

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 3 - 4:00pm

Lauretta Demers, birthday remembrance - requested by Maurice & Pauline Lavigne

Sunday, February 4

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am

Helen Williams - requested by Natalie & Larry Welch

10:30am

Eva Peterson - requested by Priscilla & Don Bournival

Monday, February 5 - 8:30am

George Trammell - requested by the Mendell Family

Tuesday, February 6 - 8:30am

Philip LaSalle, anniversary of death - requested by his wife and children

Wednesday, February 7

- NO MASS -

Thursday, February 8 - 8:30am

Dolores Davis - requested by Mary McNeil

Friday, February 9 - 8:30pm

Frances Brueske - requested by Virginia Deady

Saturday, February 10 - 4:00pm

Clement Gosselin, anniversary of death - requested by his family

Sunday, February 11

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am

Ernest Tanguay - requested by Priscilla & Gerry Tanguay

10:30am

Pauline Young - requested by the Donohue family



One of the most striking aspects of today's Gospel is that Jesus begins His ministry by literally jumping in full force. There is an urgency and intensity that He brings right from the start (Mark 1: 21-31). We read that He wakes up "very early before dawn" to pray, then he heals the sick mother-in-law of Simon Peter, then he teaches in the synagogue and frees a man from an unclean spirit, then he spends the evening with the sick and casts out demons. The disciples tell him that people are lining up to have Him heal them! This is all in one day!! Why is Jesus so urgent and intense? I think He is trying to teach us that there is an urgency and intensity about God's concern for us and all who suffer. He is teaching that His followers must not lay back and wait for problems to go away, or for someone else to do it! As I think of our Blessed Sacrament Parish, we strive to do our best to respond with the urgency and intensity of Jesus to the many problems that people bring to us! For example, a number of parishioners responded with kindness and generosity to my plea to help the immigrants and refugees who are under the stress of detainment and deportation in our nation (this does not include anyone involved in a criminal act). Our parishioners responded to me by offering concern and prayers, by offering donations, and by seeking to participate more in local programs that are assisting the people. Then there is our parish youth group which will be raising money and accepting goods in our annual Soup-er Bowl of Caring this coming weekend. These funds and goods will aid the poor and homeless who come to our food pantry and our doors every day. But let us not forget that we can all do something for the Lord, and every act we do counts. These are the everyday acts we do to help any of God's people beginning with our own neighbors. They are like seeds that once planted create a better and holier world. So whether you offer the seed of kindness, or the seed of forgiveness, or the seed of peace-making, or the seed of truth, God takes and plants these seeds and promises that one day they will all bear fruit. So never believe that your simple acts of kindness are useless! We can sometimes wonder if our little gift to another person can make a difference at all, in this world that seems so much in need of healing! Well believe me, it makes an enormous difference - because God thinks so and makes good use of all our good actions!

~ Fr. John

St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel

Daily Hours: 7am-7pm



Open Hours:

Mondays: 9am **Thursdays: 3pm**
Fridays: 5pm **Saturdays: 12pm**

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

STEWARDSHIP: FAITHFUL & GENEROUS:

January 27 & 28, 2018

Weekend Offertory

Envelopes \$2,792.18
 Loose \$ 1,090.60
 Electronic Offering \$ 182.00
Total Offertory: \$4,064.78
 Deficit Collection: \$2,136.00

General Parish Fund

Candles: \$89.00
 Adoration Chapel: \$45.00
Organ Donation: \$2,000.00

Outreach Fund

St. Anthony Bread for the Poor: \$108.70
 Food Pantry: \$20.00
 - in memory of R. Trumble: \$100.00
 - in memory of T. Travis: \$100.00

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



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,

- Robert Pelkey, Patrick Myrdhal, Maurice Allard, Jeanne Kaufman, Lucille Bradley, Joe Bennett, Larry Green, Paul Cody, Jackie Theodorou, Judy W.; Jeannine Bouchard, Paul Allard, Richard Tanguay, RFG, Sophia Rimmer, Acilda Dachowski, Chad Cerillo, Roger Boisvert, Jack Provost, Arnold Wright, Pat Begin, Janice Beaudin, John Moro, Roger Mustone, Richard Joyce, Joan Bick, Norma Lemire, Rita Marshall, Claire Dachowski, Fr. Joe Gallagher, Helen Zachos, Rita Lussier, Mary Sylvain, Ginny George and Ken Sevigny.

PARISH LEADERSHIP

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

St. Anthony Food Pantry	
Colleen Hayward	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	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
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
Terry Sylvain	669-2582
Prayer Shawl Ministry	
Sr. Anne & Sr. Joan	622-7138
Religious Education (Gr. 1-7)	
Martha & Steve Donohue	627-4868
RCIA	
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	622-5445
Secular Franciscan Order	
Nick Cort	224-4605
Social Committee	
Donna Guertin	669-5232
Spirits Alive!	
Sr. Anne & Sr. Joan	622-7138
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:	
James Butka	540-7638

Upcoming
EVENTS

Sunday, February 4

* Religious Ed classes, grades 1-7, 9am

Monday, February 5

* My Brother's Keeper, **cancelled**
 * Spirits Alive!, 3:30pm, OLOM house
 * Boy Scouts, 6:30pm, church hall

Tuesday, February 6

* Devotion to St. Anthony following Mass
 * GSOP, 10:15am-1:15pm, hall

Wednesday, February 7

* St. Anne's Closet, 1-3pm
 * Food Pantry, last names A-C, 1-9pm
 * Marian Prayer Cenacle, 7pm, adoration chapel

Thursday, February 8

* Prayer Shawl Ministry, 9:15am, OLOM house
 * Cub Scouts, 6pm, hall

Sunday, February 11

* Religious Ed classes, grades 1-7, 9am
 * Parish Coffee following 10:30am Mass

Souper Bowl of Caring uses the energy of the Super Bowl to mobilize youth in a united national effort to care for people in their local communities who are hungry and those in need. Youth all around the US will collect donations of non perishable food and monetary donations to help raise awareness of hunger on Super Bowl weekend. Our Youth Group will participate by



collecting food and donations after all Masses this weekend. All donations will be given to our St. Anthony Food Pantry. Thank you for your support.

Please join us **Sunday, February 11th** for our monthly coffee & donuts social. This month's social will be hosted by the Religious Ed, Youth Faith Formation and Youth Group ministries.



Dedication of our new organ

Next Sunday (February 11th), Fr. John will bless and dedicate the new organ. While we still have some fundraising to go to finish paying for the organ, we were able to purchase it in time for Christmas. The Fall Festival, various parishioners and friends have already donated to the organ, especially the Dubisz family in honor of Lorraine who passed away last year. Lorraine was very dedicated to the parish and was part of the choir for many years. Her family wanted to honor and remember her by helping to purchase the new organ. We are so grateful to all who have donated towards the organ, which is already enhancing our liturgies and will continue to raise money to pay for the organ. We hope you will join us for the dedication and then for a coffee social after Mass.



Annual Seniors' (55+) Valentine's Dinner
Sunday, February 18, 2018 @ Noon
Roast Stuffed Turkey Dinner



Please call Sister Joan and Sister Anne at 622-7138 or Terry Sylvain at 669-2582, (if no answer, please leave a message with your name and phone number and we will return your call). **YOU MUST REGISTER FOR THE DINNER.** We need a head count for the food and set-up. The dinner is free. Registered parishioners only please! Deadline is **Monday, February 12, 2018.** Doors will open at 11:30am.

Knights of Columbus Monthly Dinner

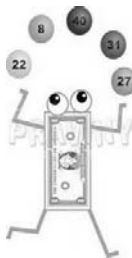
Wednesday, February 7, 2018 ~ 5pm
 The Entrée Will Be Beef Stroganoff, With Salad, Bread, Vegetables, Pie and Beverages. Prepared by our chef, Paul Faustini. Cost: \$10 This Month Only: K of C dinner will be at the Council Home 770 South Porter St., Manchester, NH

Open House

Holy Family Academy (Grades 7-12) located at 281 Cartier Street Manchester is holding an Open House on **Wednesday, February 7th, 2018** from 4:00pm to 5:30pm for prospective students, parents, and anyone interested in learning about the Academy. For more information, please visit the website at call 644-7247 or www.holyfamilyacademy.org

300 Club Week 12:

#74 Sheila Tsoumbanos;
 #141 Roger Beaudin; #165 Dan Goulet; #168 Will Carosi and #279 Irene de Repentigny



Congratulations!

Please see one of the captains to get your lucky number!!

Captains: Lisa (in the parish office) 622-5445, Doris Cote 624-1013; Gloria Pilotte 623-8173, Terry Sylvain 669-2582.

"A faith that does not trouble us is a troubled faith. A faith that does not make us grow is a faith that needs to grow." ~ Pope Francis