

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 31, 2019

UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYER LINE

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

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, but especially need size 5 diapers) 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.

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

St. Catherine's Men of St. Joseph will meet Saturday, **April 13** for an 8 a.m. Mass, followed by the rosary. A full breakfast will be served in the Church Hall with a guest speaker. Any adult male is invited. For questions, please contact Ron Latouche OFS at 669-2674.

NEW PRAYERS ON OLD BEADS

The Knights of Columbus are looking for your old, broken or new rosary beads that are no longer hearing your prayers. Other religious items such as bibles, medals, and prayer books are also accepted. These will be passed on to the Poor Sisters of St. Claire and other prayer groups, to be distributed to those who can use them. There is a receptacle at the Webster Street entrance of the church. Thank you for opening the door of prayer.



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.

WOMEN OF MARY

Women of Mary will be held Saturday, **April 6** with a Mass at 8 am followed by the rosary then a light breakfast in the parish hall. All women are welcome to join us for our gathering. *Our guest speaker will be Fr. Sebastian, pastor of St. Joseph and St. Catherine of Siena parish in Woodsville NH.* Fr. Sebastian belongs to the congregation Heralds of the Good News. We are excited to welcome Fr. Sebastian!

STE. MARIE 24/7 ADORATION CHAPEL

St. Marie's Adoration Chapel has 12 openings for adorers at their 24/7 Adoration Chapel. The open hours are on the bulletin boards around the church. For more information and to volunteer, please contact Constance Vigneau at 603-289-2791 and/or Richard Vigneau at 603-660-7168.

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.



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 23/24, 2019

Checks: \$ 4,024.00
Cash: \$ 2,290.00
E-Give: \$ 1,522.00
Total: \$ 7,836.00

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 15:1-3, 11-32)

The Pharisees grew disgusted with Jesus because of his compassion toward sinners. So Jesus told them a story of a son who squandered his inheritance. When a famine broke out, he returned home and asked his father to become a hired hand. His father instead welcomed him with a joyful celebration, just as God is overjoyed when a sinner returns to him.



SATURDAY	MARCH 30
3:00	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY
4:00	LUCILLE GRZYKOWSKI by her sister, Sr. Janet Belcourt SANDRA LOVEREN SHAWCROSS
SUNDAY	MARCH 31
7:30	PAUL ERICKSON & RITA PRINCE YANTENG MARTHE by Victorine
9:00	DIANE SOUCY by the family LOUISE AREL PLAMONDON by Paul & Pauline Dowd
11:00	STEPHEN GUIHEEN by Patti & Bob Webster FRANK KEEFE by Lorraine Kouletsis

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

MONDAY	APRIL 1
9:00	ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL by the Forsythe Family CLAIRE DACHOWSKI by the family
5:30	
TUESDAY	APRIL 2
9:00	ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA, Hermit EDWARD & EVELYN VEROCHI by their daughter, Cindy KATHLEEN HORAN by Joe & Mary Panarese
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 3
9:00	RICHARD NAULT by Barbara Raulerson HEALY & PADDEN FAMILIES by the family MADELINE SWIST
5:30	
9:30 – 5 p.m. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
THURSDAY	APRIL 4
9:00	ST. ISIDORE, Bishop & Dr. of the Church CLAIRE DACHOWSKI by the family RICHARD NAULT by Therese Finegan
FRIDAY	APRIL 5
5:30	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
SATURDAY	APRIL 6
8:00	JOHN F. SULLIVAN by the family
3:00	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY
4:00	JEANNE D'ARC MARTEL BOBBY DOCKX
SUNDAY	APRIL 7
7:30	MAURICE & DORIS VACHON by Rich & Diane Hebert ARTHUR & ANNETTE HEBERT by Rich * Diane Hebert
9:00	MADELINE SWIST by the Parish Choir GEORGETTE GUERIN by the Parish Choir BILL & GINNY KRAUSE by Denis & Cindy BEN ROY by his wife, Gloria (7 th Anniv.)
11:00	

TABERNACLE CANDLE THIS WEEK IS FOR RICHARD NAULT

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 Dahlonega, 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.*

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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

God always waits for us with open, loving arms. Let God be the strength of 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/>.