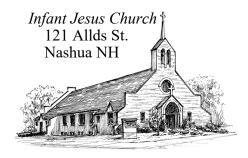
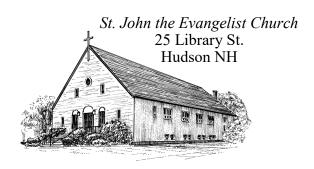
# Saint John XXIII Parish





For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.



#### **OUTREACH**

Hudson Community Food Pantry
Corpus Christi Food Pantry:

NH Catholic Charities:

603-883-6048
603-882-6372
603-889-9431

#### Saint John XXIII Parish

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#### Clergy:

Rev. George Mattathilani, Pastor ext. 5

Rev. Leandro Cardoso (Brazilian Ministry)

Rev. Ethelbert Orabuche (hospital chaplain in residence)

#### Religious Education:

E-mail: Pastor@stjohnxxiiinh.org

#### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 PM	SJE Church
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	7:30 PM	Portuguese
		Mass—IJ
Sunday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
-	10:30 AM	IJ Church

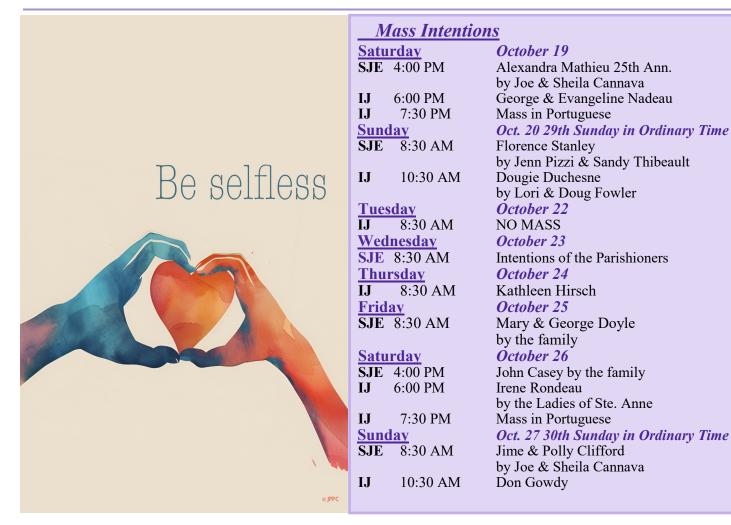
#### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

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

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

### 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### **New: 2025 Mass Book**

To make a Mass request you may call the parish office (603-882-2462 ext. 4), place your Mass Intention in an envelope marked "Mass Intention" and place it in the offertory basket or stop by the parish office. The suggested donation is \$10.



#### Weekly Readings Oct. 21 – Oct. 27, 2024

**Monday** Eph 2:1-10 Ps 100:1B-2, 3, 4AB, 4C-5 Lk 12:13-21 **Tuesday** Eph 2:12-22 Ps 85:9AB-10, 11-12, 13-14 Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday** Eph 3:2-12 Is 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6 Lk 12:39-48 **Thursday** Eph 3:14-21 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 Lk 12:49-53

Friday Eph 4:1-6 Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Lk 12:54-59 Saturday Eph 4:7-16 Ps 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5 Lk 13:1-9 Sunday Jer 31:7-9 Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 Heb 5:1-6 Mk 10:46-52

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 20TH PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH COLLECTION

This weekend, October 19 & 20 we celebrate World Mission Sunday . Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia and the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ October 12 & 13,	2024
Adult Envelopes (34)	\$1,642.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (44)	\$610.00
Loose Cash	\$530.00
Offertory Total:	\$2,782.00
Fuel Debt Reduction	\$1000.00 \$95.00
May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!	or

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#### REFLECTION - 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Devotees of daytime TV know all about "The Price is Right." I found out that it happens to be TV's longest running game show. The gist of it is that participants try to win cash and prizes by guessing the prices of various merchandise. In order to win, their decision can neither be too low nor too high.

Coincidentally, we come across in today's Gospel from Mark about 2 "contestants" vying for the prize of glory with no idea of the price to pay. Their names are James and John, two of the twelve Apostles. To their way of thinking, glory involves sitting on thrones next to Jesus. So, it is worth their while to "play the game."

Before reflecting on His answer, please note that Jesus does not snap at His questioners or call them out for their selfish and disrespectful request. Instead, He simply tells them, "Fellas, you don't know what you are asking." Then he quotes the "price": undergoing a painful "baptism" of suffering. True discipleship has a price. They (and we readers of this gospel) are meant to understand that for all time. Of course, by now we know this from life experience.

Quite naturally, the other ten Apostles were indignant at their comrades' behavior. They had asked a crude and manipulative question of the Master. We could well ask ourselves the conscience troubling question: "Have we ever tried to manipulate God? Turned Him into some kind of good luck charm that puts Him at our beck and call to grant us some favor we crave?'

Worse still, have we ever turned against Him when He doesn't respond as we would like? That underlies such thoughts as "Well, I'm not going to believe in Him (or His Church) anymore because He didn't give me what I wanted!" But doesn't that read like a petulant toddler at worst, or a fair-weather friend at least?

The dialogue between Jesus and the 2 petitioners James and John leads Jesus to give the whole group (and us) the real "price" of discipleship: wholehearted giving of ourselves in service to others. It is amply illustrated by the nearest crucifix. The resurrection of Jesus tells us the price was right. Still, the way to greatness is life's labor. As the poet asks:

"Why are people great? Well... The heights by great people reached and kept We're not attained by sudden flight. But they, while their companions slept, We're toiling upward in the night.

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



#### St. Kathryn's Christmas Bazar

St. Kathryn Parish, 4 Dracut Rd, Hudson, NH is having their 30th annual Christmas Bazaar and Penny Sale on Saturday, Nov 9th from 9 am to 6 pm and Sunday, Nov 10th from 9 am to 3 pm. There are over 300 Penny Sale gifts, theme baskets, baked goods, children's area, 50/50 raffles, grand raffle, and

#### CAMP FATIMA & CAMP BERNADETTE ALUMNI

Camp Bernadette and Camp Fatima are rebuilding their alumni lists. If you were a camper, staff member, or volunteer at either camp, please contact Andrew Thibault andrew@bfcamp.com to update your contact information

#### THANK YOU FROM CORPUS CHRISTI ASSISTANCE

Our Socks and Underwear drive for school age children was a success again this year! A special thanks to all the parish support that we received to make this possible. Our families were offered new socks and underwear for their children and were grateful. Over 230 children benefited from your generosity.

#### United Way Coffee & Causes Nov. 1

"Giving Back through Meal Delivery and Friendly Visits" at the Merrimack Public Library on Friday, November 1st at 10:30 AM! This free event will introduce the Meals on Wheels and Senior Companions programs, which provide nutritious meals and friendly visits to help seniors stay healthy and connected. Whether you're interested in volunteering or learning how these programs can benefit a loved one, join us for coffee and great conversation!

Register at https://tinyurl.com/Nov2024-Coffee or by contacting United Way at info@unitedwaynashua.org or (603)438-

#### ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

All Souls Day Intention envelopes are available at church entrances, for the next few weekends. Please take one, fill in the names of your loved ones and return them to us. Your intentions will remain in the sanctuary throughout the month of November.

#### Parish Mission with Michael Gormley

October 20-22, from 7pm to 8:30pm each night at Immaculate Conception Church, 216 East Dunstable Rd., Nashua, NH. Michael Gormley has been leading evangelization and ministry efforts for the past 17 years. He has his Undergraduate Degrees in both Philosophy and Theology and a master's in theology and Christian Ministry from the Franciscan University of Steubenville. He currently serves as the Mission Evangelist for Paradisus Dei, a ministry dedicated to helping men, couples, and families discover the superabundance of God. Michael is also the founder and creative director of LayEvangelist.com, and the co-host to two successful Catholic podcasts: Catching Foxes and Every Knee Shall Bow. For more information, please visit iccnashuanh.org

#### PRESENTATION ON VATICAN COUNCILS

Interested in learning more about the Councils of the Church? Join us for our kick off event on Saturday evening, November 2nd at 7PM at St. Kathryn Parish Hall, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson, as we dive into the Second Vatican Council, and gather for a wine and cheese social. To sign up for this free event or for information, please contact info@vaticancouncils.org

#### 2024 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 \$11,880.00 toward our goal of \$33,463.00. 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 or scan the QR code on the right.

