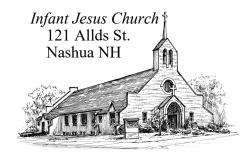
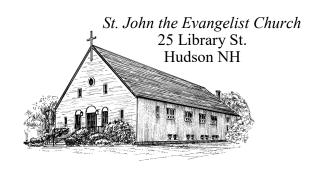
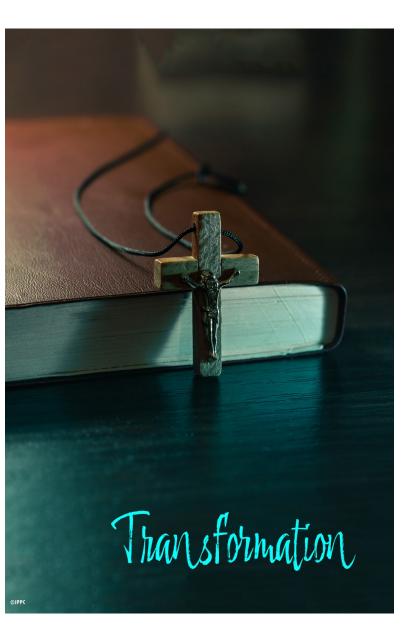
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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.



	Mass 1	ntentions	
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<u>Mass Intention</u>	<u> 18</u>
Saturday	January 27
SJE 4:00 PM	Beverly & Walter Doyle Jr.
	by the family
IJ 6:00 PM	Irene Guerette
	by The Ladies of Ste. Anne
IJ 7:30 PM	Mass in Portuguese
Sunday	Jan. 28 4th Sunday In Ordinary Time
SJE 8:30 AM	Mary Doyle by the family
IJ 10:30 AM	Patricia St. Gelais 5th Ann. by her family
<u>Tuesday</u>	January 29
IJ 8:30 AM	NO MASS
Wednesday	January 30
SJE 8:30 AM	NO MASS
Thursday	January 31
IJ 8:30 AM	NO MASS
<u>Friday</u>	February 1
SJE 8:30 AM	NO MASS
Saturday	February 2
SJE 4:00 PM	Richard Shanholtz
	by the family
IJ 6:00 PM	Loretta Jarry
	by The Ladies of Ste. Anne
IJ 7:30 PM	Mass in Portuguese
Sunday	Feb. 4 5th Sunday In Ordinary Time
SJE 8:30 AM	John & James Doyle by the family
IJ 10:30 AM	Douglas Duchesne
	by Lori & Doug Fowler

No Weekday Masses 1/29/24—2/2/24

Weekday Masses will resume Tuesday, February 6th.

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. or gift envelopes are available in church. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.

Weekly Readings Jan. 29- Feb. 4, 2024

Monday January 29 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 30 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30–19:3 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, January 31 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 1 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 2 Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32

Saturday, February 3 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, February 4 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL COLLECTION

The annual Diocesan Catholic School Fund Collection takes place on the weekend, February 3 & 4. The money raised in this collection remains in the parish to assist with paying our Diocesan Catholic Schools assessment. Our parish monthly assessment for this is \$1,276.88.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ January 20 & 21, 2024			
Adult Envelopes (30)	\$1,099.00		
WeShare (Online Giving) (47)	\$690.00		
Loose Cash	\$206.00		
Offertory Total:	\$1,995.00		
Debt Reduction	\$50.00		
May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!			

REFLECTION - 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Even if you must endure loud movie trailers to learn it, all of the so-called "Superheroes" in the movie world use flash and bang against their enemies. This comes after all the spoken warnings to behave better are ignored. So, we see bolts of lightning and hear ear-piercing noise as the evil figures are either vaporized or otherwise dismissed from the scene. Of course, we innocent viewers know that all this ammunition lends authority to the "good guys" when they speak. It's that authority I choose to focus on in another context.

Twenty plus centuries ago, we Christians believed that a Person with truly omnipotent ability strode this earth with the name "Jesus of Nazareth." He never exercised His power in a noisy burst of electricity. Instead, as when He calmed the raging sea in a wicked storm, or when He gave an evil spirit the order to leave a possessed person, He simply spoke a simple command. Naturally His voice would be raised over the roiling waters so that the frightened fishermen in the boat would hear Him. But usually, He used a calm command. These two examples, among many others recounted in the Bible, were the bases for His authority when He taught. As we are told, He "amazed" everybody. So much so that they asked each other" "What is this? A new teaching with authority?

Right at this junction a penetrating question for our confused times arises: "Do we dare question Christ's authority?" "Doubt His teaching on any number of subjects just because they are not fashionable right now?" "Ignore the interpretation given to them by the Church He founded and which He promised to abide by?" Those questions we must ask ourselves because all around us are people whom we might otherwise consider "nice" but who have decided to answer "Yes." Two thousand plus years ago people called "pagans" couldn't or wouldn't agree with Jesus. Today's contemporary atheists make the same response.

It is a good and healthy exercise for our spiritual well-being to reflect on today's Gospel passage to note how quickly evil spirits had to flee in obedience to Christ's command. This is our solace when temptations of all kinds come to haunt us. Meanwhile, we can add in how Christ works His authoritative message into our world. St. Teresa of Avila gives us the answer:

"Christ has no body on earth but yours; No hands but yours; No feet but yours; Yours are the eyes through which He is to look out Christ's compassion to the world; Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good; Yours the hands with which He is to bless now." Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

FREE TAX PREPARATION

Free tax preparation services for Greater Nashua residents will be offered from early February through a partnership led by United Way of Greater Nashua, the IRS, and community volunteers. Trained and IRS-certified volunteers at four locations in Nashua and Hudson, including United Way of Greater Nashua, Nashua Senior Activity Center, Hudson Senior Center, and Rodgers Memorial Library, will assist with tax preparation. Appointments are required, and drop-off services are available at selected locations. The tax filing deadline is April 15, and appointments can be scheduled by calling 2-1-1 for United Way or the Nashua Senior Activity Center, or contacting Rodgers Memorial Library at (603) 886-6030 and the Hudson Senior Center at (603) 578-3929 for their respective sites. For information and updates, visit www.unitedwaynashua.org. Questions can be directed to United Way at (603) 824-0205 or vita.uwnashua@gmail.com.

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 or contact Enrollment Coordinator Lorrice Bedard at 603-882-7442, ext. 310.

SCIENCE TEACHER WANTED

St. Christopher Academy is seeking an eighth grade science teacher for immediate hire. Interested candidates should complete the Diocesan Teacher Application and mail it along with a cover letter, resume, 3 current letters of recommendation and other relevant documents to: Cynthia Vita Clarke, Principal Saint Christopher Academy, 20 Cushing Ave Nashua, NH 03064. In addition to physical hardcopies, digital copies of these documents will be welcomed and can be emailed to cclarke@saintchrisacademy.org

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 or (603)882-4011

PROJECT RACHEL

If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, non-judgmental help is available from Project Rachel Ministry. Call or email - Phone: 603-663-0192; email: ProjectRachel@rcbm.org - for Project Rachel in New Hampshire. Spanish speakers may visit EsperanzaPosAborto.org.

CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES

Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance has a few features that make them different than other local food pantries. One feature is the ability of a client to fill out a shopping list that itemizes food that the pantry currently has available. This allows our clients to get food and toiletry items that their family needs. In addition to non-perishable items, the client can also select milk, eggs, butter and cheese when available. With your support, we are able to offer this feature. Thank you.

INCLEMENT WEATHER MASS CANCELLATIONS

In the even 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. Wekend Mass cancellations will be posted on WMUR and the parish website.