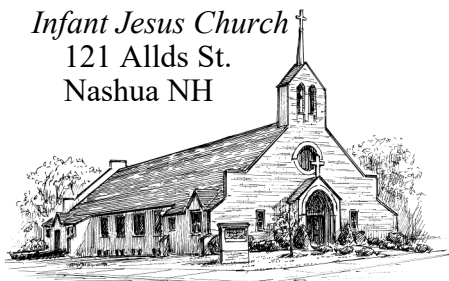
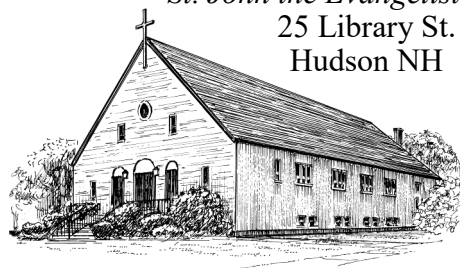


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121 Allds St.
Nashua NH



St. John the Evangelist Church
25 Library St.
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 PM	SJE Church
	6:00 PM	IJ Church
	7:30 PM	Portuguese Mass—IJ
Sunday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
	10:30 AM	IJ Church

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30 PM
at St. John the Evangelist Church.

Want to learn more or donate
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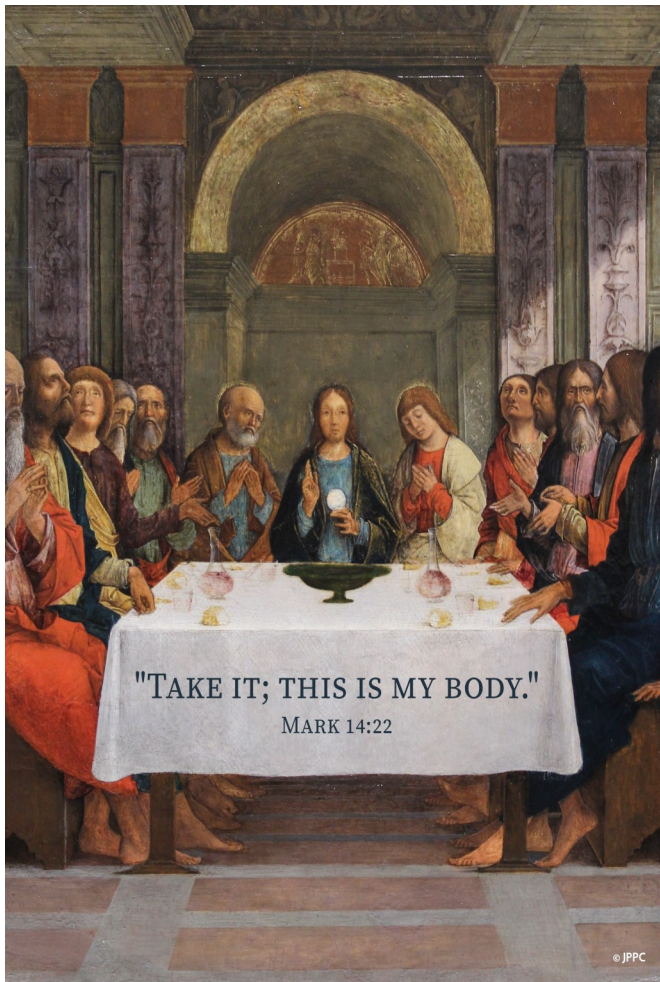


OUTREACH

Hudson Community Food Pantry 603-883-6048
Corpus Christi Food Pantry: 603-882-6372
NH Catholic Charities: 603-889-9431

June 2, 2024

Corpus Christi Sunday



Mass Intentions

Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

IJ 7:30 PM

Sunday

SJE 8:30 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

Tuesday

IJ 8:30 AM

Wednesday

SJE 8:30 AM

Thursday

IJ 8:30 AM

Friday

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Saturday

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IJ 6:00 PM

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Sunday

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IJ 10:30 AM

June 1

Walter Doyle
by a friend

Theresa Lavoie
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne
Mass in Portuguese

June 2 Corpus Christi Sunday

Fr. Joe Desmond by Patti Peters
Florette Raymond
by former classmates of
St. Louis High School Class of 1958

June 4

All Souls Intentions

June 5

All Souls Intentions

June 6

Antoinette Dube 10th Ann.

June 7

All Souls Intentions

June 8

George & Mary Doyle
by a friend

Rita Leconte
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne
Mass in Portuguese

June 9 10 Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tim Coulter by his family
Joe & Connie Simonson
by their family



Weekly Readings June 3 – June 9, 2024

Monday 2 Pt 1:2-7 Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16 Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18 Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16 Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12 Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef Mk 12:18-27
Thursday 2 Tm 2:8-15 Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 Mk 12:28-34
Friday Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9 Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 Eph 3:8-12, 14-19 Jn 19:31-37
Saturday 2 Tm 4:1-8 Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22 Lk 2:41-51
Sunday Gen 3:9-15 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 2 Cor 4:13-5:1 Mk 3:20-35

CORPUS CHRISTI CONTRACTOR NEEDED

Corpus Christi Food Pantry & Assistance is looking for a contractor that can do a few projects for us. Projects would include repairing doors, improving ramps, and possibly installing an awning. If you or you know someone who would be interested in helping, please send email to Diana Lavash at dlavash@yahoo.com

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ May 25 & 26, 2024	
Adult Envelopes (37)	\$1,254.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (47)	\$690.00
Loose Cash	\$0.00
Offertory Total:	\$2,252.00
Debt Reduction	\$15.00
<i>May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!</i>	

Saint John XXIII Parish

CORPUS CHRISTI REFLECTION

We never forget certain days. They could be historic, like the first landing on the moon, or personal, like your birthday, or a combination of both, like the date of your wedding. More to the point of today's feast, comes the date of your First Holy Communion. If you're not sure of that last one, it will be in the church records of your childhood parish. Or maybe in a family Bible. You likely remember some of the details, like your outfit that day, or the name of the priest who administered the sacrament.

Be that as it may, our Church recognizes that the institution of the first Eucharist given at the Last Supper, was overshadowed by the passion and death of the "Master" soon to follow. The annual Holy Week Liturgies reflect this somber note. That is why the Church selects this day to celebrate the miracle of the Mass unnumbered by distraction.

The Resurrection of Jesus validated everything He said or did, and what He said and did that holy night is real and true and wonderful beyond words. And happening again right here and right now at every Mass. We receive the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of the living God! The distance in time and place from the original Mass are of no matter, or "no problem," as we might say, for God, living as He in the "now" of eternity. Time and distance, so noticeable by us because we are here only for a relatively short time, are inconsequential to Him. Yes, the Eucharist is miraculous, coming to us in great ornate cathedrals or the hood of a jeep by way of a wartime chaplain. We are asked to believe in something that began long ago and far away but is here and now.

Unfortunately, we live in a self-referential era, where we ourselves set the measurement of what is important and what must be believed. What others say, especially if they are in positions of authority, is immediately suspect. And when even the existence of God is brought into question, why hold on to something as old-fashioned as faith? As belief that a wafer of bread and a cup of wine become God Himself for our food and drink. For those who deny it, proof is necessary. For those who believe, no proof is necessary.

So stupendous is the gift of the Holy Eucharist that it has always generated skepticism and developed doubt. Even when Our Lord first announced it, remember how many people no longer walked with Him. Remember St. Peter's poignant question: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Unfortunately, the present statistics reveal that up to 70% of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Our American bishops recognize the problem behind those statistics. Perhaps external causes such as the Covid sudden shutdown of our churches are to blame.

Or the clergy abuse scandal, which still lives on sporadically even though our Church has developed strict new guidelines to prevent it happening again.

But underneath all that is a lack of faith. A faith not backed up by prayer and regular practice of it. Whatever the reason, Satan has been successful with his obvious campaign against Christ in the Eucharist in our own time. So many people have bought into the world's goals of being rich or powerful or famous, or a combination of them. Easy to become casual and caustic about the Mass and the Holy Eucharist.

I do wonder from time to time what is it that holds God's hand back. But that only comes when I forget the mercy of God combined with His justice. He alone is our true judge, and only He knows what He is about. Meanwhile we have the saints. A very long list of ordinary people who achieved heaven by their fidelity to the Eucharist when times were certainly tough.

One of them was a man named Thomas, whose doubt about the resurrection made him declare that he wouldn't believe until he touched the risen Jesus' hands, feet and side, the noble scars from His crucifixion. Kneeling before the Lord after doing such, he said what we also should when we see the Host and Chalice raised at Mass: "My Lord and my God."

God love you, and may you treasure your belief.

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

UNITED WAY –JUNE COFFEE & CAUSES

CARING FOR YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

You are invited to join United Way of Greater Nashua Friday, June 7, 2024, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM, at the Merrimack Public Library for our June Coffee and Causes event. Our June focus is on "Caring for Your Mental Health." Location: Merrimack Public Library, 470 Daniel Webster Highway, Merrimack, NH. Register: <https://tinyurl.com/Jun-Coffee> or contact United Way at info@unitedwaynashua.org or (603)882-4011.

CATHEDRAL GIFT SHOP JUNE SALE

June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and during the entire month, the Cathedral Gift Shop is offering 15% off Sacred Heart of Jesus related items including books on the Sacred Heart and St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Sacred Heart flags, statues, medals, and more! No coupon required! (certain exclusions may apply). The Gift Shop is located at 145 Lowell St. in Manchester and is open 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM Monday thru Saturday with extended hours on Wednesday until 5:30 and Saturday until 3:30. For more information, go to: stjosephcathedralnh.org/giftshop or call 603-622-6404.

CARING FOR LOVED ONES WITH DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Are you navigating the challenges of caring for someone with dementia? Catholic Charities NH invites you to our upcoming online support group, "Caring for Loved Ones with Dementia," starting Tuesday, June 11. Join us each week from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. for a five-week series that provides a compassionate space to connect with others in similar situations. Gain valuable insights into dementia care and access practical tools to enhance the quality of life for your loved ones. Participation is free. For more details or to sign up, visit www.cc-nh.org/dementia, call Louise at 603-752-1325, ext. 4573, or email lmorneau@nh-cc.org.

CORPUS CHRISTI FANS NEEDED

Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance serves many clients in need of fans during the hot summer season. Most of our clients live downtown in crowded multi-family buildings with no air conditioning and often, not even a fan. We are accepting donations of new or gently used fans through July. Our pantry will be closed July 1-4. If you prefer to send a donation we will gladly shop and share the fans with those who need them most! Please drop off donations at our pantry location, 3 Crown St., Mon/Wed 9-12 or Tue/Thurs 1-4. We appreciate your continued support!. Please contact Corpuschristiassistance@outlook.com, or call Susan Dignan at 603-598-1641 with any questions. God Bless!

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We are grateful to all our parishioners who have given to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised **\$7,400.00** toward our goal of **\$33,463.00**. 100% of the funds raised above this Appeal goal are returned to our parish this year. If you have not made your gift yet, please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend or make your gift online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca. Extra gift envelopes are available in the pews. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our parish goal. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.