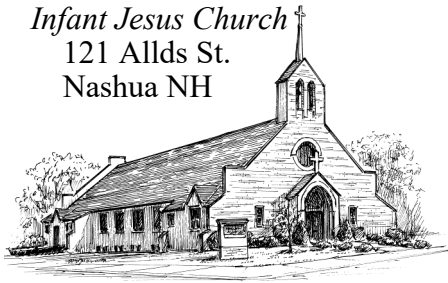


# Saint John XXIII Parish

*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
	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

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**Saturday**

**SJE** 4:00 PM

**IJ** 6:00 PM

**IJ** 7:30 PM

**Sunday**

**SJE** 8:30 AM

**IJ** 10:30 AM

**January 13**

Mary & Walter Doyle by the family

Therese Gagne

by The Ladies of Ste. Anne

Mass in Portuguese

**Jan. 14 2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time**

Mary Doyle by the family

Sr. Alice Breault CSC

by The Ladies of Ste. Anne

**January 16**

NO MASS

**January 17**

NO MASS

**January 18**

NO MASS

**January 19**

NO MASS

**January 20**

Irene Jean 2nd Ann. By her family

Isabelle Goulet

by The Ladies of Ste. Anne

Mass in Portuguese

**Jan. 21 3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time**

John Casey by the family

Douglas Duchesne

by Lori & Doug Fowler

**NO WEEKDAY MASSES 1/16/24—2/2/24**

There will be NO WEEKDAY Masses from January 16th through February 2nd. Weekday Masses will resume Tuesday, February 6th.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER MASS CANCELLATIONS**

In the event of inclement weather: If Nashua schools are closed or delayed due to snow/ice, daily Mass will be cancelled. Mass intentions will be rescheduled to a later date. The parish office will open once weather conditions improve. However, please call and check before visiting. *Weekend Mass cancellations will be posted on WMUR and the parish website.*

**Weekly Readings January 15 – 21, 2024**

**Monday, January 15, 2024** 1 Sm 15:16-23 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday, January 16, 2024** 1 Sm 16:1-13 Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28 Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday, January 17, 2024** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday, January 18, 2024** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7 Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13 Mk 3:7-12

**Friday, January 19, 2024** 1 Sm 24:3-21 Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11 Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday, January 20, 2024** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 Ps 80:2-3, 5-7 Mk 3:20-21

**Sunday, January 21, 2024** Jon 3:1-5, 10 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20

**STEWARDSHIP REPORTS**

**Week Ending ~ December 30 & 31, 2023**

<b>Adult Envelopes</b> (40)	<b>\$1,727.00</b>
<b>WeShare</b> (Online Giving) (47)	<b>\$690.00</b>
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>\$640.00</b>
<b>Offertory Total:</b>	<b>3,057.00</b>

**Solemnity of Mary \$435.00**

**Week Ending ~ January 6 & 7, 2024**

<b>Adult Envelopes</b> (41)	<b>\$3,893.00</b>
<b>WeShare</b> (Online Giving) (47)	<b>\$690.00</b>
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>\$759.00</b>
<b>Offertory Total:</b>	<b>\$5,342.00</b>
<b>Debt Reduction</b>	<b>\$160.00</b>

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

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## REFLECTION - 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This Sometimes Church language gives its own meanings to words we already know. For example, you and I recognize that “see” describes either the physical gift of eyesight or the mental ability to get the point of a story or proposal. But in what I’ll label “Church speak,” the word “see” describes a bishop’s territory. So, for example, we have the “See” of Camden or Kalamazoo, or whatever.

Today we confront a particular meaning attached to the word “ordinary” again in Church circles. We generally think of the word as an adjective indicating “the usual” or “expected” way of someone or something.

But move over to the Church lexicon and the same word translates either to a legal description of a Catholic bishop who heads a diocese or to the label of a certain season of the Church year.

Case in point is the designation of this particular Sunday as the “Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.” What that means is that we are not celebrating a particular great feast and its lead up, such as the Advent-Christmas cycle we just lived through, and the much larger Lent-Easter cycle. Instead, we are invited to dwell in depth on other events in Our Lord’s earthly life, or perhaps one of His immortal sayings.

Today, for example, we have a powerful message set before us by St. Paul, our greatest missionary. It is found in today’s Second Reading from his First Letter to the Corinthians. It is a straightforward expression of how we Christians are to regard our bodies. Paul tells us that any aberrations of his teaching would constitute serious mortal sin.

We cannot help but note that this teaching is a direct contradiction of the mindset we’ve been warring against since the sexual revolution occurred in the 1980’s. Suffice it to cite the overused slogan: “It’s my body and I can do what I want with it.”

We’ve been thinking here in terms of the ordinary and its opposite, which leads to this vignette:

*There once was a prosperous farmer named Harry who decided to go to Mass one Sunday. After Mass, he approached the pastor with great enthusiasm: “Father, that was a damned good homily—damned good!” The priest shook his head, saying, “I’m delighted you were pleased with it, Harry, but it would be nice if you didn’t use those terms expressing yourself.”*

*“Can’t help it, Father,” Harry shrugged, “but I still think it was a damned good homily—and I put \$500 in the collection basket.” The priest gulped: “The hell you did!”*

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

## MARIE LINE MORIN CHRISTMAS CONCERT JAN. 14

Marie Line Morin will present a Christmas Concert on January 14, 2024, 2 PM, at Mary Queen of Peace Church, 200 Lawrence Road, Salem, NH. Come experience the meaning of Christmas at this concert where Christ, whose birthday we are celebrating is presented from a new angle. Free admission—donations will be welcomed. Benefits go toward a Listening Ministry project to be implemented in the Church. Details are available on [Facebook.com @morin.marieline](https://www.facebook.com/morin.marieline).

## 2023 NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

As of today, our parishioners have raised **\$22,732.00** toward our goal of **\$33,254.00**. If you have not made your gift yet, you can make your gift online at [www.catholicnh.org/nhca](http://www.catholicnh.org/nhca). or gift envelopes are available in church. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.

## NEW YEAR NEW SCHOOL?

As we start the new year...is your child ready for a new school? Saint Christopher Academy would love to welcome your child now or in the fall! Saint Chris offers an outstanding education that emphasizes faith, academics, and strong moral values for students in prekindergarten through grade 8. Advanced academic programs and a broad range of extracurricular and athletic opportunities support the development of students who are well-rounded learners and leaders. Applications are open for both the current year and the fall of 2024. To learn more, visit [SaintChrisAcademy.org](http://SaintChrisAcademy.org) or contact Enrollment Coordinator Lorraine Bedard at 603-882-7442, ext. 310.

## VOLUNTEER TUTORS NEEDED

United Way of Greater Nashua is looking for volunteer tutors to work with children in grades K - 12 in math, literacy, or science. Volunteers for this program work with students who need one-on-one help on a particular topic for a short period of time - or for the entire school year. Volunteer tutors may select the age range of students they’d like to work with, the subjects they feel comfortable with, and days and times they’d like to tutor. Volunteers should have some experience with teaching, tutoring, or helping educate others in another way, but do not need professional certification. Tutoring will take place in a monitored situation at a youth-serving organization primarily during after-school hours and may be virtual or in-person depending on the needs of the student. Volunteers will be expected to pass a background check annually. If you would like to become a volunteer tutor, please contact United Way at [tutoring@unitedwaynashua.org](mailto:tutoring@unitedwaynashua.org) or (603)882-4011

## 9 DAYS FOR LIFE

9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life held this year from January 16-24. Each day’s intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Visit [www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup](http://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup) to receive the daily prayers via email or text message and for more information.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES NH

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP:

Have you recently lost a spouse or a loved one? Are you struggling to navigate this difficult time? If so, Catholic Charities NH is here to help with our “Bereavement – Experiencing Loss, Being Lost and Finding Your Way Again” online support group. The five-session program will be held via Zoom on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m., starting January 24, 2024, and running through February 21. You will learn about the dynamics of grief, explore different coping strategies, and have an opportunity to connect with others in similar situations. To register, visit [//www.cc-nh.org/bereavement](http://www.cc-nh.org/bereavement) or call Louise at 603-752-1325; ext. 4573. There is no cost to attend.

## NH CATHOLIC CHARITIES MARDI GRAS GALA

Join CCNH’s 18th Annual Mardi Gras Gala on Saturday, February 10, at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord. Experience Mardi Gras for a cause, featuring authentic Cajun cuisine, entertainment, and a unique chance to impact New Hampshire neighbors facing poverty, homelessness, mental health challenges, isolation and other challenges. Proceeds support CCNH’s mission of following Jesus’ footsteps to bring comfort, healing and empowerment to our communities. To register, or for more information, visit [www.cc-nh.org/mardigras](http://www.cc-nh.org/mardigras) or call Laura at 603-663-0249.