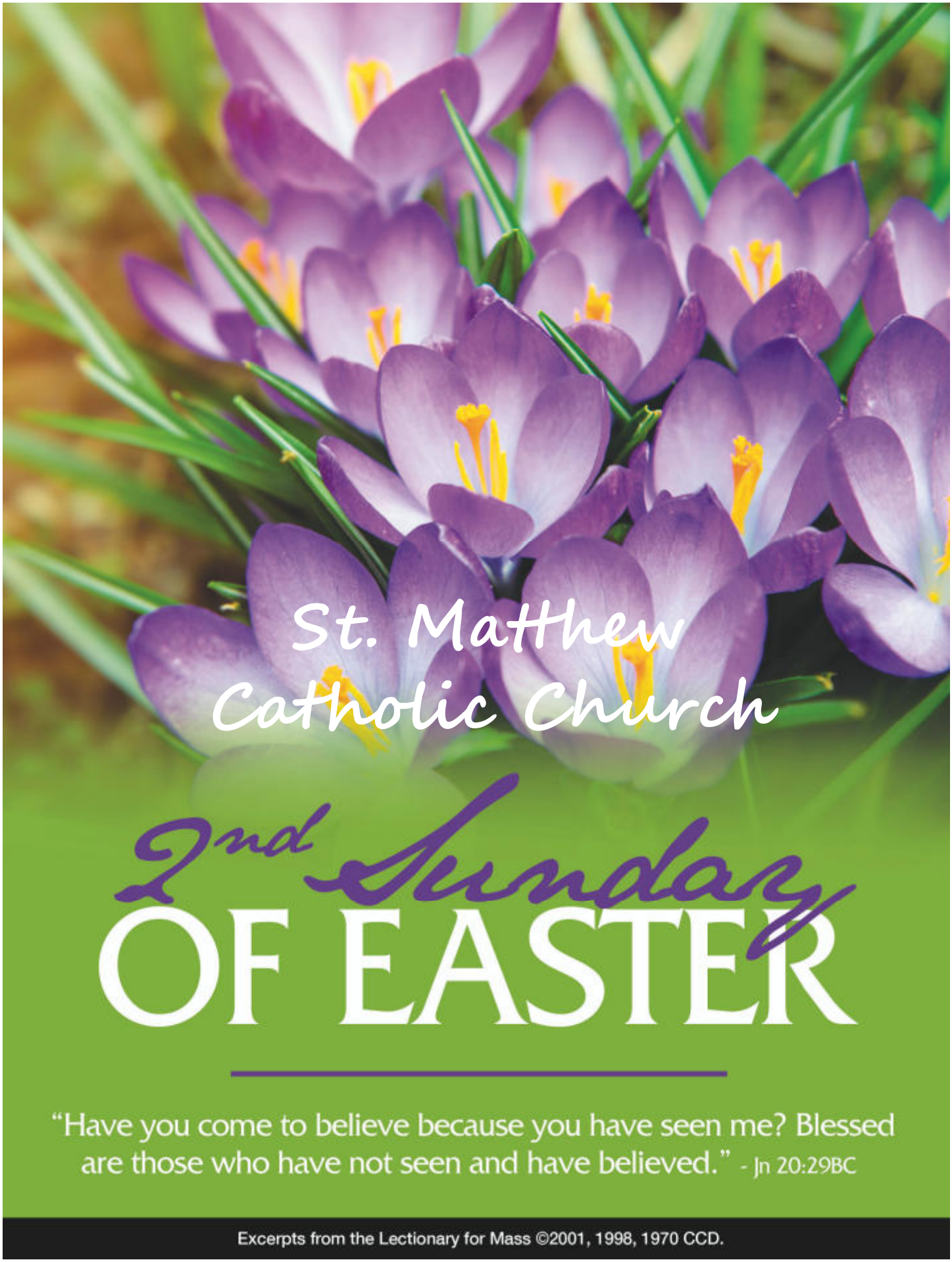

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Join us at St. Matthew Church this Sunday, Divine Mercy Sunday

APRIL 11, 2021 FROM 2:45 pm to 4:00 pm

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament begins at 2:45 pm
Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet begins at 3:00 pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues
until Benediction at 4:00pm

Let us come together to give thanks to God for His great gift of mercy upon the whole world!

We have been extremely blessed to have the side chapel in the church transformed from a desolate desert during Lent—to a desert ALIVE with life and color!! Thank you Elyse and Lisa and all who created a sacred space to help us enter into the Holy Seasons of Lent and Easter.

Please visit the transformed Desert in the chapel and while there take a bottle of Holy Water for your home.

Easter Flower Offering

Offering Made By:	**In Memory/Honor Of:**
M/M Augustino Bertolino	Pray for Walter; a 6year old with cancer
M/M Everett Devaney	The Devaney, Lucey, Barry and Domingos Families
M/M Timothy Madore	My loving parents: Corradina & Salvatore Tropiano
M/M Robert Ritter	
Joan Zollo	The Corvino Family

2021 WALK FOR LIFE

The Manchester and Nashua ***Real Options Pregnancy Help Services*** are having a combined **Walk for Life** at Trinity Life Community Church in Bedford, NH on **May 8th**. The Walk can be done in person at the event or participants can walk from home. Online registration is now open and strongly encouraged. In-person registration will begin at 9:30 am. The Walk starts at **10:15 am on May 8th.** (Event will be finished by noon) To get a sponsor form visit *www.thefriendsoflife.org* to download and print a copy. This fundraiser allows ***Real Options*** to keep their doors open for those who need to find hope and the love of Jesus Christ during an unexpected pregnancy. Each person is an essential part of the ministry and is valued and appreciated.

The Bible and the Mother of God

Why is Mary so important to Catholics, and why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries? What can we learn about her from Sacred Scripture?

Find out the answers to these questions and much more in this Lectio series on Mary beginning Friday, March 26 thru Friday May 14.
For full details check our website at: stmatthew-nh.org

Recurring Zoom meeting access information

Use this link, meeting ID, and passcode for future Monday Adult Faith Formation sessions, beginning 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82287933455?pwd=SDlDUUNNRktDR3VzM3FyL2E1clNHZz09

IN RECOGNITION OF CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH, THE DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER INVITES YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN A

MASS

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Celebrant: Most Rev. Peter A Libasci

In Person: St. Joseph Cathedral

145 Lowell Street, Manchester, NH

Livestream: www.stjosephcathedralnh.org

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021 @ 6:00 pm

April is CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. You will notice we have blue Pinwheels "planted" by our parish sign and some in vases in the Parish Center as a reminder of the happy, healthy and safe childhoods that all children deserve. To educate yourself about online safety to protect children from internet dangers, visit:
www.catholicnh.org/prevent

Because Good Friday fell on the 1st Friday of April,

1st Friday Sacred Heart Devotion will take place on Friday, April 9th.

The Devotion will be said after the 8:30 am morning Mass in the Church.

Due to Easter falling on the first weekend of the month

1st Saturday Rosary

is being held this Saturday, **April 10th at 3:20**, before the 4pm Mass.

Have you joined Formed.org?? It is a FREE GIFT for YOU!!

FORMED is often described as a Catholic Netflix. It's a website with Catholic Video Series, movies, podcasts, and even Catholic eBooks for your iPhone, Android, Nook or Kindle. All you need to do is visit **Formed.org** and enter our **Parish Code: MF94YD** (be sure to use CAPITAL letters) Once you set up your own account, use it to access **Formed.org** in the future! It's that easy!

You can also go to app.formed.org and easily access the Formed App on your phone! Catholic Faith on the GO!!

A BIG THANK YOU to **Baron's Major Brands** for donating a stove top range to one of our home bound parishioners!

SPRING WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS Registration through the Diocese at catholicnh.org Bishop Libasci invites couples celebrating any significant wedding anniversaries during the year 2021 to join him praying the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass via livestream on **Sunday, April 18 at 2 pm**. All registering couples will receive a certificate from the bishop recognizing their anniversary, plus a link to an at-home date night kit. Registering couples may opt to attend a virtual couple's trivia night for a small fee ($10/couple).
If you would like to register, please go to Diocese site to form.jotform.com/RCBM/... to register by April 11.

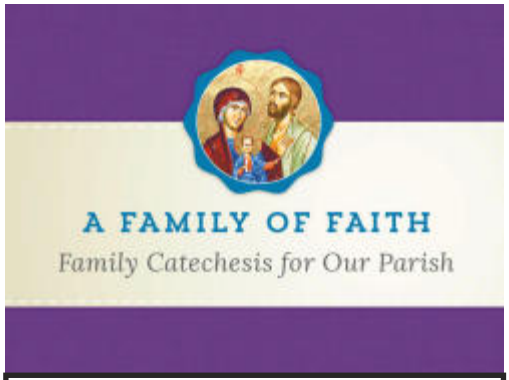
Great News - Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone "Virtual"!

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and some span multiple weeks on a given weekday. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority.

Registration is limited and a $100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call at or visit them at https://wwmema.org/.

He is risen! May the joy of Easter be with you. Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help you resurrect the romance in your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter experiences:

Friday/Saturday/Sunday April 23-25
Mondays/Thursdays May 3-24



CALLING ALL PARENTS -

Our next Parent Session for ***A Family of Faith*** will be available on 2 evenings and will meet in the church.
Please choose the one most convenient for you.

Wednesday, April 14 from 6-7pm
OR
Thursday; April 15 from 7—8pm.

White Mass in honor of Healthcare Professionals

The annual White Mass is a special opportunity to ask God's blessings for healthcare professionals and to affirm the profound service they give to the sick according to the model of Jesus Christ. **The White Mass will be held at St. Joseph Cathedral in Manchester on Wednesday, April 14, at 5:00 p.m., and will also be livestreamed at: stjosephcathedralnh.org.** At that time the New Hampshire Guild of Catholic Healthcare Professionals will also recognize Denise Venne, the recipient of the 2020 St. Martin de Porres Award, since no White Mass was held last year .

Thank you to all who participated in the LIVING STATIONS on Good Friday. It was VERY moving! The day was cold, with even a snow flake or two, but our hearts were warmed as we were reminded through your beautiful prayer all that Jesus did for us!

All Are Welcome!

What: Group Rosary Meetup
When: Mondays @ 5:30pm
Where: Parish Center or Zoom Meeting
Interested? Contact the Parish office!

Catholic Charities NH: Your Impact Continues

Your support of Catholic Charities NH has helped create a better path forward for more than 130,700 NH residents over the past year through emergency assistance, mental health counseling, senior support services, support for homeless veterans and so much more! As the demand for services—and calls for help—continue to rise, it's because of you that Catholic Charities NH is able to help those facing hardship and crisis build the lives they want to live. Visit www.cc-nh.org/everything to make a gift and see the many ways it's put into action.

Knights of Columbus

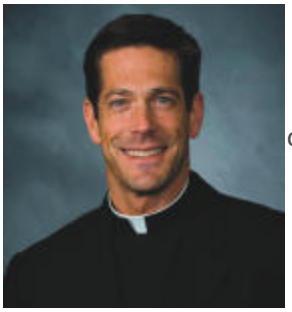
Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

After each Mass this weekend April 10-11, members of the Knights of Columbus St. Matthew Council 7572 will be in the gathering space to answer questions about Catholic men age 18 and over in becoming a Knight. The Knights are well-known for helping with a diversity of parish activities ranging from blood drives to breakfast and dinner events to lending a helping hand to the parish staff with church setup for Christmas or other special Mass celebrations. What may not be as well-known is the worldwide reach of less-visible activities including localized Faith in Action Programs across a host of categories. For more information about becoming a Knight of Columbus, contact Mike Funk (Grand Knight) 850-516-7513 or Paul Fellows (Membership Director) 781-696-7039.

If you came to Mass on Easter weekend you would have noticed how clean and spruced up the church was! We can't thank the ladies enough for shining, polishing and waxing every inch of the building!!

New Online Support Group from Catholic Charities NH

Divorce/separation can be an uncomfortable and often misunderstood topic, and for those directly impacted, a painful process with many questions often left unanswered. Catholic Charities NH will be hosting its next online support group, *"Divorce/Separation: Why me? What can I do?"* for those navigating the divorce process or trying to find their way afterward. Participants will learn more about the dynamics of divorce, better understand their options, learn helpful coping strategies, and support others on the same journey. The program will be held via Zoom for six consecutive **Wednesdays (at noon) starting April 21.** To register, visit www.cc-nh.org/supportgroup or call 603-752-1325



Read the Bible In a Year God is at work! The #1 podcast in the USA is Catholic Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz! You can start listening anytime – online or on the app. If you have 20-25 minutes (while driving, walking, exercising, vacuuming, etc.) listen to the Word of God and a brief commentary. You'll hear the story of God's love for mankind and for you over the course of the year. Go to

The Bible in a Year: Sign Up – Ascension (ascensionpress.com)

for more information or search on Catholic Bible in a Year on your favorite podcast platform.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 10
4:00 PM Patty & Roger Normand by Betty Morgan

SUNDAY, April 11
7:30 AM Bob Guyre & Bob Guyre III by the Family
9:30 AM Rocco Scionti by his children
11:30 AM Cornelius Johnson & Mary Fallon by Steve & Laurie Johnson
6:00 PM Chet & Ann Gould by their niece Sue Vose

MONDAY, April 12
8:30 AM Fabiola Morin (living) by Marie-Line Morin

TUESDAY, April 13
8:30 AM Betty Epperson (living) by Antonio & Shirley Baroffio

WEDNESDAY, April 14
8:30 AM Lynn Morganson by the Morganson Family
7:00 PM Kenneth Merrill by his sister Sue Vose

THURSDAY, April 15
8:30 AM Robert T. Uttley by Dean, Kathy and Cody

FRIDAY, April 16
8:30 AM Mary Dentler by the Cousens Family

SATURDAY, April 17
4:00 PM Michael Downing by his mother, Teresa Downing

SUNDAY, April 18
7:30 AM Mrs. Claire Dunn by Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Dunn
9:30 AM For the Souls in Purgatory
11:30 AM Effie Hall by Jen Dening
6:00 PM Glenda Guepy (living-birthday) by Mom & Dad

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Reconciliation: 2:30—3:30 Saturday and by appointment. Please call the office.

Anointing of the Sick—please call the office, or if it is urgent, please call the Rectory at 603.458.7916

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