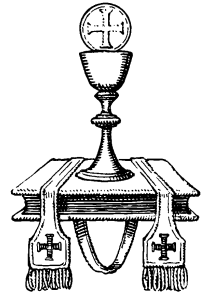


THE PASTOR'S MUSINGS

"With you I am a Christian, for you I am a Priest" (Paraphrase of St Augustine)

Dear Family in the Lord,

The words above, as I mentioned last Sunday, were my 'motto' at the time of my Ordination to the Priesthood in 1985. They were on programs and holy cards, they formed my remarks at my first Mass, they have been my conviction in these past 26 years of priestly ministry, the majority of which (almost 18), have been spent with you! We have helped each other grow as more authentic Christians. We have challenged and consoled each other. We've shared joys, laughter, hard tasks, and results and rewards beyond wildest dreams. We have taught each other patience and wisdom, and, hopefully, we have all grown in grace.




St Teresa of Avila put it well when she wrote in the front cover of her breviary, "Let nothing disturb thee, nothing fright thee; all things change, only God remains". These words form my prayerful reflection in these days. They are my firm conviction. They are my hope. They are my comfort. They instill enthusiasm in me for what lies ahead, as they remind me of God's faithfulness and His abundant 'surprises' in these past years that I have been blest to walk with you as a fellow Christian, and walk alongside you as 'alter Christus', another Christ, bringing you His truth, His grace, His sacraments, His forgiveness and making present for you, day after day, His most precious Body and Blood. It has been my joy and greatest gift!

As announced last Sunday, I have been assigned as Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish in Portsmouth, NH effective September 6th. Labor Day weekend will be my last time among you as your pastor. In a short time I will be given the name of my successor to announce your new pastor to you. In the meantime, please pray for me and the people I will serve. I pray with you for this parish in this time of transition, and for the man who will be given the great privilege I was given on December 9, 1993 to be your pastor.

In the coming weeks I will use this space to share my reflections with you and my gratitude. I'm glad we still have a few weeks together for that. Next week I will tell you a little bit about the place that I will soon call 'home'. When I was a seminarian my very first summer assignment was in Portsmouth. It's like coming full circle. I close with the words I opened my announcement to you with last weekend, a quote from a childhood pastor when he was leaving: "To know is to love, to love is to serve. The more we come to know, the more we can love, and the more we love, the easier it is to serve". I am grateful that I have had all these years to come to know you well, I love you deeply, and it has been a joy to serve you with the best I have to give - the Priesthood of Christ, and the heart of a Shepherd!

More next week...

In His Love, 

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 8 (St. Dominic)

9:00AM - Wanda Rice, by Carolyn & Richard Dotchin

Tuesday, August 9 (Sr. Edith Stein)

7:00PM - Paul & Dolores Simoneau, by the Simoneau & Taylor Families

Wednesday, August 10 (St. Lawrence)

9:00AM - Intentions of Alcida deClaire, by Vilma Zuliani

Thursday, August 11 (St. Clare)

7:00PM - Peter Sohm, by the Lindner Family

Friday, August 12 (Weekday)

9:00AM - Rudolph Paquette, by Pro-Maria Committee

Saturday, August 13 (Weekday)

9:00AM - Jean Paul Charron, by Rivier Prayer Group

Vigil: Solemnity of Church Dedication Anniversary

4:00PM - Richard Merrifield, Sr., by Doris Gagnon

Sunday, August 14 (Solemnity of Church Dedication Anniversary)

8:30AM - Alice Duclos, by Family

10:30AM - Gertrude Landry, by Family

6:30PM - M/M John Kupchun, by Ciarletta Family

BANNS OF MARRIAGE III



We keep *Patrick O'Mara & Lynne Niemaszyk* in prayer as they prepare to pledge life and love in our parish church on August 19th.

VOCATION BIRTH STONE ROSARY

This week *Lou & Ann Penn* will be praying with the traveling rosary for our five parish seminarians. Next week *Marianne Grenon* will have it. We thank all who are part of this ongoing spiritual support for our men in formation for the priesthood, placing them under the mantle of our Lady!



AMH WEEK TO SERVE

Our parish has the week of August 14th to serve at *Anne Marie House*. It's right around the corner, and, in summer time, it can be tough to fill slots when folks are away. If you are one of our volunteers and you could help, please contact the coordinators NOW so we can plan ahead! Thanks!

Black Madonna Shrine (August)

Intentions of Donald Breault & Family

Divine Mercy Shrine (August)

In Memory of George Holly
by Brian & Michele McCormack

Blessed Virgin Mary Shrine (August)

Intentions of Wilbanice Ayala
by Kathy & Bill Shea

OUR REFLECTION OF GOD'S GENEROSITY

Last Weekend Offertory: \$13,040.63 *Thank You*



The Week At A Glance ...

Sunday - August 7th

Baptismal Catechesis/RM 1 (12N)

Baptism/Church (12N)

Monday - August 8th

Jazzercise Kamp/Hall (9AM - 12N)

Tuesday - August 9th

Jazzercise Kamp/Hall (9AM - 12N)

Crafters Workshop/Craft Room (6:30 PM)

Boy Scouts/Hall B (7 PM)

Wednesday - August 10th

Adoration/Chapel (5:30-8:45 AM, 1-7 PM)

Jazzercise Kamp/Hall (9AM - 12N)

Home School Info Nite/RM 1 (7-9PM)

Thursday - August 11th

Jazzercise Kamp/Hall (9AM - 12N)

Friday - August 12th

Jazzercise Kamp/Hall (9AM - 12N)

Saturday - August 13th

Siena Singles/RM 1 (9:30 AM)

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY EVENT

The Diocesan celebration of Wedding Anniversaries will take place once again at St Anselm Abbey Church in Manchester on Sunday, October 9th at 2:00 PM. Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or beyond anniversary in 2011? If so, call in your names and mailing address to our office **by August 12** and we will forward to the diocese. You will then be sent an invitation from the Bishop's office. (Please be sure to include which anniversary you are observing).

CONFIRMATION REMINDERS

Youth planning to be confirmed here on December 4th at the 6:30 PM Mass should note the following dates:

Sponsor forms were due in to Deacon Ray by *the end of July*.

Confirmation Name Saint paper is due to Deacon by August 31.

Letter of Reflection/Request is to be given to Fr Gary by September 1st.

Confirmation Enrichment day is on Saturday, September 17th 10AM-7PM.

Rehearsal for the candidates and their sponsors will be at 5:30 PM on Saturday, December 3rd, in church.

JR/SR HIGH TEACHERS MEET

There will be a meeting for all our Faith Formation teachers in Grades 7 & 8 this Monday, **Aug 8** at 6PM in RM 1. There will be a meeting for all High School teachers this Tuesday, **Aug 9** at 6PM in RM 1. *Please let Deacon Ray know if you can make it or not.* If you would like to get involved and did not teach last year please call Deacon Ray in our office prior to these meetings.



RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION

All students, new or returning, should now be registered. All Catholic school or home schooled students entering Grades 2 or 9 should be registered for sacramental prep. Some class options are now filled and closed. Contact Michele in our office if you have a child/teen not registered. Forms for the various levels can be found on the wall rack in office entry.

LITTLE CHURCH

Little Church is the faith formation program for preschoolers that happens during the 10:30 Mass beginning in Oct. Can you join a team of 2 volunteers once a month to help us keep this program alive for our preschoolers? Call Nancy in the office.

HOME SCHOOL INFO NIGHT

Interested in home schooling your children? Here is an opportunity to learn how it is done and see how easy it actually is! *St Kathryn's Home School Group*, is sponsoring a 'nuts & bolts' info night for parents on Tues, **Aug 16th** at 7:30 PM in the hall. Practical 'how to' info will be presented; different curriculums that are available, NH State requirements and much more will be included. There will be time for Q&A along with a display of some materials. For more info contact Jen Harrington at 603 327.7894 or just come.

MEN'S RETREAT

Flyers with details and registration info are on the corner narthex table for this August 26-27 retreat at St. Benedict Abbey in Still River (Harvard) MA. It will be led by the Franciscan Friars of the Primitive Observance, beginning 6PM Friday and ending 9PM Saturday. Space is limited. Donation is \$109.00.

NEW ROMAN MISSAL

Over the past weeks we have been reflecting on the changes in language and texts that the English-speaking world will experience as we begin to use the revised Roman Missal on the First Sunday of Advent. This week I would like to focus on two new elements, both congregation responses in the Eucharistic Prayer. As we join the angels and saints in singing the praises of God after the priest's invitation in the preface, we will soon be singing/saying: **"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts"** rather than "Lord God of power and might". This is a literal translation from the original Latin text that retains the word used in scripture (recorded in the Book of Revelation) to describe what the angels and saints do without ceasing around the throne of the Lamb in the heavenly Liturgy. We enter into their praise as we sing this great prayer at Mass. The phrase used is "*Lord God Sabaoth*" which is translated as *hosts* (referring to the choir of angels). This term for the angel choirs is used in some Christmas carols as well. The slight change underscores the great reality of this moment, as described in the scriptural account, with great clarity.



Later, after the consecration the celebrant proclaims what is before us in the newly consecrated bread and wine: "Mystery of Faith!" - a literal translation of the Latin. Currently, the translation "Let us proclaim the mystery of faith" is an invitation to *do* something rather than a statement of a faith fact. This was never the sense of the text. The response can be one of three - each one a prayer to Christ made present before us, who, through this death and resurrection (of which the Eucharist is a sharing in) we are set free and given the hope of eternal life. The acclamation often used today will NOT be among the three options, since it was never in the Latin text or used in any other language except English. "Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again" is a statement not a prayer, hence, the elimination. In our parish we will begin using one of the new acclamations in song on the first weekend of September. All will be invited to repeat it after the cantor intones: **"Save us, O Savior of the world, for, by Your cross and resurrection you have set us free"**. The text of the Eucharistic prayers the priest can choose from will also change, starting in Advent, with words that are more poetic, evoke inspiring images and take on a more sacral (sacred) sense, as, in them, the priest, on our behalf, is speaking to God.

Next week we will continue to explore some of the other revised texts. It will take time to adapt. You will need to refer to the Order of Mass found in the hymnal or to a prayer card that will be in the pews. Change can be awkward at first, but, as I've said before, I hope that, as we receive this new translation in late November, we will all renew our appreciation of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and find ourselves attuning our hearts and minds more fully with our lips as we truly pray, and ponder, the great mysteries that we are about in our participation in the greatest of all prayers - Holy Mass!

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RCIA INQUIRY ANYONE?

Through the RCIA process (*The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*) folks are able to explore the Catholic faith in a setting that is welcoming, relaxed and with no obligation. **The 'inquiry sessions' will run weekly on Monday nights at 7:00 PM starting in the Fall.** This process is for adults who have never been baptized, or were baptized in another Christian denomination, or were baptized as a Catholic, but not brought up in the faith, perhaps never making First Communion or Confirmation. You?



Someone you know? **Summer is the time to contact Fr Gary to express an interest in getting more info about RCIA.** He'd like to set up a time to meet and chat, answer any questions, and give you some details about the process. Later, toward the end of August, we have a BBQ for those interested and members of the team. If interested, please contact Father. You can call him at 603-882-7793, x205, or email frgary@stkathryns.org. We also have a similar program for children. Parents should leave a message in Nancy Schulz's voice mail and she will contact you in early Aug. That process meets on Tues. starting in Sept, for kids ages 7 and up.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Caffeine & Catholicism has been a well-received program sponsored by our ministry for young adults (ages 18 to 30 something) for the past couple of years. Monthly opportunities for enrichment and fellowship are offered on the third Friday of the month at *Beantowne Coffee House & Café*, 201 NH 111, Hampstead, NH from 7-9PM. The next is August 19 with focus on "Conversion Stories". Come and hear how other young adults, like yourself, found their way to Catholicism, or their way back! They are sure to renew and re-invigorate your love for our Faith! Bring friends, perhaps some who don't plug in too often.

ANOTHER PARISH VOCATION!

It is with great joy that we announce that another member of our parish will be entering religious life! On Sunday, Aug 21st we will celebrate a Rite of Sending for **Sarah Monroe** at the 10:30 AM Solemn Mass, followed by a simple reception with cake and punch in the hall. Sarah will be entering the *Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist* in Ann Arbor, Michigan on August 28th. This is one of the new, vibrant and growing communities in the Church! They were begun in 1997 and already have 106 sisters! Their prime ministry is in Catholic education. The 'vocation crisis' they have is not having enough room to welcome the many young woman who are hoping to enter! Plan to join us on August 21st for yet another graced moment in the life of our parish and the flourishing of vocations among us!

FINAL VOWS

Brother Reginald Mary, formerly Brendan Lynch, will be making his Solemn Profession of Vows as a Dominican on Aug 13 at the Dominican House of Studies in Wash, DC. We had the pleasure of visiting there when we went on our parish Voc. Prayer Pilgrimage last Oct. Before entering religious life as a Dominican, Brendan was a seminarian of our diocese and assigned here for a summer. With Solemn Profession he makes the commitment for life as a Dominican. He'll then resume final phase of theological studies, leading to his ordination to diaconate, and, ultimately, to the priesthood. If you would like to send a note to him on this special occasion of making his solemn vows you can send it to: Brother Reginald Mary Lynch, OP, Dominican House of Studies, 487 Michigan Ave. Northeast, Washington, DC 20017



WELCOME, FR DEVEAU

With last week full of moving trips and transition meetings, Fr Gary will be getting away for a little R & R this week from Tuesday through Friday. We welcome Fr Ademar Deveau as the celebrant of weekday Masses! He has been a big support and great help to Fr Gary and our parish over the years! Welcome Father, and thanks!

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

All high school youth who will be part of our Confirmation prep program this fall, whether in year I or II, will need to make selections of course day/time on the **weekend of August 27/28**. You can come to the transept chapel wing of the church *after any Mass* that weekend to sign up and get your info packet and requirements from Deacon Ray at that time.

CZESTOCHOWA DAYS



Once again we will have a Triduum of Prayer & Teaching in celebration of the Feast day of Our Lady of Czestochowa (The Black Madonna). Plan to join us for Holy Mass, teaching and devotions at 7:00 PM nightly on August 24, 25, 26. Fr Gary will be the preacher this year, basing his talks on Blessed John Paul II's teaching and devotion to our Lady venerated in this ancient icon. The Feast will be observed on August 26th with Solemn Mass and the formal crowning of the Holy Icon in our parish shrine. More details to come. Save the dates!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

TITHING UPDATE



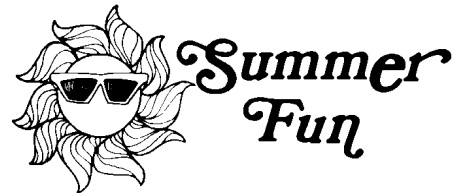
During the month of July we shared our parish tithe, 10 percent of what is offered in the offertory collection, with the following charitable needs:

- Anne Marie House
- St. Vincent dePaul
- St. Marguerite d'Youville Parish
- Peter's Pence Assessment

TOTAL SHARED: \$1,680.47

NEW ALTAR SERVERS?

We would like to add additional boys and girls to our ranks of servers! The training sessions will take place in October and they would be added to the schedule when the new one is prepared starting in November. Now is the time to call in! Any boy or girl, entering Grade 3 or higher this Fall, is welcome! It's a great honor to serve the Lord at His holy altar, and a great way to serve your community too! We urge parents to encourage the kids! *Please call in their name, address and phone number to Lauraine in our office, along with indication of which Mass you would like them assigned to.* Schedule usually has them on once every 4 or 5 weeks. Consider it!



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