



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 27

4:00pm

Armand Demers - requested by Larry & Lorraine Labore

6:00pm

Diane Provost - requested by Muriel Menken

Sunday, February 28 Second Sunday of Lent

7:00am

Dolores Ostrowski - requested by Natalie & Larry Welch

10:30am

John McNeill - requested by his mother, Mary

Monday, March 1 - 8:30am

Anita Brasley - requested by Irene de Repentigny

Tuesday, March 2 - 8:30am

Aurelien St. Pierre - requested by Priscilla & Gerry Tanguay

Wednesday, March 3

- No Mass -

Thursday, March 4 - 8:30am

Fr. John Bavaro, ofm - requested by Irene de Repentigny

Friday, March 5 - 8:30am

Marcel Pinard - requested by his wife Rita

Saturday, March 6

4:00pm

Tom Leveandowski - requested by his wife

6:00pm

Fr. John Bavaro, ofm - requested by Joe & Joanne Germano

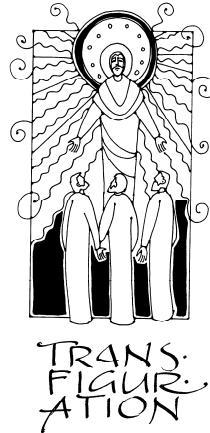
Sunday, March 7 Third Sunday of Lent

7:00am

Lorraine Sullivan - requested by the family

10:30am

Bob Bolduc - requested by a friend



Back at the time when St. Francis of Assisi was forming his new way of life, the townspeople noticed that the saint and his followers never made their home in a monastery. They saw how these friars would move from place to place preaching the Gospel, helping the people wherever they went, and making their home underneath the stars. One man went up to St. Francis and asked him: "Sir, but where is your monastery? Where do you live?" Francis with a wave of his hand answered that the whole world was his monastery. For he trusted so much in God's Providence and in the beauty of creation that he felt "at home" where God would send him and his brothers. Thus began the Franciscan movement in the Church. The first friars had no houses, no money, few possessions; and yet they were totally joyful! For they knew that Christ was walking with them and providing for their needs. They wore a tattered brown robe and kept what little they had in their nine pockets. (By the way, the next time you see me try to guess where my Franciscan habit/robe has its nine pockets! If you guess correctly, there may be a prize waiting for you!). This attitude of trust in God's Providence is what today's Gospel is about. It is the Gospel story of the Transfiguration of Jesus. When St. Peter experienced how beautiful God is through Christ's light shining through Him, something lit up inside of Peter. He said, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents!" In other words, Peter was willing to make his own home where Christ was because he felt a deep joy and peace of soul with Jesus. And that is our hope as well as we enter into the Season of Lent. For we know that as much as we may enjoy our own homes and houses, nothing can compare to being at home with Christ! I am not just speaking about waiting until afterlife or heaven; I am speaking about the present moment of our lives. Lent is a sacred time when we rediscover Christ walking before us, Christ being above us, Christ being behind us, and Christ living within us. When we can experience this, we will have discovered our true home: not a place, but a deep sense of peace. No matter what life might throw at us right now, no obstacle can ever prevent us from feeling that we have finally found our home: it is in and with Christ. Let Him transfigure your heart and bring you His light and peace!

~ Fr. John



Living the Faith: "If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." ~ Saint Teresa of Calcutta

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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: Acilda Dachowski, David Rattigan, Bert Beaudette, Lorraine Turcotte, Mark Shackelford, Lucille Frederique, Andy W., Rachel Lambert, Melinda Coates, Ryan Shelley, Joe Germano, Michael Bergeron, Paula Cote, Barbara Thurston, Mark Siraco, Heather Spice, Kevin Devlin, Agnes Vaal, Steve Donohue, Guy Puglisi, Frank Moulin, John Shackelford, Karen Vaughen and Bob Allard.

St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel

Open: Tuesdays, 9am - 6pm

We welcome Adorers to our chapel. Seating will be limited to just 5 people to ensure 6ft social distance spacing. The inside door will stay open to allow proper ventilation. There is an air purifier in the chapel as well. The same protocols we follow for Mass will be used: masks are mandatory, and sanitize your hands before/after entering. We have removed all worship aids & rosaries, so please bring your own. Each adorer will be instructed on how to sanitize their chair and kneeler when they leave. For this to work, we will need all the Adorer's to help. If you would like to sign up for a particular Tuesday hour, please call Irene, Chapel Coordinator at 622-7775.



PARISH LEADERSHIP

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

St. Anthony Food Pantry	
Beverly Bergeron	769-7816
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	315-7623
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)	
Parish Office	622-5445
Parish Elderly Ministry	
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	622-5445

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	
Ron Latouche	396-5168
Youth Group	
Ellen Vigneault	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

February 20 & 21, 2021

Weekend Offertory

Envelopes	\$1,098.00
Loose	\$ 312.16
Electronic Offering	\$ 947.00
Mailed in Offertory:	\$1,767.00
Total Offertory:	\$4,124.16

Special Collections

Fuel/Energy: \$378.00

We are incredibly grateful to all our parishioners who continue to give at Mass, mail in their offertory envelopes or have joined the online giving community. Your offertory allows us to keep the parish up to date on our bills such as, salaries, maintenance, insurances and utilities. Thank you!

General Parish Fund

Candles: \$39.00

Outreach Fund

St. Anthony Bread for the Poor: \$96.50
- Covid 19 Relief/aid: \$1,000.00

Food Pantry: \$-0-



This Week

Monday, March 1

* Lenten Series, 6:30pm, church

Tuesday, March 2

* Adoration Chapel, Open 9am - 6pm

Wednesday, March 3

* Food Pantry, 1-3pm, church hall

* St. Anne's Closet, 1-3pm

Friday, March 5

* Stations of the cross, 9am & 6:30pm



300 Club - Week 12

- #4 Muriel Menken
- #31 Henri Chalifour
- #84 Lorraine Labore
- #134 Barbara Cody
- #198 Anna Paige

Congratulations!

Captains: Lisa (in the parish office) 622-5445/ H: 668-6506, Donna Mullen 669-8344; Gloria Pilotte 623-8173, or Terry Sylvain 669-2582.

Parish Lenten Program

During Lent, please join Fr. John on Monday nights for our Lenten series which will include scripture reading, reflections from *I Heard God Laugh* (books still available & free) and end with the rosary. This will be held in the church at 6:30pm and will also be livestreamed on our website.



Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays at 9am & 6:30pm, also livestreamed.

All livestreamed events will be archived on our website if you can't join us "live".

Bishop Libasci's Lenten Series

This Lenten Season, Bishop Libasci draws us near to Creation, to find God both in the trees, lakes and mountains of New Hampshire and the Bible. To view all of the Bishop's Lenten videos, visit www.cahtolicnh.org.

Entering the Desert with Jesus: Lent in a Time of Pandemic

Lent is that privileged time of the year when "the Church unites herself...to the mystery of Jesus in the desert" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 540). During the season of Lent, we join Jesus in His fast in the desert by our own acts of penance, and by this union with Him, we share in His triumph over the temptations that He experienced at the hands of the devil.

This past year has felt like one extended Lenten season; many people have experienced challenges due to the pandemic and the time of isolation and quarantine that comes with it. Join the NH Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and Fr. Ryan Amazeen as we explore how the traditional disciplines of Lent can help us to overcome some of the temptations associated with the difficulties of a pandemic, and how the circumstances of the pandemic can deepen our Lenten experience.

Each participant will receive the Zoom link once their e-mail address is registered. If you have any questions, please contact Alyse Hlasny at ahlasny@rcbm.org or at (603) 663-0108.

