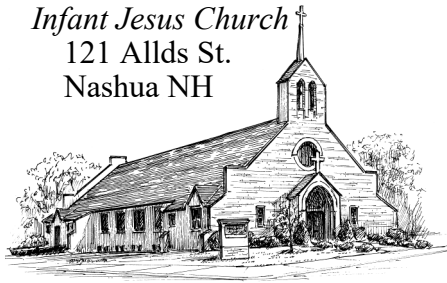


Saint John XXIII Parish

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St. John the Evangelist Church
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

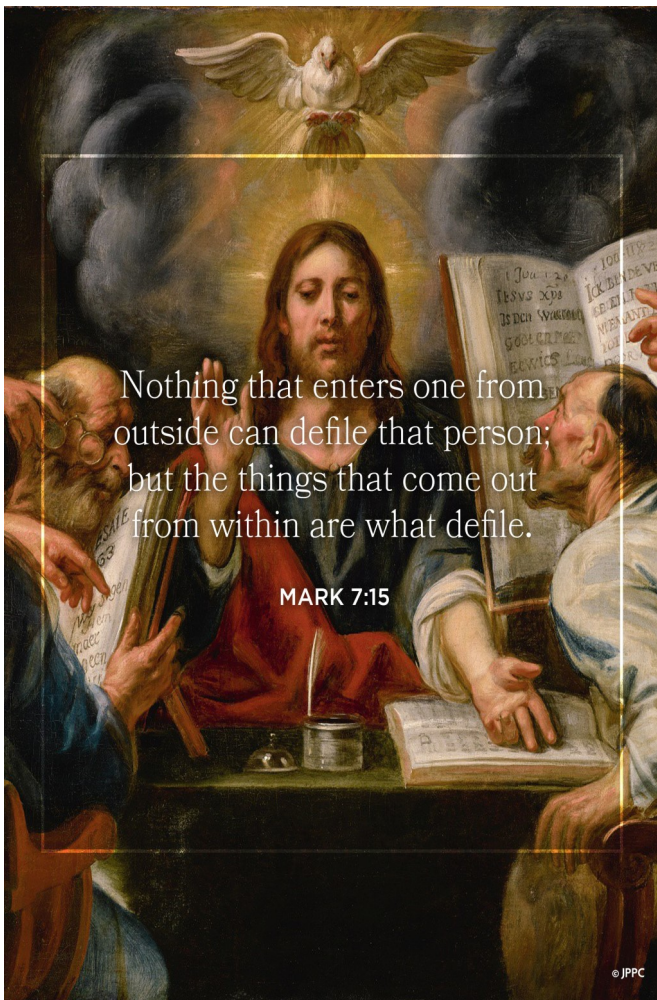
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| Tuesday | 8:30 AM | IJ Church |
| Wednesday | 8:30 AM | SJE Church |
| Thursday | 8:30 AM | IJ Church |
| Friday | 8:30 AM | SJE Church |

OUTREACH

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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



Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.

MARK 7:15

Mass Intentions

Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

Sunday

IJ 8:00 AM

SJE 8:30 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

Tuesday

IJ 8:30 AM

Wednesday

SJE 8:30 AM

Thursday

IJ 8:30 AM

Friday

SJE 8:30 AM

Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

Sunday

IJ 8:00 AM

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IJ 10:30 AM

August 31

John Casey by the family

Gertrude Michaud

by the Ladies of Ste. Anne

Sept. 1 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass in Portuguese

Rose & Jim Gardner

by Don Smith

Theresa Duchesne.

by Lori & Doug Fowler

September 3

Intentions of the Parishioners

September 4

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September 5

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September 6

The Shanholtz Family

September 7

Adrien Landry

by Venette Theriault & Family

Lillian Migneault

by the Ladies of Ste. Anne

Sept. 8 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass in Portuguese

Ellie Peters

by Patti Peters

Alice Morin

by the Ladies of Ste. Anne

CAMP FATIMA & CAMP BERNADETTE ALUMNI

Camp Bernadette and Camp Fatima are rebuilding their alumni lists. If you were a camper, staff member, or volunteer at either camp, please contact Andrew Thibault andrew@bfcamp.com to update your contact information



Weekly Readings Sept 2 – Sept. 8, 2024

Monday 1 Cor 2:1-5 Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday 1 Cor 2:10b-16 Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13AB, 13CD-14 Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday 1 Cor 3:1-9 Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 Lk 4:38-44

Thursday 1 Cor 3:18-23 Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Lk 5:1-11

Friday 1 Cor 4:1-5 Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 Lk 5:33-39

Saturday 1 Cor 4:6b-15 Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21 Lk 6:1-5

Sunday Is 35:4-7a Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 Jas 2:1-5 Mk 7:31-37

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ Aug. 24 & 25, 2024

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| Adult Envelopes (34) | \$1,200.00 |
| WeShare (Online Giving) (46) | \$640.00 |
| Loose Cash | \$577.00 |
| Offertory Total: | \$2,417.00 |
| Debt Reduction | \$25.00 |

May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!

Saint John XXIII Parish

REFLECTION - 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I'm sure that many of you have seen that disconcerting sign posted in many restrooms, especially in restaurants: "Employees must wash their hands before returning to duty." Or words to that effect. Is the possibility so real of restaurant employees not washing before going back to handling food? I suppose so. Just from what I have observed often enough of the non-washing of hands that occurs in men's rooms, I can understand why the sign.

For the observant Jews of Our Lord's time, ritual washing was a hallmark of their culture. As the guardians of that culture, our meticulous friends the Pharisees would justifiably pounce upon any miscreants. This whole matter must have struck people of other cultures as a peculiarity. Of course, back then nobody knew or even imagined the existence of something called "germs."

But the Pharisees mentioned in our gospel episode for today saw a chance to pose a loaded question to Jesus, hoping to label Him and His followers as "unclean." Little did they know with whom they were dealing. It took them a seemingly long time to catch on. In this instance, Our Lord made what for them may have been a somewhat startling observation: "Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile."

Now none of us were present at this scene, of course. But it doesn't strain our imaginations to picture the look on the Pharisees' faces. It was a combination of anger and resentment for being bested by a young rabbi from Nazareth of all places, with no formal credentials to claim. But this story is included in the gospels by the intent of the Holy Spirit for all of us who hear it in our particular space and time.

We know all about the occasional presence in us of what has to be called "evil." Dark thoughts about others that manifest in rash judgment of them. Perverted imaginings in the sexual order. Even unexpressed anger against God. Or His Church. Or anything that we know deep down should have no place in our hearts. Especially if we want to be in sync with the Sacred Heart.

Moses had told the people of his time that observance of God's Law would give "evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations (Gentiles)." Our world at the present time needs our Christian evidence of wisdom and intelligence even if it first reacts with mockery and cynicism. When all is said and done, all of us want a fullness of life, free from guilt. We have the key to that life in the bible, especially in the gospels. 1

This extended weekend we honor the goodness of work and those who do manual labor for a living. The witness of hands dirty from honest work certainly enhances creation. As does all human work. The cleansing of hands before coming up the aisle to receive the Holy Eucharist is a mark of our respect. But after Mass, it is a "hands on" approach to God's will that we acknowledge in praying the "Our Father" prayer that this civic holiday hints at to be spiritually alert and fully alive.

Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

STAYING CYBER SECURE & SCAM FREE

Join United Way of Greater Nashua Friday, September 6, 2024 from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM, at the Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua Street, Milford, NH, for our September Coffee and Causes event. Join Peter LaRouche, Network Intrusion Forensic Analyst with the US Secret Service, as he discusses topics like recognizing phishing scams, creating strong passwords, and what to do if you or someone you know falls victim to fraud. Don't miss out on this opportunity to learn how to protect yourself and your loved ones from cybercrime Register: <https://tinyurl.com/Sept2024-Coffee> /or contact United Way at info@unitedwaynashua.org or (603)882-4011.

VETERANS APPRECIATION PICNIC

Hudson Memorial VFW Post 5791 will be hosting its Eighth Annual Veterans Appreciation Picnic for ALL NH veterans and their families at the Hudson VFW, 15 Bockes Rd, Hudson, NH on Saturday September 21, 2024 from 11 AM to 3 PM. The event is open to anyone who has served in any branch of the U.S. military. Veterans don't have to be a member of the VFW, American Legion or any other veterans' organization to attend. This is just a recognition of your service and an opportunity to meet your fellow Veterans. Vets are encouraged to bring their spouses, kids, and grandkids. There is a large fenced-in picnic area (weather permitting) and a large hall if the weather is bad. There will be horseshoes, bocce, and corn hole games, plus games and activities for the kids. New this year, 12 PM Cornhole Tournament with a prize for the winner. Veterans are automatically entered in a drawing for free door prizes! Various Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs) will be on hand to distribute information and speak with Veterans about the services they offer. #stillsserving

CELEBRATING SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME DE NAMUR

A Liturgy of Celebration will be held on Saturday, September 14, at 4 p.m. at St. Patrick Parish in Lowell, Massachusetts, to commemorate the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur's 175 years of an Enduring Legacy of Goodness in New England. On October 16, 2024, at the Marriott in Burlington, Massachusetts, we will come together to commemorate 175 years of courage, dedication and service to the community. Since the arrival of three Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur in Boston in November 1849, their journey has been one of profound commitment to making known God's goodness through education and advocacy, especially for women and children. Join us and learn more about the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur at www.snddeneastwest.org/175NE.

BIBLE STUDY - JAMES PEARLS OF WISDOM

St. Patrick Parish, Nashua NH, will begin an eleven-week Bible study James: Pearls for Wise Living on September 12, 2024, at 6:00 PM. We will be meeting in the Parish Center each week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a group discussion and fellowship. To purchase your workbook and/or online access visit ascensionpress.com. If you have any questions, please contact Sheila D'Entremont at Sheila@DEntremont.org. James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Its teachings speak loudly to those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith. .

GRIEFSHARE

Grieving the loss of a loved one? Griefshare. 14 sessions. Joine anytime during the series. Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 PM starting September 11th at St. John Neumann Hall, 708 Milford Road, Merrimack, NH. Contact Deacon Brian Lester at deacon@sjnnh.org or <https://www.griefshare.org/> for information.

2024 NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are grateful to all our parishioners who have given to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised **\$11,880.00** 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 or scan the QR code on the right.

