



Welcome to the Catholic Community of

SAINT MARK

THE EVANGELIST

*A Catholic Community of Caring Since 1981
Serving Londonderry, Hudson & Windham - New Hampshire*

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Adult Choir Director

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday @ 5:00 PM

Sunday @ 8:00 AM 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Monday through Thursday @ 9:00 AM

***All Masses can be seen on our livestream at
stmarksnh.org***

As sharers of the one baptism & the one Spirit of the Risen Christ, we come together as the Parish Community of St. Mark the Evangelist to proclaim our identity as the People of God.

The Eucharist is the center of our life and work together. Through the one bread, we become the one body of Christ, a living sacrifice of praise. In our worship of God, the Author of life and holiness, we proclaim our hope in the life of Christ's Resurrection; we open our hearts and minds to the Spirit of God dwelling in our midst.

In our work, together, we seek...

to enable our children to grow in the wisdom and knowledge of God; to accompany our young sons and daughters on their journeys of discovery toward adulthood; to deepen our faith commitment through prayer & study; to be present to one another in the joys and sufferings, the victories and struggles of life; to give witness to the Gospel of justice and compassion to our hurting world.

We welcome to our parish family all who share our Catholic faith & traditions & our search for God in all things.

-Parish Mission Statement



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Facebook: [stmarkslondonderry](https://www.facebook.com/stmarkslondonderry)
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From Our Youth Minister...

“For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?’ He said to him in reply, ‘Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down. (Luke 13:7-9)”

I don't know much about tending a garden let alone a vineyard so I did some research. How long does it take for a fig tree to produce fruit? What I found was that a fig tree typically begins to bear fruit 3 years after it has matured. If it doesn't, it can be considered barren and should be removed so that it doesn't zap the soil of its rich nutrients. The amount of energy, water and resources that the vine-dresser would have put into trying to produce a harvest would definitely contribute to his frustration when he, once again, found no fruit on the tree. Yet, the labor advocates to keep the fig tree for one more year suggesting that there is still another option that has yet to be pursued that might yield the harvest the vine-dresser is looking for.

Some biblical commentators have explained that this parable is revealing the relationship between our Heavenly Father, Jesus, and humanity. Humanity is the fig tree. When we look back through Scripture, we can see that, for years, God the Father has been pouring into his people. He had sent them prophets to teach them. He had given them the 10 commandments to form their conscience. He had provided them bread from Heaven. Yet, even with all that, humanity continued to worship false gods and stray from the Lord's plan. So God sends His Son...

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, so that whoever believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life. (John 3:16)”

Jesus is the first laborer in the vineyard. He comes in human likeness and shares in the everyday life of the people around them. He heals the sick, raises the dead, and teaches, “as one having authority. (Matthew 7:29)” He is the true bread that comes down from Heaven and yields Himself to the ultimate sacrifice for humanity: Roman crucifixion for the forgiveness of our sins. Jesus is willing to go to any length to win our hearts and restore our relationship with the Father. Jesus paid a debt He didn't owe because we owed a debt we couldn't pay. All this to till and enrich the soil of our hearts so that we might bear fruit. So that we might bear fruit.

Because here's the thing: God has done His part through the sacrifice of His only begotten Son. And God continues to sustain the very breath in our lungs. But it is up to us to respond. “...it may bear fruit...” We have everything we need to bear good fruit, the question is, are we willing to say “yes” to a relationship with Him? Are we will to examine the soil of our heart and ask Him to remove the weeds that our chocking our souls? Are we willing to meet Him in the Sacrament of Mercy, Reconciliation, and receive His unending love for us? He has done His part. Are we ready to do ours?

God Bless,
Mickayla

Lenten Schedule 2022

All services will be available via Livestream at stmarksnh.org

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us every Tuesday for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:30AM - 3:30PM in the Church.

Lenten Holy Hour & Reflection

Join us every Tuesday from 6:30PM - 7:30PM for Eucharistic Adoration and reflection. Each week, we will prepare our hearts for the resurrection of our Lord on Easter through music and spiritual reflections. Come for an hour of peace in the presence of our God.

Stations of the Cross

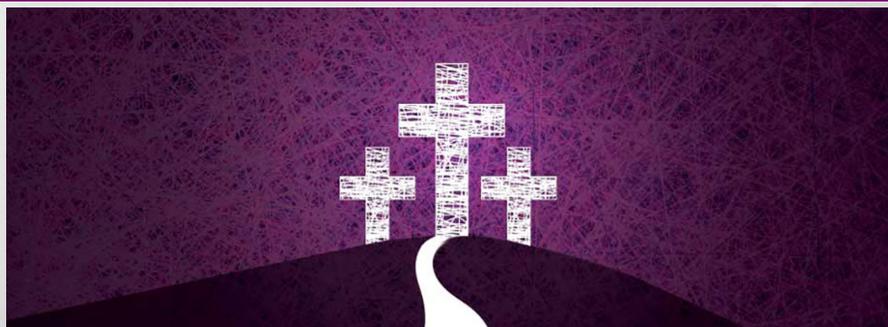
Join us every Friday in Lent at 6PM, as we will be commemorating our Lord's Passion by meditating on the Stations of the Cross. This will begin Friday, March 4th.

Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is from 3:30PM - 4:30PM every Saturday.

Friday Night Fish Fry

Join us at 6:30PM on March 11, 25 and April 8 in the St. Mark's Parish Hall for FISH, FRIENDS and FELLOWSHIP! Fish & Chips (aka: French fries). The cost is \$7 per person (\$28 per family).



Confirmation and First Communion

We are so excited to announce that our Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion took place on Wednesday evening, March 16. Please keep the following individuals in your prayers as they continue their journey: Addison Allen, Alexa Auger, William Blesedell, Chloelynn Blinn, Cooper Cimeno, Kiera Donnelly, Kendall Cimeno, Raycroft Conry, Ayla Croteau, Tomasz Grzejka, Katelyn Haughton, Noah Kuceris, Simon Lamontagne, Mason Martinez, Mia Mathieu, Aaron Modini, Morgan Modini, Jonathan Munsey, Olivia Nault, Lucas Ouellette, Jack Pope, Sophie Raho, Meghan Saranich, Rebecca Seichepine, Andrew Tancreti, Jax Villeneuve, Noel Warena and Ryker Wilson.

Easter Flowers

Envelopes can be found at the church entrance for those who would like a special remembrance for loved ones by contributing to the beautiful flowers that adorn our worship space this Easter season. Simply print the name of your loved ones clearly on the envelope and return it with the donation in the offertory box. The names will be listed in the bulletin after Easter for prayerful remembrance. Thank you for your generosity!

Foster Care Backpack - Items still needed

Thank you for your generous response so far!! The goal is to raise enough money to make 180 backpacks each year. **The following items are still needed:** bar of soap, soap holder, shampoo(full size), conditioner(full size), chapstick, toothpaste (KIDS Crest), face/hand towels, comb, toothbrush, toothbrush holder, deck of cards, kleenex, small stuffed animal. **Please return all items BY April 3.** You can make a monetary donation by using the Foster Care Backpack envelopes or visit our website. Thank you in advance!

2022 K of C Scholarship

St. Mark's Knights of Columbus, Council 10488, intends to award one, possibly two, \$500 scholarships to a 2022 high school senior from this parish pursuing higher education following graduation. All seniors associated with St. Mark's Parish will receive a letter during early April advising them of this scholarship opportunity along with the general guidelines to apply for this scholarship.

Holy Triduum Schedule

April 14 - Holy Thursday

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
(Chapel of Repose - Parish Hall - will be open for visitation until 10:30PM)

April 15 - Good Friday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Church)
12:00 PM Seven Last Words
4:00 PM Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM Good Friday Service
(The Lord's Tomb - Parish hall will be through the night until 3:30 PM on Holy Saturday)

April 16 - Holy Saturday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parish Hall)
3:00 PM Blessing of the Easter Baskets
7:30 PM The Great Easter Vigil

April 17 - Easter Sunday

8:00 AM Easter Mass
9:30 AM Easter Mass
11:00 AM Easter Mass

**CRS Rice Bowls due on Divine Mercy, Sun April 24*

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Sunday, March 20:

10:30 AM St. Mark's KIDS, Edge, Life Teen

Tuesday, March 22:

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration
6:30 PM Lenten Holy Hour
7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 24:

9:30 AM Weekday Witness

Friday, March 25:

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting
6:00 PM Stations of the Cross
6:30 PM Friday Fish Fry

Saturday, March 26:

9:30 AM Al Anon
1:00 PM Scouts - Pinewood Races

Sacrificial Giving
Week of 3/9/2021 - 3/15/2022

Regular Offertory:	\$ 4,143.00
WeShare:	<u>\$ 6,649.86</u>
Total:	\$10,792.86

(Parish Budget: \$10,000 per week)

Mass Intentions for Mar 19 - Mar 27, 2022

3/19 Saturday, 5 PM:

Deceased Residents of Blue Sky's by
Sam & Mary Ann Boldeia

3/20 Sunday, 8 AM:

Dorothy Maxwell by her family

3/20 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

William Murphy Jr. by the McIntire family

3/20 Sunday, 11 AM:

Paul Remillard by the Morgan family

3/21 Monday, 9 AM:

Mark Schaefer

3/22 Tuesday, 9 AM:

John & Jo Merlino by the family

3/23 Wednesday, 9 AM:

Jim Cleary by the family

3/24 Thursday, 9 AM:

Edward Heffernan by Leo & Mary Guilfoyle

3/26 Saturday, 5 PM:

Pat Trongo by his wife & family

3/27 Sunday, 8 AM:

Sam & Mary Gelfo by the family

3/27 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

James Cox by K of C 10488

3/27 Sunday, 11 AM:

Jean Smith by John & Suzanne Patenaude

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Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30 - 11 AM
Birthright	(603) 434-3000
NH Catholic Charities, Nashua	(603) 889-9431

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents are asked to participate in the baptismal catechesis program prior to their child's baptism.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance and before making any other wedding arrangements.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call us to request the Sacrament of the Sick or to receive communion in the home.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays, 9:30 AM-3:30 PM / First Fridays 8 - 9 PM