

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 24, 2019

UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYER LINE

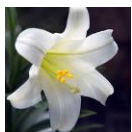
The number to call for prayer requests, or if you wish to pray with us, is 622-2094.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

Since June, 1981, a small village in Bosnia Herzegovina, called Medjugorje, has been a place of prayer and countless conversions. After so many years, Medjugorje continues to attract thousands of pilgrims. Please prayerfully consider joining our retreat pilgrimage **Sept 24 - Oct 4, 2019**. Father Alan Tremblay will be our Spiritual Director. Cost of the pilgrimage is \$2,350. For more information, please call Doreen Duquette at 216-4186.

TROOP 104 EASTER LILY SALE

Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Boy Scout Troop 104 is once again selling beautiful Easter Lilies as a fundraiser to support the troop's activities. Scouts will be taking orders after all masses the weekend of **March 30/31**. All plants are florist quality! Orders and payments must be placed through a member of the Boy Scout troop or by contacting Mary Kate Donais (mary.kate@donais.com or 603-785-5535) no later than **April 1**. Plants will be available for pickup after masses the weekend of **April 6/7**. Thank you for supporting our parish Troop!



ANNUAL DIAPER DRIVE

St. Catherine's Women's Organization is hosting their Diaper Drive on the weekend of **April 6 and 7**. Please bring your donations of diapers (all sizes) and baby wipes to the Church that weekend. Bins will be available at all entrances and you may also drop them off in the lower level. Our parish distributes diapers to multiple agencies including Birthright, New Horizons, Blessed Sacrament Pantry, Penacook Pregnancy Center and others. *Cash donations are greatly appreciated.* Thank you.

MOM'S GROUP MEETING

The Mom's Group will be meeting at the Wellstone House 125 Langford Road Raymond on March 28, 2019 from 3-4 pm. Please join us as we visit with the assisted living folks and make a spring time craft!



INTERFAITH WOMEN OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

INTERFAITH WOMEN OF NH will discuss "The Prophet" by Lebanese American author Kahlil Gibran on Thursday, **March 28** at 6:45 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 508 Union Street, Manchester NH 03104. Selma Naccach-Hoff, Manchester Central High School English



Department educator with more than 40 years of experience will facilitate exploration of the universal themes and influences of this enduring poetic work, and the relevance of this work in the 21st century. "The Prophet" is available through local libraries, online sales, and electronic reading options. RSVP to interfaithwomennh@gmail.com or call 603-233-7760. Doors open 6:15 p.m. Refreshments and social follow the program. The mission of Interfaith Women of NH is to share religious beliefs, cultures and traditions among women of diverse faiths in order to develop understanding and friendship among us and within our community.

RCIA PRAYER REQUEST

There are four people who are preparing to become fully initiated Catholics through the RCIA process this year. The names of the participants are in a basket in front of the altar and by the entrances of the church. After Mass, we invite you and your family to pick a name from the basket and pray for that individual during Lent, which is a special time for the participants who are preparing to become fully initiated members of the faith at the Easter Vigil. As a sign of support and welcoming into our parish community, you may wish to send a card or note (c/o the rectory) to the person for whom you are praying. Also, you are invited to attend a reception following the Easter Vigil to meet and greet all the RCIA participants. In the past your prayers, cards, and gestures of support have been greatly appreciated. Thank you for your encouragement and for welcoming these new members into our St. Catherine of Siena parish family.

CLAIRE DANEAU LEGACY FUND

The Sisters of Holy Cross have established the Claire Daneau Legacy Fund to benefit the children of Mary Gate of Heaven Orphanage in Haiti founded by Sister Claire. You can assist by giving a donation or purchasing raffle calendars (\$10 each or 6 for \$50) available after each Mass the weekend of **March 23 - 24**. Raffle winners will be drawn each day during April. Thank you.

SEVEN DEADLY SINS, SEVEN LIVELY VIRTUES

Join Bishop Robert Barron for this engaging presentation concerning the seven deadly sins, those great spiritual blocks that inhibit our flourishing in relationship with God and one another. Based on Dante's writings, the seven deadly sins correspond to the seven levels of Dante's Mt. Purgatory. Pride, envy, anger, sloth, gluttony, avarice, and lust are all presented as patterns of dysfunction within us that lead to unhappiness. However, Bishop Barron shows us how to counteract these seven sinful patterns through a conscious process of opposition, which are the "seven lively virtues." The seven lively virtues offer antidotes to each sin and help set us on the right path to healing and happiness. Eight sessions: Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the parish hall, ending **April 16**.

LENTEN PROGRAM

This Thursday evening program during Lent consists of reflections on the Sunday scriptures and meditations on the lived experience of the desert during this penitential season. Six sessions, which end **April 11**, will include video and discussion.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

March 16/17, 2019

Checks: \$ 5,500.00
Cash: \$ 2,215.00
E-Give: \$ 1,632.00
Total: \$ 9,347.00

Average February Weekly Collection: \$8,478.50

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$10,600

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

If you have not been confirmed, during the Lenten season we will be holding Adult Confirmation Classes to prepare any adults (18+) for the Sacrament which will be celebrated in the Spring at the cathedral. Please contact Fr. Chris if you are interested or have questions.

MASS TIMES NATIONWIDE

Nationwide Mass times and locations may be found online at www.Masstimes.org or call 1-800-627-7846.

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 **March** include: twin sheets, twin size comforters, pillows, diapers size 3+, resealable baby wipes, peanut butter, tuna, healthy snacks, cereal, coffee, sugar, non-dairy creamer (all items must be brand new).

THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL (Luke 13:1-9)

Jesus says that an individual's misfortune does not mean that their sins were greater than someone else's. He warns that without repenting, all sinners will meet the same end. He tells of a barren fig tree whose owner planned to cut it down. But a servant offered to give it special care for one year, and destroy it should it remain barren. This symbolizes God's patience toward us.



SATURDAY	MARCH 23
3:00	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY
4:00	MARGARET M. NORTON by Fredda & Dick Miles SIGNE MCQUAID by Molly McQuade
SUNDAY	MARCH 24
7:30	DAVID J. ROYER, SR. by the family TYLER GREGOIRE by M/M Bertrand Gregoire
9:00	JULES & DAVID TRUDEL by the family JOHN CRESTA by Margaret Cresta
11:00	RUSSELL INTERRANTE by his friend, Marilyn FRANK CASTROGIOVANNI by his friend, Marilyn (25 th Anniv.)

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

MONDAY	MARCH 25
9:00	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD SIGNE MCQUAID by Rita Hungler RICHARD NAULT by his wife, Lorraine
5:30	YVETTE JALBERT by Bob & Lorraine Jean SIGNE MCQUAID by Therese Finegan
TUESDAY	MARCH 26
9:00	JIM GILLEN by Winnie Schmidt
WEDNESDAY	MARCH 27
9:00	EDWARD F. KLUFTS by Adele Guay JOSEPH & ELIZABETH POWER by the family
5:30	MADELINE SWIST
9:30 – 5 p.m. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
THURSDAY	MARCH 28
9:00	YVETTE JALBERT by Kathy & Brian Alaskiewicz
FRIDAY	MARCH 29
5:30	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
SATURDAY	MARCH 30
3:00	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY LUCILLE GRZYKOWSKI by her sister, Sr. Janet Belcourt
4:00	SANDRA LOVEREN SHAWCROSS
SUNDAY	MARCH 31
7:30	PAUL ERICKSON & RITA PRINCE
9:00	DIANE SOUCY by the family LOUISE AREL PLAMONDON by Pauline & Paul Dowd
11:00	STEPHEN GUIHEEN by Patti & Bob Webster FRANK KEEFE by Lorraine Kouletsis

**PERPETUAL CANDLE THIS WEEK IS FOR SIGNE MCQUAID
by Rita Hungler**



ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS

SPRING CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR

SCS will be holding a Spring Craft and Vendor Fair on Sunday, **April 28** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the school gym. Reserve your table today by calling Cinzia Broketa at 622-1711 or office@scsnh.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Mark your calendars for the St. Catherine of Siena Annual Auction. This year, the auction will be held on **Saturday, April 13**.

KEEP KIDS SAFE – BACKGROUND

CHECKS

Did you know? The Diocese of Manchester requires all adults who regularly work with children and youth in our parishes, schools, and camps to complete background checks. Recently, we began renewing these background checks every 4 years. This is just one of the efforts undertaken by our diocese to protect children! For more resources to assist victims of abuse, visit www.catholicnh.org/healing

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS!

Fr. Chris, Mrs. Daugherty, and Mrs. Brockway would like to invite any middle school students, current students in grades 5 to 8, to join us on a summer weeklong camp trip to Edge Camp in Dahlonga, GA. We will be holding an information meeting for anyone who might be interested or wants to know more on Sunday **March 31** at 3:15 pm at the school gym. For questions or more information, please see Fr. Chris.

NH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL

PROLIFE SEMINAR

The face of the respect life movement in New Hampshire will be on display Sunday, **March 31** at St. Joseph Cathedral church hall from 12N – 4 p.m. The guest speaker will be Brother Knight Dennis Pedley from St. Gianna's Place in Londonderry. St. Gianna's Place offers transitional housing and life training skills for women facing crisis pregnancies. A safe and nurturing environment is offered for their babies. Spiritual and emotional support is also given. The registration deadline is Wednesday, March 27. Please contact Ron DiStasio at rddistasio@comcast.net or phone 595-7837.

RACHEL MASS – A HEALING MASS

A Rachel Mass is for anyone who feels they would like closure, renewal, and healing from an abortion that affected them, directly or indirectly. Such a Mass is being offered Friday, **April 5** at 7 p.m. at Christ the King Parish, 72 S. Main St., Concord, NH 03301.

CMC PARISH NURSE NEWS

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

FREE SPECIAL PROGRAMS

GRIEF SUPPORT WORKSHOP

Saturday, **April 6** from 8-1 p.m. at Immaculate Conception, Nashua

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Saturday, **April 13** from 10-12N at Immaculate Conception, Nashua

FOOT CLINIC

Friday, **April 26** from 9-11 a.m. at St. Pius X, Manchester. Free foot assessment, foot soaking, nail filing, and referral as needed.

Call 603-663-8004 to register for the above classes

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 *Closed 4/18*

KNITTING GROUP

Tuesdays at Transfiguration, 1 – 2:45 *Closed 4/16*

SHINE

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

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

WALKING GROUPS (FREE)

Tuesdays at Transfiguration, 9:30 *Closed 4/16*

2018 DONOR SUBSTANTIATION

For those parishioners who wish to have a statement of charitable contributions to Saint Catherine of Siena Parish for 2018, 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.*

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Is your marriage bearing fruit? Don't wait until it is too late; make time for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are **April 13-14** in Brewster, MA and **June 8-9** in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

BIBLE REFLECTION ON WEDNESDAYS

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