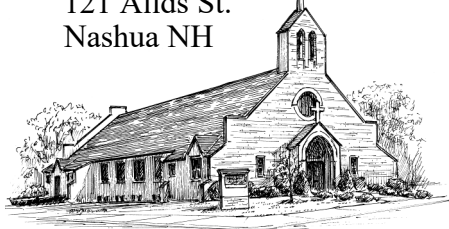
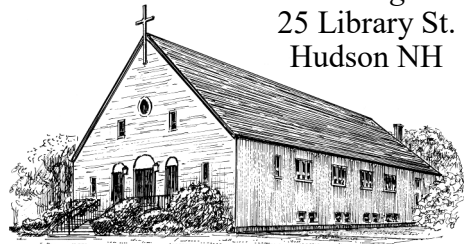


# Saint John XXIII Parish

*Infant Jesus Church*  
121 Allds St.  
Nashua NH



*St. John the Evangelist Church*  
25 Library St.  
Hudson NH



## Saint John XXIII Parish

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### Clergy:

Rev. George Mattathilani, Pastor ext. 5

Deacon Carl Hilston (retired)

Rev. Leandro Cardoso (Brazilian Ministry)

Rev. Ethelbert Orabuque (hospital chaplain in residence)

### Religious Education:

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### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

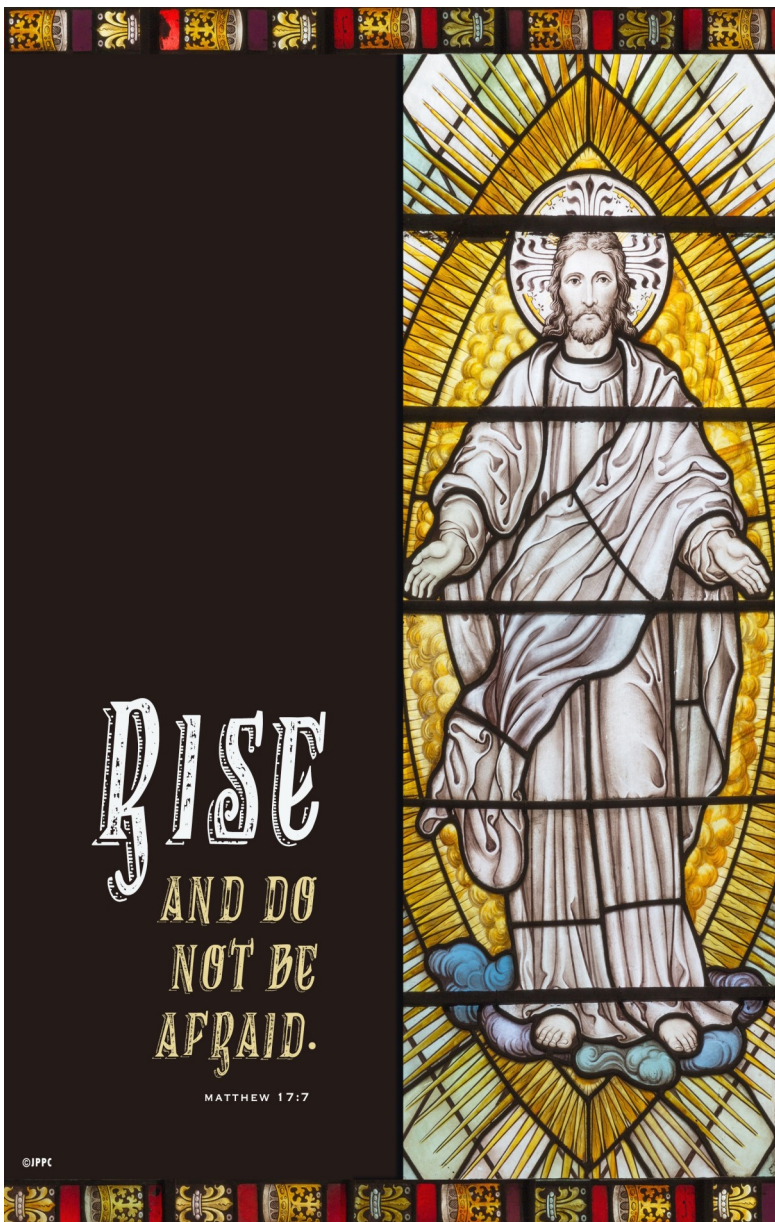
Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

### 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

Sunday

SJE 8:30 AM  
IJ 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

Sunday

SJE 8:30 AM  
IJ 8:30 AM  
IJ 10:30 AM

August 5

Mary Doyle by the family  
Lilliane Levesque Trudeau 7th Ann.  
by Diane & Jeannine Levesque

August 6 Transfiguration of the Lord

Louie Giallanza by his family  
Mass in Portuguese  
Isabelle Goulet  
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne

August 8

Helena Moreira  
by her husband & sons

August 9

All Souls Intentions

August 10

All Souls Intentions

August 11

All Souls Intentions

August 12

Walter Doyle by a friend  
Jeanne Bechard  
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne

August 13

Sam Giallanza by the family  
Mass in Portuguese  
Dolores Beaudet  
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne

**Weekly Readings August 7 – August 13**

**Monday:** Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday:** Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

**Wednesday:** Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23; Mt 15:21-28

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; Jn 12:24-26

**Friday:** Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday:** Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

**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.

**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 **\$21,692.00** 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.catholienh.org/nhca](http://www.catholienh.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 ~ July 29 & 30, 2023**

<b>Adult Envelopes (49)</b>	<b>\$1,328.00</b>
<b>WeShare (Online Giving) (48)</b>	<b>\$790.00</b>
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>\$482.00</b>
<b>Offertory Total:</b>	<b>\$2,600.00</b>

*May our loving God bless you  
for your continued generosity!*



# Saint John XXIII Parish

## REFLECTION - TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

I have long been a fan of the movies. This despite the fact that I have not been to see one in a theater since before Covid struck. Cable TV provides my supply. The techniques used to tell their stories have advanced from an earlier era when movie illusions were called “trick photography,” That has since evolved to something called “CGI,” or “Computer Generated Imagery.”

Now we realize that such things as the crowds hooting and hollering in the Roman Colosseum are not live movie extras but computer produced images. Same goes for scenes where two great armies crossing the wide valley between them with a clash of clubs and swords are not really there. You can see how the movie studios save lots in salary money. No “extras” needed for such scenes.

When it comes to today’s feast of the “Transfiguration” of Jesus, we dare not think of such cinematic trickery as might be used to portray it for the big screen. We risk this if we get too caught up in what I might call the “thinginess” of this supernatural event. Here we have a gospel scene where that special trio of Peter, James and John get a glimpse of heaven. The hallmarks of divine activity are all present: a mountain top, a cloud, and a Voice from heaven.

Christ in brilliant divine splendor converses with the long buried Moses and Elijah. His body is not the same one easily seen by the Apostles on the roads they traveled together on the dusty roads of Galilee and Judea, Yet it is the same person Jesus, whom they called “Master.”

We remember that this Gospel scene is proclaimed by the Churriguera at the start of Lent. It has aspects of a pep rally then, encouraging us to do our Lenten penances with a clear purpose of amendment. That image easily comes to my mind from years of attendance at a Friday afternoon high school rally before a big weekend game.

In a similar way, we need the Lord’s encouragement as we do battle with the prevailing culture all around us. Our Christian faith has been for quite a while the object of so much scorn and sarcasm that we need reminders of who it is we honor and follow. You could call it a “Clash of the 2 H’s”, namely “Hope vs the Headlines”.

Peter, James and John will soon feel this same tension in their days, albeit without newspapers. When they walked down the mountain after that spectacular vision, they did so with a very natural Jesus into the valley of human confusion that still exists right outside our churches. They had their mission then. We have ours now. Tell the world about Jesus, His Word and His ways.

On this late summer Sunday, aware of our task, it seems helpful to note what somebody wrote, namely that “judging from the way some people behave these days, they must think hell is air-conditioned!”

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

## MISSION APPEAL AUGUST 12 & 13

On August 12 & 13, 2023, Very Rev. Pradeep Puthenveetil, O.S.S.T. (Order of the Most Holy Trinity and of the Captives) will be in our parish for a mission appeal. Fr. Pradeep is the Vice-Provincial of St. Michael of the Saints Vice-Province India. He is currently stationed in their Vice Provincial Office, Bangalore, India. At each Mass Father will ask for our prayers and financial assistance as his Order works to expand its ministry of Catholic education in Kamrup (Assam) India. Most of the Christians in this secluded part of the country belong to tribal communities and are often persecuted for their faith by non-Christian tribes. In this part of the county children do not have access to a proper education due to extreme poverty and persecution. The Trinitarians in India hope to expand their ministry of Catholic education through their newly opened DeMatha Elementary School. This expansion will allow the school to add additional grade levels, dormitories for boarding students, a Monastery for the religious, a playground for the younger children, and an auditorium. The Trinitarians are hopeful that your generosity during this Mission Appeal will help them to more effectively live their school’s motto, “Educate to Liberate.” Please consider supporting the work of the Trinitarians in India as they continue to spread God’s mercy and redemption in this remote part of the world. Checks and donations can be made out to St. John XXIII Parish. Thank you for your prayers and support

## CORPUS CHRISTI NEWS & NOTES

- Fairgrounds Elementary School hosted an information, fair reinforcing, their motto “Many Families, One Community “. The food, pantry and assistance program were represented by two board members who handed out information about our programs and services. The attendees are pleased to hear about our personal approach with a grocery list for them to choose from.
- Recently, two board members met a former client of the Pantry, Ed. His business made a donation to the Pantry. Ed commented on how proud he was that the fundraiser was for Corpus Christi . He personally experienced how Corpus Christi can impact one’s life. He recalled visiting the pantry with his grandmother, then again on his own as a young adult, as a means to help get by. Now, with a family of five and a good job, he often reflects on what the support meant to him.
- Preparing for summer, food drives have been directed more at providing healthy snacks for children. Area parishes have held successful food drives which have supplied us with numerous snacks for youngsters to enjoy over the summer while they are home from school.

## CORPUS CHRISTI SOCK & UNDERWEAR DRIVE

Corpus Christi Assistance is collecting new socks and underwear for school aged children once again this year. Girls and boys pre-k, youth to adult small sizes are appreciated by our families with children preparing for the start of new school year. Donations will be accepted through August 28th. Drop off along with your parish pantry offerings or stop by Monday and Wednesday 10-12pm, Tuesday and Thursday 2-4pm, 3 Crown St. Nashua. A special thanks to everyone who helped make our Summer Fan Program a success. We continue each day to share fans with our clients, 95 fans have been distributed already! It’s not too late to beat the heat, this program is running through August 17th. Call Susan Dignan, 598-1641 with questions

## SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST FRONT STEPS

We are pleased to announce that repair work on the Hudson church steps looks fantastic. Thanks to St. Hillaire Masonry for a great job. The only thing we are waiting on are the new railings (which are custom made) to complete the project