast so beautifully.

*"Since love is inventive to infinity, after being affixed to the infamous stake of the cross to win the hearts and souls of those by whom He wishes to be loved...foreseeing that His absence could cause some forgetfulness or cooling off in our hearts, He wanted to avoid this danger by instituting the Most August Sacrament, in which He is as truly and substantially present as He is in heaven above.*

*Furthermore, however, seeing that, if He wanted to humble and empty Himself even more than He had done in His Incarnation and could make Himself in some way more like us—or at least make us more like Him—He caused this venerable Sacrament to serve us as food and drink, intending by this means that the same union and resemblance that exist between nature and substance should occur spiritually in each person.*

*...From this you see how, by every means imaginable, He has striven to win us over to love Him, and, with this in view, you must stir up your heart to pay this just and pleasant tribute to love of a God who has been the object of all His plans for you and for which to obtain it He did all that He has done for you. You must believe that the greatest present you could offer Him is your heart; He asks nothing else of you."*

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, August 7 to Friday, August 11, 9am-noon Immaculate Conception Parish, 216 E. Dunstable Rd., Nashua, NH Come shine Jesus' light at the Vacation Bible School. At VBS, the Bible and our faith come to life through incredible music, surprising Bible adventures, amazing experiments, creative games, super fun snacks, and more! For more information and to register children ages 3-12, please visit <https://www.myvbs.org/ICCNashua>. This is open to children from all parishes.

## SISTERS OF HOLY CROSS YARD SALE

The Sisters of Holy Cross are hosting an Indoor Yard Sale on Saturday, August 12, 2023 at the Holy Cross Center, 357 Island Pond Road, Manchester, NH 03109, from 9 AM to 3 PM. Limited table rentals are available \$25 per table (nonrefundable). For more information or to rent a table email Sister Suzanne Levesque at [cscdevoffice@srsfholycross.com](mailto:cscdevoffice@srsfholycross.com). Proceeds to benefit the Sisters of Holy Cross.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Full Time, Part Time and per diem employment opportunity. There are currently openings in Nursing, Dietary, Cooks, Environmental Services and Maintenance, in Manchester, Windham, Dover, Berlin, and Laconia. For more information please, visit [www.cc-nh.org/us/jobs](http://www.cc-nh.org/us/jobs) or contact Dawn Pelletier, at (603) 851-5836 or [dpelletier@nhcc.org](mailto:dpelletier@nhcc.org).

## CORPUS CHRISTI - FANS NEEDED

Corpus Christi serves many clients in need of fans during the summer season. Most of our clients live downtown in crowded multi-family buildings with no air conditioning, often not even a fan. If you can donate a new or gently used fan, please bring it to Corpus Christi, 3 Crown St., Mon/Wed 9-12 or Tue/Thurs 1-4. Our collection will continue through July. Please contact Susan Dignan at 603-598-1641 if you are interested in donating funds that will help us provide fans this summer. We will shop and share the fans to those who need them most! We appreciate your support and any help you can provide. !

## RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK JUNE 22 - 29

The Catholic Church affirms the right of religious liberty and encourages governments at the local, state, and federal levels, to protect it and to resist any unnecessary restraints on its exercise. In the face of our country's challenges, and challenges within the Church herself, Catholics find strength in the hope of Jesus Christ. We want to share that hope with everyone. Religious freedom gives us the space to carry out the mission that Jesus has entrusted to the Church. Religious freedom means that Catholics, and all people of goodwill, are free to seek the truth and to live in accordance with that truth, and so to strengthen our common life as a nation. During the period from June 22 to June 29, beginning with the Feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops celebrates Religious Freedom Week. In the midst of our current challenges, join us as we seek the kingdom and find Strength in Hope. You can find more information at [www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek](http://www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek).

## PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has a number of blessed shawls available for those who are experiencing illness, grief or personal struggles or challenges. To receive a shawl, contact Dotti Reed at 603-275-7345 or the parish office.

## DIVORCE & SEPARATION SUPPORT GROUPS

Divorce and separation can be painful experiences. Support groups are available to those who are seeking healing, comfort, and empowerment. Visit [www.catholicnh.org/support](http://www.catholicnh.org/support) for a listing of groups. Do you know someone who is going through a separation or divorce? Please consider passing this information along to them.

## SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST FRONT STEPS

We are pleased to announce that repair work on the Hudson church steps is scheduled to begin on June 26, 2023. Supply chain complications, a concrete shortage and workforce challenges forced the delay of this much needed repair. The cost of the project is \$18,200.00.