

# *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph*

## December 29, 2019

### **UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYERLINE**

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

### **HOLY FAMILY PRAYER**

Holy Family of Nazareth, make our family one with you.  
Help us to be instruments of peace.

Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass.

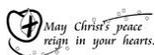
May we always have God at the center of our hearts  
And homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with you. Amen

### **NEW INDEPENDENT LIVING IN WINDHAM**

Searles Place at Warde, a faith-focused Catholic Charities NH Independent Living Community for people 62+, is now accepting reservations for January occupancy. Featuring 1 & 2 bedroom, open-concept apartments, it is located at the Warde Healthcare Campus, which offers a continuum of care options. Residents have inside access to Mass in the onsite chapel Monday through Thursday and Sunday, a Pastoral care Director and many other services and amenities. For more information, please call 603-845-1664 or email: [SearlesPlace@nh-cc.org](mailto:SearlesPlace@nh-cc.org) or log onto [SearlesPlace.com](http://SearlesPlace.com).

### **PRAYING ON PENNACOOK STREET**

The number of women showing up at Planned Parenthood for surgical abortions continues to dwindle. At 10 am sidewalk counselors talked to a woman leaving PP. She said she had an appointment for a surgical abortion but didn't have any money. She said PP agreed to "waive" the \$550.00 fee for the abortion but insisted she pay \$125.00 for connected services. Counselors walked her up to the Pennacook Pregnancy Center to get her connected with resources for housing and to meet her needs so she feels confident about continuing her pregnancy. She has been "clean" from drugs for a year and wants "to be a mother," as her first two children were adopted. Please pray she accepts the assistance offered to her. It was 4 pm when the abortionist went outside and said to the counselors, "You can go home now. It's all done." She then went for a jog down Elm Street. For more information about the life-affirming Pennacook Pregnancy Center, visit [www.pennacookpregnancy.org](http://www.pennacookpregnancy.org).



### **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.

### **DO YOU HAVE A VOCATION CALLING?**

"When Joseph awoke he did as the angel of the Lord directed him." Are you prayerfully vigilant about discovering your vocation in Christ? Might He be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: [mmason@rcbm.org](mailto:mmason@rcbm.org).

### **A NEW YEAR'S PRAYER**

Lord, You make all things new.  
You bring hope alive in our hearts  
And cause our Spirits to be born again.  
Thank you for this new year,  
For all the potential it holds.  
Come and kindle in us  
A mighty flame

So that in our time, many will see the wonders of God  
And live forever to praise Your glorious name. Amen

### **WOMEN OF MARY**

Women of Mary will meet Saturday, **January 4**. Please join us for Mass at 8 a.m. followed by the rosary and a light breakfast. All women are welcome!

### **MEN OF ST. JOSEPH**

St. Catherine of Siena's Men of St. Joseph will be meeting Saturday, **January 11** for Mass at 8 a.m., followed by the rosary, a full breakfast, and a guest speaker. Any adult male is invited. For any questions, contact Ron Latouche OFS @ 603-669-2674.

### **K OF C MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

Are you interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in your faith and obtaining access to top-rated life insurance? Please consider joining our us! The Knights of Columbus Marian Council 5748 will be holding a membership drive the weekend of **December 28/29**. Please visit [www.kofc.org/en/join](http://www.kofc.org/en/join) for more information.



## **ELECTRONIC GIVING CAN BE FOR YOU**

Giving to St. Catherine Parish is just a few clicks away. Some of the benefits are:

1. You will simplify your life by using the same method to make your donations, even while you are away on vacation. It can also simplify your bookkeeping.
2. You will take a step of faith by deciding in advance to faithfully give to your church.

Visit <http://give.egive-usa.com/stcatherine> and sign up today. If you have any questions call Paul Proulx, a finance committee member, at 206-4370.

**THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT  
December 21/22, 2019  
Due to the Christmas holiday, collection  
information for December 21/22 will be in the next  
bulletin.**

## **MASSES FOR THE DECEASED**

It is a Catholic practice to have Masses said for the deceased. They have infinite value for the souls of the departed and bring comfort to those who survive their departed loved ones. You may arrange to have a mass said by calling the office at 622-4966.

## **MASS TIMES NATIONWIDE**

Nationwide Mass times and locations may be found online at [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org) or call 1-800-627-7846.

## **2019 DONOR SUBSTANTIATION**

For those parishioners who wish to have a statement of charitable contributions to Saint Catherine of Siena Parish for 2019, please call the office at 622-4966 and we will be happy to provide you with one. *Please note that we can only give you a statement of donations from the use of your envelopes or e-Give.*

## **COLLECTION ENVELOPES FOR 2020**

Everybody should have received their 2020 collection envelopes by now. If you haven't, please give the rectory a call at 622-4966.

## **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.

## **THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23**

An angel of the Lord, appearing in a dream to Joseph, urges him to flee with Jesus and Mary to Egypt to escape the murderous schemes of Herod. Later, in another dream, an angel tells Joseph to go with Jesus and Mary to a town called Nazareth in the region of Galilee, thus fulfilling the Scriptures: "He shall be called a Nazarean."

## *Mass Intentions*

<b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>	<b><u>DECEMBER 28</u></b>
4:00	EDNA & CARL MILES by Fredda & Dick Miles JOHN CRESTA by Margaret Cresta
<b><u>SUNDAY</u></b>	<b><u>DECEMBER 29</u></b>
7:30	DAVID J. ROYER, SR. by the family RAYMOND DEMERS by Sr. Janet Belcourt & Joe Grzymkowski
9:00	DIANE SOUCY by the family THERESA & ERNEST TROSKLI by their daughter, Janet
11:00	JOHN R. GRAND by his wife, Lorraine & family (4 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.) LOUISE MADORE by Leslie & Steve Goan

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

<b><u>MONDAY</u></b>	<b><u>DECEMBER 30</u></b>
9:00	PAUL ERICKSON & RITA PRINCE
<b><u>TUESDAY</u></b>	<b><u>DECEMBER 31</u></b>
9:00	ST. SYLVESTER I, Pope VIRGINIA & ROBERT FLYNN; MARILYN & JOHN LETVINCHUK
5:30	MADELINE SWIST & GEORGETTE GUERIN
<b><u>WEDNESDAY</u></b>	<b><u>JANUARY 1</u></b>
9:00	SOLEMNITY OF MARY ALYSSA SKOGLUND by Mom & Dad BEN & STEPHEN ROY by Gloria Roy
<b><u>THURSDAY</u></b>	<b><u>JANUARY 2</u></b>
9:00	STS. BASIL THE GREAT & GREGORY NAZIANZEN, Bishops FR. BERNIE CAMPBELL
<b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>	<b><u>JANUARY 4</u></b>
8:00	PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE
4:00	HENRY CORVARI by the Arrison Family NORMAN RAINVILLE by his friend, Danny
<b><u>SUNDAY</u></b>	<b><u>JANUARY 5</u></b>
7:30	GEORGE SHATFORD by his wife JEAN BARBAS by Brian & Dolly Nordle
9:00	EDWARD F. & EDWARD H. KLUFTS by the family CATHLEEN CERE by Carolyn Kirby
11:00	ROMEO LEMAY by the family (10 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

## **THE TABERNACLE CANDLE IS FOR THE SOUL OF RICHARD NAULT by his wife, Lorraine**

## **BIN FOR CLOTHING**

St. Vincent de Paul Society has placed a bin for donations of clothing located in the school parking lot adjacent to the rectory. Items accepted for the bin: gently used coats, clothing shoes, boots, hats, mittens, undergarments, socks, bedding, towels. No large items, please.

## **ST CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS**

### **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 – TECHNOLOGY TIPS: SOCIAL MEDIA**

Teens today (as well as adults!) spend a lot of time socializing online. A 2016 survey of 13-24 year olds indicated that the 5 most frequented social media sites are Snapchat, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and Kik, in that order. Other popular sites include YouTube, Pinterest, Vine, Tumblr, Oovoo, and Google Plus. Parents should familiarize themselves with these sites/apps, learn how they work, and talk with their kids about what they are doing online.

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

*Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass? Why should we bother to use the envelopes or E-give?*

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that, because they attend a particular parish, they are members automatically. Young adults who have moved away for years believe that they are still signed up under their parent's registration. Parish registration requires signing up formally as a family. **It is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social and ministerial activities of the parish.** Your registration affects you and the parish in several ways. Registration shows you belong. It is necessary for certain benefits, such as the sacramental programs of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. It helps to know the person whose weddings and funerals are being planned. Active and registered parishioners are verification for Catholic elementary and high school support. Certification for godparents and sponsor letters for the sacrament of Confirmation are processed more easily. Registering in your parish is a statement of commitment and confidence in the life and work of your parish. You are welcome to become a registered member of St. Catherine at any time. Pick up a registration form at the rectory or call 622-4966 for more information.

### **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).

## **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, **January 18**, 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 – 9:30

### **LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary is a world-wide organization of Catholic men and women who perform spiritual works and seek to serve Christ while deepening their personal devotion to Mary, His Blessed Mother. Our parish group meets Thursdays from 1-2:30 p.m. Learn more about the Legion on the St. Catherine parish website.

## **YOUTH GROUP NEWS**

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

#### **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**