

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 22 - 4:00pm

Earl & Hazel Curtis - requested by Rita Haley

Sunday, November 23 Feast of Christ The King

7:00am

Pierre Fournier, Birthday Remembrance - requested by his Wife

10:30am

Heidi Bergeron, Birthday Remembrance - requested by her Husband & Family

Monday, November 24 - 8:30am

Doris Oczykowski - requested by the Spirits Alive & Prayer Shawl Ministries

Tuesday, November 25 - 8:30am

Shirley Reilly - requested by William J. Lee Jr.

Wednesday, November 26

NO MASS TODAY

Thursday, November 27 - 9:00am

Anine & Therese Demers - requested by The Lavigne Family

Friday, November 28 - 8:30am

Patricia Werner - requested by Colin Werner & Sue Robinson

Saturday, November 29 - 4:00pm

Roland Turcotte, Birthday Remembrance - requested by his Wife

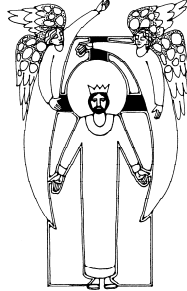
Sunday, November 30 First Sunday of Advent

7:00am

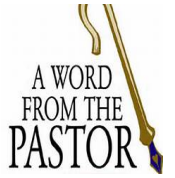
William Clark, Anniversary of Death - requested by Tom & Kathy Lavallee

10:30am

For the deceased members of the White Family



Everyone who has ever gone to school usually has one of the greatest fears a student can have: the final exam!!! Just hearing that word "final" gives us a cold sweat and sends chills down our spine. According to today's scripture we will also be having a final exam when we face the Lord Jesus at the end of our earthly life. Jesus tells us that the exam will on "Whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers or sisters, you did for me." We might ask when we did such an act of kindness for our brother or sister that will get us into heaven. Jesus would respond with welcoming the stranger, feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned. If we just stay with "feeding the hungry" since we will be celebrating Thanksgiving this week, we need to remember that Jesus means feeding spiritual hunger as well as physical hunger too. I will give you an example of how we feed spiritual hunger. A very sick and depressed-looking woman came to Mass here one day, and said to me: "Father, I have been here at mass twice, and this is my third time. I get myself out of my sickbed to come here, because you have a wonderful parish. They are a wonderful group of people who welcome me, and I feel fed by their welcome and by your sermon as well." I thanked her, and said I would tell my parishioners about her experience. She was so ill that she couldn't sit in the pews, but needed a special chair. But none-the-less, she just had to attend our church because she felt spiritually fed. It is amazing how God works through us when we are in tune with His divine love and mercy. So I certainly am grateful for all of the people we will feed this Thanksgiving with a wonderful holiday meal; but let's not forget that we are called to feed one another spiritually as well, by reflecting the same qualities of welcome, love and mercy that our Savior gives to us. A Very Happy Thanksgiving to all! ~ Fr. John



Our Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be on Thursday, November 27th. This will be our 9th year of offering a traditional, hot Thanksgiving dinner to those who would not have one or be alone. Many of the guests have been coming for 9 years and look forward to it and seeing the guests/volunteers. The sides are prepared by Castle Caterers and the turkeys are cooked by our parishioners. The Youth Group bakes some pies for us. If you would like to attend the dinner, please call the Parish office to make a reservation. We serve about 200 people each year. **Volunteers are needed to help with setting-up the hall and decorating on Wednesday, November 26th at 9:30am.**

Volunteers are needed to help carry the Thanksgiving baskets to clients cars on **Tuesday, November 25th from 11am-2pm**. If you are able to help, please call Colleen at 935-9949.



Also, all Food Pantry volunteers past & present are invited to come to the hall on Tuesday at 11am for pizza.

The Youth Group will meet to bake pies for our Thanksgiving Dinner on Tuesday, November 25 from 5-7pm. Students in grades 5 and up are invited to join in this fun service project. Come and show your culinary skills!



Let us pray for these special intentions:

For all our parishioners that are homebound and in nursing homes; for all our parishioners, family and friends that are struggling with illness or recovering from surgeries; and for Charlotte Green, Camden Soucy, Ted Begin, Phil S., Kathy Hawkins, Mary Guimond, Joyce Sullivan, Gerry de Repentigny, Dominic Lattuca, Jaxson Field, Virginia Clark, Ginny George, Max Lawrence, Robert Pelkey, Jackie McGonagel, Patrick Myrdhal, Sr. Lucille Blais, Chloe Carnavale, Stephen Gilmartin, Roger Couturier, Maurice Allard, Isaac Brisson, Pat Begin, Jeanne Sylvain, Mary Trovato, Jeanne Kaufman, Sr. Joan Messier, Al Landry, Colin Werner, Jeanne Richards and Willie Miles.

Welcome Visitors!

With joyful hearts we welcome you into our house of prayer to celebrate the gift of life and special faith we share. Fr. John, the staff and our parishioners extend our warmest welcome. If you would like to become a member of Blessed Sacrament, please fill out a registration form and submit it to the parish office. Forms are available in the back of the Church or you may stop by the Parish Office on weekdays from 9am-5pm. Please feel free to call the parish office with any questions you may have. Welcome!



PARISH LEADERSHIP

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

St. Anthony Food Pantry	
Colleen Hayward (volunteers)	935-9949
My Brother's Keeper Sleeping Bags	
Rosemary McNair	647-2797
Shoes For Kids/General Outreach	
Lisa Siraco	622-5445
St. Anne's Closet (clothing for children)	
Karen McAndrew	497-2770
Parish Nurse Program	663-8004
Parish Elderly Ministry	
Diane Steele	669-8825

PARISH MINISTRIES

Adoration Chapel	
Irene de Repentigny	622-7775
Beautification Committee	
Fr. John	622-5445
Boy/Cub Scouts	
Ron St. Cyr	622-8182
Parish Prayer Line	
Gemma Houde	668-3993
Young Adult Faith Formation/Confirmation	
Dan & Debbie Goulet (Year 1)	623-5354
Sr. Marjorie Lupien (Year 2)	315-7623
Funeral Ministry	
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	622-5445
Liturgical Ministers	
(Eucharist Lectors, Altar Servers)	
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	622-5445
Memorial Meals	
Gloria Pilotte	623-8173
Prayer Shawl Ministry	
Sr. Anne & Sr. Joan	622-7138
Religious Education (Gr. 1-7)	
Martha & Steve Donohue	627-4868
Respect Life	622-5445
RCIA	
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	622-5445
Secular Franciscan Order	
Tom Cloutier	644-8788
Social Committee	
Donna Guertin	669-5232
Spirits Alive!	
Sr. Anne & Sr. Joan	622-7138
Youth Group	
Ellen Donohue	867-8881

FUNDRAISING

300 Club	622-5445
Bulletin Ads	622-5445

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Baptism, Marriage, Sacrament of the Sick	
Fr. John Bucchino, ofm	622-5445

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music Director & Organist, Adult Choir and Cantors:	
James Butka	540-7638



December Advent Retreat, given by Fr. Fred Mazarella, ofm, from December 7 - 9. Sunday will begin with Mass at 6:00pm ; Monday & Tuesday nights will begin at 7:00pm.

His talks will focus on these themes:

- Sunday, Dec. 7th: "Family"**
- Monday, Dec. 8th: "Love in Marriage"**
- Tuesday, Dec. 9th: "Faith & Gratitude"**

STEWARDSHIP: FAITHFUL & GENEROUS: November 15 & 16, 2014

Weekend Offertory

Envelopes	\$3,467.78
Loose	\$ 686.03
Electronic Offering \$	45.00

Total Offertory: \$4,198.81

General Fund

Adoration Chapel:	\$13.00
Candles:	\$92.00

Parish Outreach Fund

Food Pantry:	\$510.00/\$60 (for Thanksgiving)
St. Anthony Bread for the Poor:	\$127.62

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish and Outreach Programs.

St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel

Daily Hours: 7am-7pm



Open Hours

Wednesdays: 3pm	Thursdays: 8am
Fridays: 5pm	Saturdays: 1pm & 2pm

For more information please call Irene de Repentigny, Chapel Coordinator at 622-7775. **Spend an hour in the Chapel this Advent to prepare your heart for Jesus!**



The Secular Franciscans will have their Annual Bake Sale this weekend after all Masses. Please stop by their tables in the vestibule of the Church for some home-made goodies. Plan ahead for your Thanksgiving dinner!

We invite you to attend an **Interfaith Thanksgiving Service** on Monday, November 24 at 7pm in the Temple Adath Yeshurun, 152 Prospect St. in Manchester. Fr. John is the Chairperson of the Interfaith Clergy Association and will be participating in this service. All are welcome.

Thanksgiving Day: We will have a table in the front of the Altar if you would like to bring your bread & wine for your dinner to be blessed at the 9am Mass.

Sunday, November 23

- * Religious Education, 9am, Church Hall
- * RCIA, 9:15am, Friary Basement

Monday, November 24

- * Spirits Alive! 6:30pm, Our Lady Of Mercy House
- * NO Boy Scouts

Tuesday, November 25

- * Devotion to St. Anthony following Mass
- * Thanksgiving basket distribution, 11am-2pm

Wednesday, November 26

- * Thanksgiving dinner set-up, 9:30am
- * NO St. Anne's Closet today
- * NO Food Pantry today
- * NO Parish Nurse today

Thursday, November 27

- * NO Prayer Shawl Ministry today
- * Thanksgiving Dinner, 12-2pm, Church Hall
- * NO Cub Scouts

Sunday, November 30

- * NO Religious Education today
- * NO RCIA today
- * Secular Franciscans, 1-3pm, Church Hall



COMING UP!

The New Evangelization:

Ever since Vatican Council II, the Church has been teaching about our role as Catholics living in the modern world. We are to be "evangelizers," that is, followers of Jesus who are courageous in proclaiming to the world the good news of Jesus. We do this by the example of our lives, by our witness, and by the way we invite those who either have lost the faith, do not practice the faith, or are seeking the faith, to join us in getting to know the mercy and love of Jesus Christ.

On Tuesday, December 2nd, Fr. John will be giving an Advent presentation on the New Evangelization, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in our parish hall. Through prayer, viewing of Fr. Barron's talk, discussion and sharing refreshments, we will go into a deeper understanding of the meaning of the "New Evangelization" and our role in it.

Please attend this wonderful faith formation program in preparation for Christmas

Boy Scout Troop 106 Annual Christmas Tree & Wreath Sale will begin on Friday, November 28th in the parking lot of the Harley Davidson dealership on John Divine Dr. Help support our troop by purchasing your tree and/or wreath from them. **The trees are fresh and from NH.**

Hours: Monday-Friday, 10am-9pm; Saturday & Sunday 9am-9pm.



**SATURDAY DECEMBER 6, 2014
BERAKAH RETREAT AND SPIRITUALITY CENTER
96 FAIRVIEW RD.
PITTSFIELD, NH
9:30 AM – 3 PM**

WAITING AND HOPING FOR WHAT IS ALREADY HERE

Presenter: Mary Schneiders, OP

Advent is always associated with hope. Hope however, is not simply a virtue or wishful thinking. It's a journey, a way of life that colors who we are and what we do, and that for which we hope is not only in the future, but already being fulfilled in our daily lives.

COST: \$40.00 (includes noon meal) DEPOSIT: \$10.00 (non-refundable) Pre-registration required, please call 603-435-7271 or Email Berakah@aol.com



Mary the Nazareth the Movie

Are you looking for a way to celebrate the advent season that will bring you peace and joy? Then come to a viewing of the movie "Mary of Nazareth". We are happy to announce that this wonderful movie will be shown two times in the St. Joseph school auditorium 40 Main Street, Salem NH on Sunday Dec. 7th at 6:30 pm and again on Sunday Dec. 14th at 12:30 pm. Tickets- sold at the door- will be \$10 per person, \$25 max per family. You won't be sorry you did. For more info or call 893-8661.

Lessons & Carols: Advent Evening of Music & Reflection

Saint Raphael Parish will host its annual Advent Evening of Reflection on **Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 7 pm**. We will have a variety of musical selections from various groups and individuals, interspersed with reflective readings related to the Advent season. You won't want to miss out. Parishioners and members of the wider community are invited to enjoy a candlelight evening of prayer and beauty. The musical program will be accompanied by Advent readings on the model of the traditional English Service of Lessons & Carols. Come and bring your friends to this beautiful tradition of Saint Raphael! **All are welcome!**

Trinity High School's Annual Breakfast with Santa will be on Saturday, December 13 from 8:00 - 11:00 AM in the cafeteria at Trinity (581 Bridge Street Manchester, NH) for children in the area. Along with breakfast and pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus, we provide arts and crafts and Christmas cookie decorating for the kids. This event is free of charge. Donations to student council are gladly accepted.

