

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
JANUARY 2, 2022
PARISH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Bernard

Mon January 3rd

8:00 Catherine Antoncic by healing from a friend

Tues January 4th

†8:00 Karen Gordon by Her Family

Wed January 5th

†9:30 Gary Lardy Leighton by The Mongols **†5:30** Roene Guinane by Jon & Diane Farina

Thurs January 6th

Eric Kallio, 45th Birthday 8:00

Fri January 7th

†8:00 Carol Teitel by Jon and Diane Farina

†9:30 Deceased Members of the Holman, Houston, &

Murbright Families by the Family

Sat January 8th

†8:00 Jack Zimmerman by Jon and Diane Farina †4:00 Harry Emery, 28th Anniversary by the Family

Sun **lanuary 9th**

†9:30 Gary Goley by The Mahoney Family †11:15 Larry Beam by Jon and Diane Farina

St. Margaret Mary

Sat January 8th 4:00 **Pro Populo** January 9th Sun

The Holy Souls in Purgatory **†8:00**

St. Joseph

Wed January 5th †9:00 Vincent Lipinski January 9th Sun

9:00 Norm & Mary Whittle



Sanctuary Candle

St. Bernard Church

The Deceased Members of the **Costa and Gianferrari Families**

by Roberta

St. Joseph Church

Charles & Lumina Howe

by Norman Whittle

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December 12: \$10,062.82 Mailed In (12/13-12/17):\$675.00 Online Giving: \$1,000.00

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Deacon's Corner



"How did you meet?"

My wife Noreen and I met on New Year's Eve December 31, 1972/January 1, 1973. On that evening I was about to leave my parent's home for my fraternity's party at Merrimack College in North Andover, MA when I received a call from my friend Phil. He asked me if I would accompany his girlfriend's friend to a party in Salem MA. At the last

minute I changed my plans and headed to Salem. Long story short, I met the friend at the party but we didn't hit it off. I ended up meeting Noreen there and driving her home at the end of the evening. We dated for the next two and a half years and were married on 9/27/75 at Saint Ann's Church in Peabody,

For many years, Noreen and I volunteered to work with engaged couples preparing to be married in the Catholic Church. As a session icebreaker, we would often ask the engaged couples to share with each other how they met. Many met through school, work, volunteer activities, or through relatives or friends. What came out in these stories was often the fact that many prayed for God to connect them to someone who would be a good spouse for them. For those of you who are married, have you shared with your family how you met? Did you see God working to bring you together? In the engaged couples preparation programs we shared the idea that since God brought the two of you together, you are a gift to each other from God; therefore, treat each other as such.

On that New Year's Eve that Noreen and I met, I wasn't supposed to be at the party I attended. I also was not supposed to be with Noreen. God does have a plan for each of us and He often works in mysterious ways and in His timeframe. For those of you who are not married and feel called to the marriage vocation, as many of the engaged couples shared above, pray for guidance and an introduction to the person that God wants you to spend your life with. Once married, treat that person as the unique gift to you from God that he/she is.

Deacon Ken

"Be completely humble and gentle, be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:2-3).

Sunday Dinner

Sunday, January 9th at Ipm Please note the new time!! Cozy Italian dinner and homemade desserts Hope to see you there!



Adoration

In honor of the Adoration of the Magi on the Epiphany we will have an evening adoration for the entire parish following the 5:30 pm Mass on Wednesday, January 5th.

The holy hour will include music, scripture and meditations rooted in the tradition of the Epiphany. Please come to Adore together.



Parish of the Holy Spirit

St. Bernard Church

185 Main Street, Keene

Weekdays 8:00AM (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri)

Wednesday 9:30AM, 5:30PM Friday 8:00AM, 9:30AM

First Friday 5:30PM

Saturday 8:00AM, 4:00PM Sunday 9:30AM, II:15AM Holy Days: As Announced Confession: Sat: 2:30-3:30PM,

Rosary: 7:30AM (before Weekday Mass)

St. Margaret Mary Church

33 Arch Street, Keene Saturday: 4:00PM Sunday: 8:00AM

Confession: Sat: 3:00-3:30PM

St. Joseph Church

35 Brattleboro Road, Hinsdale
Weekdays: Wednesday 9:00AM
Sunday: 9:00AM, Rosary at 8:30AM

Holy Days: As Announced Confession: By appointment

Adoration: First Monday of the month 6:00-6:30PM
*If Ist Monday of the month falls on a Holiday, adoration will

be moved to 2nd Monday of the month.

First Friday Devotions, 5:30PM at St. Bernard Church, Mass in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, from approximately 5:30-6:00 and Eucharistic adoration with confessions from 6:00-7:00.



Parish Book Club

The Parish Book Club will be starting a new book right after the holidays. The book is "In Full Bloom" by Claire Swinarski. In Full Bloom explores strategies for thriving and experiencing God's grace even when you're not exactly living the dream. Our group meets via zoom on Thursday mornings at

10:00am. Young or old, male or female - if you want to delve into ways to see God's grace and to thrive no matter what life has thrown your way - join us! Our first session will start Thursday, January 6th at 10:00am.

For more details or any questions contact

Anne Farrington at farrington.anne@yahoo.com or
201-213-2334



The Abbotts, the Hunts, the Monahans, the O'Neills by Michael & Sharon

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Mom and Dad, Our Grandparents, Family and Friends

by Bob and Kathy Morgan and Family

Jean Ebbighausen by Jay & Kim Ebbighausen

Deceased Family and Friends by Wayne & Claire Temmen

Quyen and Tuan Nguyen



Merry Christmas, high school students! Have a fantastic celebration of Jesus' birthday- our next youth night is next Sunday (1/9). See you then!

A Family of Faith Program

Meets Sundays, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm at SIRS Cafeteria

Next Adult Meeting: Sunday, January 9.

Lesson and Discussion of The Life of Jesus and the Sacrament of Baptism.

Next Community Meeting: Sunday, January 30. Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Though this program primarily serves the families of the parish with children in grades K-5, all families and all parishioners are welcome to join us. Contact Liz Wilber with questions at 603-803-8396.

Create a Legacy

Be a part of ensuring the future of our church!

In dealing with the most important questions of where our resources will go after we are not around to manage them, it is important to have a plan. When making these future plans, consider making a legacy gift to the Parish of the Holy Spirit, and make an impact on our future ministries and the Catholic faith. With a simple bequest in your will or estate plan, you can make a significant difference in the future of our parish for generations to come.

For more information about how to include the Parish of the Holy Spirit and the Catholic Church in your will, please contact Bevin Kennedy at the Diocese of Manchester (bkennedy@rcbm.org; 603-663-0136).



First SJRS and OLMA Mass of the year on October 27th.

Fr. Alan invited the Preschool students to join him at the end of Mass to officially welcome them.

Our first Mass of the school year with all students from both SJRS and Mercy.



of Gap Mountain after

an all-school hike.



The Our Lady of Mercy Academy Freshman participated in their class retreat on Friday, November 5th. The theme of the day was "New Beginnings." Students had amazing small group discussions unpacking inspirational talks about Saints Pope John Paul II, Francis de Sales, and Mother Teresa, who proclaim that our past does not define us; rather, "we are the sum of the Father's love for us." Along with a scavenger hunt and other games, students spent time with Jesus in Adoration, Mass, and the Sacrament Reconciliation. Please pray for the students as they live the graces received on retreat.



winners at the golf outing to

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benefit SJRS and Mercy Academy,





As we approach the end of 2021 and reflect on the past year, at the same time we find ourselves looking forward to the new year, 2022, and making resolutions and plans.

What better time to commit to spending one hour a week in Adoration with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

We currently have an immediate opening for a guardian from 2-3 PM on Thursday afternoons which we need to fill. Will you prayerfully consider making this commitment?

We also have other times where we need a second guardian including: Wedesday10:00-11:00 AM,
Thursday 12:00-1:00 PM, 2:00-3:00 PM and
Friday 11:00-12:00 AM.

Please contact the parish office at 352-3525 x305 if you are interested. Thank you!



Readings for the week of January 2, 2021

Sun: 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

Mon: I Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tues: I Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44 **Wed**: I Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thurs: I Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Fri: I Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Sat: I Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b -2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



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NOVENA FOR LIFE and ROSARY FOR LIFE

Sunday January 16

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular of the Knights of Columbus. Knights remain firmly committed to defending the right to life of every human being – from the moment of conception to natural death. To commemorate and bolster this important cause, the Knights have organized a pro-life event to include a novena, nine days of sustained prayer to build up a culture of life in our parishes, homes and wider community. The event will begin at St Joseph cemetery in Keene at Ipm Sunday January 16. Deacon Ken will lead us in the first days novena. The remaining 8 days will be done privately. At the conclusion, the event will move to St Bernard church where at 2pm the Love for Life and Youth ministries will lead a pro-life rosary assisted by our parishioners. All are welcome.

Celebrate the Gospel of Life

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life: Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of life with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.

— Evangelium Vitae

Link for printable copy of the 9 days for life novena

https://www.respectlife.org/leaders-resources



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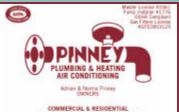
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St. Margaret Mary Church, 33 Arch Street, Keene

First Friday of every month 9:00am-3:00pm

PRAYER SHAWLS: We have lap robes and shawls hand-made with love to be a mantle of God's healing presence. If you know of someone who can use a reminder of God's love call the office at 603-352-3525 to obtain one. Our next meeting will be January 10, 2022 at 9:00AM at St. Margaret Mary parish hall.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS: Court St. Joseph in Hinsdale. Meetings are being held on the first Wednesday of each month at 9:45 am

WIDOWS GROUP: Please call Sarah Avery at 357-0176 for further information.

CATHOLIC WOMEN OF CHARITIES: NEW DATE Next meeting February 7th, 2021 at 6:30PM at St. Margaret Mary's parish hall.

MEN'S HOLY HOUR: Each month on the 2nd Tuesday, Deacon Fintan Moore leads a group in structured prayer and reflection for one hour at **St. Margaret Mary Church at 6:00 pm**. The next meeting is **January 11th.**

THE LADIES OF ST. ANNE: The next meeting of the Ladies of St. Anne will be on **March 8, 2022** at **4:00PM**. The meeting will be in the Parish Hall and will include a light supper. Please remember to call Roberta at 603-903-0381 if you know of someone who needs a greeting card. For more information call Jean Girard at 603-355-8831.

MARIE RIVIER ASSOCIATION (MRA): We will meet from 6:30-8:00 in St. Bernard's parish hall every second Tuesday of the month. We will be studying Pope Francis' encyclical on Fraternity and Social Friendship. If you are interested in learning about the Marie Rivier Association in Keene, call Ginny Houle-Ryder at 352-1152 (leave a message).

ST. MARGARET MARY CHURCH MAINTENANCE: NEW DATE Monthly clean up January 22th starting at 9AM. Join us as we prepare the Church for Christmas!

RCIA: Currently meets most Thursday evenings 6-7:30pm. Contact Corey Tetreault at 762-2211 for more information.

VOCATIONS MINISTRY: Works to create a vocationsfriendly environment through prayer, affirmation and awareness in order to honor and support those already in their vocations, on the path to ordination or final vows, and those in the process of discerning their calling to serve the Lord. Look for additional information available at the Vocation displays located near the entrances of St. Bernard's Church or reach out to Gary Markiewicz (732-266-8766) or Kim Chasse (480-286-8877).

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. 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/.

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