



*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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### **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](http://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...*

Welcome to Holy Week!

Growing up, Palm Sunday was always a Sunday that stood out in my mind. I would like to say it's because of the powerful readings we hear or because I was moved by what that Lord was about to do for us on Calvary only a few days later. But the reality was, it was the day I got to see how many times I could use the palm to annoy my brother or try and fold it into a cross before my mom would take it away from me. Now that I'm older, I see how much meaning behind Jesus' procession into Jerusalem that I missed. Besides maturity, the only difference between how I experienced mass then versus how I experience it now: is choice.

Everything in the readings today is about choices. And not just "choices", but choices that matter. We hear at the beginning of mass, the story of Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. We hear the choice of the crowd as they cry out "Hosanna in the highest!" Fast forward a few days and the same crowd now screams, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" They are making one choice on Sunday and an entirely different choice on Friday. As we will see in the coming days, Pontius Pilot makes a choice. He knows that Jesus is innocent but, to keep everyone happy, he makes a choice.

Pilot is influenced by the crowd and hands Jesus over to those who want Him dead. When we dig a little deeper into Scripture, we learn that Pontius Pilot had a custom of releasing one prisoner a year. He presents the crowd with Barabbas or Jesus. He presents the crowd a choice and the crowd chooses Barabbas, who was a murderer. The irony that is often lost in this scripture is that, in Hebrew, Barabbas literally means, "son of the father"... The crowd chooses Barabass, "son of the father", over Jesus, the true Son of the Father. They choose a counterfeit, they choose a life they already know, a history they are already familiar with, even though it was awful, instead of the true Son of the Father who offered them a life fully alive. Why? Fear and the opinions of other people.

Palm Sunday and the rest of Holy Week makes me pause and take inventory of my own life. When have I chosen the counterfeit instead of the life Jesus offers? What are the choices I have made out of fear? What are the decisions I have come to because of the influence of other people? Though my actions and words, how many times have I been among the voices in the crowd screaming, "Crucify Him!" When I think about all those times I have fallen short and missed the mark, I'm reminded of the cross and I am moved to tears by Jesus' choice. Jesus chose the cross. Jesus chose us.

**"But God shows his love for us in that *while we were yet sinners* Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)**

Know of my prayers for everyone in the parish as we enter into the holiest week of our year. Please pray for me too.

Jesus, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner.

- Mickayla

**Diocesan Day of Reconciliation - April 11**

To help prepare yourself for Holy Week, an added confession opportunity has been scheduled for **April 11**.

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

**Easter Flowers**

The Easter Flower Fund helps us to decorate our altar for the Easter Season. Your flower donation can be made in a special remembrance of a loved one. These souls will be remembered in the holy Masses celebrated during the Easter Octave. Envelopes are available at the Welcome Desk or in the Parish Office. Please 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!

**CRS Rice Bowls**

We ask all parishioners who have been participating in the CRS Rice Bowl to **return their Rice Bowls the weekend of Divine Mercy Sunday (April 24)**. Thank you for all of your support!

**Blessing of Food Baskets**

The Easter Food Basket is a variety of symbolic foods that can be prepared on Good Friday to draw attention to our fast, while the Blessing for the "Easter Basket" is held on **Holy Saturday, April 16 at 3 PM in the Parish Hall** as final preparations are made for the celebration of the great Paschal Feast! What do we put in our basket? **A lamb, bread and wine, salt, a green plant, a candle and candy (jelly beans)**. For more information, please pick up a pamphlet in the Welcome Center for more details.

**Easter Vigil**

We are excited to share that four individuals will be baptized and welcomed in to the church at the Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 16! Please keep Kalisse, Thiago, Evelyn and Andy in your prayers.

**Outreach Services for Victims**

If you have experienced abuse by someone representing the Catholic Church, please call (603) 669-3100.

**2022 Triduum Schedule**

**April 14 - Holy Thursday**

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper  
*Chapel of Repose in the Parish Hall will be open for visitation until 10PM.*

**April 15 - Good Friday**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Church)  
*The Lord's Tomb in the Parish Hall will be open for visitation until 10PM.*

12:00 PM Seven Last Words  
4:00 PM Stations of the Cross  
7:00 PM Good Friday Service

**April 16 - Holy Saturday**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Parish Hall)  
*The Lord's Tomb in the Parish Hall will be open for visitation until 3PM.*  
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

**This Week @ St. Mark's!!**

**Sunday, April 10:**

10:30 AM St. Mark's KIDS, Edge, Life Teen  
7:00 PM Pack 605 Committee Meeting

**Tuesday, April 12:**

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

**Thursday, April 14 - Sunday, April 17**

*See Triduum Schedule above for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday*

***\*Cafe will be closed on Easter Sunday\****

**VBS 2022 Registration NOW OPEN!!**

God's love is MONUMENTAL! Register NOW for an off-road adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the Southwest! We are SO EXCITED that Vacation Bible School will be **July 11 - July 15 from 9AM to NOON!**

**What is Vacation Bible School?** Vacation Bible School is a camp-like atmosphere where kids can explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life.

**A Typical Day at VBS:** Each day at VBS, kids will travel through various stations that reinforce relevant Bible Points and immerse kids in new adventures! The stations include different themed sports and games, dynamic crafts and great snacks and don't forget the Bible buddies!

**Cost:** \$40 per camper (\$100 / max per family)

**How can I volunteer?** Just select 'Teen/Adult Volunteer' on the registration form and we will contact you. Thank you for considering. All volunteers will need to complete Safe Environment.

**How can I register?** You can find a registration form in the Welcome Center, the Cafe and the Parish Office or online at [www.stmarksnh.org](http://www.stmarksnh.org)!

*Come explore God's awesomeness where campers will form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead!*

**The 2022-2023 Faith Formation Registration**

Faith Formation 2022-23 Registration is OPEN!! Faith Formation is a lifelong process. The hope is that every child be enrolled in a program and that the parents take an active role in the faith life of their children. The most important thing is to be sure that ALL our children be connected to Church. In order to be fully prepared to receive Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist, the sacramental preparation is a two year process. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the Parish Office at (603) 432-8711. Registration forms can be found at the Welcome Center, Parish Hall, Parish Office and online at [stmarksnh.org](http://stmarksnh.org).

**Men of St. Joseph**

Our April meeting of the Men of St. Joseph has been moved from Saturday, April 16 (Holy Saturday) to the following **Saturday, April 23**. All men of the parish are invited to join us at the church from 7AM to 9AM for prayer, food and fellowship. For more information, contact Bill Donroe at [bdonroe@comcast.net](mailto:bdonroe@comcast.net).

**APRIL - Child Abuse Prevention Month**

The Diocese of Manchester has partnered with Prevent Child Abuse America and the New Hampshire Children's Trust to promote the Pinwheels for Prevention campaign. Pinwheels serve as a symbol to remind us that all children deserve happy and safe childhoods. *There are a limited number of pinwheels that can be found at the Welcome Center.*

**Did you know?** That all volunteers are *required* to complete child safety training. #keepchildrensafe

**Blue Sunday - National Day of Prayer - April 24**

Let us all join together and pray for the intention: "May survivors and abuse experience God's profound love for them, and receive comfort and healing".

There will be a Mass to pray for those affected by Abuse on **April 28, 2022 at 6PM at St. Joseph Cathedral in Manchester**. This is also available via Livestream. For more information, visit [www.stjosephcathedralnh.org](http://www.stjosephcathedralnh.org).

**New Hampshire Catholic Appeal:**

**Future of our Faith II, Many Parts, One Body**

A new initiative by our Diocese to grow and expand ministries in the Church in New Hampshire. It will also consolidate several of our annual collections under one Appeal. The New Hampshire Catholic Appeal will fund essential services and ministries like the care for our retired priests, vocations ministry and the education and formation of seminarians, Catholic education, *Parable* magazine, Catholic Charities NH, and more. Everyone in our parish will receive a copy of the Appeal materials so that you can learn more about the NHCA and how you can participate. Together, we are. Many parts of the Church in New Hampshire, but one body of Christ and we can make a difference in the lives of many people.

**Sacrificial Giving**  
**Week of 3/30/2021 - 4/05/2022**

Regular Offertory:	\$ 5,002.00
WeShare:	\$ 5,257.29
Easter Flowers:	\$ 430.00
Improvement:	\$ <u>350.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$11,039.29</b>

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

**Mass Intentions for Apr 9 - Apr 17, 2022**

**4/9 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Holmes and Barbara Tracy  
by the Demers family

**4/10 Sunday, 8 AM:**

Donna Warner by the Kelley family

**4/10 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

Gerald Cooper by Kathy Cooper

**4/10 Sunday, 11 AM:**

Michael Smith  
by John & Suzanne Patenaude

**4/11 Monday, 9 AM:**

Andy Morneau by his wife

**4/12 Tuesday, 9 AM:**

James Emerson by Dan & Anne Emerson

**4/13 Wednesday, 9 AM:**

Dominque Tanguay

**4/14 Thursday, 9 AM:**

Daniel Cox by K of C 10488

**4/16 Saturday, 7:30 PM:**

Bruce Joseph Ferdinand by his sisters,  
Susan Newton and Debra Rogers

**4/17 Sunday, 8 AM:**

Louis Merlino by the family

**4/17 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

Johnny Boy Flemings by  
Sam & Mary Ann Boldeia

**4/17 Sunday, 11 AM:**

Mark Schaefer

**Parish Contact Information**

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Prayer Line	Nancy Conner (603) 432-7425
Safe Environment	Lisa Olsen (603) 432-8711
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