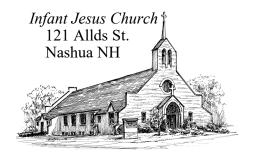
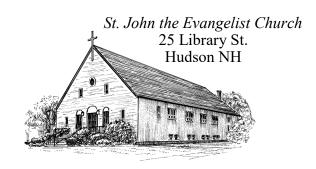
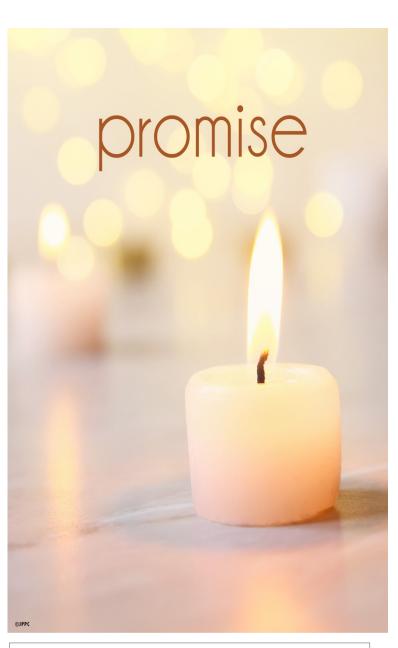
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

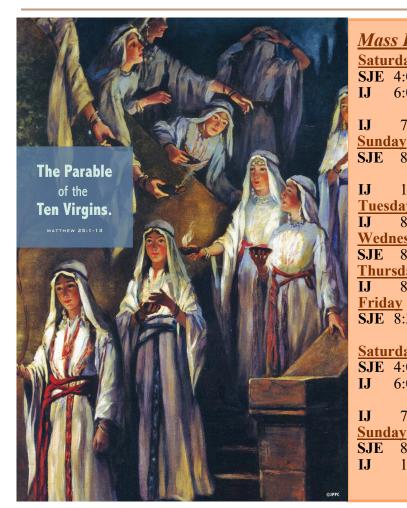
OUTREACH

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

32ndSunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions

Saturday November 11 **SJE** 4:00 PM John Casey by the family 6:00 PM Lorraine Dubois by the Ladies of Ste. Anne IJ 7:30 PM Mass in Portuguese Nov. 12 32ndSunday in Ordinary Time Sunday SJE 8:30 AM Marianna Ferrochi by her family

For All Veterans IJ 10:30 AM **Tuesday** November 14 All Souls Intentions IJ 8:30 AM Wednesday November 15 **SJE** 8:30 AM All Souls Intentions Thursday November 16 8:30 AM All Souls Intentions Friday November 17 **SJE** 8:30 AM

Marie Jeanne Levesque 71st Ann. by Diane & Jeannine Levesque

Saturday November 18

7:30 PM

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

SJE 4:00 PM Catherine Roome by her family 6:00 PM

Claire Desrosiers

by the Ladies of Ste. Anne

Mass in Portuguese

Nov. 19 33rdSunday in Ordinary Time

Marianna Ferrochi by her family In honor of St. Peregrine

for favors obtained

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS Thursday, November 23rd 8:30 AM at Infant Jesus Church

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 Nov. 13-Nov. 19

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk

17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16,

30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6;

Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

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 \$22,392.00 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 ~ November 4 & 5,	2023	
Adult Envelopes (44)	\$1,952.00	
WeShare (Online Giving) (48)	\$790.00	
Loose Cash	\$1,043.00	
Offertory Total:	\$3,785.00	
Snow Removal	\$335.00	
Debt Reduction	\$90.00	
May our loving God bless you		
for your continued generosity!		

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REFLECTION 32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

"Readiness!" We say things like "The minor league pitcher is ready for the majors." Or "The med student is now ready for hospital duty" Or, "The young priest is ready to be a pastor." All these opinions revolve around our understanding of readiness. The contributing factors include our methods of judgment and discernment, which always involve at least a bit of opinion.

How different it is when we judge ourselves as not ready. Then we grow cautious about taking on a new project in our lives, or even accepting a new truth about ourselves. Particularly in matters of health. I believe that is all very natural. Our Lord is keenly aware of this, as He is about everything. Yet He still wants us to adopt a sense of readiness about our next life. This may be something new for us, especially if we are afraid of it.

In the well-known parable Jesus tells us this weekend, He makes use of a unique situation. Biblical scholars tell us that "the precise matrimonial ceremony is impossible to reconstruct." All we really must know is that rabbis at the time used nuptial imagery to describe the relationship between God and His people." So does this greatest of all rabbis. Obviously, Our Lord recommends being vigilant about His calling us home to heaven. It's a "November kind of thing." But vigil-keeping becomes wearying. But may I suggest that Our Lord is speaking more about being ready?

Readiness is a bit different from vigil-keeping. It happens by a steady and consistent effort. It has a goal in mind. We believe we can reach it. The natural world in November invites us to ponder our death, with its often gray days and cold rain in the presence of leafless trees. But at the same time, we can remain hopeful and trusting of Our Lord's words about our future resurrection to eternally bright days. As He said to St. Thomas: "Blessed are those who have not seen but have believed."

An Indiana cemetery has a tombstone over 100 years old that bears this epitaph: "Pause, Strangers, when you pass by; As you are now, so once was I. As I am now, soon you will be, so prepare for death and follow me."

An unknown passerby had read these words and scratched this reply below them "To follow you I'm not content; Until I know which way you went."

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

NASHUA FREE "POP-UP" PANTRIES

Free Fresh Food is available at Nashua "Pop-Up Pantries" every weekday at the following locations:

- Monday 11am -12 Noon Harbor Care, 45 High Street,
- Tuesday 11am -12 Noon Girls Inc. 27 Burke Street
- Wednesday 11am 12 Noon Arlington Street Community Center, 36 Arlington Street
- Thursday 11am 12 Noon Nashua Community Music School, 2 Lock Street
- Friday 11am 12 Noon Crossway Christian Church 33 Pine Street,

These Pop-Up Pantries are managed by United Way of Greater Nashua.

VISITING ANGELS SEEKING CAREGIVERS

Visiting Angels, a home care provider, is looking for people to join their team. They have part-time, full time, day and weekend positions available. No experience is required and training is provided. For more information call 603-821-0277 or on line at www.visitingangels.com/nashua

CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES

A heartwarming story for a rainy day. A new client, just weeks past hip surgery arrive for his appointment on bicycle. And Pam marking the items they requested from the grocery list, and choosing a frozen meat and a deli option from the refrigerator he entered the garage. He looked in amazement at the cakes, cookies, donuts, muffins, bagels, breads and a table full variety of fruits and vegetables. Is he began to load his saddlebags and backpack we reminded him that he still had his other groceries coming. He was shocked to remember he was receiving more. He refused assistance and made two trips to bring his "harvest" home. As he left, he stated, "I am very blessed".

JINGLE BELL FAIR

Parish of the Resurrection, 449 Broad Street, Nashua, will be holding their Jingle Bell Fair next Saturday, November 18 from 8:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.. There are over 47 talented artisans selling their amazing crafts and products. An Everything Christmas room, A Precious Moments table, the Traveling Quilting Bee and the Knights of Columbus selling Christmas cards and Keep Christ in Christmas magnets. There will be a Confection Connection Bake Sale, a Café serving delicious homemade treats, a visit from our parish Elf and beautiful Angel. There will be over 50 basket and raffle items.

CEMETERY CHRISTMAS WREATHS AT St. Louis, St. Stanislaus & St. Francis

If you would like to have a beautiful Balsam Christmas Wreath placed on the lot of your family members this Holy Christmas season, the cemetery is now taking orders for wreaths. The price of a wreath is \$40.00. Wreaths will be placed by the first week of December, the start of Advent. If you wish to purchase one, please place your order by November 20th. All Christmas décor will be removed by the cemetery staff beginning after the Epiphany, as weather permits. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call the Cemetery Office at 603-886-1302 for St. Louis, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Stanislaus Cemeteries.

St. Patrick's Christmas Craft Fair

St. Patrick Parish in Pelham is hosting its annual Christmas Craft Fair in the Parish Center at 12 Main St. Pelham, NH. We have many local crafters who amaze us every year! We will also have food, a Home Made Baked Goods Table and raffles. Please join us on Dec. 2nd from 9am-4pm and get great gifts for your holiday shopping.

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usceb.org/cchd. A portion of his collection also helps Black & Indian Missions in the U.S. spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. Learn more at www.blackandindianmission.org

