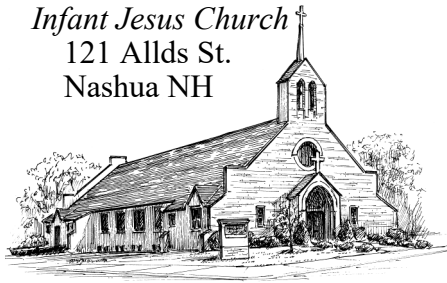
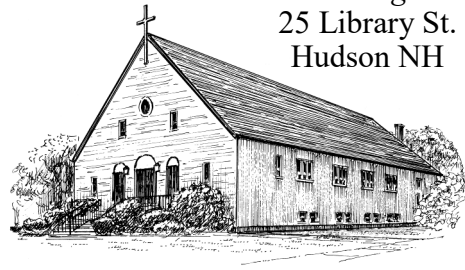


Saint John XXIII Parish

Infant Jesus Church
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St. John the Evangelist Church
25 Library St.
Hudson NH



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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

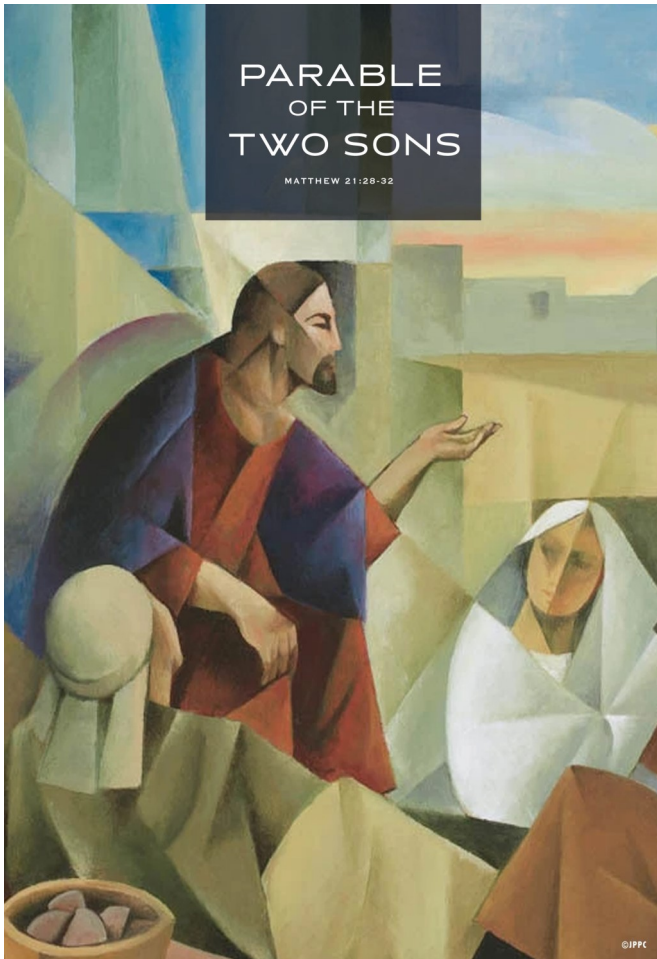
OUTREACH

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

September 30

Richard Shanholtz by the family
Therese Descoteaux
by the Ladies of Ste. Anne
Mass in Portuguese

October 1 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Marianna Ferrochi by her family
Theresa Duchesne
by Doug & Lori Fowler

October 3

NO MASS

October 4

NO MASS

October 5

NO MASS

October 6

NO MASS

October 7

Cornelia Bolton 4th Ann.
by her family
Claire Desjardins
by the Ladies of Ste. Anne
Mass in Portuguese

October 8 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Timothy Coulter by his family
Domenic Cardinale
by his family

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 **\$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 ~ September 23 & 24, 2023

Adult Envelopes (33)	\$1,119.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (48)	\$790.00
Loose Cash	\$874.00
Offertory Total:	\$2,783.00
Debt Reduction	\$250.00

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



Weekly Readings October 2 – October 8

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

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REFLECTION - 26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

While there is no such thing as a caste system in the “land of the free and the home of the brave,” it is so fundamental a belief that it is enshrined in our founding declaration. There it states: “all men are created equal.” Dare I say, “except when boarding a plane, train or cruise ship?”

Just think of your latest long-distance flight. The boarding agent announces: “Now boarding first class passengers.” Soon a relatively small group will get up from their scattered places in the waiting area and calmly board. Meanwhile, the rest of us will wait to be called up in sections of numbered rows. As we head there, we walk by the first-class privileged ones scanning their reading material or their phone screens, sometimes looking up from their extra wide comfort seats to stare at us “peons” walking back to our row of 3 narrower models.

But when it comes to the matter of entering the kingdom of God, all is reversed. The poor go first. The only qualification for a good seat is belief in the way of righteousness. John the Baptist, the man so admired by His Divine Cousin, had evidently preached a bright new message of salvation. But the “chief priests and elders of the people” did not believe John’s word. Who did? The tax collectors and prostitutes. The sinners; the lower class; the great unwashed. Those whose humility was real and deep. It also led them to believe and even rejoice in Jesus.

We know all about the righteousness of Our Lord Jesus. He was and is the very fulfillment of the Baptist’s preaching. The one with the only actual key to paradise. Earthly power, wealth and fame have no interest in Jesus. They certainly do not offer any attraction for the person who says in prayer: “Have mercy on me, O God, for I have sinned.”

The next time you get jealous of the people seated in first class, consider this story called “The Death of a Hapsburg.” In Vienna, Austria, you will find a church in which the Hapsburgs, the former ruling family of Austria, are buried. It is recorded that when royal funerals finally arrive at the church for the burial rites, the mourners leading the procession knock at the door to gain entrance.

“Who is it that desires admission here?” a priest asks through the locked door. “His apostolic majesty, the emperor!” calls the guard. “I don’t know him,” answers the priest.

A second knock follows, and a similar question is asked. This time the funeral guard announces the deceased as “the highest emperor.” Again, “I don’t know him” echoes throughout the vaulted burial chamber.

Finally, a third knock is heard. “Who is it?” “A poor sinner. your brother,” comes the final answer. Then the door is opened, and the royal burial is completed.

God love you and help you accept His ways.

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES

Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance has a number of clients that either walk or take the bus to get help from us. This can be a challenge for some of our clients; especially clients that are walking with children and/or have a number of heavy bags of groceries to carry home. It is a blessing when we can occasionally give a client a small, utility/shopping cart they can use to bring their food home. This simple gesture can bring assistance and relief because the client does not need to struggle trying to carry all the bags at one time.

ST. KATHRYN RELIGIOUS GOODS

“ALL THINGS CATHOLIC”

St. Kathryn Religious Goods located at St. Kathryn Parish, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson is open Tuesday - Thursday from 9 AM to Noon and Saturday from 9 AM to Noon. The store carries a wide variety of Catholic reading materials, rosaries, statuary, children’s items, artwork, gifts, medals, and new items are arriving all the time. St. Kathryn Religious Goods, staffed by volunteers, plays an important part of the parish outreach ministry to spread the Catholic faith in southern NH, northern MA and beyond. Visit www.stkathryns.org/store or call 603-595-4463 for more information.

UNITED WAY TALK FOR SENIORS - ADVOCACY

United Way would like to invite seniors (and those who support them) to join them at the Rogers Memorial Library in Hudson at 11:30am on Friday, October 6th for a conversation about Advocacy with representatives from New Futures, a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that advocates, educates, and collaborates to improve the health and wellness of all New Hampshire residents through policy change and from Housing Action NH, a coalition of organizations united around a common vision that everyone benefits when all Granite Staters have an affordable place to call home. The speakers will be talking about some of the issues that affect people living in our community and how we as individuals can advocate for change. This event is part of a series of monthly talks for seniors. For more information or to register to attend please contact United Way at info@unitedwaynashua.org or (603)882-4011

MAIN ST. UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FALL FAIR

October 14, 2023 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Main Street United Methodist Church 154 Main Street, Nashua Shop local, hand made gift items, eco-friendly, baked goods, and thrift items

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 the BG difference. Registration for the event can be completed on the Bishop Guertin website at bghs.org.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE—MANCHESTER CAMPAIGN

From Wed Sept 27 thru Sunday Nov 5 every day from 7am to 7pm, you’re invited to join other Christians in more than 60 countries and 600 cities around the world for 40 Days for Life – seeking an end to abortion through prayer, fasting, and outreach to offer hope and options to anyone dealing with an unplanned pregnancy. For more information, please visit our website at 40daysforlife.com/manchester.

SCAM ALERT

There have been multiple cases in our diocese of text messages or emails sent to parishioners purportedly from the Pastor, asking for assistance and a reply. These have all turned out to be scams. Please do not respond to the text or email in any way, as this will increase the likelihood that you will become a victim of fraud. If you ever receive something appearing to be from Fr. George or any parish employee and have a question about its authenticity, please contact the parish office