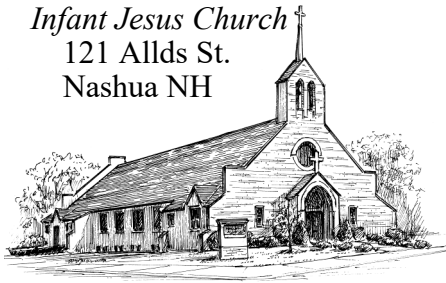


Saint John XXIII Parish

Infant Jesus Church
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St. John the Evangelist Church
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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

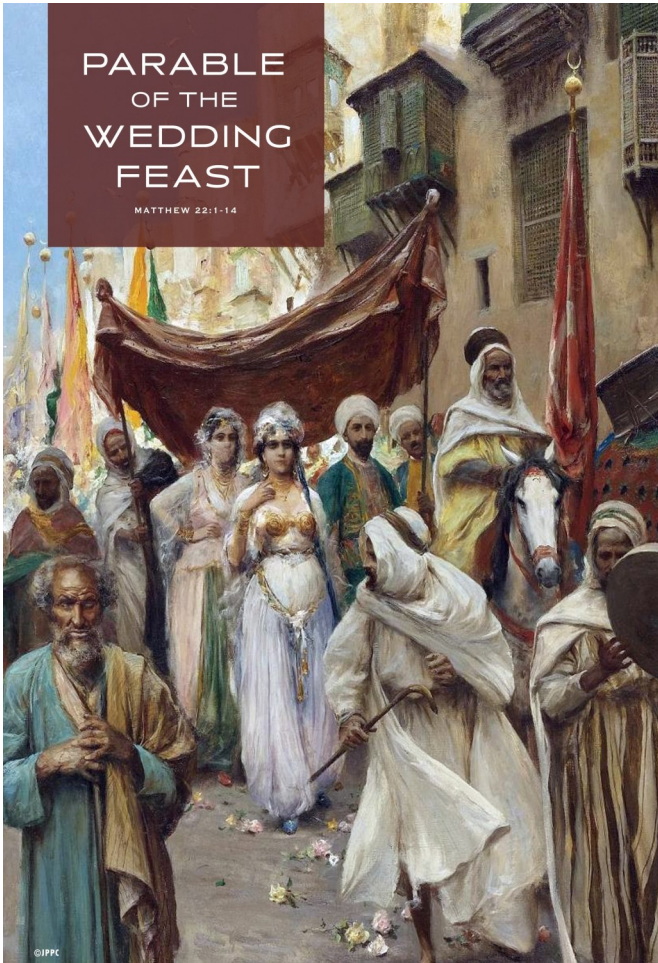
Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

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 Mary :& George Doyle by the family
IJ 6:00 PM Hervey & Marie Durocher by their family
IJ 7:30 PM Mass in Portuguese
Sunday
SJE 8:30 AM *Oct. 15 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time* Marianna Ferrochi by her family
IJ 10:30 AM Charles Malone by his daughter Sandy
Tuesday
IJ 8:30 AM *October 17* Intentions of the Blessed Mother
Wednesday
SJE 8:30 AM *October 18* Sr. Rita Garneau by the P.M. Sisters
Thursday
IJ 8:30 AM *October 19* Intentions of the Parishioners
Friday
SJE 8:30 AM *October 20* Intentions of the Parishioners
Saturday
SJE 4:00 PM *October 21* Marcel Dubord by the family
IJ 6:00 PM Alma Gaudreau 52nd Ann. by their Diane & Jeannine Levesque
IJ 7:30 PM Mass in Portuguese
Sunday
SJE 8:30 AM *Oct. 22 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time* Marcel Dubord by the family
IJ 10:30 AM Douglas Duchesne by Lori & Doug Fowler

ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

All Souls Day Intention envelopes are available at church entrances, for the next few weekends. Please take one, fill in the names of your loved ones and return them to us. Your intentions will remain in the sanctuary throughout the month of November.



Weekly Readings October 16– October 23

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

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 **\$22,192.00** 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. 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 ~ October 7 & 8, 2023	
Adult Envelopes (42)	\$1,583.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (48)	\$790.00
Loose Cash	\$379.00
Offertory Total:	\$2,752.00
Debt Reduction	\$60.00
<i>May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!</i>	

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REFLECTION 28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Whenever we learn how a great person handled a serious problem with a wise solution, we pay attention. For example, the situation of giving a dedication speech at Gettysburg cemetery that faced Abraham Lincoln. He had to be thinking “As president of a war-torn country, and commander-in-chief, what do I say at the dedication of a cemetery filled with the dead of both armies? How do I underscore the inherent nobility of dying for one’s country? Also, how do I say it with the minimum of words and the maximum belief in the cause for which these soldiers died?” We know that in his Gettysburg Address Mr. Lincoln did all of that succinctly and memorably well.

Today we hear about a challenge hurled at Jesus Our Lord by some of his sworn enemies. They were only interested in how He would answer their deceitful question. Jesus knew these hypocritical Herodians (followers of King Herod) were only set on entrapment. Of course, the deceivers had no idea that they were confronting God Himself in a human nature, the “true God of whom there is no other” as declared by Isaiah in today’s First Reading.

So, after a bit of flattery they asked Him, “Should we pay taxes to Caesar or not?” We know Our Lord’s famous answer by heart. Yet, upon reflection, I would up asking myself: “What do I have that I mistakenly claim is mine that rightly belongs to God? My answer: “Everything!” From the right to life to the right to heavenly life and everything in between.”

After all, it enabled me to answer my alarm this morning. More than that, His promise to walk beside me during this new day and every other remaining day of my life is such a gift. This is especially comforting when life suddenly “throws me an unexpected curve ball.” His answer to that motley crew on that long ago day about who gets taxes is the only Christian way to live. I take courage from Our Lord’s way of handling challenges. Here follows the way someone else did:

When he was a young boy, the great painter Benjamin West decided to paint a picture of his sister while his mother was not at home. He got out the bottles of ink and started, but soon had an awful mess. His mother eventually returned and of course saw the mess. Instead of scolding him, she picked up the portrait and declared, “What a beautiful picture of your sister! Then she kissed him. Later in life he said, “With that kiss I became a painter.”

God love you and give you, His encouragement
Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

SAINT JUDE CRAFT FAIR

The St. Jude Parish Country Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday, November 4th, from 9AM-4PM, 435 Mammoth Rd, Londonderry. Join us to purchase hand-made items for your home, family, and pets, gift baskets, cookies, dozens of raffle items ... and much more! NEW this year, we will also have vendors selling hand-crafted or other goods. Email crafters@stjudenh.com for more information

HUDSON FOOD PANTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Hudson Community Food Pantry at St. John’s is in need of volunteers for Tuesday and Wednesday mornings as well as Thursdays evenings. To contact them they ask to call 603-883-6048 and leave a message for Joyce

ST. CHRISTOPHER ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE

Families looking for an outstanding prekindergarten through grade 8 Catholic education are invited to visit Saint Christopher Academy in Nashua at their Fall Open House on Sunday, October 29 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Saint Chris provides a safe and stable learning environment with an emphasis on academics, faith, moral values, and community service. Their dual Nashua campuses serve grades prekindergarten to grade 5 at the lower campus at 20 Cushing Avenue and grades 6 to 8 at the nearby upper campus at 6 Bartlett Avenue. This drop-in Open House will include tours and the opportunity to meet with faculty and staff. RSVP at tinyurl.com/SCAOpenHouse23 if you plan to attend. To learn more about Saint Chris, visit SaintChrisAcademy.org or contact Enrollment Coordinator Lorraine Bedard at 603-882-7442, ext. 310.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Each October the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. This year we are called to “radical solidarity” - to be courageously pro-woman, promoting a choice that truly protects, accompanies, and supports women and their children. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life. Visit: <https://www.usccb.org/prolife> for more info about pro-life activities.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ESSAY CONTEST

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

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 22ND PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH COLLECTION

The weekend of October 21 & 22 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

BISHOP GUERTIN OPEN HOUSES

Bishop Guertin High School, located at 194 Lund Rd. in Nashua, will hold two upcoming Open Houses for prospective students and their families in October. The first will take place from October 15 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM and the second will take place on October 19 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Students and families will tour the building, meet faculty and staff, and discover

CROP WALK FOR HUNGER

“The kindly man will be blessed, for he gives of his sustenance to the poor.” Proverbs 22:9. Come join fellow parishioners and faith communities from throughout the Great Nashua region to support programs that help the poor on Sunday, October 22. Spend some time getting exercise, enjoying good food, and learning about how your donations help those in need. To register or make an or make an online donation, visit events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/event/nashuanh