

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 20, 2018

UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYER LINE

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

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect millions of people with Christ and spread the gospel message. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/national collections, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Each year our parish takes part in the Catholic Charities Appeal. Our donations help those in need in some of the following categories: • Adoption and Maternity • Counseling Services • Immigration and Refugee Services • New Hampshire Food Bank • Our Place (Mentoring parents to make positive changes) • Parish and Community Services • St. Charles Children's Home-Educational Services • Trinity Health Partners. You can follow Catholic Charities at: • catholiccharitiesnh on Facebook • catholiccharnh on Pinterest • cc_nh on Twitter • nhcatholiccharities on Youtube. If you or someone you know is interested in some of the programs listed above and wish to contact Catholic Charities for more information they can be reached at Catholic Charities in Manchester, 325 Franklin St., Manchester, NH 03101, 603-624-4717. **Our parish goal is \$89,500.** Please be generous. Please be generous. Below is our 4-year history of donations:

2017 (as of 3/31/18)	\$ 72,365
2016	\$ 87,470
2015	\$103,037
2014	\$102,132

WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Sacred Heart Parish, 265 S. Main St., Manchester, will be holding a Women's Spiritual Retreat on Saturday, **June 9** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The topic is "Turning Towards Joy," featuring Patricia Livingston. Please call the parish office at 625-9525 to reserve a ticket. A complimentary breakfast and light lunch will be served. There is a \$10 free-will offering.



BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION

Archbishop Fulton Sheen spent an hour before the Blessed Sacrament each day, which he called his "Hour of Power." He was inspired to do this because of the courage of a young Chinese girl who, after the Communist take-over, secretly entered a Catholic church where 30 hosts had been thrown on the floor. Each day she crawled into the church and picked up a host with her tongue. On the last day, as she was leaving, a guard saw her and killed her. Bishop Sheen was very moved by her courage. **Every Wednesday** from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. the Blessed Sacrament is on the altar at St. Catherine Church.

BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAYS

Please join us **every Wednesday** after the 9 a.m. Mass for bible study. It's held in the conference room in the Church Hall.

SAVE THE DATE

The 3rd Annual Parish Picnic will take place Sunday, **June 24** after the 11:00 Mass. More details to follow.

PRAYING ON PENNACOOK STREET

Maybe it was the warm sunny weather on May 2 that made people cancel their appointments at Planned Parenthood. At 1:30 pm, sidewalk counselors saw less than half the usual number of women going in. The week before, a young woman walked across the parking lot in the heavy rain to tell them why she was there. She stood under their umbrella and told her sad story. She didn't want to be there, but her family and others told her abortion was her only option. She was living in a "sober house" and was wearing a tracking device with a court date approaching. She needs to find a job and stay "clean." She lost custody of her son and was trying to get visitation rights. Her brother and his girlfriend drove her to PP and after the rain stopped he come outside to talk. He said the "family decided this was the best thing for her and they raised \$100.00 for the abortion and PP said they would accept that amount." He said his girlfriend was 12 weeks pregnant and they were going to be keeping their baby. When asked how he thought his sister will feel when his baby is born two weeks after her baby would have been, he lowered his head and walked away. For more information about how you can help save women and babies from abortion via the Pennacook Pregnancy Center, or to make a donation, visit www.pennacookpregnancy.org or call 603-206-5306.

ALPHA COURSE

This dynamic program has energized numerous parishes throughout the globe through its fresh and compelling proclamation of Jesus Christ to the modern world. PLEASE INVITE FRIENDS, FAMILY, NEIGHBORS, etc. All are welcome to participate in this program, regardless of religion, lifestyle, or worldview. We will start with a meal at 6:30 p.m. **Tuesdays** (anyone with allergies or food sensitivities may bring their own dinner), followed by a video and some informal talks and witness testimony.

ISAIAH: THE FIFTH GOSPEL

The prophet Isaiah received the call to ministry at a turbulent time in Israel's history (746-701 BC). The Northern Kingdom was on the verge of collapse, and Judah was suffering from poor leadership and widespread public corruption. Isaiah summoned the people to covenant fidelity and promised the coming of a Messianic figure from the line of David who would preside over an eternal kingdom of justice. So great was Isaiah's influence that later prophets took up his legacy and their writings (found in Isaiah 40-66) were included in the book of Isaiah that we read today. Christians hold the Book of Isaiah in the highest regard for its vivid foretelling of the suffering Messiah, Jesus Christ. Derick will be holding a 5-week Bible study on the Book of Isaiah through the holy season of Easter on **Thursdays at 7 p.m.** in the parish hall. We will read all 66 chapters. All are welcome!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

May 6/7, 2018

Checks: \$ 6,375.00
Cash: \$ 2,131.00
E-Give: \$ 2,350.00
Total: \$10,866.00

Monthly Mortgage: \$1,909.00

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May 13/14, 2018

Checks: \$ 4,978.00
Cash: \$ 2,918.00
E-Give: \$ 1,532.00
Total: \$ 9,428.00

Ascension Thursday: \$821.00

Catholic Communications Campaign: \$1,135.00

MORTGAGE INFORMATION

As May 2, 2018

Our mortgage balance is \$258,394.60

We paid \$6,000.00 toward our mortgage 5/2/2018

JESUS WAS BORN IN A SHELTER

The box at the main entrance of the church is to collect items for those who live in shelters in Manchester. Needs for **May** are all purpose cleaner, twin size sheets, mops, brooms, healthy kids snacks (i.e., goldfish/granola bars, 100% juice snacks).



SATURDAY

3:00

4:00

MAY 19

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

THOMAS DONNELLY

by the family (1st Anniv.)

WILLIAM FOYE by his wife & daughters

SUNDAY

7:30

9:00

11:00

MAY 20

EUGENE WEBSTER by the Mulroy Family

VIRGINIA SPODEN by Julia & Jack Byrne

ROSE MCNAMARA by the Kirby Family

BENJAMIN CHESTER MENDER

by the family

TODD & HEATHER ROBICHAUD

by the family (20th Wedding Anniv.)

MONDAY-FRIDAY - Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m.

MONDAY

9:00

TUESDAY

9:00

WEDNESDAY

9:00

9:30 - 5 p.m. **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

THURSDAY

9:00

SATURDAY

3:00

4:00

MAY 21

ST. CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES, Priest

SUSAN QUIMBY by Jean Hebert

MAY 22

ST. RITA OF CASCIA, Religious

IN HONOR OF THE BLESSED MOTHER

BETTY MCCLELLAN

by her husband, Bob McClellan

MAY 23

KAREN DILL

9:30 - 5 p.m. **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

MAY 24

CHUCK HUNGLER by his wife

MAY 26

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

CONRAD BERNIER by the family

JOHN CRESTA by Margaret Cresta

MAURICE & DORIS VACHON

by Diane & Rich Hebert

ARTHUR & ANNETTE HEBERT

by Diane & Rich Hebert

SUNDAY

7:30

9:00

11:00

MAY 27

DAVID J. ROYER, SR. by the family

TYLER GREGOIRE by M/M Bertrand Gregoire

MAURICE MONTMINY by Fr. Paul

CATHERINE D'ANGELO by her daughter

BENJAMIN CHESTER MENDER by the family

CLAIRE ST. GELAIS

GLUTEN-FREE HOST AVAILABLE

Please note that we have gluten-free hosts for anyone allergic to gluten. Please come to the sacristy before Mass and notify the celebrant of your need for a host.

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.

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS

DID YOU KNOW...

Our school has specialist courses in:

- Art
- Music
- Spanish
- Physical Education
- ICT Literacy
- Band

The student/faculty ratio is 11:1

The average class size is 17

SEEKING NEW PRINCIPAL

St. Catherine of Siena is seeking a new principal for our school. The successful candidate will be a highly motivated educational leader who has the desire to provide Catholic education at its very best. Candidates must be practicing Catholics; hold a Master's Degree in Administration or Education; have a minimum of five years' experience in a Catholic school; and hold or be eligible for NH State Certification. The principal will join a dedicated faculty and staff in promoting an exceptional education and ongoing spiritual formation. Qualified candidates must download the Administrator's Application (www.catholicnh.org) and submit it along with supporting documents to:

Superintendent of Schools
Diocese of Manchester
153 Ash St
Manchester, NH 03104

MONTH OF MAY: "HONOR THY MOTHER"

All are welcome to attend the annual evening of prayer and Holy Mass for Mary, our Holy Mother on Thursday, **May 31**, 6 p.m. at St. Hedwig Church, corner of Beech and Orange St., Manchester. For additional information, please contact Janet Caza at 623-7570.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

All are invited to SELA (Spirit of Elijah Lay Apostolate) Charismatic Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, **May 23, 2018** at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 14 Elm St. (corner of Queen City Ave.) Manchester, NH. The door is open to the public at 6:30pm and the prayer meeting begins at 7:00. This month, meet a woman of compassion with an important story to tell, Amanda Huot. Her talk, "Sacred Brokenness," addressing some deep inner wounds, will surely bring healing and hope. Praise and worship will be led this month by Frank Howard, Director of Lazarus Music at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Derry. Individual prayer is offered by the Lamb's Hands Healing Prayer Ministry.

PARISH NURSE NEWS

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

CHAIR EXERCISE CLASSES (FREE)

Wednesdays at Congregation Church of Goffstown, 10

Thursdays at Transfiguration, 9:30

KNITTING GROUP

Tuesdays at Transfiguration, 1 – 2:45

WALKING GROUPS (FREE)

Tuesdays at Transfiguration, 9:30

SHINE: (SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS)

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Goffstown

Wednesdays, 10-Noon

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

May 20: Youth Group barbecue from 5-8 p.m. Lots of food, and outdoor games!

STEBENVILLE

It's not too early to start making summer plans. Why not plan to join us at Steubenville from Friday, **July 13** to Sunday, **July 15, 2018**. This year's theme is "Revealed." The retreat is an amazing experience. To be eligible to attend, you must have completed 8th grade, up to 2018 high school graduates.

ANYONE MISSING A CROCK POT?

There are 4 crock pots in the Church Hall kitchen that have been there since Lent. If one of them is yours, please claim it by the **end of the May**. Any crock pots still there by then will be donated.

ONLY 3 SPOTS REMAIN!

Holy Family Academy in Manchester is planning on record enrollment this fall. We have three spaces remaining in our seventh grade class and few remaining seats left for transfer students; scholarships are still available! For more information, email Stephen Canale at scanale@holyfamilyacademy.org or call 644-7247.

SPRING YARD CLEAN UP

If you are finding you require assistance to manage your spring time yard clean up, please don't hesitate to contact the St John family. We would be happy to share our energy to get the task done for you. Please don't hesitate to call Liane at 540-9924. We look forward to volunteering our time to assist you.

