

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 22, 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 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. 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

2018 EASTER FLOWER OFFERING IN MEMORY OF:

Louis Lohnes by Irene Lohnes
Kenneth, Elizabeth, Sr. Constance, James, and Lois
McDonald by Mr Kenneth McDonald

SLICE OF THE PIE WINNERS

Congratulations to Rita Hungler and Phil Purdy on their Slice of the Pie winnings: \$150 each!

PADRE PIO RELICS

Come and venerate the official relics of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina on **April 30** from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral, 145 Lowell St., Manchester. A Mass in honor of Saint Pio will be celebrated at 6 p.m. by Bishop Libasci, on the occasion of the 50th commemoration anniversary of Saint Pio's death. For more information about the public veneration, please call 622-6404.



RAMADAN: BLESSED MONTH OF ISLAM

All women are invited **May 3** to learn with our Manchester neighbors at the Mosque in Manchester. Presenters about Ramadan and their topics are as follows: Imam Sherif Shabaka: Significance of Ramadan and Introduction to the local Mosque; Imane Naji Amrani, PhD: Practice of Ramadan in the Home; Munie Ulker, MBA: The Importance of Charity (Sadaqa) in Islam and during Ramadan in particular. Question & Answer Session follows. Refreshments and social follow the program. The Mosque is located at 373 South Willow Street, Second Floor D2-3. Handicapped accessible with plenty of free parking. RSVP to InterfaithWomenNH@gmail.com or call 603-315-9386. Check in is 6 p.m. St. Catherine women may contact Veronica Molloy at 603-669-5076 for registration or more information.



MOM'S GROUP MEETING

Our next meeting will be Monday **April 23** from 10-11:45 in the church hall babysitting room. Join us for snacks, crafts and play time. The event is free we just ask that you RSVP so we can have enough supplies. Join Facebook St. Catherine Mom's Group Manchester or email kara_forsythe@msn.com to RSVP or to stay up to date on future events.



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.

SAVE THE DATE

The Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, **May 20** after the 9 a.m. Mass. The guest speaker will be Thomas Blonski, President of Catholic Charities NH. Tickets will be sold shortly.

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
April 14/15, 2018**

Checks: \$ 6,194.00
Cash: \$ 2,291.00
E-Give: \$ 1,679.00
Total: \$ 10,164.00

CATHERINE OF SIENA: A WOMAN OF OUR TIMES

St. Kathryn Church, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson, NH, has the joy of welcoming Sister Nancy Murray, O.P., who will present a one-woman performance based on the life of Saint Catherine of Siena. This presentation will be offered in the church on Sunday, **April 29** at 3:00 p.m. Sister Nancy, a Dominican Sister from Adrian, Michigan, brings to us a wonderful performance, revealing to us the greatness of Saint Catherine and the beauty and depth of her relationship with Jesus Christ. There is general admission for this performance, so register NOW for complimentary tickets at <https://catherine-of-siena.eventbrite.com>! We only have enough tickets for the number of seats in the church. For additional information, please contact Charlene Maniotis in the parish office at 603.882.7793.

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 **April** are healthy kids snacks (i.e., goldfish, granola bars), toilet brushes, tampons, vinyl pillow covers.



<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>APRIL 21</u>
3:00	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY
4:00	WILLIAM & ESTELLE CLAY by the Burnes Family LUCILLE MELANSON by Mary Duval LEONARD M. PROVENCHER by the family MARIA ENRIQUETTA SALAS by her daughter MAURICE & DORIS VACHON by Diane & Rich Hebert
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>APRIL 22</u>
7:30	DAVID J. ROYER, SR. by the family
9:00	JOHN NICOLETTI by M/M Ernest Perreault JAMES GILLEN by Don Madore GERALD RHEAULT by his godson Andrew Hebert
11:00	DAVID HALEY by his daughter, Kara

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

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>APRIL 23</u>
9:00	DAVID HALEY by his daughter, Kara
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>APRIL 24</u>
9:00	IN HONOR OF THE BLESSED MOTHER
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>APRIL 25</u>
9:00	PHILIP MONGAN by Bob, Maria, & Katherine
9:30 – 5 p.m.	ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>APRIL 26</u>
9:00	ERIC DAHL and MARK VIALE
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>APRIL 28</u>
3:00	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY
4:00	ALBERT GRANDE by his wife, Marilyn (21 st Anniv.) JULIA COTTER by the Cotter Fund CONRAD BERNIER by the family JOHN CRESTA by Margaret Cresta TONY DESROCHERS by the DesRochers Family
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>APRIL 29</u>
7:30	TYLER GREGOIRE by M/M Bertrand Gregoire
9:00	ANTHONY D'AMBROSIO by Phyllis Sylvester
11:00	YVONNE BEAULE by Andre L. Beaule CLAIRE ST. GELAIS

VISITING THE SICK AND ELDERLY

We are called in this Year of Mercy to extend ourselves in some small way. Do you have about an hour a week to bring Holy Communion to the infirmed? No previous experience is needed. We will give you help and guidance to carry out this very rewarding ministry. Please call or email Deb Reichheld at 603-930-8331 or drdebortho@aol.com, or speak with Fr. Paul.

MORTGAGE INFORMATION

As March 31, 2018

Our mortgage balance is \$264,394.60

We paid \$8,000.00 toward our mortgage 3/21/2018

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS

DID YOU KNOW...

Catholic doctrine is an integral part of the curriculum, and it is developed in keeping with the emotional and spiritual development of the child. Lived doctrine permeates every aspect in the life of the school.

POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to Jessica on her Third Place win and Meghan on her Honorable Mention in the NH Water Pollution & Control Association Clean Water Week poster contest. There were 167 submissions and only 14 winning posters. Winning students and their families will be invited to meet the Governor and attend an Awards Dinner in May.

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

PENNY SALE @ MANCHESTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Manchester Community College, 1066 Front St., Manchester will have having a Penny Sale on Saturday, **April 28** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The numbers will be called promptly at 2 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Phyllis Holt at 858-0267.

K OF C FREE THROW COMPETITION RESULTS

Congratulations to Matthew Labrecque! He won the Knights of Columbus State Free Throw championship for his age group at the State competition held at St. Elizabeth Seton in Bedford, NH.

MASS TIMES NATIONWIDE

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

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

April 22: No Youth Group

April 29: We will be visiting St. Kathryn's Parish in Hudson for a presentation about St. Catherine of Siena. We'll meet in the parking lot at St. Catherine at 2 p.m. and then travel to Hudson. After the performance, we will stop to eat. The show is free, but you should bring money for dinner. Please RSVP if you plan to attend the performance.

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

STEUBENVILLE

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.

PRO-LIFE FRIENDS NEEDED

Want to do your part to stop Planned Parenthood's dangerous new agenda? Then come out on Saturday, **April 28** for the Third Annual National Day of Prayer and Protest Against Planned Parenthood. This will take place from 10 a.m. to Noon on the public sidewalk outside Planned Parenthood, 24 Penacook St., Manchester. For more information, contact Paul Galasso at pjg9@att.net or 603-260-1377.

