



Mass Intentions for the Week

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

Monday, February 12 - 8:30am

Lorraine Dubisz - requested by the Morin Family

Tuesday, February 13 - 8:30am

Rose Carnaval, anniversary of death - requested by Terry & Leo Sylvain

Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday

8:30am

For the intentions of Diane & Andy Demers

12:15pm: Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes

7:00pm

Laura Sarette - requested by Lorraine & Larry Labore

Thursday, February 15 - 8:30am

Ann Brannock - requested by John & Mary Hinchey

Friday, February 16 - 8:30pm

Arnold Cote - requested by Pauline Gagnon

Saturday, February 17 - 4:00pm

Marcelo Rodriguez - requested by Michael & Lisa Siraco

Sunday, February 18

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am

John Eastberg, anniversary of death - requested by Natalie & Larry Welch

10:30am

Janet Langella, anniversary of death - requested by Doris Cote

"Joy is born from knowing that with Him we are never alone, even at difficult moments." ~ Pope Francis



I DO CHOOSE:
BE MADE CLEAN.
MARK 1:41



This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday the first day of Lent. It happens to be the same day that we celebrate Valentine's Day. Some worry about to which celebration they should give priority. I wouldn't put too much worry into it, because I believe that both lead to the same place. Let me explain. If you recall the story of St. Valentine, he was a bishop that secretly married soldiers who were fighting for the emperor. The emperor wanted to keep his soldiers unmarried because he believed that they fought better than the married ones. Soldiers who had wives and children were more cautious in battle, wanting to be sure to return to their loved ones after war. So when the emperor found out that St. Valentine was secretly marrying all soldiers (because he believed in love), he had the saint martyred. Valentine went to his death saying: "...I did it all for love (of God)." And thus we have Valentine's Day: "I did it all for love!" How does this story relate to Lent? Lent is also a season of "battle," and one which we believe helps us to make more sacrifices for the love of God and neighbor. The battle that we enter is interior in that we become more aware of those dark places in our hearts that keep us from loving. In winning this battle, Lenten sacrifices lead us to give in to God's Will by loving others more. It certainly is good to give up things that we enjoy for Lent; but only if this leads us to love more. It is not supposed to be a test of endurance. One of the best ways that I suggest we can become more loving is to practice the acronym for L.E.N.T. = "Less Entertainment of Negative Thinking." Wouldn't this be a great way to remember God's will to love one another more rather than think negatively about our neighbor? It is so easy to fall into negative thinking to the point that it can become second nature. I like what St. Paul advises us to do in today's 2nd reading: "Brothers and sisters, whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God....avoid giving offense...just as I try to please everyone in every way. Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ." Notice that when you enter church on Ash Wednesday for Mass, we will offer you a prayer card with a cross made of nails. It is a reminder to each of us to bear the crosses of life for the sake of loving Jesus and our neighbor more. Along with St. Valentine we might say: "We did it all for Love!" ~ Fr. John

**STEWARDSHIP: FAITHFUL & GENEROUS:
February 3 & 4, 2018**

Weekend Offertory

Envelopes \$2,884.18
Loose \$ 854.80
Electronic Offering \$1,582.00
Total Offertory: \$5,320.98

General Parish Fund

Candles: \$80.00
Adoration Chapel: \$33.00
Catholic School: \$435.00

Organ Donations:

- in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Larry Foss: \$2,000.00

Outreach Fund

St. Anthony Bread for the Poor: \$80.70
Food Pantry: \$40.00

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, Ken Sevigny and Leonard Houde.

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 11

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

Monday, February 12

- * Spirits Alive!, 3:30pm, OLOM house
- * Boy Scouts, 6:30pm, church hall

Tuesday, February 13

- * Devotion to St. Anthony following Mass

***Wednesday, February 14**

- * Ash Wednesday, see Mass schedule
- * St. Anne's Closet, 1-3pm
- * Food Pantry, last names A-C/D-J, 1-9pm
- * Marian Prayer Cenacle, 7pm, adoration chapel

Thursday, February 15

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

Saturday, February 17

- * Cub Scout Spaghetti Dinner, 5pm

Sunday, February 18

- * Religious Ed classes, grades 1-7, 9am
- * Senior Valentine Dinner, 12pm, hall

Souper Bowl of Caring

Thank you for supporting our Youth Group in their Souper Bowl of Caring collection last week. \$974.98 was collected as well as 100 non perishable goods! We appreciate the Youth Group's help and everyone's generosity.



Please join us this Sunday following the 10:30am Mass for our monthly coffee & donuts social. This month's social will be hosted by the Religious Ed, Youth Faith Formation and Youth Group ministries.

Ash
Wednesday
February 14, 2018

- 8:30am:** Mass
- 12:15pm:** Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes (no Communion)
- 7:00pm:** Mass

On Tuesday, February 13th, I will be having a medical procedure that requires that I rest for a few days after. We will be having Fr. Bruce Czapl, OFM, who is the vocation director from my Franciscan community cover for Masses and spiritual assistance. He was also pastor at St. Thomas Aquinas parish in Derry for many years, so is no stranger to the Manchester diocese. And as always, Sr. Marjorie will be prepared to back him up in case Communion Services are needed in place of Mass. I should be recovered in a week (or sooner); but the doctor advises 5 to 7 days of recovery. I ask for your prayers which with I am sure you will storm heaven! Thank you dear parishioners. Fr. John.

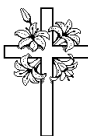
St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel

Daily Hours: 7am-7pm

Open Hours:

Thursdays: 3pm Fridays: 5pm Saturdays: 12pm

Come and spend an hour with Jesus this Lent! Spending time in adoration is a wonderful Lenten practice. Call Irene de Repentigny, Chapel Coordinator at 622-7775 for more information.

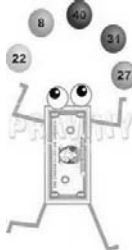


Please remember in your prayers **Richard Bordeleau** who was called to his eternal rest and the glory of the Resurrection promised by the Lord. May the Holy Spirit bring peace and comfort to his loved ones.

Learning to Live a Contemplative Way of Life Through Centering Prayer

All are invited to attend this workshop on Sat. Feb. 24 from 9am-1pm in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Hall, 180 Loudon Rd. in Concord NH. Donation: \$10. Learn the methods and principles of centering prayer - its history, psychology, and theology. Info: centeringprayerconcordnh@gmail.com

300 Club Week 13:



- #96 Alice Mantegani;
- #178 Isabelle Delehanty;
- #201 Leonard Houde;
- #206 Michael & Diane Houle and #257 Sr. Anne

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.



Spaghetti Dinner
The Cub Scouts will host a spaghetti dinner next Saturday, February 17 at 5pm in the church hall.