

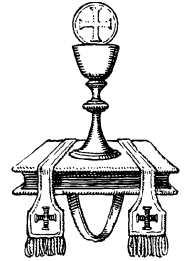
THE PASTOR'S MUSINGS

"With you, I am a Christian; for you, I am a Priest"

Paraphrase/St Augustine

Dear Family in the Lord,

After close to eighteen years, its time to say goodbye. While that is not easy, it is with much gratitude to God and to so many of you, for the blessing that this assignment has been in my life! All that we shared, the building of this beautiful place, the celebration of our 40th anniversary as a parish, and my 25th anniversary of ordination, are among the highlights!



I am most grateful, however, for the many ways you helped me grow my faith. You've inspired me, filled me with awe and wonder, many times! Watching the Sacrament of Reconciliation experience a rebirth in this community, ministering His mercy to so many of you, has intensified my own experience of this great gift! Your reverence and devotion for the Eucharist, your whole hearted and joyful celebration of the Sacred Liturgy, has helped me to approach each Mass I've been privileged to offer here with you as 'my first Mass, my last Mass, my only Mass'! Your prayerfulness has made me more prayerful. Your outreach has expanded my reaching out. So many who came to our faith in RCIA, or came home through Coming Home, have awakened a deep appreciation of our Catholic faith in my personal life!

We have laughed together, cried together, hoped together, visioned together, and, most of all, have put it all in the hands of Jesus and Mary together! We have learned patience from each other! We've had occasions to forgive each other. If, in any way, I have ever offended or caused hurt to any of you, and it still hasn't completely healed, please know I am truly sorry and I pray that complete healing will be yours.

When I arrived on that Advent day in 1993, I quoted two sections of that Sunday's Gospel. I said, the question they asked John the Baptist, is the one you're probably asking; 'Who are you?' And, I gave you his answer as mine, "I am NOT the Messiah!" You know me well now! You KNOW I'm not He! But, I am grateful to you for loving and supporting me as I am, and helping me become a better shepherd and more faithful disciple.

Know that even though we will no longer be gathered around the altar together each day, each time I approach the altar, you will be in my heart and lifted up in my prayers. There's a saying: "To know is to love, to love is to serve; the more we come to know, the more we love; the more we love, the easier it is to serve". I am grateful for so many years! I know you more than a little, and I love you more than a lot! It's been a joy to serve you in His name! Please pray for me, as I do for you!

Whenever you're in New Hampshire's Seacoast, know that you will always be given a warm welcome at Corpus Christi Parish! My new contact info can be found elsewhere in today's bulletin. I truly enjoyed giving Fr Joe the 'grand tour' and a few points of info about this wonderful parish as we met for transition. I am excited for him and for you! He is blest in having you, and you in having him as your pastor!

Until we meet again ... may He hold you in the palm of His hand!

With Love, Gratitude & Blessing,

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 5 (Weekday)

9:00AM - Pauline & Vincent Grasso, by their daughter Santa

Tuesday, September 6 (Weekday)

7:00PM - Carolyn Sypteris, by Paula, Gary & Nick Sypteris

Wednesday, September 7 (Weekday)

9:00AM - Memorial Enrollments

Thursday, September 8 (Nativity of Bl. Virgin Mary)

7:00PM - Vitto Nastasia, by the Schofield Family

Friday, September 9 (St. Peter Claver)

9:00AM - Jean Paul Charron, by the Schofield Family

Saturday, September 10 (Weekday)

9:00AM - Anniversary Blessings for Barbara & James Battis, by Laura & Keith

Vigil: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00PM - Pat Schena (5th Anniversary) by his wife, Pat & Family

Sunday, September 11 (24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM - Marguerite LaGaccia, by her daughter

10:30AM - Leonard & Gertrude Landry, by Family

6:30PM - Birthday Blessings for Kathy Riley, by the Burda Family

OUR REFLECTION OF GOD'S GENEROSITY

Last Weekend Offertory: \$10,763.82
Manchester Missions: \$ 1,007.00

Thank You

Black Madonna Shrine (September)

Thank You My Lady of miracles!

Divine Mercy Shrine (September)

In Memory of Norm Sigman
by Brian & Michele McCormack

St. John Vianney Shrine (September)

For our Seminarians

Blessed Virgin Mary Shrine (September)

Special Intentions for Linda Cannon & Family

VOCATION BIRTH STONE ROSARY

This week *Charlene Dandretta* will be praying with the traveling rosary for our five parish seminarians. Next week *Gayle & Deacon Ray Marcotte* 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!

MUSIC MINISTRY

Our Parish Choir will resume rehearsals for the season **this Wed, Sept 7 at 7:30 PM in Rm 1**, and will resume singing at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, Sept 11th - our new pastor's first weekend with us! The Contemp Music group will also resume on the 11th at the 6:30 PM Mass. Great time to join either group! See Larry at the keyboard on Sun mornings, or Steve on Sun night, for details.

RELIGIOUS ED TEACHERS NEEDED

5th grade children on Mon. night need an **assistant teacher** and our 3rd grade children on Sun, Group 1 need a teacher. These are your children and they need your help to hear God's Word. Call Nancy if you can help!!

The Week At A Glance ...

Sunday - September 4th

Baptismal Catechesis/RM 1 (12N)

Monday - September 5th

Labor Day - Office Closed

Tuesday - September 6th

Conf. Teachers Mtg/RM 2 (6:30 - 8:30PM)

Crafters Workshop/Craft Room (6:30 PM)

Boy Scouts/Hall B (7 PM)

RCIA Team Mtg/RM 3 (7:30PM)

Wednesday - September 7th

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

Vespers & Benediction/Chapel (7 PM)

K of C Bus. Mtg/Hall B (7 PM)

Choir Rehearsal/RM 1 (7:30 PM)

Thursday - September 8th

Rel Ed Teachers Mtg/Hall A (6:30-8:30 PM)

Friday - September 9th

Men of Joseph Holy Hour/Chapel (9PM)

Saturday - September 10th

Siena Singles Book Group/RM 1 (9:30 AM)

Sunday - September 11th

Coffee & Donuts/Hall (after AM Masses)

Workcamp Planning Mtg/Hall (7:30 PM)

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Story, prayer, song, crafts and activity are all part of this special Sunday morning program offered for preschool children during the 10:30 AM Mass. We hope to resume offering it weekly in October, but, in order to do so, we **still need more volunteers**. Can YOU make a once a month commitment for our little ones? Please call Nancy in our office ASAP. (Thanks to all who have already signed up to help - talk to a friend, get them to call!)

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 # to the office, along with which Mass you would like them assigned to.* Schedule usually has them on once every 4 or 5 weeks. Consider it!



VOLUNTEERS & CHILDREN

Now that the school year will be starting up again we need to remind all our volunteers that in order to work with children or youth in our programs everyone *must* be cleared through our *Protecting God's Children* program with the Diocese. The next training session will be at Infant Jesus School cafeteria, Allds St. in Nashua, this Wednesday, **Sept 7th** from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. If you plan to attend please call to register at (603)889-2649. If you have any questions or need more info please call Lauraine in our parish office.

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 September 12.** 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? If interested, please contact Charlie Lawrence at (603) 703-9804.



NEW TITLES IN CD RACK

Some new CDs have just been added to the rack in the corner of the narthex, and more are on the way! Check them out periodically! There is a great CD that takes you step by step through the changes in the new Roman Missal, the Mass prayers we will begin using in Advent of this year. *Highly recommended for everyone!*

FAREWELL TO FR. GARY!

Fr Gary it is hard to believe that the time has come for you to move on. Our time together has been so full and has moved so quickly.

On behalf of the Parish Council and each and every member of the St. Kathryn's family, we thank you sincerely for your dedication, your faith, your many, many gifts and most of all your unfailing, unconditional love for us. Know that we are with you wherever the Lord leads you, that you will be in our prayers and our hearts as you continue in your faithful service to our church and especially to Our Lord.

As you have said to so many, "May the road rise up to meet you, May the wind be ever at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face and the rain fall softly on your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the hollow of His hand."

Know, Fr Gary that you will be missed ... but present with us at all times.

Bill Hassey, Chair
Pastoral Council

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED

All students should have made course selections with Deacon Ray by this time. If you did not do so last weekend, please call him in our office this week. Classes begin soon and no one can be admitted without pre-registration.

CONTACT INFO FOR FR GARY

Fr Gary Belliveau, Pastor
Corpus Christi Parish
98 Summer St.
Portsmouth, NH 03801
Tel: 603.436.4555
Email: frgary@corpuschristi.org
*Note: The parish has two churches:
St James, 2075 Lafayette Rd.
Immaculate Conception,
98 Summer St.*

Seminarians Mike Zgonc & Ryan Brady are also at this address when not in Seminary.

5K WALK/RUN FOR AMH

Happening September 18th! Walk starts at 2:15 and the run at 3:00 PM from First Baptist Church, near Greeley Park, Nashua. To learn more, or to register, go to www.annemariehouse.org and check out 5kpace. You can download pledge sheets there as well!

MONTHLY CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT

Our local K of C is sponsoring this monthly event starting Tuesday, 9/6 at Infant Jesus School Caf at 7PM. Charge \$1 per month. Pool goes to winners at end of tourney. Call Wayne at 883-8797 for info.

JOIN THE PACK

Cub Scout Pack 252 will host a Join the Pack Night, Tuesday, 9/13 from 6:30 - 7:30 PM in hall A. We invite you to bring your sons in grades 1-5 and see what the Cub Scouts have to offer. Information and leaders will be available to answer questions and help you with registering your son for the fall season. Not able to attend? Come any 3rd Tues. of the month at the same time/place and speak with one of the leaders. You can also reach us at www.pack252HUDSON.org or Cub Master Nick Leary c.m.nick@myfairpoint.net.

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

VESPERS & BENEDICTION

We will resume sung Evening Prayer (Vespers) and Benediction on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM on September 7th. Join us for this mid-week refresher as we conclude our weekly Adoration day with this brief, but soul stirring, prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours. Exposition for personal adoration takes place every Wednesday from 5:30-8:45 AM and from 1:00-7:00 PM in the transept chapel. Come!

WHO CAN YOU INVITE?

Another series in our 'Coming Home to Catholicism' program will begin on Thursday, **September 22** at 7:00 PM in our Meeting Center. This is a gentle, welcoming outreach to inactive Catholics, those who seldom, if ever, practice their Catholic faith, and might want to take another look or ask questions, or question answers! The only way they will receive our invitation to



'come and see' is through you! **Brochures with more info are at the church entrances.** Think about who you can invite...take as many as you need...mail them out and pray the Lord's Spirit nudge their heart! (You may want to even offer to come with them!)

RELIGIOUS ED REMINDERS

Classes begin Sunday, 9/18. Please remember that **no child is admitted to class without being registered first.** Please contact our office immediately if your child is not registered for grades 1 - 6. Catholic school and home school 2nd graders must register for the sacramental prep program. A lead teacher is needed for 3rd grade for Sundays, teaching twice a month for 2 hours. If you can help in any way, please contact Nancy in our office this week.

MEN OF ST JOSEPH

Holy Hour for the intentions and for blessings on all men of the parish will be held this **Friday, Sept 9** from 9-10PM in the transept chapel. Men of all ages are invited to join us in seeking the intercession of St Joseph as we pray before the Eucharistic Lord and reflect on his virtues as head of the Holy Family.

Fellowship/Enrichment gathering will be held on Saturday, **Sept 24** at 7:00 AM in the hall. Join us for breakfast and a look at spiritual characteristics that Catholic husbands/fathers need to acquire through God's grace in their call to holiness. We will use episodes from the life of Joseph from the Gospels of Matthew and Luke as our foundation. All men are invited to any or all of the varied opportunities offered by our Men of St Joseph ministry!

CAFFEINE & CATHOLICISM

Our Young Adult ministry invites all 18 to 30 somethings to join us for any or all of these popular monthly events! Great way to connect with other committed Catholics, married and single! The next C & C night is Friday, **Sept 16** from 7 to 9 PM at the Beantowne Coffee House & Café, 201 NH 111 in Hampstead, NH. In what Pope John Paul II repeatedly referred to as the 'New Evangelization', he reminded Catholics of the importance of moving beyond ourselves and bringing Christ to others. How can we use the social media as a tool of evangelization? Our speakers, will share insights and offer some Q&A opportunities too!

UPDATE ON OUR SEMINARIANS

Our seminarians have all returned to the seminary to start a new academic year. You can drop them a note or keep in touch at the following addresses:

Peter Naranjo

Blessed John XXIII Seminary
558 South Ave.
Weston, MA 02493

Peter will be entering his final year, with ordination as Deacon in November and priesthood in Spring.

Mike Zgonc & Mike Sartori

St Mary Seminary
5400 Roland Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21210

Mike Z will be entering his Second Theology, Mike S first Theology.

Ryan Brady & Brian Shook

St John Seminary
127 Lake St.

Brighton, MA 02135

Both Ryan & Brian will be entering First Theology; this is Brian's first year in Major Seminary.

BIRTHDAYS TO NOTE:

Brian - 11/5; Mike Z - 2/5;
Peter - 3/27; Ryan - 5/19
Mike S - 6/1; Sarah - 10/27

CONNECTING WITH SARAH

What a beautiful "Sending" we had on 8/21 as we saw yet another young person of our parish leave to begin formation for religious life.

As our seminarians do, Sarah will count on your prayers as she begins her formation. If you'd like to keep in touch, dropping a note or card occasionally, you can do so as follows:

Sarah Munroe
Dominican Sisters of Mary,
Mother of the Eucharist
4597 Warren Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

TITHING UPDATE



During the month of August 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
- Daycare for needy family
- New Life Christian Church
- Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament
- Presentation of Mary
- Vocation Support Association

TOTAL SHARED: \$5,700.00

NFP TRAINING COURSE

Another 3-part course on Natural Family Planning will be offered in our parish from 7-9PM on Oct 8, Nov 19 and Dec 10. All engaged or married couples that want to take part need to **register by Sept 30** by calling Paul & Barbara Donovan at 603.463.7456 or email them at bjdonovan@metrocast.net. Discover the truth and beauty of how NFP can enrich your marriage. This is a safe, effective and morally acceptable way to plan pregnancy, and is very helpful to couples hoping to conceive and having difficulty as well. For more info on NFP feel free to contact them. **Participation is required for couples planning to be married here in our parish.** All our engaged should contact the Donovans ASAP and save these dates.

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