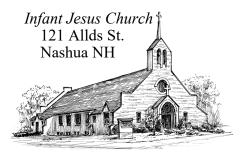
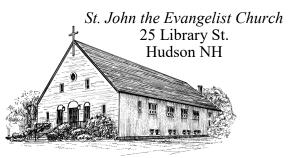
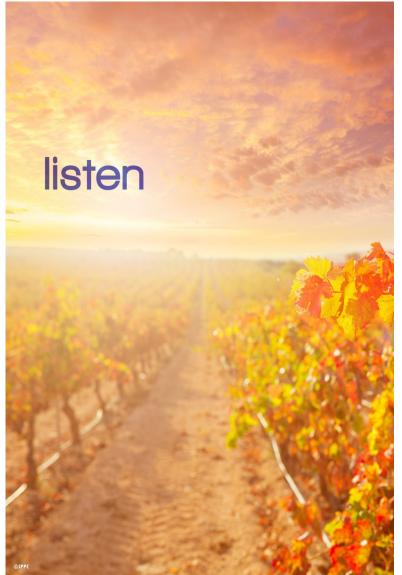
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OUTREACH

Hudson Community Food Pantry Corpus Christi Food Pantry: NH Catholic Charities: 603-883-6048 603-882-6372 603-889-9431

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Clergy:

Rev. George Mattathilani, Pastor ext. 5 Deacon Carl Hilston (retired) Rev. Leandro Cardoso (Brazilian Ministry) Rev. Ethelbert Orabuche (hospital chaplain in residence)

Religious Education:

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

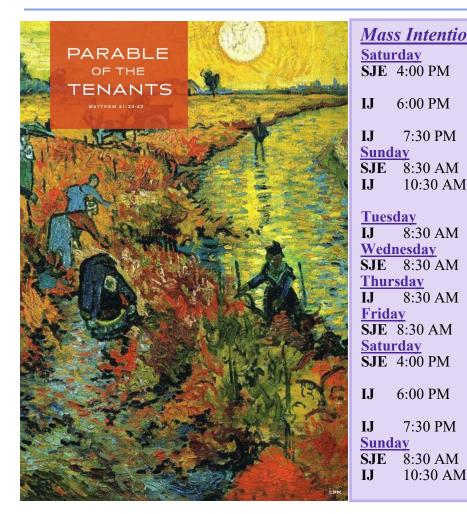
Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30 PM at St. John the Evangelist Church.

October 8, 2023

27thSunday in Ordinary Time



DNS			
	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		
1	Domenic Cardinale		
	by his family		
	October 10		
	Intentions of the Blessed Mother		
	October 11		
	Sr. Rita Garneau by the P.M. Sisters		
	October 12		
	Intentions of the Parishioners		
	October 13		
	Sr. Rita Garneau by the P.M. Sisters		
	October 14		
	Mary :& George Doyle		
	by the family		
	Hervey & Marie Durocher		
	by their family		
	Mass in Portuguese		
	Oct. 15 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
r	Marianna Ferrochi by her family		
1	Charles Malone by his daughter Sandy		

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.



Weekly Readings October 9– October 15

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37 Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42 Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4 Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13 Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26 Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28 Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

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.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 ~ October 1st,	2023
Adult Envelopes (51)	\$2,552.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (48)	\$790.00
Loose Cash	\$449.00
Offertory Total:	\$3,791.00
Debt Reduction	\$440.00
May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity	

Saint John XXIII Parish

Reflection 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The long-lived and well-known trademark of the RCA company featured a small dog, later named "Nipper," with his head turned toward the opening of an old-fashioned gramophone speaker over the caption: "His Master's voice." It made the point for the company's voice and musical reproduction.

We in this age of high-tech sound equipment still hear the voice of Christ our Master filtered through the Scripture Readings at Mass and the bible in general as presented to us by our Church. So, it is today, as we hear that unique parable of the vineyard, in which Christ tells His audience of "the chief priests and elders of the people" the story of salvation. We note that the landowner "leased the property" to the "tenants," who represent the people of Israel. When vintage time came near (that of the final judgment) the owner sent his servants (the Israelites) to obtain his produce. The tenants mistreat and kill all the servants (prophets) until the owner (God the Father) decides to send his Son (Jesus). Him they seized and killed after throwing him out of the vineyard to a hill just outside the walls of Jerusalem (Calvary).

When Jesus asked His listeners "What would the owner do to those tenants? they unwittingly pronounced their own doom as deserving of a wretched death. With that would come the leasing of the vineyard "to other tenants" (the Gentiles). Think of this story as a "mirror parable," It had to have had a devastating impact on its original listeners when Jesus flatly told them "The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." I can imagine the human side of Jesus feeling pain that He had to say such to His own people. But He had to speak truth to power. Our noisy world makes it difficult sometimes to hear our Master's voice above the din of our anti-Christian culture. What would it be like if some kind of solar ray suddenly caused all radios, i phones and i pods, stereos and televisions to stop working? Trembling hands would immediately twirl dials, adjust nobs, and flip switches. Eyes would be dilated with fear of the silence. People would be in terror. In this context, I have to say that Karl Marx was wrong when he declared that "religion is the opiate of the people." For us, I think our collective "drug" is noise. Most people will listen to anything to avoid silence. Why else do we have so many overly long talk shows? Or 24/7 news? Or call-in radio programs? Why? Because sound blocks any despairing cry of our own souls. It overpowers "the still, small voice of God." Talk about our "Master's voice."! Why not take some extra time this coming week to tune in? You'll find out that: God truly loves you and gives you, His peace Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

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

CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES

Corpus Christi strives to help all families. Families with infants and very young children can struggle to make ends meet, especially when they are trying to purchase necessary items such as diapers, wipes and other costly baby items. The food pantry can help alleviate some of the expense by providing diapers and wipes for the family. Occasionally, the food pantry may have formula or baby food. With your support, the food pantry can make these items available to clients.

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 faculty and staff. RSVP with at tinyurl.com/SCAOpenHouse23 if you plan to attend. To learn more about Saint Chris, visit SaintChrisAcademy.org or contact Enrollment Coordinator Lorrice 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 donatoin, visit events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/event/nashuanh