



Saturday, September 5 - 4:00pm

Diane Demers, birthday remembrance - requested by her husband Andy Demers

Sunday, September 6 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:00am

Sharyn Kelley - requested by Shannon Levandowski

10:30am

Francoise Choinard - requested by the family

Monday, September 7 - 8:30am

Delia Huertas - requested by her family

Tuesday, September 8 - 8:30am

Ferm Pio - requested by her sister Lucie

Wednesday, September 9

NO MASS

Thursday, September 10 - 8:30am

Delia Huertas - requested by the family

Friday, September 11 - 8:30am

Grace Levandowski - requested by Shannon Levandowski

Saturday, September 12 - 4:00pm

Stephen Siraco, birthday remembrance - requested by Michael & Lisa Siraco

Sunday, September 13 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:00am

Patricia Shangraw - requested by Kathryn & Ryan Wityak

10:30am

Susan Mary Keeffe - requested by Lisa & Michael Siraco



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, Jaime Dupuis, MTS, Paul St. Jean, BRD, Krissy B., Moe Labbe, RFG, Bill Puglisi, Chloe, Georgia Gancarz, Judy Sullivan, Bob Theodorou, Barbara Zahn, Ray Pascua, Mark Siraco, Merlena & Albert An-cheta, Dave & Sharon Brock, Jonathan Camire Jr., Savannah, Acilda Dachowski, Jeannine Larochelle, Gail Lemieux, Norma Lemire, Claire Smith, Dan, Patricia & Collette O'Connor, Joseph, Audrey Baker, Ken West, Richard Mendolia, Michael Sufat, Tylia Racicot, Allan & Kathy Charest, Janice Beaudin, Bella Donoso, Christine Vigneault, Pauline Cote, Susan Czajka, Rick Boisjolie, Pauline Lavigne, Jim Sullivan, Brody, Eric Rollins, Ray Bergeron, Terry Sylvain, Rita Montpelier, Maurice Allard, Priscilla & Bob St. Gelais, Sandra Hogan, Claudette Blais, Lillian B. and Joanne Brokaw.



Many years ago, I was on retreat with many people, not just clergy. As we got to know each other, and as the director got to know us, we learned that we all shared something in common: we believed that we were all coming up short as far as becoming good enough disciples of the Lord. No one felt that they were perfect enough, which was the quiet feeling everyone felt, but found it hard to admit. Everybody either assumed or learned earlier in life that to get closer to God we were required to go beyond our own human limitations, unable to accept ourselves as we really were. After the kind and wise retreat director brought this to light for us, he smiled wryly and said: "Do you know what true faith is? It is to accept God's acceptance of us." And then he added, and to accept yourself just the way you have been made in God's image and likeness. In today's 2nd reading to the Romans, St. Paul instructs the disciples that when you love another person, you must start by loving yourself. For if you don't start loving yourself first, you won't fully love your neighbor. Paul makes a powerful follow-up: he says this is the whole law! Wow! As disciples, we seek many lesser laws while omitting this major one. You can't imagine how many times I have heard people saying to me with great fear things like: "Father, I missed Mass last Sunday because I was sick in bed. Is that a mortal sin?" We've embraced a fear-based approach to God; not one of Him being our loving Father. This past week we celebrated the feast of the great St. Augustine who learned the hard way in his own life that love of neighbor and of self, was the foundation of our love for God. With great sadness toward the end of his life he wrote his apology to God: "Late have I loved thee, O Beauty ever ancient, ever new, late have I loved you!... You breathed Your fragrance on me; I drew in breath and now I pant for you. I have tasted You, now I hunger and thirst for more. You touched me, and I burned for your peace." Does this sound like a demanding Father, or a lover who hungers for God's love? I pray that one day we soon grasp this message and toss away our perfectionism. I hope we don't wait until our spiritual life ages us out! ~ Fr. John



Our Family & Faith Formation classes will be starting on Sunday, September 20, 2026 for grades K-8. Registration forms have been mailed to those that participated in Faith Formation last year. If you are new to the parish or if your child is now ready to attend classes, please call the parish office and we will mail you a registration packet.

August 29 & 30, 2026

Weekend Offertory

Envelopes \$1,360.00
Loose \$ 825.00
Electronic Offertory \$ 735.00
Mailed in Offertory: \$ 610.00
Total Offertory: \$3,530.00

General Fund

Adoration Chapel: \$-0-
Candles: \$44.00



Outreach Fund

St. Anthony Bread for the Poor: \$134.00
Food Pantry: \$500.00
- in memory of the Vincent & Puglisi families: \$100.00

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.

PARISH LEADERSHIP

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

St. Anthony Food Pantry	
Patrick Gilmartin	770-4262
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	622-5445
Liturgical Ministers	
(Eucharist Lectors, Altar Servers)	622-5445
Memorial Meals	
Gloria Pilotte	623-8173
Terry Sylvain	669-2582
Prayer Shawl Ministry	
Diane Sufat	622-5445
Religious Education (Gr. K-8)	
Martha & Steve Donohue	627-4868
OCIA	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

St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel

CHAPEL HOURS: Tuesdays, Thursdays,
Fridays & Saturdays
9am - 7pm

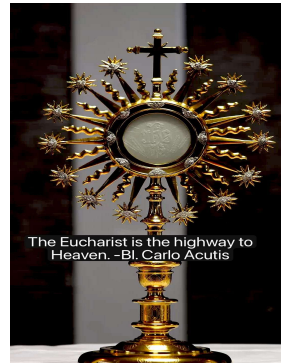
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**OPEN HOURS: TUESDAYS 10am; THURSDAYS 10am & 1pm;
FRIDAYS: 1pm**

Starting in October, we will have 2 new open hours as our parish-ioners are moving to Florida. Please consider offering one hour a week to Jesus in Adoration. It will be the best hour of your week. If you can't commit to every week, please consider becoming a substitute.

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. You will feel great peace while sitting in the chapel.

"If I can give you any advice, I beg you to get closer to the Eucharist...We must pray to Jesus to give us that tenderness of the Eucharist. ~ St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



St. Pius X invites you to their Annual Parish Fair the week-end of September 11-13. The parish is located at 575 Candia Rd. Highlights include: Penny

Sale, Basket Raffle, large selection of baked goods, a book sale, puzzle room and a food tent! The Hours are as follow:

9/11: 3pm-7pm

9/12: 9am-4pm

9/13: 9:30am-12:30pm



This Week

Saturday, September 5

* Adoration Chapel, Open 9am - 7pm

Monday, September 7

* Office Closed, Labor Day

* SFA Council Meeting, 11am, hall

Tuesday, September 8

* Devotion to St. Anthony after Mass

* Adoration Chapel, Open 9am - 7pm

Wednesday, September 9

* St. Anne's Closet, 10am - 12pm

* Food Pantry, 1-3pm

Thursday, September 10

* Adoration Chapel, Open 9am - 7pm

* Social Committee Meeting, 1pm, hall

* Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30pm, friary

Friday, September 11

* Office Closed

* Adoration Chapel, Open 9am - 7pm

Saturday, September 12

* Adoration Chapel, Open 9am - 7pm

Sunday, September 13

* Parish Picnic, 11:30am, back lot

The Sacrament of Confirmation for Adults

This celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation is intended for any person who has received the Catholic Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, and First Eucharist and is prepared to receive Confirmation and has not been Confirmed. Reception of Confirmation completes the Sacraments of Initiation. Adults who meet all requirements are generally confirmed by the bishop at one of two celebrations held in the Diocese each year. This celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation includes teens, age 13 years and older, as well as adults. The Diocese offers preparation sessions for the sacrament and are only intended for Catholic adults, ages 18 years and older. **The sessions will be held over six consecutive evenings held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. this fall: October 6, 13, 15, 20, 22 and 27, 2026. These sessions will be offered in person at the Kolbe Center located at the Diocesan Administrative Building: 153 Ash Street Manchester, NH 03104 AND online via Teams synchronously taught by Kenneth Cramer.**

Participants in these sessions must be registered by their parishes by **Wednesday, September 30.**

One of our parishioners, Seong Kim, passed away. Kim, as he preferred to be called, came to NH from So. Korea, not knowing anyone here. He started attending Mass here and decided he wanted to become Catholic. Sr. Olivia Kidney, RSM, took him under her loving wings and guided him through the RCIA program. He has been a devout Catholic since. Not having any family or friends in the area, Blessed Sacrament became his family. Many parishioners befriended him and helped him through the years, especially those at the 10:30am Mass. His desire was to have a Catholic funeral here at Blessed Sacrament. If you would like to attend his funeral, it will be on Saturday, September 12th at 10am.



300 Club: Week 10

- # 5 Angel Cardinal
- # 24 Terry Sylvain
- # 31 Henri Chalifour
- # 63 Joanne Dupuis
- #120 Mark & Kathy Nadeau

Congratulations!

