

# St. John the Baptist Parish

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FACEBOOK: *St. John the Baptist Parish, Suncook, N.H.*

**December 27, 2020**

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please call to make arrangements.

**Sacrament of Confirmation:**

Adults seeking to be confirmed should contact the Religious Education Director.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:**

Please call at least six months before the proposed date to make timely arrangements.

**Sacrament of the Sick:**

Please notify the church if you are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion. If hospitalized, you must specify that you are Catholic and willing to have clergy visits.

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**Parish Office:** Weekdays 8:30 AM to 1 PM

Office Manager: Michele Petit - 485-3113

Bookkeeper: Prudence Gagne- 485-3113

Safe Environment Coordinator: Dorothy Hickox- 485-3113

Cemetery: Michele Petit - 485-3113

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**Religious Education Center:** 10 1/2 School Street

Director: Cathy Mazzaglia - 340-4195 or [cpfmazz@gmail.com](mailto:cpfmazz@gmail.com)

In the event of cancellations due to weather, announcements will be made via WMUR. Look for St. John the Baptist - Suncook, or Holy Rosary Parish - Hooksett in the listings.

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**Order of Christian Initiation: Adults (OCIA) /Children (OCIC)**

Adults wishing to become Catholics or returning to the faith or older children who have not yet been baptized or made their First Communion should contact the church office at 485-3113.

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**Knights of Columbus:** Fr. Routhier Council #4666

Meeting : 7 PM in Chambers first Monday of every month

Grand Knight: Matt Roan [matt@petitroan.com](mailto:matt@petitroan.com). or

[www.knightsofsuncook.org](http://www.knightsofsuncook.org)

**Saint Anne Sodality:**

Meeting : 1 PM in Church 3rd Tuesday of

April, May, June, September, October, & November

President: Evelyn Plourde 717-1937

**Sainte Therese Rosebush Society:**

Meeting: 6:30 PM in Parish Hall 4th Thursday of

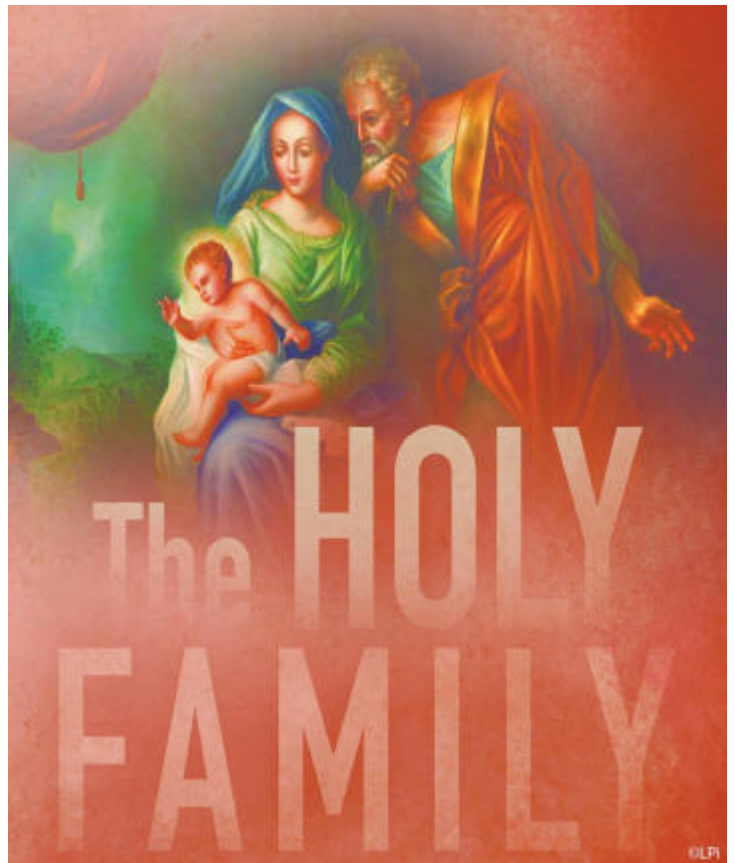
September, December & April

President: Melaine Boisvert 485-7554

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**Adult Choir:** Director: Geraldine Veroneau 485-3113

Rehearsals every Monday at 6:30 PM in the church



**Rev. Edmund G. Crowley, Administrator**

**Rev. John B. Finnigan (in residence)**

**Deacon William Lavallee**

**\*\*\* Mass Times \*\*\***

**SATURDAY** at 4 PM;

**SUNDAY** at 10 AM;

**TUESDAY & THURSDAY:** 8:30 AM with Rosary at 8 AM,

**FRIDAY:** 7:30 AM with Rosary at 7 AM.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month after the 7:30 AM Mass.

**CONFESSION:** Saturday at 3 PM

*New families are welcome and encouraged to register as soon as possible by calling the rectory during office hours.*

# Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 26 ✠ *St. Stephen*  
 4 PM— **ELORIE & ALICE RACETTE** by Lorraine  
 & **ED HARTFORD & JEFF BOKUM** by Diane  
 Hartford

Sunday, December 27 ✠ *The Holy Family*  
 10 AM— **PALMIRE “Pam” RONDEAU** by Gerard &  
 Family

Tuesday, December 29 ✠ *5th Day in the Octave of Christmas*  
 8:30 AM— **ROGER POITRAS** by his Family  
 & **MARGARET LAPPAS** by Arline & Nate Chapman

Thursday, December 31 ✠ *7th Day in the Octave of Christmas*  
 8:30 AM— **LEANDRE “Lippy” DESROCHERS** by  
 the Knights of Columbus #4666

Friday, January 1 ✠ *Solemnity of Mary*  
 10 AM— **CLAIRE VACHON** by her Family

Saturday, January 2 ✠ *Sts. Basil & Gregory*  
 4 PM— **FAMILIES of HILAIRE DROLET &**  
**ALBERT BONENFANT**

Sunday, January 3 ✠ *The Epiphany*  
 10 AM— **MARGARET LAPPAS** by Louis & Glorie Jacob  
 & **EILEEN “Pat” NUNNALLY** by the Nunnally Family

## PARISH OFFERING – December 12-13, 2020

Envelopes & Loose...(61).....	\$2468..00
On-Line Giving ...(10 Families) .....	\$250.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$2718.00</b>
<b>Retirement Fund for Religious.....</b>	<b>\$345.00</b>
<b>Roof Loan as of 12/1/2020.....</b>	<b>\$236,661.98</b>
<b>Monthly Payment.....</b>	<b>\$1530.00</b>
<b>Roof Fund (12/13/20).....</b>	<b>\$1325.00</b>

Your generosity and continued support in these trying times are much appreciated.. Thank you.



Please pray for the soul of  
**DOROTHY (Coll) EMOND (12/8/20)**

## PARISH GROUPS

- **THE PARISH NURSE:** Cancelled until further notice
- **PRAYER LINE:** Please call Theresa at 485-9952 .
- **The INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP:** The St. John the Baptist Intercessory Prayer Group gathers every Thursday morning from 9-10 am in the Church to pray for the needs of others. We invite all who are interested in participating in this very special apostolate to join us in prayer.
- **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES:** The Donovans are now trained to teach virtually through Couple to Couple League. Call Barbara at 463-7456 or email [bjdonovan@metrocast.net](mailto:bjdonovan@metrocast.net) to schedule a course.
- **ALTAR SERVERS:** For any young person having received First Communion and interested in serving Holy Mass: contact Tom Langlais at 736-6040 or [suncookservers@yahoo.com](mailto:suncookservers@yahoo.com).
- **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #4666:** Any Catholic man, who wishes to learn more about the Knights, may contact Geoff Kennedy at 231-7070, Matt Roan at 485-9573 or go to [www.knightsofsuncook.org](http://www.knightsofsuncook.org).
- **HELPING HANDS COMMITTEE:** Looking for volunteers to clean and sanitize the church after every weekend Mass and Funeral. We are also accepting hand sanitizers, disinfectant wipes, paper towels or donations towards the purchase of these supplies. Thank you! Call Don / Cindy Carrier at 485-4813, or text at 340-1757.  
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## REMINDERS

- Call the rectory if you would like to receive the **BULLETIN** by e-mail, or if you know of any shut-ins or elderly who would like the bulletin mailed to them.
- Please remember the” **BOX TOPS for Education**” and “**LABELS for Education**” for Pine Haven.
- Also remember **USED and/or CANCELLED STAMPS** for the missions
- Unused **GREETING CARDS** for prison inmates are greatly appreciated. Please keep them coming.
- Don’t forget **AMAZON SMILE**. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/> in a web and follow directions to get to St. John the Baptist Parish, Allenstown, NH  
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## LADIES OF SAINT ANNE / DECEMBER INTENTION

On the Catholic calendar January 1 is both the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, and a day of prayer for peace. God has come to us, not in overwhelming power, but in humility as a child. This day we pray that the new Year might be marked by humility and peace brought by Christ and modeled by Mary.



**MASS SCHEDULE for JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**The SOLEMNITY of MARY**

**December 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**Holy Rosary: Vigil Mass 5 pm**

**January 1st**  
**Holy Rosary: 8:30 am**  
**St. John the Baptist: 10 am**  
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**2020 TAX STATEMENTS**

2020 end-of-the-year financial statements for the contributions made by envelope users are available for anyone who wishes. Simply make a notation on your envelope or call the parish office.



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We must keep our social distance at Mass. Please be sure to keep one pew empty in front or behind you when seated - this equals 6 feet. Do not sit directly in front or behind one another for safety's sake. Also be sure to follow the signs on the pews at the main aisle for receiving Communion. Thank you for your cooperation - stay safe!

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**ON-LINE GIVING**

With the COVID wanting to linger this winter, we are suggesting that you consider on-line giving because our bills continue to linger, too.



We have printed on-line giving cards and placed them in the pews. They are both reminders to give and directions on how to sign up. Please take one or two—for yourselves and friends and family who may not have returned to Mass yet during these unsettling times. We thank you in advance for your consideration and generosity.

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**MONTHLY MARKET**

For the month of January, we will meet on the weekend of January 9-10 for “Breads and Stuff” since the first weekend is a holiday weekend. Let’s hope the weather cooperates this time.

The food is all free, so come and take what you want for yourselves, or for family and friends. We only ask that you wear your mask and maintain social distancing at all times. We do have some bags available, but it would help if you brought some of your own, too.



Interested in volunteering? We could use people to pick up the items and others to man the tables in the Parish Hall. If interested, please call the Rectory

**IN MEMORY OF... for the ROOF**

**FR. ADRIEN**

\$25.00 from Lorraine Noel  
\$100.00 from Suncook Knights of Columbus  
\$50.00 from William Jude  
\$50.00 from Jeannine & David Eaton

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**CATHOLIC RADIO NEWS**

Since November 24th, our local Catholic Radio station WICX 102.7 FM has been off the air because the antenna and transmitter equipment are being moved to a new site. In the meantime, you can still listen online: [www.wicxradio.org/](http://www.wicxradio.org/) or: <https://tunein.com/>  
To assist WICX in making this move, you are invited to send a check to "WICX Radio": PO Box 42, Bradford, NH 03221 or donate on-line: [www.wicxradio.org/](http://www.wicxradio.org/)

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**PRAYER FOR HOPE AFTER A HARD YEAR**

God, Thank you for helping us to make it through this difficult year. Thank you that you’ve carried us through the uncertainty of deep waters, through the flames of trials, and through the pain of hard losses. We are constantly aware of how much we need you, your grace, your strength, your power working through even the toughest days.

Help us to keep our focus first on you this new year. Please forgive us for giving too much time and attention to other things, for looking to other people before coming to you first. Thank you that you came to give new life, peace, hope, and joy.

Help us to remember that the gift of Christ, Immanuel, is our greatest treasure, not just at Christmas, but for the whole year through. Fill us with your joy and the peace of your Spirit. Direct our hearts and minds towards you. Thank you for your reminder that both in seasons of celebration and in seasons of brokenness, you’re still with us. For you never leave us. Thank you for your daily powerful Presence in our lives, that we can be assured your heart is towards us, your eyes are over us, and your ears are open to our prayers. Thank you that you surround us with favor as with a shield, and we are safe in your care.

We choose to press in close to you today, and keep you first in our hearts and lives. Without you we would surely fail, but with you, there is great hope. Thank you for your healing power, thank you for bringing us into this new season up ahead. We look forward to all that You still have in store. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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