

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 18, 2019

THE UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYER LINE

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

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) names the process by which interested persons gradually become members of the Catholic Church. St. Catherine Parish welcomes all who believe that their journey in faith has led them to learn more about the Catholic faith, to grow in their life of prayer, and express their faith in community with others.

If you know anyone whose faith journey may be prompting him/her to learn more about the Catholic faith, contact Fr. Chris at the rectory, Derick Alexandre, or Norine Calvano. Contact information for them is on the front of the bulletin. Sharing one's faith is a gift, also. **The RCIA team is looking for new members to journey with the inquirers.** If you are interested in sharing your faith, please contact Derick or Norine. No special training is necessary.

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. You are invited to take some time for peace and quiet, to find strength to face daily challenges, and to thank the Lord for his many blessings and constant love.



WEDDING BANS



Tradiu Timeo Rutikango and Rosette Uzayisenga will be married here at St. Catherine of Siena on August 31, 2019 at 5:00 pm. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

WANTED: CASA VOLUNTEER ADVOCATES

CASA of New Hampshire trains, supervises, and supports volunteers to advocate on behalf of neglected and abused children in court. Our goal is to help our community's most vulnerable children grow up in safe, permanent homes. Children with CASA Advocates find safe, permanent homes more quickly, are half as likely to re-enter the foster care system, and do better in school. Training to become a Volunteer Advocate starts September 11 in Manchester. Call or email Diane, if interested, at 603-626-4600 or speakup@casanh.org. You can find out more information by visiting our website at casanh.org.



LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Join us the weekend of **August 23-25** for a wonderful time of renewal, empowerment and joy of the Holy Spirit! This weekend seminar will help deepen or establish a relationship with Jesus, empower and renew the sacramental graces of Baptism and Confirmation, and provide an opportunity to experience the life-changing love of God! Begins at 6:30 pm on Friday. For more information about the weekend please go to <https://saintcatherineparishnh.com/spirit>, or call Doreen Duquette at 216-4186. Cost of the weekend is \$25 and includes all light meals and materials needed for the seminar.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples celebrating an anniversary in 2019 of **5, 25 or 50 years**, to attend the **Fall Wedding Anniversary Mass**. This celebration will be held on **Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 2:00 p.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester**. To register, please contact your parish office **by September 20, 2019**. The parish office will gather and submit all necessary information. Once registration has been completed by the parish office, all registrants will receive an invitation to this special celebration. Couples celebrating anniversaries of 10, 15, 20, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 55+ years will be asked to register later for a spring celebration. To all other married couples, congratulations and we look forward to seeing you at this fall's Wedding Anniversary Mass!

MASS TIMES NATIONWIDE

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

FAITH FORMATION: SIMPLY JESUS

Prepare to be immersed in the 1st Century A.D. context of the life, work, teachings, and actions of Jesus of Nazareth. The goal of the course is to look at the story of Jesus from the perspective of a historian. Too many times Jesus of Nazareth becomes interpreted as simply another 'religious figure' among many religious figures. But this so often eliminates the understanding of a man who lived in time and space at a critical time of history. Prof. Wright will lecture on key biblical texts to walk the student through the different elements that constitute the story of Jesus. This course tries to focus on essential biblical texts and non-biblical historical material to embrace the larger story of a Jesus of history. In *Simply Jesus*, bestselling author and leading Bible scholar N.T. Wright summarizes 200 years of modern Biblical scholarship and models how Christians can best retell the story of Jesus today. In a style similar to C.S. Lewis's popular works, Wright breaks down the barriers that prevent Christians from fully engaging with the story of Jesus. 7 weeks beginning Tuesday **September 3** at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

FAITH FORMATION: THE DEVIL YOU DON'T KNOW

With insight reminiscent of *The Screwtape Letters*, Rev. Louis J. Cameli challenges readers to reconsider what they've always believed about the devil. In some ways, it's easy to believe in a devil who makes heads spin round and enables people to levitate. Many movies and books about possession and exorcism have trained spiritual seekers to identify evil by its expected Hollywood conventions. By contrast, in *The Devil You Don't Know: Recognizing and Resisting Evil in Everyday Life*, Cameli, nationally renowned pastoral leader and priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, paints a challenging, unsettling portrait of the devil as a formidable adversary who works great harm, often in quiet, less-seen ways. Cameli exposes the devil's tactics of deception, division, diversion, and discouragement, in individuals and also in institutions. This thoroughly biblical, deft exploration considers the personal and social dimensions of sin, and offers both enlightenment and hope in the power of Christ to overcome evil. Book price: \$16.00. Meets for five weeks beginning Thursday **September 5** at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

August 10/11, 2019

Checks: \$ 3,673.00

Cash: \$ 2,116.00

E-Give: \$ 1,522.00

Total: \$ 8,311.00

Average July Weekly Collection: \$9,513

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$10,600

THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-53

Jesus tells his disciples that his message will not bring peace to the earth. Instead, even families will become sharply divided because some members will embrace him, while others condemn him.



<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>AUGUST 17</u>
4:00	JUDY PACKARD by the Bergeron Family JEANNE D'ARC MARTEL
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>AUGUST 18</u>
7:30	FRANCIS X. SCHULTZ by his daughter, Nancy HARRY (MICKY) HILL by Patricia Szarek
9:00	MADELINE SWIST EDGAR FAUCHER by Priscilla Ledoux
11:00	CLAIRE ST. GELAIS BILL & GINNY KRAUSE

MONDAY – THURSDAY – Morning Prayer 8:30 am

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>AUGUST 19</u>
9:00	ST. JOHN EUDES, Priest FR. FELIX UDOH FR. ROBERT MARCHAND
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>AUGUST 20</u>
9:00	ST. BERNARD, Abbot and Dr. of the Church FR. FELIX UDOH BOB MCCLELLAN by Rita Hungler (95 th Birthday)
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>AUGUST 21</u>
9:00	ST. PIUS X, Pope FR. ROBERT MARCHAND PAUL SOMERS by Barbara Raulerson
9:30 – 5 p.m. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>AUGUST 22</u>
9:00	QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY FR. ROBERT MARCHAND FRANCES P. MORRISSETTE by the family
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>AUGUST 24</u>
4:00	JOHN CRESTA by Margaret Cresta ROBERT E. KIRBY by the family
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>AUGUST 25</u>
7:30	DAVID J. ROYER, SR. by the family
9:00	DAVID TRUDEL by his mother & siblings DIANE SOUCY by the family
11:00	CLAIRE ST. GELAIS BILL & GINNY KRAUSE

JESUS WAS BORN IN A SHELTER

The box at the main entrance of the church is to collect items for those who are in need of the food pantry at the Parish of Transfiguration. Needs include: non-perishable food items, and personal care products.

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

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

We would like to invite all our families to the annual ice cream social on Tuesday, **August 27** from 6-7:30 p.m. in the parking lot. This is a great opportunity for kids to reconnect with their friends, meet new ones and have some face time with their teacher. Class lists will be made available prior to the ice cream social. Please RSVP using the following link so we can plan accordingly: <http://evite.me/dDNSNkcekZ>.

UNIFORM SWAP

The PVC will host a uniform swap **during the ice cream social** (see above). If you have uniforms in good condition to donate (please refer to the school website uniform page by clicking [here](#) if you have questions as to which items are still in dress code), please drop them at the school by Aug. 22. A reminder that the office is open Tuesday-Thursday from 9-noon.

SCHOOL SUBSIDY REQUIREMENTS

For parents who wish to receive a parish subsidy for school tuition to a Catholic elementary, middle, or high school, there are three requirements that **MUST** be met: 1) registration in a parish or mission; 2) contributor of record in a parish or mission; 3) active participation in the life of a parish or mission. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

KEEP KIDS SAFE: TALK WITH YOUR CHILD

Open communication with your child is a key factor in helping to keep him or her safe. It's important to start talking about safety matters with children from a young age. Let children know that you want them to tell you if anyone touches them in a way that makes them feel uncomfortable or sends them inappropriate messages or pictures. Role play different safety-related scenarios to help teach skills such as saying no, telling a trusted adult, and resisting peer pressure. Use our *Family Discussion Cards* to help jump-start these important conversations: www.catholicnh.org/cards

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me." Learn how God is calling you to more in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are **September 14-15** in Medway, MA and **October 18-20** in Laconia, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.



CMC PARISH NURSE NEWS

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

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

SAFE USE OF OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATION

Wednesday, **September 4** at 9:30 a.m. at Immaculate Conception, Nashua, by MCPHS Pharmacy Students

Wednesday, **September 11** at 11:00 a.m. at St. Catherine of Siena, Manchester, by MCPHS Pharmacy Students

FLU SHOTS

Saturday, **September 28** from 9-10:30 a.m. at JFK Coliseum, Manchester for un-insured and under-insured, by Walgreen's

ONGOING PROGRAMS

CHAIR EXERCISE CLASSES (FREE)

Tuesdays at St. Elizabeth Seton, Bedford, 9 (*Closed August*)

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 (*Closed August*)

WALKING GROUPS (FREE)

Tuesdays at Transfiguration, 9:30

SAVE THE DATE: ICE CREAM SOCIAL



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting an ice cream social after the 11:00 Mass on **Sunday, August 25**. Please come and share good times and

fellowship with St. Catherine parishioners.

ON DECK WITH FR. CHRIS

Why do Catholics go to confession to a priest? What is the Eucharist? Why don't Catholics read the Bible? What do Catholics believe about salvation? Why don't priests marry? These are questions that many non-Catholics ask, often just out of curiosity. There are many other questions that are asked, but where does one find the answers? "On Deck with Fr. Chris" will be held Wednesday, **August 21 and 28 from 7-8:30 p.m.** at the rectory, and is open to anyone who has questions or just wants to see what it's all about.

