

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2018

UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYER LINE

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

2018 SAINT MARTIN de PORRES AWARD

The NH Guild of Catholic Healthcare Professionals is currently accepting nominations for the Saint Martin de Porres Award, which recognizes an individual who has exemplified the virtues of Catholic healthcare in her or his career as a healthcare professional. The recipient will be recognized following the annual White Mass on Wednesday, **April 11, 2018**. Nominations are due by Wednesday, **February 14**. For information to submit nominations, visit www.nhcatholichealth.org.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION FOR ADULTS

There are four Confirmation Preparation classes scheduled for **March 14, March 21, April 4, and April 11** from 6 – 8 p.m. in the Diocesan Administration Building. The actual Confirmation ceremony will take place on **April 15** at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral. Anyone interested in receiving their Confirmation is asked to call Mary Jane Silva at 669-3100, ext. 172.

KNIGHTS FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE

The annual Father/Daughter dance will be held **February 9** in St. Catherine's school gym. This year's theme is Little Hearts, Big LOVE. Tickets are \$25/couple before **February 5**, and \$35 after. Reserve your tickets by calling Brad Nichols at 644-8697. Don't wait until the last minute...this was a sellout last year.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS/COATS FOR KIDS

Do you know a child in need of a winter Coat? The Knights of Columbus have a variety of children's winter coats available. Call Grand Knight Brad Nichols at 644-8697, or leave a message with the parish office with your size, and if we have one it's yours.

2017 DONOR SUBSTANTIATION

For those parishioners who wish to have a statement of charitable contributions to Saint Catherine of Siena Parish for 2017, 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.



TRIP TO SOUTHERN ITALY AND SICILY

Join Fr Paul Montminy and Fr Ray Labrie for a 12 day trip from **September 19 through October 1** to Southern Italy and Sicily. Our second day in Rome will include an exclusive dinner at the Vatican Museum. The trip includes sight-seeing to Cassino, Pompeii, Sorrento, Isle of Capri, Taormina, Mount Etna, Agrigento, Erice, Mondello and Palermo. The trip includes 12 nights, 16 meals, and transportation to and from Logan Airport. Two informational slide shows and sign-up sessions will take place on Wednesday, **February 7** at 7 p.m. at St Catherine Parish and on Sunday, **February 18** at 12:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Parish in Nashua. Call 622-4966 for more information.

PARISH TRANSFORMATION CONFERENCE

Come and hear Father James Mallon, the author of "Divine Renovation," talk about his solution to parish transformation at a conference at Immaculate Conception, 216 E Dunstable Rd., Nashua on **Thursday, February 15**. Father Mallon's ideas are infectious and they are working in Canada and spreading to the US. This day-long conference will inspire and give you insight into how to implement his game plan. The cost is \$45 or \$40 for groups of 5 or more and there will be no tickets available at the door. See the link for a full description of the day: <https://www.alphanewengland.org/parishtransformationconference>

THANK YOU FROM ST. JOSEPH COMMUNITY SERVICES

On behalf of the clients we serve and all of us at SJCS Meals on Wheels, thank you so much for your support of our Holiday Gift Tag event. You certainly added so much joy for the 1,100 clients who received the bags! Some recipients wrote us notes, several called site coordinators to express their joy and appreciation – some in tears. ALL were deeply touched and so appreciative of everyone's generosity.


FORMED – A GIFT FOR YOU

St. Catherine has gifted you with unlimited access to video-based study programs, feature **FORMED.org** films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. Topics include: Explaining the Faith, Catholic Answers, Saints of History, Men and Women of Faith, Popes, and the Life and Witness of Mary. There is even content for youth. Register at **FORMED.org** and use the Parish Code **83RKJ2**.

POPE FRANCIS: MISSION & ENCOUNTER

Our Holy Father Francis has articulated a bold and prophetic vision for a missionary Church that reaches out to the margins and embraces the immigrant, the prisoner, the forsaken. His writings challenge the faithful Christian to reject a culture of waste and consumerism; and to live out authentic Gospel values of solidarity with the poor and responsible stewardship of creation. **Thursdays, through February 15**, at 7pm in the parish hall, Derick will offer a four-week course on the magisterium of Francis. The format includes lecture, video, and small group discussion. We will read selections from the following texts: *Gaudium Evangelii* and *Laudato Si*, both of which are available in their entirety on the Vatican website (vatican.va). All are welcome!

ALPHA BEGINS FEBRUARY 20!

 I would like to offer a formal invitation to all members of the parish to attend our first Alpha session on Tuesday, **February 20** from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. 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 6:30p (anyone with allergies or food sensitivities may bring their own dinner), followed by a video and some informal talks and witness testimony. You will not regret taking this Alpha course! The program lasts for eleven weeks and includes a weekend retreat. We hope for a big turnout! *Derick*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

January 27/28, 2018

Checks: \$ 6,253.00
Cash: \$ 2,000.00
E-Give: \$ 1,729.00
Total: \$ 9,982.00


MORTGAGE INFORMATION

As of January 8, 2018

Our mortgage balance is \$279,173.54

We paid \$10,522.17 toward our mortgage 1/3/2018

40 DAYS FOR LIFE KICK-OFF RALLY

Sunday, **February 11** from 2-3:30 p.m. at Ste. Marie's Church, 378 Notre Dame Ave., Manchester in the Montminy Hall.  Guest Speaker will be Catherine Adair, a former staff worker for Planned Parenthood.

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 **February** are cleaning supplies, detergent, dish soap.



<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 3</u>
8:00	PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE
3:00	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY
4:00	FR. DANIEL SINABALDI by the Burnes Family MSGR. THOMAS J. HANNIGAN by friends (8 th Anniv.) ANDY FOURNIER by Lorraine Nault
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 4</u>
7:30	FR. ROLAND BLAIS by his nephew, Fr. Paul
9:00	JIM WISEMAN by the Walsh Family
11:00	JOSEPH DONATI by the family (3 rd Anniv.) MARY CUNNINGHAM by Mary & Mike Allen NICHOLAS TZINAS by his wife, Nancy BENJAMIN ROY by his wife, Gloria
<u>MONDAY-FRIDAY</u> - Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m.	
<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 5</u>
9:00	ST. AGATHA, Virgin & Martyr JULIA DUDEK by her daughter, Donna
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 6</u>
9:00	ST. PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS, Martyrs EDWARD & EVELYN VERROCHI by their daughter, Cindy Michelson DORIS TROTТА by AJ & Therese
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 7</u>
9:00	NORA ALBA by Julia & Jack Byrne
9:30 – 5 p.m. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 8</u>
9:00	ST. JEROME EMILIANI ROBERT HAMILTON by Ann Hamilton DAVID HALEY by his daughter, Kara
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 10</u>
8:00	PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE
3:00	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY
4:00	BERNADETTE LORTIE by her daughter, Denise (1 st Anniv.) M/M ROLAND BELCOURT by their daughters, Janet & Lucille JOHN BENJAMIN HIGGINS by his aunt, Janet Lambert LUCILLE MELLANSON by Herb & Marge Nelson
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 11</u>
7:30	DELIA THOMAS & JAMES O'NEILL by the family VIRGINIA & ROBERT FLYNN; MARILYN & JOHN LETVINCHUK by the families
9:00	JULIE HOLT by the Hayes Family
11:00	CLARA SKOWRON by the Camacho & Riccio Families HENRY WELCH, JR. by Denis & Cindy

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

Please join us Saturday, **February 10** at 8 a.m. for Mass. This is followed by the Rosary, breakfast, and a guest speaker. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS

DID YOU KNOW...

That all new families can now apply online? Visit scsnh.com.

REFERRAL PROGRAM FOR 2018-2019

The purpose of the referral program is to reward current St. Catherine of Siena School families for increasing and sustaining enrollment at SCS. A **tuition reduction of \$500** will be credited to current families who successfully recruit/or refer a new student to SCS. The award will be applied in October 2018, after the student(s) have completed one month. The referral program is based on every child, not families (i.e., if a family has three children and they all enroll, the family that refers them will receive a \$1,500 tuition reduction in October).

WEATHER & SCHOOL CANCELLATIONS

Please remember that St. Catherine School follows the Manchester School District's call. If they are closed or delayed, expect the same for us. Please view WMUR for weather alerts and school closings. Be sure children are dressed for the winter.

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!**

HOLY FAMILY OPEN HOUSE

Holy Family Academy is holding an Open House on Wednesday, **February 7, 2018** from 4:00 to 5:30 pm for prospective students, parents, and anyone interested in learning about the Academy. Holy Family Academy is an affordable Catholic school teaching grades 7-12 in the classical tradition. Holy Family is located at 281 Cartier Street Manchester, NH 03102. For more information, please visit the website at www.holyfamilyacademy.org or call 644-7247.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Brothers and sisters, I should like you to be free of anxieties." Let us learn to calm our anxieties about our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are **March 9-11** in Duxbury, MA and **April 21-22** in Brewster, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at [800-710-9963](tel:800-710-9963) or visit them at <https://www.mema.org/>.

PARISH NURSE NEWS

CHAIR EXERCISE CLASSES (FREE)

Tuesdays at St. Elizabeth's, 8:30

Wednesdays at Congregation Church of Goffstown, 10

Thursdays at Transfiguration, 9:30

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

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. You will grow in your faith and it will give a new perspective on a faith that we often take for granted. To be eligible to attend, you must have completed 8th grade, up to 2018 high school graduates.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 4 @ 12:30 p.m. – Roller skating! Meet in the Church Hall at 12:30, and travel to Tyngsboro to skate. The open skate time is 1 to 5 p.m. The cost is \$9 to skate and \$3 to rent skates. Please RSVP, and permission slips are required. Chaperones and drivers are also needed!

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT AT TRINITY

A parishioner and member of the parish Boy Scout troop 104, Garrett Donais, is raising funds for his Eagle Scout Project. The project is to refurbish and improve the Stations of the Cross path behind Trinity High School. Donations of funds, time, landscaping or woodworking resources would be appreciated. A donation of \$200 or more can be used to sponsor a station in memory of a loved one. Checks must be made out to Trinity High School and can be mailed to **581 Bridge St. Manchester NH**. Contact Garrett Donais at [603-203-3556](tel:603-203-3556) or garrett.donais@trinity-hs.org with any questions.

LIVING CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE MEETING

Living Christian Marriage meets next on Saturday, **February 9** at 6:00 pm in the church hall. All married couples are invited to attend this potluck dinner/social. RSVP by email to lcm@scsnh.com. New members are always welcome to join us! *Deacon Ed and Christine*