

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 8, 2019

UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYERLINE

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

ST. ANDREW DINNERS

St. Andrew was the first of the Apostles to hear Jesus' call to follow him. We would like to invite men in our diocese who are considering a vocation to the priesthood or would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call for their life, to an evening of prayer, conversation with the Vocations Team, and dinner. These evenings will take place for different age groups on Fridays from 6-8pm at the Joseph House (279 Cartier Street) in Manchester. Please RSVP to Becky Vinson at rvinson@rcbm.org or 663-0153 if you would like to attend.

October 4: Young Men Ages 13-18

October 18: Men Ages 19-60

SINGING IS LIKE PRAYING TWICE

Hello to you all! I would like to take this time to welcome back all the members of the St. Catherine Parish Choir! Our first rehearsal will take place on Wednesday, **September 18** (*not September 11, which was in last bulletin*) from 7:00-8:30 PM. I would also like to extend an invitation to any member of the St. Catherine community who might have an interest in joining our wonderful choir. All that we ask is that you have an interest in singing beautiful and prayerful music with a group of fun spiritual people. Previous experience is NOT needed nor does one need to have any music reading abilities. If you have questions, please feel free to call the Music Director at 603-867-8278 or email boroskasa@comcast.net. Hope to see some new faces!

WEDDING BANS



Meghan Graves and Garret Weigel will be married here at St. Catherine of Siena on September 27, 2019 at 4 p.m. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Registration for Faith Formation is going on. Classes begin Next Sunday, **September 15**. Please call our office or sign up online at saintcatherineparishnh.com. All Catholic School Students are asked to register as well, so we can stay in contact with you and your family.

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!

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

St. Catherine of Siena's Men of St. Joseph will be meeting Saturday, **September 14** for an 8 a.m. Mass to be followed by the rosary. A full breakfast will follow in the parish hall with a guest speaker. Any adult male is invited. For any questions, contact Ron Latouche OFS at 603-669-2674.

PRAYING ON PENNACOOK STREET

Every few weeks sidewalk counselors see new employees at Planned Parenthood. They have ongoing ads for healthcare associates and medical professionals. It appears they're having a difficult time hiring and retaining staff. The number of surgical abortions continues to decrease while the RU486 pill abortion appointments are available several days a week. Last week counselors believe less than ten surgical abortions were performed, even though PP's scheduling allowed for 12 appointments. The local newspaper had an interesting article citing statistics of the services provided at the Manchester PP. "The Manchester clinic also provided by far the most abortion-related services, to 1,244 patients in 2018." For more information about the life-affirming Pennacook Pregnancy Center, or to make a donation, call 603-206-5306 and visit www.pennacookpregnancy.org and facebook.com/nhpregnancyhelp.

PARISH FAIRS AROUND TOWN

St. Anthony of Padua – **September 15** from 11 to 3
St. Pius X – **September 14** from 9 to 5:30, **September 15** from 9 - Noon

FAITH FORMATION: SIMPLY JESUS

Tuesdays at 7 pm in the parish hall, September 3 to October 15. 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.

FAITH FORMATION: THE DEVIL YOU DON'T KNOW

Thursdays at 7pm in the parish Hall. September 5-October 3. 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 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.

FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

August 31/September 1

Checks: \$ 5,092.00

Cash: \$ 1,963.00

E-Give: \$ 1,367.00

Total: \$ 8,422.00

Monthly Mortgage: \$ 1,539.10

Catholic University & USCCB: \$ 543.00

Average August Weekly Collection: \$8,473

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$10,600

THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

Jesus warns people who wish to follow him that they must abandon everyone else first. A person calculates the amount of money needed to complete a project before they begin it. In the same way, Jesus warns these people to consider exactly what is involved before they make a commitment to follow him.



<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 7</u>
8:00	PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE
4:00	LEWIS FRANKLIN, SR. by the DesRochers Family HARRY (MICKY) HILL by Barbara Boulanger
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 8</u>
7:30	VIRGINIA & ROBERT FLYNN; MARILYN & JOHN LETVINCHUK by the families RITA PRINCE by Ginny Morris
9:00	WILLIAM MEHIGAN by the Mehigan Trust Fund RITA PRINCE & PAUL ERICKSON by Ginny Morris
11:00	CAROL BOUCHER by her husband, Paul WILLIAM T. SIMPSON by the Forsythe Family (Birthday Memorial)

MONDAY – THURSDAY – Morning Prayer 8:30 am

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 9</u>
9:00	ST. PETER CLAVER, Priest ANITA BERRY & EVELYN GAGNE by Jay & Louise Lachance ROBERT FINNELL by Therese Finegan
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 10</u>
9:00	EDWARD O'CONNOR by Anne Hamilton
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 11</u>
9:00	RITA PRINCE
9:30 – 5 p.m. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 12</u>
9:00	THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY MADELINE SWIST by her daughter, Mary
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 14</u>
8:00	CLAIRE BEAULE by Andre L. Beaulé (6 th Anniv.)
4:00	ARMOND TROTTA by A.J. & Therese (10 th Anniv.) STANLEY KRYSZYNIAK by the family
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 15</u>
7:30	THOMAS MORRISSETTE by the family EDWARD & MARGARET FITZPATRICK by the family
9:00	JULES & DAVID TRUDEL by the family WALTER & MADELINE SWIST by Phyllis & George Sylvester
11:00	DONALD LAPLANTE by his sister, Lee (3 rd Anniv.) CAROL O'LEARY by the family (10 th Anniv.)

TABERNACLE CANDLE FOR THE SOUL OF RITA PRINCE
by Ginny Morris

ST CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS

This past week was filled with excitement and joy as we began our new school year, welcoming back our students and embracing our new students and their families. Please pray for our students, teachers and staff, and their families. As always, the community is welcomed to stop by and visit. Please join us on Mondays at Church for our weekly Mass with the students at 9 am. May St. Catherine of Siena intercede for our school.

INTERFAITH WOMEN OF NH

Interfaith Women of NH invites all women to “**Purposeful Faith: Pivotal Moments**” on Monday, **September 23** at 6:45PM at Brookside Congregational Church, 2013 Elm Street, Manchester NH 03104. Check in begins at 6:15 p.m. The program features three women of faith in different leadership roles speaking about what brought them to this



role, followed by a panel discussion. Speakers are: **Rev. Cynthia Bagley, Sr. Minister, UCC Church, Keene:** Her life challenges inspired a move from business to ministry; **Major Armida Harper, Salvation Army, Manchester:** A faith journey around the world and back again; and **Susan McKeown A.P.R.N., C. P. S., St. Catherine Parish, Manchester:** Health career and commitment to marriage and family life ministry led to a book and co-founding F.A.S.T.E.R. a family-based response to substance use disorder. **Refreshments & Social follow the program.** Please RSVP to interfaithwomennh@gmail.com or call 603-315-9386

BOY SCOUT TROOP 104 MUM SALE

Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Boy Scout Troop 104 is once again selling beautiful fall mums as a fundraiser to support the troop's activities. Plants will be available for pickup after masses on Saturday **September 14** and Sunday **September 15**. Pricing is \$11 for a 9" pot that contains a 25" diameter plant; colors are red, white, pink, orange, or yellow. All plants are florist quality! Orders and payments must be placed by no later than Monday **September 9** through a Boy Scout in Troop 104 or by troop committee member Mary Kate Donais (mary.kate@donais.com or 603-785-5535). Scouts will be taking orders after all masses on the weekend of September 7 and 8. Thank you for supporting our parish Troop!

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.

CMC PARISH NURSE NEWS

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

THE PARISH NURSE WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER 25th.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

SAFE USE OF OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATION

Wednesday, **September 11** at 11:00 am 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

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

WALKING GROUPS (FREE)

Tuesdays at Transfiguration, 9:30

SEWING AND KNITTING GROUP (aka MAD HATTERS)

We extend a warm welcome to all who wish to come and work at knitting, crocheting, or sewing small items including prayer shawls for the needy and homeless. Our meetings are every other Monday, 9:30am - 11:30am in the church hall. The next meeting is scheduled for this Monday, **September 9**.

HELP WANTED

Last January, we launched a new Middle School Program called Edge, which is an uplifting formation program gearing youth towards a deeper relationship with Christ. The program relies on a Core Team that assists the students on the journey by being present, leading by example and sharing their own love of Jesus. We are in need of number of adults to join our Core Team to make this program successful. You will not have to do the main teachings, but rather facilitate small group discussions, be present to the youth, and be an example of person striving to holiness. Edge meets twice a month. Check out <https://saintcatherineparishnh.com/edge> to learn more or contact Fr. Chris.