

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 29 - 4:00pm

Mr. & Mrs. George Brown - requested by the family

Sunday, December 30

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

7:00am

Lorraine Dubisz - requested by her husband

10:30am

Grace Bucchino - requested by her family

Monday, December 31

8:30am

Margaret McCall- requested by the family

6:00pm

For peace in the world, our country and families



Tuesday, January 1

Mary, Holy Mother of God 9:00am

George Young - requested by the Donohue family

Wednesday, January 2

NO MASS

Thursday, January 3 - 8:30am

Al Nettel - requested by Paul & Charlotte Faustini

Friday, January 4 - 8:30am

Deceased members of the McNeill & Gilmartin families - requested by Mary McNeill

Saturday, January 5 - 4:00pm

For special intentions - requested by Sue & Lee Forest

Sunday, January 6

The Epiphany of the Lord

7:00am

Deceased members of the Sayer & Routhier families - requested by Janice & Roger Beaudin

10:30am

Helen Donohue - requested by the family

Holy Mother of God

Mass Schedule

Monday, December 31st, 6pm

Tuesday, January 1st, 9am



The Parish Office will be closed

January 1, 2019

Happy New Year!



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 Virginia Clark,

- Maurice Allard, Joe Bennett, Larry Green, Jackie Theodorou, Paul Allard, Richard Tanguay, RFG, Acilda Dachowski, Roger Mustone,
- Richard Joyce, Joan Bick, Norma Lemire, Rita Marshall, Claire Dachowski, Fr. Joe Gurdak, Mary Sylvain, Stephen P. Gilmartin,
- Bob & Linda Tetreault, Arthur Proulx, Aiden Weeds, Ginny Gallien, Linda Tajieux, Laura Jankowski, Kathy Klamm, Roland Dufour,
- Corrine Holebrook, Shirley Gazda, Maurice Lavigne, Jean Levasseur Steve Price and Noël Rinaldi.

Today's feast reminds us that "holiness begins at home!" It is so easy and satisfying to serve other people in great need: people who are in another part of the world and poor, or people at our doorsteps like the hungry and homeless. And this is admirable because God wants us to care for the poor. Yet oftentimes we can become so impatient and irritated with those with whom we live: our family! We think thoughts such as: "Why do they leave the dresser drawers open?" "Why won't they hang up their jackets?" "Why doesn't anybody volunteer to clean the table after dinner?" Etc., etc., etc.! Mother Teresa said it best: "It is easy to love the people far away. It is not always easy to love those close to us. It is easier to give a cup of rice to relieve hunger than to relieve the loneliness and pain of someone unloved in our own home. Bring love into your home for this is where our love for each other must start." This is why Pope John-Paul II called the home the "domestic church!" It should be a place of holiness; a place of helping each other develop Christ-like virtues. St. Teresa of the Child Jesus spent hours working in the kitchen, believing this to be her place of encountering Christ – she worked hard to please her sisters even though at times they could be critical of her. Family life is the most beautiful gift we have from God. In that holy place, we learn to love, to grow, to negotiate, to forgive! However, too often in our world today we hear so often of "domestic violence" rather than family as "domestic church!" Forms of abuse of the innocent and vulnerable in the family have become so common that most of our seminaries training future priests have added courses on ministering to domestic violence. Most recently, Pope Francis gave families three key phrases to a happier, more peaceful family life: "May I?," "Thank you," and "I'm sorry." Although they are simple words, he said, they are not simple to put into practice. The truth is that if we can start with kindness and understanding toward the most significant people in our lives—our spouses, our children, our extended families—we foster peace close to home. Only then can that peace begin to ripple outward. Peace on earth begins in our laundry room or at our dinner table, at the heart of our family life. Do you see your "ministry" to your family as Christ's way of calling you to serve Him? On this feast of the Holy Family, we pray for each other, for the safety and strength of those we love, and for all those whose family situations are difficult. ~ Fr. John



STEWARDSHIP: FAITHFUL & GENEROUS:

December 22 & 23, 2018

Weekend Offertory

Envelopes	\$3,689.00
Loose	\$1,236.55
Electronic Offering	\$ 215.00
Total Offertory:	\$5,140.55

General Parish Fund

Candles:	\$64.00
Adoration Chapel:	\$8.00

Outreach Fund

St. Anthony Bread for the Poor:	\$51.25
Food Pantry:	\$30.00

Christmas Masses:

Envelopes:	\$3,336.00
Loose:	\$2,190.92
Total Christmas Offerings:	\$5526.92

Thank You!

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

PARISH LEADERSHIP

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

- St. Anthony Food Pantry
Colleen Hayward 289-5276
- 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 464-0331
- Parish Elderly Ministry
Diane Steele 669-8825

PARISH MINISTRIES

- Adoration Chapel
Irene de Repentigny 622-7775
- Boy/Cub Scouts
Ron St. Cyr 622-8182
- Parish Prayer Line
Gemma Houde 668-3993
- Funeral Ministry
Sr. Marjorie Lupien 622-5445
- Liturgical Ministers
(Eucharist Lectors, Altar Servers)
Sr. Marjorie Lupien 622-5445
- Memorial Meals
Gloria Pilotte 623-8173
Terry Sylvain 669-2582
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
Diane Sufat 625-8665
- Religious Education (Gr. K-8)
Martha & Steve Donohue 627-4868
- RCIA
Sr. Marjorie Lupien 622-5445
- Secular Franciscan Order
Nick Cort 224-4605
- Social Committee
Donna Guertin 669-5232
- Youth Group
Ellen Donohue 867-8881

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

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

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music Director & Organist, Adult Choir and Cantors:



Sunday, December 30

- * NO Religious Ed classes today
- * Secular Franciscans, 1-3pm, church hall

Monday, December 31

- * NO Boy Scouts tonight

Tuesday, January 1

- * **Parish Office Closed today**
- * Devotion to St. Anthony following Mass

Wednesday, January 2

- * St. Anne's Closet, 1-3pm
- * Food Pantry, 1-3pm, Last names A-C
- * Marian Prayer Cenacle, 7pm, chapel

Thursday, January 3

- * Cub Scouts , 6:30pm, church hall

Sunday, January 6

- * Religious Ed Grades K-8, church hall

Adoration

of the Blessed Sacrament



St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel

Open Daily: 7am-7pm

Open Hours:

Fridays: 4pm & 5pm

Saturdays: 11am

Call Irene de Repentigny, Chapel Coordinator at 622-7775 for more information.

If you can't commit to a permanent hour, please consider giving your name as a substitute to cover an adorer when they go on vacation, are sick or have an appointment.



Please remember in your prayers **Tammy Jo Kienia & Jeannette Couture** who were called home to our Lord. May the Holy Spirit bring peace and comfort to their loved ones.

I want to thank all our parishioners for your kind prayers, gifts and greeting cards, sent to me at Christmas. It is both heart-warming and overwhelming to receive so many expressions of love and gratitude from you. Be assured of my prayers and continued ministry to help us welcome in the New Year! May God's peace be with you.

*Thank you,
Fr. John*

Ste. Marie Child Care Center now hiring for full and part-time opportunities. Must have at least 9 E.C.E. credits and experience preferred. Please call 603-668-2356 and ask for Terry or Donna.

Ste. Marie Child Care Center
133 Wayne Street
Manchester, NH 03102
stemarie.childcare@gmail.com



300 Club - Week 15 Winners

- #19 Michael Vigneault
- #72 Doris Marr
- #113 Pat Metivier
- #123 Carol Labbe
- #160 Nicole Forcier

Congratulations!

Christmas Vacation St. Andrew Dinner

St. Andrew was the first of the Apostles to hear Jesus' call to follow him. We would like to invite college students who are home for vacation and other men in our Diocese who are considering a vocation to the priesthood or would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call for their life to an evening of prayer, conversation with the Vocations Team, and dinner. This dinner will be held at St. Patrick Parish in Pelham on Friday January 4 from 6-8pm. Please RSVP to Becky Vinson at rvinson@rcbm.org or 663-0153 if you would like to attend.

2019 Catholic Calendars

Thanks to **Connor Healy Funeral Home**, we once again have free 2019 Catholic calendars available. The calendars list all the holy days, feast days and highlight lent/advent. We have a limited amount, so, please, just one calendar per household.

The calendars are available on the table in the back of the church.

Prayer For Our Family

God our Father,
Your son Jesus shared with Mary and Joseph the life of an earthly home. As we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, bless our homes as well. Make them places of love, joy and peace. Teach us to help and care for one another as Jesus' family did. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

