

# 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 8, 2019

## UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYERLINE

The number to call for prayer requests, or if you wish to pray with us, is 622-2094.

## SCHEDULE OF CHRISTMAS MASSES

### CHRISTMAS EVE

4 pm Parish Choir (*Non-Incense Mass*)

4 pm School Gym  
piano/cantor

6 pm Children Choir/Pageant  
(*Non-Incense Mass*)

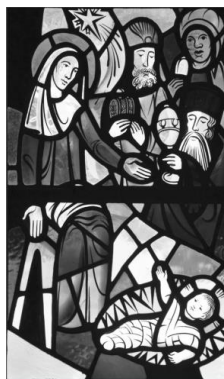
### MIDNIGHT MASS

Parish Choir

### CHRISTMAS MORNING

9 am organ/piano/cantor

11:00 am organ/piano/cantor



“...and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

## CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

St. Catherine has again this year volunteered to provide Christmas gifts to St. Joseph Community Service and Our Place. For St. Joseph Community Service, take a tag, take a bag, fill with the requested items and return by Sunday, **December 8**. For Our Place, take a tag, purchase the requested item, wrap and affix the tag to the outside of the package and return by Sunday, **December 15**. Thank you, your support is greatly appreciated by these agencies who provide for the people of our community!

## ADOPT A FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS 2019

Catholic Charities has provided our parish with a list of deserving families that would like to give their loved ones a wonderful Christmas. If you are interested in helping, please contact the rectory. Unwrapped gifts are due back the week of **December 8**.

## FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT – DECEMBER 13

Please join us on Friday **December 13** as your Knights of Columbus Marian Council 5748 presents a Family Movie Night for the Christmas Season. We will show "It's a Wonderful Life" at 7 PM in the Church hall and children are welcome to bring sleeping bags and pajamas. Popcorn and juice will be provided.

## LESSONS AND CAROLS

Please join us Sunday, **December 8** at 4 p.m. for our Service of Lessons and Carols. This service has its origin at Truro Cathedral on Christmas Eve in 1880. The heart of the service continues to this day: the retelling of the Christians' story of faith from the fall of Adam to the coming of the Word Incarnate.

## CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

It that time of the year! We are looking for children to participate in our annual Christmas Pageant during the 6 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve. The children should be between ages 4 - 10, and there are no spoken parts. There will be two 45-minute rehearsals one on Tues. Dec. 17 and Thurs. Dec. 19 at 6:15 we will meet in the church hall. Please contact Lisa Daugherty at [yff@scsnh.com](mailto:yff@scsnh.com) or 622-6264 if you are interested. We hope you will join us!

## SLICE OF THE PIE GRAND DRAWING WINNERS

Congratulations to our Slice of the Pie Grand Drawing winners: Michael & Kathleen Rice: \$2,000; Sue Vachon: \$1,500; Karen McKallagat: \$500; Robert & Sue Willey: \$250 and Louis Jolin: \$250. Michael and Kathleen Rice gave back \$1,000 for the parish truck fund! Congratulations to all!



## WOMEN'S GROUP ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be no Women's Group meeting in December. Our Christmas Social will take its place. Our meetings will resume on Wednesday, **January 8**. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

We will celebrate two Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, **December 9** at 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. in the Church.

## MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

The Men of St. Joseph will be meeting Saturday, **December 14** for Mass at 8 a.m., to be followed by the rosary. A full breakfast will follow in the parish hall with a guest speaker. Any adult male is invited. Contact Ron Latouche OFS at 669-2674 with questions.

## **INTERFAITH WOMEN OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Interfaith Women of NH invites all women for a night of "Holiday Joy" on **December 9** at 6:45 p.m. The Event features local young women speaking about celebrating their favorite faith based holiday. Presentations may include music and visuals. St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral is hosting the event at 650 Hanover Street, Manchester NH 03104. The venue is handicap accessible. Refreshments follow the program. The presenters: Anna Hutchinson, Mormon – Christmas; Avia Sangron, Jewish- Purim; Hasna Kara, Islam – Ramadan; and, Mackenzie Murphy, Catholic: Easter. Please register by email at: [interfaithwomenNH@gmail.com](mailto:interfaithwomenNH@gmail.com) or call 603-233-7760. Check in begins at 6:15 p.m. See the website <https://interfaithwomennh.org> for additional information.



### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT**

**November 23/24, 2019**

**Checks: \$ 6,565.00**  
**Cash: \$ 1,910.00**  
**E-Give: \$ 1,672.00**  
**Total: \$10,147.00**

**Campaign for Human Development: \$755.00**  
**Average October Weekly Collection: \$9,607.68**  
**Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$10,600**

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT**

**November 30/December 1, 2019**

**Checks: \$ 6,894.10**  
**Cash: \$ 2,182.00**  
**E-Give: \$ 1,542.00**  
**Total: \$10,618.10**

**Monthly Mortgage: \$1,369.00**  
**Average October Weekly Collection: \$9,607.68**  
**Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$10,600 ;00**

## **PARISH FAIR – THANK YOU!**

Thanks to all who helped make this year's Parish Fair a huge success: Fr. Chris, Nick Eremita, Patty Skoglund, Regina Skoglund, Jay & Louise Lachance, Daryl & Kara Forsythe, Sr. Jeannette, Steve & Isabella Soule, Dick & Diana Glennon, the Labrecque Family, the Knights of Columbus, Bill Tickler, Aroline Godbout, Joanne Olson, Marlene Foye, Judy Vitale, Goldenrod Restaurant, Barbara Raulerson, the Lemay Family, Karen Brockway, the SCS teachers and staff that worked the Toy Store, volunteers during the fair, anyone who helped with the setup and cleanup, and all who attended and spent money! We netted **over \$25,000!**

## **THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-12**

John the Baptist prepares the way for Jesus. Clothed in a garment of camel's hair, he baptizes the people in the Jordan River, but warns the Pharisees in ringing tones that they must give evidence that they mean to reform.



<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 7</b>
8:00	PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE
4:00	LARRY & PAUL VACHON by Sue DR. CHERI CAMACHO by the Camacho & Riccio Families
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 8</b>
7:30	VIRGINIA & ROBERT FLYNN; MARILYN & JOHN LETVINCHUK by the families FRANCIS X. SCHULTZ by his daughter, Nancy
9:00	JOSEPH & JUDITH F. MCDONOUGH by the family KAREN POZA by Mike & Mary Allen CAROL BOUCHER by her husband, Paul CATHERINE CONNELLY & MARY WARREN by Kathleen Malatras & Maureen Comey
11:00	

### **MONDAY – THURSDAY – Morning Prayer 8:30 am**

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 9</b>
9:00	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
5:30	EDWARD H. KLUFTS by Anita Grignon PAUL ERICKSON AND RITA PRINCE
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 10</b>
9:00	BEATRICE DAHLQUIST by the Dahlquist Trust SPECIAL INTENTION
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 11</b>
9:00	ST. DAMASUS I, Pope DECEASED TALMONT FAMILY MEMBERS by the Beal Family EDWARD H. KLUFTS by the family
<b>9:30 – 5 p.m. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT</b>	
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 12</b>
9:00	OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE AJ & THERESE TROTTA by Rita Hungler SPECIAL INTENTION
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 14</b>
8:00	PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE
4:00	LARRY VACHON by his daughter, Sue STANLEY GRANT by AJ & Therese Trotta
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 15</b>
7:30	JUNE DAY by Gus & Claire MAURICE & DORIS VACHON by Rich & Diane Hebert
9:00	WALTER & MADELINE SWIST by the family FR. BERNIE CAMPBELL
11:00	RICHARD SMITH by the family

**THE TABERNACLE CANDLE IS FOR THE SOULS OF CATHERINE CONNELLY & MARY CONNELLY WARREN by Kathleen Malatras & Maureen Comey**

## **CHRISTMAS FAIR FOLLOW UP MEETING**

There will be a meeting with those that helped plan this year's fair on **December 9** at 7 pm at the school.

## **ST CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS**

### **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Mark your calendar for the annual Christmas concert(s) on Tuesday, Dec. 10. Pre-K through Gr. 2 will perform a variety of Christmas songs at 11:30 a.m. At 6 p.m., we will hear Band and Advanced Band perform, listen to Christmas songs from all students in Gr. 3-6, and watch the drama club presentation of the nativity play.

### **SAVE THE DATE - SCS AUCTION**

Mark your calendar for our annual auction fundraiser on **Saturday, April 4** at the Derryfield Country Club, Manchester.

### **KEEP KIDS SAFE – AWAY FROM HOME**

As children become older, parents are able to drop them off at activities and return later to pick them up. When you are ready to take this step, do not hesitate to ask the following questions: Do at least 2 adults supervise the children at all times? \* Does your organization conduct background checks? \* Does your organization provide training to adults? \* Do adults and minors have separate restroom facilities? \* Are isolated areas locked or restricted?

For more information about child safety, visit [www.catholicnh.org/safety](http://www.catholicnh.org/safety)

### **PROJECT RACHEL**

If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential non-judgmental help is available: call Project Rachel's national toll-free number: 888-456-HOPE or visit [www.hopeafterabortion.org](http://www.hopeafterabortion.org).

### **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

All are invited to a Christmas Concert at St. Raphael Church with Marie-Line Morin on Sunday, **December 29** at 2 p.m. Come experience the meaning of *Christmas* at this concert where Christ, whose birthday we are celebrating, is presented as the only response to our desires. With a variety of songs like *Hallelujah* (Cohen), *Mary Did You Know* (Lowry), *What Child is This* or *O Holy Night*, Marie-Line brings to light what it means for us today that Jesus, the incarnation of the Father, was born to our world 2000 years ago.

### **JESUS' BIRTHDAY PARTY**

All are welcome to join us after the 9 am Mass on **December 22** in the hall for a Birthday celebration for Jesus. We will have cake, crafts for the kids and story time.

### **2020 CALENDARS**

Thanks to Phaneuf Funeral Home for providing us with the beautiful 2020 religious art calendars. We appreciate their continued support to this parish.

## **CMC PARISH NURSE NEWS**

The Parish Nurse is at St. Catherine Church Hall every Wednesday from 11 a.m. to Noon.

### **SPECIAL PROGRAMS (FREE)**

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

Immaculate Conception, Nashua, **December 21**, 10-N

### **ONGOING PROGRAMS**

#### **CHAIR EXERCISE CLASSES (FREE)**

**Tuesdays** at St. Elizabeth Seton, Bedford, 9

**Wednesdays** at Congregation Church of Goffstown, 10

**Thursdays** at Transfiguration, 9:30

#### **KNITTING GROUP**

**Tuesdays** at Transfiguration, 1 – 2:45

#### **SHINE**

A senior support group offering sociability, education, nutritious food and exercise.

**Wednesdays** at St. Matthews Episcopal, Goffstown, 10:30-11:45

#### **SENIOR FITNESS (FREE)**

**Tuesdays** at Transfiguration, 8:45 – 10:30

## **YOUTH GROUP NEWS**

Youth Group begins at 5:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. As always, feel free to bring a friend!

### **December 8: High School Only**

Lessons and Carols and more!

### **December 15: Everyone**

Christmas party. Dinner: Potluck

### **December 21: High School Only**

Movie and babysitting

### **January 4 (Saturday): Everyone**

Join us as we visit La Salette Shrine

### **January 12: Everyone**

Do we have balance in our lives? It is tricky with all the demands we have. Dinner: salad and chicken

### **January 19: Everyone**

Movie night

### **January 26: High School Only**

Balance in all we do. It is hard to achieve, especially once we are involved in relationships

### **February 2: Everyone**

Kindness is the fruit of the spirit! Who is the best example of this in your life? Dinner: breakfast

### **February 9: High School Only**

Babysitting

### **February 16: Everyone**

Help prepare and serve dinner for your families! You will show them kindness. Dinner: for your parents

### **February 23: TBD**