



The Parish of Saint Anne

26 Emerson Avenue, Hampstead, NH 03841

THE HOLY FAMILY



He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
 The Parish office is open
 Monday through Thursday,
 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

MASS SCHEDULE
Monday - Thursday, 9:15am
Always check the Mass schedule for possible changes in the regular schedule.

Saturday, 4:00pm
Sunday, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am
Coffee & donuts fellowship is offered after the 8:00 and 9:30am Sunday Masses.

Holy Days Of Obligation
 9:15am & 6:30pm on the day.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptism
 Catechesis is required of all parents. Arrangements made at the office.

Sacrament of Penance
 Saturday, 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.
 Or anytime by appointment.

Matrimony
 Arrangements must be made six months before the date of the wedding and before the reception is fixed. Our full policy is available on the website.

Anointing of The Sick
 For those who are ailing, elderly or about to undergo surgery. Please notify the Office as soon as possible.

Eucharist to the shut-ins
 For Communion to all shut-ins, please notify the Parish Office so we can arrange a visit.

Vocations
 Call Rev. Matthew Mason at 603-663-0196 or email at mmason@rcbm.org

Parish Mission Statement:
 Saint Anne Parish, guided by the Holy Spirit, is committed to making active Disciples of Christ, all for the Glory of God. As baptized Christians, we seek to live according to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, centered on the Eucharist and in service to all.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 25, 4:00 pm
 No Mass

Feast of the Holy Family — Sunday, December 26, 8:00 am
 †Lawrence Ciba by family
 †People of Saint Anne Parish

Feast of the Holy Family — Sunday, December 26, 9:30 am
 †Donald Richardson by Jack & Ellen Widman
 †Jeanne Tobin by Pam Chapdelaine

Feast of the Holy Family — Sunday, December 26, 11:00 am
 †Jim Gale (b'day remb) by his wife
 †John & Beverly Sedensky by Mary Ellen Duggan & the Nurses of Northboro & Southboro

Monday, December 27, 9:15 am
 No Mass

Tuesday, December 28, 9:15 am
 †Aaron Holden by family

Wednesday, December 29, 9:15 am
 †Terence Pavlini (19th anniv) by his wife

Thursday, December 30, 9:15 am
 Deceased of Saint Anne Parish

New Year's Eve — Friday, December 31, 4:00 pm
 †Mathilda Martineau by Belinda Hamel
 †Michael Jarmusik by Paula Panagiotopoulos

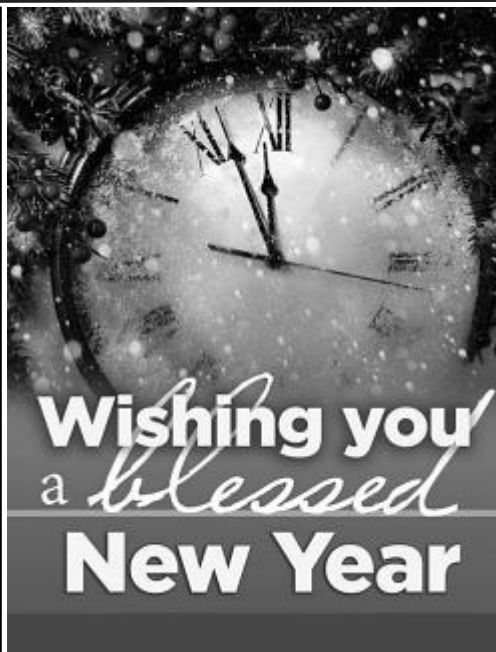
New Year's Day — Saturday, January 1, 2022, 10:00 am
 For peace in our world

Feast of the Epiphany — Saturday, January 1, 4:00 pm
 Pauline Coppola (for healing) / Connie Jezierski (for healing) by Linda Pavlini
 †Raymond R. Pappalardo (8th anniv) by wife & family

Feast of the Epiphany — Sunday, January 2, 8:00 am
 †Bernard Godbout by family
 †Patrick Sabia, Sr. by Sabia family

Feast of the Epiphany — Sunday, January 2, 9:30 am
 †Donald Richardson by Frank, Judy, and Scott Taillon
 †Marguerite Timledge by Wayne Chaney

Feast of the Epiphany — Sunday, January 2, 11:00 am
 Lorraine Gagne (b'day blessings) by Jackie Cassidy
 †Dominic Morello by Mercedes Hersom



**Wishing you
 a blessed
 New Year**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
 OF DECEMBER 26, 2021**

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24 Lk 2:41-52
 Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
 Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

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 memory of

Patricia Grant

"Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them."



GOSPEL MEDITATION
DECEMBER 26, 2021
FEAST OF THE HOLY
FAMILY



Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

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 via Livestream at:

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Sunday Offertory
Collection Totals

Publication of collection totals has been suspended due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Thank you for your generous support.

Upcoming Second Collections

There is no Second Collection scheduled for the weekend of December 25/26.

The Second Collection for the weekend of January 1/2 will be for the Capital Improvement Fund.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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PASTORAL & PARISH STAFF

- Very Rev. Marc Gagne, V.F.
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PASTORAL COUNCIL

Visioning & consultative body to the pastor. Currently serving the Council are:

- Rosemary Berube
 Regina Birdsell
 Jim Carey
 Robert Dorion
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 Peter Hess
 Belinda Hamel
 Daniel Hebert
 Christina Hurni
 Richard Leather

Fr. Marc Gagne, Ex-Officio
 Deacon Bill Mullen, Ex-Officio

FINANCE COUNCIL

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 Paula Smith, Ex-Officio

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Volunteer Appreciation Night Drive-thru

Friday, January 7, 2022

Pick up beginning at 6:00pm

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Another year has come and gone, but our CHURCH is still as strong! Please join us for the Volunteer Appreciation Night. We will be doing the same thing as last year! Come, drive around the back of the Church thru our lighted tent and receive your Appreciation bag. If you would like to stay and join in our outdoor party in the parking lot, just drive around front and join us. It's been a long 2 years, but we could not have gotten through everything without all our wonderful VOLUNTEERS!

Fr. Marc and the Staff would like to thank you and wish you all

A Merry Christmas!

Please R.S.V.P. to the office at 603-329-5886, by December 30, 2021, if you would like an appreciation bag. Please specify how many adult bags or under 21 bags you would like.





Community Braised Short Rib Dinner, to go!

Proceeds to benefit Hope for the Winter and the 1269 Café

As an organization that is dedicated to serve our local communities and often, during difficult times, we will be hosting another community dinner to-go with all proceeds being given to a great organization.

Heaven's Kitchen, a ministry of St Anne's Food Pantry and St Anne's Parish continues to look for ways in which we can help our community cope and heal.

On Thursday, January 20th from 4:30-6:00pm we will be offering a homemade short rib dinner for pick up behind St. Anne's Parish. We will offer individual size meals. Meal will consist of Braised Short Ribs with Carrots, Onions, Turnip and Mashed Potatoes. A buttermilk biscuit and Moulton Lava Cake for dessert.

Hope for NH Recover and the 1269 Café, two small non-profits in Manchester are offering a warming station to provide the homeless community a warm place to spend the night over the course of the next four, winter months. This is a brand-new program that will open December 1st as the weather turns colder. Total cost for the 4 months is \$65,000. Hope for the Winter and 1269 Café have raised the funds to operate for about a month and with the cold weather upon us, they opened their doors this week. Our goal for this fundraiser to help them raise funds to support this incredible program. Please visit their website at: recoverynh.org and click on the "warming station" tab.

In lieu of a set cost, we ask that you donate at the time of pick up. We encourage you to be as generous as you can at this time. Imagine on these cold nights that you or someone in your family had no option except to go outside into your backyard and wait until the light of day to feel some sense of warmth.

This is the reality for those that will be served by this program so please, donate what you can.

Please place your order by end of the day Sunday, January 16th by providing last name and number of people in your party. Orders can be texted to 603.339.3731 or by calling the Parish office at 603.329.5886. Please make checks out to St. Anne's Parish or you can pay with cash.

Let us show what our community can do and help those in our community during this very difficult time of the year. Thank you for your support.



Confirmation Boot Camp Program for Adults – Winter 2022

Deacon Bill Mullen and others will be presenting a Confirmation Boot Camp Program for Adults on four Saturday Mornings 10:00-11:45AM: January 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

This is an excellent opportunity for adult members of our community (19 and older) who were not confirmed while in high school to prepare and receive the Sacrament in the Spring of 2022. Please contact Deacon Bill Mullen at 603-329-5886 Ext. 107 or bmullen@saintannechurchnh.org for more information and to register for these classes.



As of January 2022, due to the increased number of Mass intention requests, Fr. Marc will now accept two (2) intentions for each weekday Mass.

Weekend Masses will remain at two (2) intentions for each Mass.

Those parishioners who have already requested Mass intentions for 2022 should be aware that there may be additional intentions added to those Masses.

Please contact the parish office with any questions, at 603-329-5886.

St. Anne's
Food Pantry
December
2021



The Food Pantry is now open both mornings and evenings on Thursdays for anyone in need of food! If necessary, you may send someone else to collect your food. The hours are: **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM**. Any questions? Contact Jim Carey at 603-339-3731 or at rigatoni26@comcast.net

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Saint Anne Parish Office will be closed from

December 27 through December 31 for the Christmas and New Year Holidays.

The Office will reopen on Monday, January 3, 2022 at 8:30 AM

Fr. Marc, Deacon Bill and the Parish Staff wish all of you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!



You are invited to a CHRISTMAS CONCERT at SAINT MATTHEW CHURCH with MARIE-LINE MORIN, soprano and BRIAN QUIST, pianist

When: January 2, at 2 pm
Where: St. Matthew Church, Windham, NH, (2 Searles St.)
Why: Invite Christ into Christmas (in support of a Listening Ministry in the Church).

Come experience the meaning of Christmas at this concert where Christ, whose birthday we are celebrating, is presented from a new angle. With a variety of songs like Hallelujah (Cohen), Mary Did You Know (Lowry), What Child is This or O Holy Night, Marie-Line offers a reflection that leads us to recognize the splendor of Jesus' birth while moving us into a prayerful experience.

Free admission - donations will be welcomed.

Benefits will go toward a Listening Ministry project to be implemented in the Church. Details are available on Facebook.com @morin.marieline.



Calling all Youth of Saint Anne Parish!!

Join us for Fun and Worship!

We will start up again in January!

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Grades 4-8



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