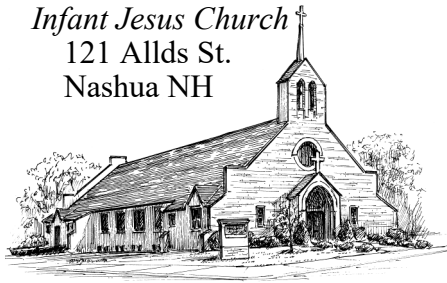


# Saint John XXIII Parish

*Infant Jesus Church*  
121 Allds St.  
Nashua NH



*St. John the Evangelist Church*  
25 Library St.  
Hudson NH



and that repentance, for  
the forgiveness of sins,  
would be preached

*in his name*

to all the nations

LUKE 24:47



## Saint John XXIII Parish

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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.

April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter



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

April 13

Msgr. Daniel Lamothe  
Sr. Marguerite Gravel, CSC  
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne  
Mass in Portuguese

April 14 Third Sunday of Easter

Tim Coulter  
by his family  
Madeline Charron Martin  
by her family

April 16

All Souls Intentions

April 17

All Souls Intentions

April 18

All Souls Intentions

April 19

All Souls Intentions

April 20

Rose & James Doyle by the family  
Doris Lancourt  
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne  
Mass in Portuguese

April 21 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Richard Shanholtz  
by the family  
Darcie Dumont 1st Ann.  
by Dan & Ginny Dumont

**PARISH PRAYER INTENTION BOOK**

We invite you to enter your prayer requests in our Intention Books located at the main entrance of both churches. These intentions are remembered in the "Prayer of the Faithful" at all of our Masses.

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

The month of April is designated as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the United States. The Diocese of Manchester provides child safety articles, parent guides, and other helpful information about child protection on its website. For more information, please visit [www.catholicnh.org/safety](http://www.catholicnh.org/safety) during April and share this information with others



**Weekly Readings April 15– April 24, 2024**

**Monday** Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday** Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday** Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday** Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51

**Friday** Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday** Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Jn 6:60-69

**Sunday** Acts 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**Week Ending ~ April 6 & 7 2024**

<b>Adult Envelopes (62)</b>	<b>\$3,055.00</b>
<b>WeShare (Online Giving) (47)</b>	<b>\$690.00</b>
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>\$535.00</b>
<b>Offertory Total:</b>	<b>\$4,280.00</b>
<b>Debt Reduction</b>	<b>\$165.00</b>
<b>Easter Flowers</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>

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



# *Saint John XXIII Parish*

## **REFLECTION - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Our spiritual lives could well be described as the placing of “mind over matter.” The matter is our activity, such as the plans we make, or the career we pursue. But over and above all that is our purpose. What, in short, is our goal?

An earthbound example of action and goal would be that of the two teams in a “Super Bowl” such as we watched two months ago in the company of millions. Every play that each team made was aimed at the goal of being world champions of football.

We too should be involved in the pursuit of a goal. If not, we are in danger of having no reason to get up in the morning, and that would be tragic in itself. Our goal as Catholics is our eternal salvation. That places us squarely in a competition not of our own making. That between good and evil. Both sides want us and pull at us for their triumph over our souls. This struggle is “super” in the sense that it is “above” all else in the human project.

The resurrection of Christ our Savior clearly presents us with the goal of sharing in His victory over sin and death. In His struggle with all that afflicts us in human life we find mirrored our own. But since we live in Christ and He lives in us, we have our own victory guaranteed unless we cave in to sin. Unless we change our purpose to some earthbound goal that has nothing to do with God and everything to do with our decision about what is worthwhile.

Christ’s love of us is so inviting. So powerful an antidote to that “upside down” kind of thinking that our life is all about us instead of all about God and our relationship with Him. Prayer and the sacraments, especially that of the Holy Eucharist, help us to maintain “right side up” thinking. And deep peace.

There is a story from the Middle Ages about a young woman who was expelled from heaven. As she left, she was told that if she would bring back the gift that is most valued by God, she would be welcomed back. She brought back drops of blood from a dying patriot. She brought back some coins that a destitute widow had given to the poor. She brought back a remnant of a Bible that had been used for years by an eminent preacher. She brought back many similar things but was turned back repeatedly.

One day she saw a small boy playing by a fountain. A man rode up on horseback and dismounted to take a drink. The man saw the child and suddenly remembered his boyhood innocence. Then, looking in the fountain and seeing the reflection of his hardened face, he realized what he had done with his life. And tears of repentance welled up in his eyes and began to trickle down his cheeks. The young woman took one of those tears back to heaven and was received with joy and love.

God love you and give you His Easter peace.

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT FAMILY PROMISE**

Family Promise needs babysitters on Monday and Tuesday evenings to watch kids while the parents take their classes. They also need weekend and evening “hosts” to answer the door, accept donations, and help residents unlock the cleaning and supply closets. For more information or to volunteer call Matthew Hodgkiss at 603- 883-7338, ext. 3, or by email at [matthew.hodgkiss@familypromisesnh.org](mailto:matthew.hodgkiss@familypromisesnh.org)

## **2024 NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL**

The weekend of April 27 & 28 begins the annual New Hampshire Catholic Appeal: Future of Our Faith II, One Bread, One Body (NHCA), an initiative designed to strengthen our ministries for the Church in New Hampshire and to reduce the number of annual second collections at parishes. Last year, our parish along with the other 87 parishes raised more than \$3.8M. Thank you to all who donated to the appeal last year. The Appeal will take place over the next two weekends at Mass. The NHCA supports the care for our retired and elderly priests, seminarian education and vocations, Catholic education, evangelization through Parable magazine, the Community Services program at Catholic Charities NH and more. Every registered parishioner will receive a letter from Bishop Libasci along with appeal materials in the mail soon. Please keep the Church in New Hampshire in your prayers that we may grow together and carry our faith into the future. For more information, go to <https://www.catholicnh.org/nhca>

## **CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES**

Corpus Christi Food Pantry clients experience many obstacles. One of the more challenging is a mode of transportation. How am I getting my food home? Some have their own cars, others must rely on a taxi service or uber. Others use a hand cart and walk, some for 6 to 8 blocks. We have one who rides his bicycle this really limits what he can safely carry. He fills his backpack and precariously puts bags over his handlebars. We wish him safe travels .

## **UNITED WAY - COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER**

United Way of Greater Nashua is gearing up for its annual Community Baby Shower, set to take place on April 23rd from 11am to 5pm at the United Way office. This event aims to support new and expecting low-income parents in the Greater Nashua area by providing them with access to essential baby items through the "Baby Boutique" and connecting them with over 20 agencies that serve parents and children. To ensure the success of this event, community members are encouraged to contribute by donating new or gently used baby gear, including items such as strollers, diapers, educational toys, and more. Donations can be purchased through this link <http://tinyurl.com/UW-2024-Baby> or dropped off at the United Way office by April 19th, helping to make a meaningful impact on families in need. Thank you for your generosity and support of United Way's ongoing efforts to strengthen our community. For more information contact United Way at [info@unitedwaynashua.org](mailto:info@unitedwaynashua.org) or (603)882-4011

## **UNITED WAY - TALK ON TRANSIT APRIL 24TH**

Join United Way of Greater Nashua at the Nashua Public Library on April 24 at 2:00 PM for a talk on free and low-cost transportation options in Nashua presented by the Regional Coordination Council for Community Transportation, Nashua Regional Planning Commission, Nashua Transit (city busses), and The Caregivers. Discover a range of transportation services tailored to Nashua residents' needs, from accessible transit solutions to cost-saving options. Don't miss this chance to enhance your mobility and quality of life. Registration for the event is now open. Interested individuals can secure their spot by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/Transit-Nashua>. For more information, please contact United Way of Greater Nashua at [info@unitedwaynashua.org](mailto:info@unitedwaynashua.org) or (603) 882-4011.