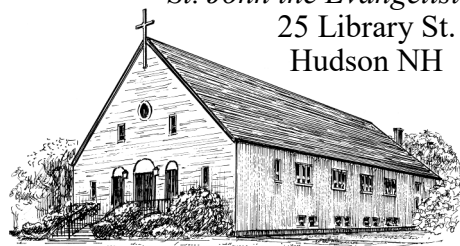


Saint John XXIII Parish

Infant Jesus Church
121 Allds St.
Nashua NH



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



**DIVINE
MERCY
SUNDAY**



Jesus, I trust in you!

Peace be
with you.
As the Father
has sent Me,
So I send you.

Receive the
Holy Spirit,
whose sins
you forgive
are forgiven
them, and
whose sins
you retain
are retained.

John 20:21-23

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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

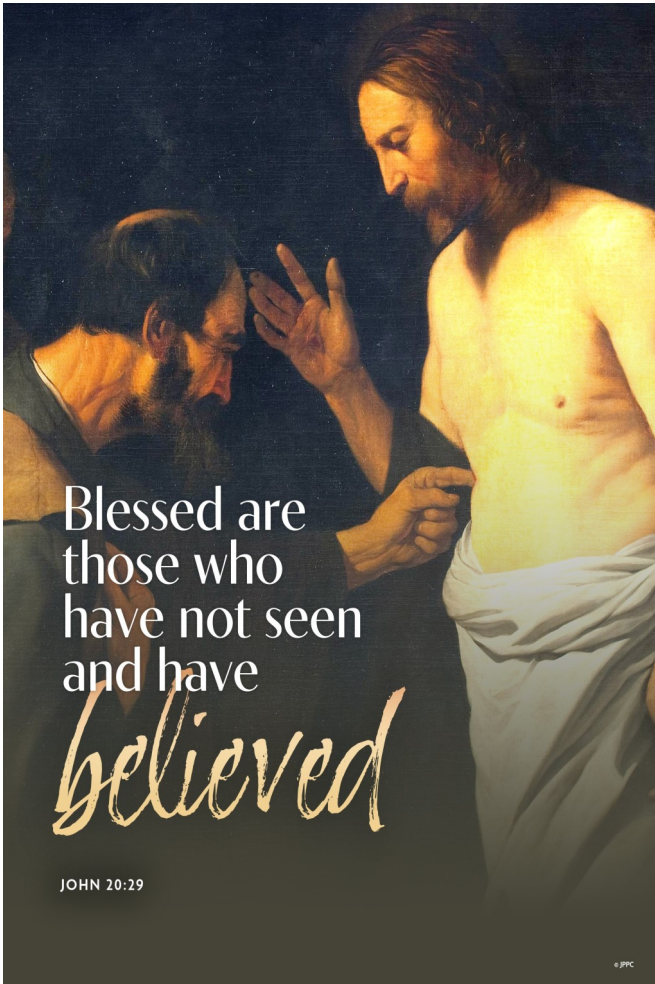
Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

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.



Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed

JOHN 20:29

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 6

Chantal Tardif 5th Ann.

by her family

Sr. Mary Elizabeth Leonard, CSC

by The Ladies of Ste. Anne

Mass in Portuguese

April 7 Sunday of Divine Mercy

Glen Annis

by Patti Peters

Paul Charron by his family

April 9

All Souls Intentions

April 10

All Souls Intentions

April 11

All Souls Intentions

April 12

All Souls Intentions

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

STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

2023 NH CATHOLIC APPEAL REPORT

The 2023 New Hampshire Catholic Appeal (NHCA) annual report is now available at your parish and online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca. Please take a moment to review the annual report. For any questions regarding the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal, please contact Bevin Kennedy at 603-663-0136 or at bkennedy@rcbm.org

Weekly Readings April 8– April 14, 2024

Monday Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 3:16-21

Thursday Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 Jn 3:31-36

Friday Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15

Saturday Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21

Sunday Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 1 Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48

Week Ending ~ March 23 & 24, 2024

Adult Envelopes (46)	\$1,748.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (47)	\$690.00
Loose Cash	\$613.00
Offertory Total:	3,051.00

Week Ending ~ March 30 & 31, 2024

Adult Envelopes (51)	\$3,194.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (47)	\$690.00
Loose Cash	\$906.00
Offertory Total:	\$4,790.00
Good Friday Holy Land Collection	\$225.00

May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!

Saint John XXIII Parish

REFLECTION—SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

It starts in the childhood playground and often lingers through adolescence and even to adulthood. I refer to nicknames. Red-headed Renee or Ricky become known as “Reds.” Other such labels derive from a person’s usual behavior or some event in the classroom or the ballfield, or whatever event that everybody else remembers.

Case in point: the naming of St. Thomas as “The Doubter.” In retrospect, it’s an unfair nickname given to this Apostle who makes a beautiful act of faith to the risen Jesus. (Imagine him doing so on his knees.) Ever since then, Thomas’ statement “My Lord and my God” makes a perfect prayer to say as the priest elevates the sacred Host right after its consecration as the Body of Christ at every Mass.

At any rate, this incident surely makes St. Thomas the patron saint of those who have doubts, especially about our holy Faith. I presume that includes a lot of us from time to time. Let’s start with doubt about the Eucharist truly being the Body and Blood of Christ. Sadly, that embraces a lot of surveyed Catholics these days. Then there are those who doubt our Church’s teachings, sometimes only because they don’t like them.

Moving on from there, we have people who doubt the goodness of life here “below heaven.” Doubt their own goodness as God’s creatures. That means they doubt the person in their mirror as having value.

We must always remember that doubt itself is morally neutral. It spurs on a healthy “proing” into what our Church teaches. That, in turn, can lead to a renewed faith. Open-minded research into this or that teaching provides previously untapped evidence. Of course, some teachings, like the Holy Eucharist, ultimately depend on faith, nurtured by prayer. We can be sure St. Thomas prayed.

Today is the Octave, or the eighth day of Easter. Pope St. John Paul II designated it as “Divine Mercy Sunday.” This is a beautiful devotion based on the visions of a holy Polish nun named Sr. Faustina, wherein Our Lord Himself bids us to trust in Him. That’s what St. Thomas did with renewed vigor in that Upper Room. We can do the same. As an anonymous writer put it: “Doubt makes the mountain which faith can move.”

God love you and give you His Easter peace. .

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

A NOTE ABOUT DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

On the Second Sunday of Easter of the Jubilee Year 2000, at the Mass for the Canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska, Pope John Paul II declared the Sunday after Easter be called “Divine Mercy Sunday”. St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visions from Jesus, including one of Jesus wearing a white garment with beams of red and white coming from His heart, which came to be known as the image of Divine Mercy. Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ’s death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, “Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified.”

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 during April and share this information with others

CORPUS CHRISTI NOTES

Who do we serve? Our clients are as different as each snowflake that falls from the sky. Each has a different story, a different struggle. No judgment clouds our services. Many share their stories. A young man, who, after years of sobriety, fell back into old habits after some heartbreak, but is now holding his head high. Asking for support that will help him regain his sobriety. He found his way back to the pantry, having sought our services in the past. He was grateful for our support.

BG - SEEKING HOST FAMILIES FOR 2024/25

Bishop Guertin High School is excited to welcome its next group of international students to Nashua this August. Host families are needed to house students from countries around the world and will receive a monthly stipend of \$1,100. We would love to invite local community members to step up to this ministry opportunity by welcoming a student into their hearts and homes. For more information, please contact our International Program providers, Study Six by visiting www.studysix.com/host or email host@studysix.com.

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 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 or (603) 882-4011.