Merry Christmas. AND THE WORD BECAME FLESH

JOHN 1:14



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Monday - Thursday | 9:00am-4:00pm

LITURGY SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday | 4:00pm Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Wednesday | 8:00am

HOLY DAY MASSES

Vigil Mass | 7:00pm Holy Day Mass | 8:00am

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Saturday | 3:00pm-3:30pm Other | By Appointment

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Merry Christmas everyone! During this season we will be joining Christians from all around the world celebrating Hope, Peace, Love and Joy; I pray that each one of these will fill your life in every way this Christmas and throughout the coming New Year. The past year has been a difficult one for us, for our family and friends and the entire world. We tend to only think of ourselves during this pandemic forgetting to remember that the entire world is suffering through this evil virus. May this Christmas Season remind us that Immanuel, God with Us, was made flesh to walk with us and support us through trials such as this. Without Christ, we would be lost and floundering; with Christ we can conquer anything, even Covid-19 in all its variants. Through God's presence working within us we can be healed, transformed, reconciled, and made whole. Let us embrace God made flesh this Christmas and through Christ transform a broken world into a new earth where all will live in peace.

Fr. Bob Gorskí

SACRAMENT & MINISTRY INFORMATION

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please introduce yourselves and register as members of our parish family. Forms are available in the parish office, on our website, and at church entrances.

BAPTISM

Parents planning to have a baby or child baptized are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. Contact Sally Green for details.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the intended wedding date to participate in the Marriage Preparation Program. The Church should be booked prior to booking a reception facility.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation program for K-8th graders, including preparation for the Sacraments of First Penance/Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist. We also offer RCIA adapted for youth (7 years and up) who want to become members of the Roman Catholic Church. Contact Trish Woodward for details.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Our youth are involved in activities and various service events for our parish and greater community. Contact Trish for more information.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process to welcome new people into the Roman Catholic Church. Please contact Diane Swinarski at 425-1795 or Mary Carrigan at 722-5586 for details.

HOMEBOUND & HOSPITALIZED

We welcome the opportunity to bring the Sacraments to those unable to join us due to illness or age. Contact Sally Green for details.

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY

Strengthening our parish community by connecting to those in need. Contact Lisa Laurence at 548-5130 or lisa.laurence@comcast.net for details.

FOOD PANTRY

If you are in need of assistance, please contact Kay or Dick Doyle at 434-1827.





Masses are celebrated at 4PM on Saturday, and at 8AM and 10AM on Sunday.

Come one, come all!

Confessions are on Saturdays at 3PM or by appointment.

For those who are over age 65 or have health concerns, we will continue to post Sunday Mass on our Facebook page and our website.

CHRISTMAS READINGS

FIRST READING

All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God. (Is 52:10)

PSALM

All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God. (Ps 98)

SECOND READING

In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son. (Heb 1:1-2)

GOSPEL

And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. (Jn 1:14)

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THIRSTING FOR GOD?

Do you know someone who is not baptized? ...or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, who is thirsting to know what it means to become Catholic? Do you know someone already Catholic but who has not yet received Confirmation and/or Communion who feels they are being called to do so now? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a place to ask questions and seek understanding.

For more information, please contact Mary Carrigan at 603-722-5586 or Diane Swinarski at 603-425-1795 / dswinarski@stjudenh.com.

EARLIER BULLETIN DEADLINE

To submit information for the **Jan. 9**th bulletin, please email kmckenney@stjudenh.com by **December 30**th.

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD GOSPEL MEDITATION

"He so loved us that for our sake He was made man in time, through Whom all times were made; was in the world less in years than His servants, though older than the world itself in His eternity; was made man, Who made man; was created of a mother, whom He created; was carried by hands which He formed; nursed at the breasts which He had filled; cried in the manger in wordless infancy, He the Word without Whom all human eloquence is mute (St. Augustine, Sermon 188)." The miracle of what happens at Christmas is truly an awesome mystery. Revealed in the silent ordinariness of life is God's intimate love for humanity and all that he made. The Word, existing for all time, comes and dwells among us. God kisses us. We can seek and soar with playful delight as a joy never known before fills our heart.

Joy is best expressed through dance. There is just something truly wonderful about the self-abandon a beautiful melodic dance reveals. If we are able to let go and really be free, it celebrates life in a way few other experiences really can. With the birth of Jesus Christ, God takes the Divine Dance to a deeper and more tangible level. We can now not only see what we believe but believe what we see! This most perfect dance is a call to beauty, innocence, truth, purpose, hope, faith, and love. Today we know, beyond doubt, that we are a necessary part of God's beautifully choreographed masterpiece of life and not just a random happening without real intent or purpose. We are loved, treasured, and blessed.

Accepting the truth of God's birth in time we also accept an invitation to dance with God. We can let go of what tethers us to anxious concerns and superficial securities. Throw caution to the wind and go with God. We have been blessed with talents, gifts, and life eternal. Follow the rhythm of the dance with joy and listen to what the Word who became flesh tells us about what the next steps can be.

Today, heaven remains the same, but earth has been profoundly changed. $_{\mathbb{C}\text{LPi}}$

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/

Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/

Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

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
Next 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

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve - 4:00PM, 6:00PM and 9:30PM Christmas Day - 10:00AM - Please note, there is no 4PM Mass on December 25th

Monday, December 27th, Morning Mass will not be celebrated.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Friday, December 31st, the Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 4:00PM There is no 8:00AM or 12 Noon Mass on January 1st.

MASS INTENTIONS

WARDS HATELAND	
<u>Friday</u>	<u>24 December</u> <u>The Nativity of the Lord</u>
4:00p	♣ Irene F. St. Laurent and Donna Lessard by George & Coral
6:00p	† Eleanor Mae Watson by Kathy Kemp
9:30p	♣ Nick Green, Karl Meyer, and John O'Keeffe
	by Kathleen McKenney & Family
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>25 December</u> <u>The Nativity of the Lord</u>
10:00a	🕏 Gina Brault by Frank & Diane Swinarski
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>26 December</u> The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
8:00a	♦ Our Parish Family
10:00a	♣ Rafael Melendez by Diane Swinarski
<u>Monday</u>	27 December
	NO MORNING EUCHARIST
<u>Tuesday</u>	28 December The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
8:00a	Angelo DiBernardo by Trish Woodward
Wednesday	29 December
0.00	Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
8:00a	♦ For the complete healing of Randy Shepherdson
Tl	by Trish Woodward
<u>Thursday</u>	30 December NO MORNING EUCHARIST
Friday	31 December Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, Vigil Mass
4:00p	† Nick Green by the Lasocki Family
Saturday	01 January Epiphany of the Lord
4:00p	♦ Our Parish Family
Sunday	02 January Epiphany of the Lord
8:00a	Aniceta Rock by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Ouellet
10:00a	† Helen and Al Conti by their Family
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SANCTUARY LAMP

For the week of December 25th through 31st, the Sanctuary Lamp is dedicated in thanksgiving by a parishioner.

If you would like an opportunity to dedicate the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a deceased loved one or for a special intention, please contact the parish office at 432-3333 or email Sally at sgreen@stjudenh.com. A suggested stipend is \$25.00.

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

"He gave power to become children of God." If you think you may be called to share the Father's love as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother, contact the Vocation Office at (603) 663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org.



THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

Baptisms will be celebrated by Deacon Jay Cormier on the first Sunday of each month at 11:30AM. A Baptism catechesis "prep" session for parents (required) will take place on the previous Wednesday at 7:00PM (for the time being, these sessions, about 75 minutes, will take place on Zoom). Please note, for the month of January, 2022, baptisms will take place the second Sunday of the month.

Baptism LiturgyParents' Catechetical Session(Sunday at 11:30AM)(Wednesday at 7:00PM, via ZOOM)January 9January 5February 6February 2

Families may also choose to celebrate their child's Baptism at any Sunday Mass. Baptisms are not celebrated during the season of Lent (unless there are extenuating circumstances). Parents wishing to arrange for their child's baptism should contact Sally Green in the parish office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN NEED

Alison, Amber, Andrew, Ann, John and Katie Ankiewicz, Ashley, Shawn B, Ellen Babine, Elaine Barrett, Joanne Beard, Pam Beaudette, Sisi Beaver, Diane Biron, Michelle Boeing, Virgilio Boeing, Bonnie, Julie Bradley, Pauline Boisseau, Dee Broussard, Dennis Brown, John Callamaro, Caleb, Don Canney, Michael Carbone, Bill Chapman, Chris, Raymond Cipoletti, Sue Coker, Carol Comfort, Carole Connolly, Betty Cormier, Dot Cormier, Fred Cormier, William Cornelissen, Beverly Corrow, David, Susan Day, Dan Dennehy, Dorothy, Jan Dougherty, Renata Dryer, Helen Elder, Claire Errico, Jim Errico, Stan F., Shirley Ferreira, Wil Flores, Cecile Fortin, Kelly Gagnon, Nancy Gerardi, Kate Grandchamp, Christina Grover, Ken H, Sarah Habib, Pete Hastings, Mary Haynes, Heidi & Brad, Danielle Hoffman, Hudson & Tripp, Sandra Hughes, Sharon Hunzelman, Carolyn Iavecone, Janice, Jayden, Jessica, Mason & Olivia, Jillian, Elliott Johnston, Jon, Jordan, Kathleen, Emma Kazor, Kevin Keefe, Kelsey, Ken, Kevin, Richard Kibildis, Kimberly, Geoffrey King, Shirley Kinsella, Diana & Rita Lacourse, Elaine Lafond, Tina Lanctot, Larry, Colleen Laurence, Alice Lavoie, Edward Lee, Coral Lemire, Yvette Lessard, Casey Lindsay, Fiona Losty, Crystal M., Dot Maloney, Jack Maas, John Macadam, Marissa, Mary Martin, Mary and Pat, Tommy Martinez, Matthew, Jim McCarthy, Alice McClure, Richard McManus, Kathryn and Matt Mead, Beverly Messier, Dorothy Michali, Richard Michaud, Dan Mullen, Muriel, Peg Nagle, Cheryl Naso, Shannon Nolan, Barbie O'Brien, Haley O'Riorden, Bill Pappas, Lucille Paradis, Barbara Pelloquin, S. Perry, Tim Phillips, Vanessa Plourde, Priscilla, Lisa R., Phillip Reed, Sarah Reinold, John and Amy Renfer, Richard, Robert, Scott Rolf, Melody Royer, Lisa Russell, Jessica S., Sabrina, Martha Saunders, Dolores Schafer, Cecile Schneider, Scott, Serine, Sandy Sherman, Gilda Simao, Simone and Bobbie Simard, Meaghan Simpson, Brad Smith, Raymond Smith, Sophie, Stacy, Therese St. Germain, Alexandra Stoddard, Marilyn Stocks, Tony Stoddard, Jeffrey Swain, Thomas, Joyce Tuden, Carl Turner, Ty, Tyler, Ron Valencourt, Susan Vlahos, Rosemarie Walker, Sarah Wells, Adam Wheaton, Laurie Willey, Aubrey Willis, Crystal Willis, Lori Woscyna, Jess Wyrsch & baby, Eric Younger, Vince Zahornasky, and Dina Zorawowicz.

If you, or a loved one, would like your name to be listed in the bulletin, please call Sally at 432-3333 or email kmckenney@stjudenh.com.

PARISH SUPPORT WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 12, 2021

Offertory \$4,937.00
Maintenance \$481.00
Last Week's Online Giving \$3,451.01 **Total** \$8,869.01

Thank you for your support and generosity.



ONLINE ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPTIONS

St. Jude Parish offers a variety of opportunities for adults to continue faith formation through bible studies, courses, and book group. Due to Covid, many of our classes offer hybrid options and take place in person as well as simultaneously through Zoom. Please consider joining us!

For more information about Adult Faith Formation, contact Diane at 603-425-1795 or email dswinarski@stjudenh.com.

SEVEN DEADLY SINS, SEVEN LIVELY VIRTUES

New Online Class Starting Jan. 3, 2022

This 7 week series will be held on Monday evenings, beginning January 3rd, 6:45-8:15PM

Pride, envy, anger, sloth, greed, gluttony and lust: these "seven deadly sins" are patterns of dysfunction that keep us separated from God and ultimately lead to unhappiness. Join us as we embark on Fr. Robert Barron's exploration of these seven sinful patterns and also learn how practicing countervailing virtues can break the cycle of sin.

If you would like to join us, contact Diane at dswinarski@stjudenh.com or call 603-425-1795.

KNITTING GROUP

(KNITTING, CROCHETING & MORE)

Our parish has started a social group of people interested in knitting, crocheting and other needle arts. They meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 1:00PM to 2:30PM. Please join us on January 19th. People will be working on

their own projects. No lessons will be offered.



For information, please email Liz Ambrose at gardengirl100@yahoo.com.



K-8th GRADE FAITH FORMATION / YOUTH MINISTRY

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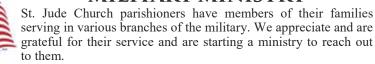




CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION FOR YOUTH CURRENTLY IN CLASSES

Monday, March 21st, 2022 at 6:00PM at St. Jude Church More information will be distributed via Flocknote regarding specific details.

MILITARY MINISTRY



If you have family members you would like included in this ministry, forms are available outside the Youth Ministry / Faith Formation office. For information, contact Trish at twoodward@stjudenh.com or Kathy at kmckenney@stjudenh.com.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES!!!

After the holidays, as college students return to class, we will begin the college care package program. We're excited for the opportunity to share the college journey with your student - whether they commute, live on campus, or live off campus. If you would like to sign your student up, send an email to Trish (twoodward@stjudenh.com) or Kathy (kmckenney@stjudenh.com). Forms are also available outside the Youth Ministry /Faith Formation office. We look forward to hearing from you!

DECEMBER FREE COMMUNITY MEAL!!



The December Free Community Meal will take place this weekend on **Sunday**, **December 26**th from 1:30PM-2:30PM. **Due to the Corona Virus**, we will be handing out bagged lunches to—go at 1:30PM from the side entrance of the church.

ST. JUDE'S FOOD PANTRY

St. Jude's Food Pantry serves the needs of all residents of Londonderry without regard to religious affiliation. We are completely confidential and here for everyone in the Londonderry community. We meet with families individually, by appointment. If you are in need of assistance, please call Kay or Dick at 434-1827.

VITA NOVA MEN'S RETREAT

Vita Nova invites you to join us for "Out of the Woods - Into the Water," a men's retreat, Jan. 7-9, at the Barbara C. Harris Center in Greenfield. Come together with other Catholic men for fellowship, fun, and spiritual growth. Fr. Josh Livingston of "Road Trip Pilgrimage." is the spiritual director for the weekend.

Register at vitanova.org/catholic-mens-retreat. (Please note change in website address.)

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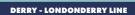
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