



**Saturday, January 24 - 4:00pm**

*William O'Brien* - requested by his wife Barbara

**Sunday, January 25 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**7:00am**

*Leonard Keenan, birthday remembrance* - requested by the family

**10:30am**

*Helen & Thomas Donohue* - requested by the Donohue family

**Monday, January 26 - 8:30am**

*For the souls in purgatory*

**Tuesday, January 27 - 8:30am**

*Roger Bouchard, birthday remembrance* - requested by Lisa & Michael Siraco

**Wednesday, January 28**

- No Mass -

**Thursday, January 29 - 8:30am**

*Francoise Choinard*—requested by her family

**Friday, January 30 - 8:30am**

*The Timmerman & Volk families*

**Saturday, January 31 - 4:00pm**

*Helen Williams* - requested by Natalie& Larry Welch

**Sunday, February 1 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**7:00am**

*Deceased members of the Fosher family*

**10:30am**

*Lauretta Demers, birthday remembrance* - requested by Andy



In today's Gospel, Jesus moves His residence. He leaves Nazareth where he lived for so many years with His parents. Now He goes to live in Capernaum. This city was by the sea, as it attracted many new visitors from all parts of the then-known world. I visited Capernaum years ago while on pilgrimage. I was fascinated to stand in the old temple, which is run down now, but was the original building Jesus preached His first homily in. I imagined standing on a spot that either Jesus stood, or a spot where others listened to Him preach. Jesus got into a lot of conflict while He lived and ministered in this new city. We may wonder why He would leave the security of Nazareth His hometown, and His own family, to live in a busy, confused, and unwelcoming city? The Gospel of today gives us the reason. It says that this city was a city of great darkness. But now that Jesus was living there, "the people who sit in darkness, will have seen a great light." Whenever Jesus goes into a place of darkness, it immediately turns into a place of great light. Isn't it true that when Jesus goes into the dark places of our hearts, He uses His power to change the darkness He finds into places of light. Perhaps in your life right this moment, there is a feeling of great darkness. This is not just a case of feeling winter-time blues. It is a time that we recognize how we have not lived up to our calling as disciples, and we can become quite discouraged. But when we turn to the Scriptures, we find great hope. Because Jesus willingly enters the darkness of our hearts and shines His love brightly upon us. As we enter this new season of ordinary Time, God's light has shined upon us here at Blessed Sacrament. As you may have heard, the old school building was sold by the Diocese. Recognizing that there are many of our neighbors who live in the "darkness" of being unhoused, due to their inability to pay the lease; or, they have become victims of fire; or they have lost jobs and have insufficient income for the rent. They are living in darkness. There are many good families that have no place to live for whatever has caused this situation. The Diocese has sold the building to a reputable, not-for-profit organization called "My Brother's Place." They have been working with the church in NH since 2019, to help people who have become poor and unhoused. I think it is wonderful that they selected Blessed Sacrament parish as their hopeful place to build housing – also, where Jesus can help turn many people's darkness into light. I will give you more details as time goes on, but I do feel that God is smiling on our parish for our willingness to help the poor – and for this we will be given many graces! ~ Fr. John

**Due to the impending storm, the Secular Franciscans are postponing their meeting this Sunday until next Sunday, February 1 at 11:30am.**

**January 17 & 18, 2026**

**Weekend Offertory**

Envelopes	\$1,065.00
Loose	\$ 690.62
Electronic Offering	\$1,282.00
Mailed in Offertory:	\$ 410.00
<b>Total Offertory:</b>	<b>\$3,447.62</b>

**General Fund**

Adoration Chapel: \$30.00 Candles: \$41.00

**Outreach Fund**

St. Anthony Bread for the Poor: \$105.00  
 Food Pantry: \$-0- - in memory of D. Foss: \$250.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish which helps us to live out the Gospel message to love and serve one another. We are also very grateful for the weekly food donations we receive both for the food pantry and our homeless ministry. We are humbled and blessed by your generosity. May God continue to bless all of you and our Blessed Sacrament family.



**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. We also pray for: Esther Shea, Mark P, Joe Carnevale, David Rattigan, Taylor Wright, Irene Allard, Donna Mullen, Christine Wood, Joseph Belliveau, Jaime Dupuis, MTS, Paul St. Jean, BRD, Krissy B., Moe Labbe, RFG, Keith & William, Bill Puglisi, Chloe, Georgia Gancarz, Judy Sullivan, Bob Theodorou, Gerry & Barbara Zahn, Ray Pascua, Mark Siraco, Merlena & Albert Ancheta, Dave & Sharon Brock, Jonathan Camire Jr., Savannah, Acilda Dachowski, Jeannine Larochele, Christine, Gail Lemieux, Mary Ann Pank, Debi Ford, Allan Charest, Rachel Hamel, Norma Lemire, Claire Smith, Dan, Gary Wood, Patricia & Collette O'Connor, Steve Webster, Joseph, DRV, Audrey Baker, DRV, Ken West, Richard Mendolia, Delia Huertas, Michael Sufat, Tylia Racicot, Brian & Amy Wiggin, Janice Beaudin and Bella Donoso.



**PARISH LEADERSHIP**

**PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

St. Anthony Food Pantry	
Patrick Gilmartin	770-4262
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	315-7623
Shoes For Kids/General Outreach	
Lisa Siraco	622-5445
St. Anne's Closet (clothing for children)	
Parish Office	622-5445

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

Adoration Chapel	
Lisa Siraco	622-5445
Scouts of America	
Ron St. Cyr	622-8182
Finance Committee	
Bill Handy	
Parish Prayer Line	
Gemma Houde	668-3993
Pastoral Council	
Tracey Adams	
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
OCIA	
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	622-5445
Secular Franciscan Order	
John Proulx, OFS	232-0588
Youth Group	
Ellen Vigneault	867-8881
Ezer Spiritual Ministry	
Charlotte Pratte	622-0595

**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

**Ezer Spiritual Ministry**

The mystics remind us that no one can take away our peace. It resides deep within us and is always available. In the Christian tradition, this inner peace comes to us through Christ, who dwells within each of us. Jesus takes away the sin that separates us from God and restores us to our divine nature through our inheritance as God's children.

We will renew our understanding of Centering Prayer as taught in the tradition of Christian contemplative prayer. This offering is for anyone wishing to deepen or renew their connection to Centering Prayer, as well as for those who are new to the practice. For more information, please call Charlotte at (603) 622-0595



**St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel**  
**NEW HOURS:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9am - 7pm  
Saturdays: 9am-7pm  
**LIVESTREAMED 24/7 on our website**

**OPEN HOURS: Temporary Opening Feb/March: Tuesdays 1pm**  
We always need substitutes! Please call Lisa in the office if you'd like more information.

*"The Eucharist is my highway to heaven." — St. Carlo Acutis*

Anyone can visit Jesus in the Eucharist when our chapel is opened; you don't have to be an assigned adorer. If you've never been to our chapel, we encourage you to come and visit. Our world needs prayers, our hearts need the Eucharist

*This Week*

**Saturday, January 24**

- \* Adoration Chapel, 9am - 7pm
- \* Game Night, 5pm, hall

**Monday, January 26**

- \* B & G Scouts, 6:30pm, hall

**Tuesday, January 27**

- \* Devotion to St. Anthony, 9am
- \* Adoration Chapel, Open 9am - 7pm

**Wednesday, January 28**

- \* St. Anne's Closet, closed today
- \* Food Pantry, 1-3pm, hall

**Thursday, January 29**

- \* Adoration Chapel, Open 9am - 7pm
- \* Prayer Shawl Ministry, 9am, hall
- \* Cub Scouts, 6:30pm, hall

**Friday, January 30**

- \* Office Closed
- \* Ezer Ministry, 6:30pm, hall

**Saturday, January 31**

- \* Adoration Chapel, 9am - 7pm

**Sunday, February 1**

- \* Family Faith Formation, 9am
- \* Secular Franciscans, 11:30am-3pm

**300 Club:**

The 300 Club is a "painless" way for parishioners to support the parish yet contribute to one of our most valuable fundraisers. Upon joining the club, you will receive a number. You pay \$20 for 20 weeks (\$1 each week) – to retain this number. Each week, for 20 weeks, five \$10 winners are drawn. On the 21<sup>st</sup> week, the Grand Drawing is held and \$1,800.00 in prizes in these amounts are awarded to the lucky winners: \$500, \$400, \$300, \$200, \$100, 4-\$50's & 5-\$20's. This club generates about \$12,000 annually if we have a full club of 300 parishioners. \$3,800 is given back to you, the club members, and \$8,200 stays with the parish to help pay expenses. If you'd like to become a member and receive your lucky number, please call one of the **Captains:** Lisa (parish office) 622-5445, Gloria Pilotte 623-8173, or Terry Sylvain 669-2582. If you would like to help and become a Captain, call the parish office and we'll explain the process.

**Finance Committee**

*Fr. John is seeking new members to be part of the Parish Finance Council. The role of the Finance Council is to advise the pastor of issues of finance and maintenance of parish property and buildings. The term is for three years. The Finance Council meets once every two months usually on a Tuesday evening, from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. If you are interested, please contact Fr. John; he would prefer that you send him your resume if you are seriously interested in serving on this council.*



We remember **Roger Bouchard** who was called to his eternal rest and to the glory of the Resurrection promised by our Lord. *"Grant him eternal rest, O Lord, and may your light shine on him forever. Amen"*

We offer our prayers and condolences to his family and all his loved ones.

**New Hampshire Homeland Security & Emergency Management** has issued a freezing warning for this weekend. Please be safe, stay inside and check on elderly family, neighbors and pets.

