



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***

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



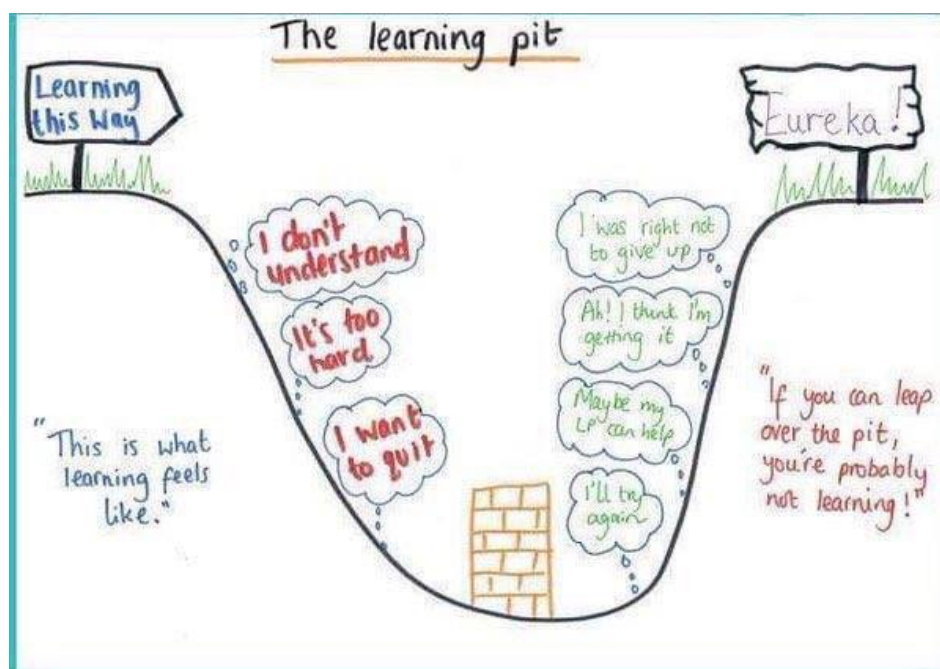
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From Amanda's Desk,

I LOVE the readings this week. God wipes the tears from our eyes AND invites us to a feast. Comfort? Food? Sign me up!! The parable of the wedding feast is a great reminder of the PERPETUAL invitation to join in the heavenly banquet God has prepared for us. "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" This invitation doesn't come with qualifiers, prerequisites or stipulations - just a willingness on our part to RSVP. Accepting that invitation isn't always easy, and sometimes we don't fulfill every aspect of the fine print. But through growing in our Faith, and making a commitment to try again when we fall short, we get closer each and every day.

Prior to coming to St. Mark's I was involved in the world of public education, where the concept of "re-do's" or "do-overs" were persistently prevalent. If you needed more practice with a concept/competency, you were given supplemental instruction and an alternative method to show that you could master it - you get a second chance. "Growth Mindset" is a phrase my education friends will know well. This idea embraces that only through the PROCESS of sincere PRACTICE and working through inevitable MISTAKES is where true learning really happens. A singular product isn't the goal. The mastering the skills and developing fundamentally essential abilities is where TRUE success is found. Memorizing that $2+8 = 10$ is great, but understanding the concept of addition and how it applies to ALL math equations is even better. Whatever it is that we working toward, some of us may not be "there yet" and that's ok - because through practice and sincere effort (working through our inevitable mistakes) we will get closer to our goals until we eventually achieve them!

The phrase in this week's reading "many are invited, yet few are chosen" brings me back to Growth Mindset. None of us are "there yet" - we are human and God knows this. We will make inevitable mistakes. That's why we are blessed with many opportunities (both at church and in the community) to demonstrate the process of our commitment to God by the way we live our lives. We have the opportunity to practice our Faith, growing in the knowledge of God and the practice of personal prayer. And although we occasionally develop patterns of making mistakes (as all humans do) He gives us the Sacrament of Reconciliation to offer that second chance, the opportunity for a spiritual "do-over." Our journey in Faith is a spiritual exercise in Growth Mindset. None of us are there "yet," but in working through our struggles we get closer every day to fully accepting His invitation to the great feast He has prepared for us in heaven.



Parish Picnic! Have you RSVP'd????

The Parish Picnic will be **Sunday, October 22 from Noon - 3PM** and FUN for ALL ages!! Hey KIDS... don't forget to dress in your Halloween costume for our parade with Fr. Mike!! We will also have an inflatable slide, guess the weight of the pumpkin and more... We will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs and all the "fixings", plus steak tips! If you could bring a side dish (salad, pasta salad, chips, macaroni salad, fruit salad etc.,) to round out our menu, that would be GREAT! **Please bring your picnic blanket or camping chair to sit on! RSVP on the website by October 17** or sign up in the Welcome Center!!

Weekday Witness Continues...

We live in a society that supports the opinion that each person should make up his or her own morality - that there is no moral truth that applies to everyone. Join us **Thursday mornings after the 9 AM Mass in the Parish Hall** to dive into this notion of 'relativism' a bit deeper! All are welcome!

Book of Remembrance

The book of Remembrance is located in the entrance of the church for you to enter a loved one's name. These individuals will be remembered on **All Souls Day, Thursday November 2** and throughout the month of November. The book will reside on the altar for all of November.

NHCA - Goal EXCEEDED!

Thank you! Thank you! We recently shared with you that St. Mark's EXCEEDED their New Hampshire Catholic Appeal Goal!! Our grand total is \$76,051.03!! (The goal was \$61,223.763) Therefore, **we received a rebate** check of \$14,827.27!! Thank you for your continued generosity to the Diocese and to St. Mark's!! These funds are being returned to our parish for our own parish needs.

Creation Corner

This weekend Paul tells the Philippians "I have the learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry." Who knew there was a secret to going hungry? In both cases, God provided. May we respect and care for those learning the "secret" of going hungry.

Stockings for Soldiers - Support the Troops!

St. Mark's will be filling stockings for troops overseas and for veterans in need. **Filled stockings must be returned by Saturday, November 4.** *If you would like to help offset the shipping cost or would like us to shop for you, please use the envelope 'Donation Stockings for Troops'.* Thank you!

Men of St. Joseph - October 21 @ 7AM

All men are invited to join us for our regular monthly get together on **Saturday, October 21 at 7AM!** There will be food and fellowship until 9AM. See you there!

K of C 10488 - Christmas Cards and more...

Our Knights of Columbus will be selling religious Christmas cards, magnets and more on **Nov 4 & Nov 11.** **SAVE THE DATE** and be sure to check out their table in the Welcome Center!

Turkeys Needed for Christmas

We are sad to report that our 'turkey resources' for our Christmas Basket program has dissolved. So we need your help! If you are able to donate funds towards this effort, so we can purchase turkeys for families this Christmas, that would be great!! For those of you who do not know, the Christmas Basket program supplies food and gifts within our Londonderry community. Thank you for considering and helping these families have a nice Christmas!

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Sunday, October 15:

10:30 AM St. Mark's KIDS/EDGE/Life Teen

Monday, October 16:

6:00 PM Bible Study - *The Bible and the Mass*

Tuesday, October 17:

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting

6:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 19:

9:30 AM Weekday Witness

6:00 PM Widow & Widower Support Group

Friday, October 20:

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting

Saturday, October 21:

9:30 AM Al Anon

St. Mark's **Annual Parish Picnic**

Enjoy some great music, fun and, of course, food!

**Halloween Costume Parade, Inflatable slide,
guess the weight of the pumpkin and more...**

**OCTOBER 22
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM**



**Please bring a
dish to share**

For planning purposes please RSVP

Visit www.stmarksnh.org

Sacrificial Giving

Week of 10/04/2022 - 10/10/2023

Regular Offertory:	\$ 3,346.00
WeShare:	\$ 4,468.76
NHCA Rebate	\$ 14,827.27
Total:	\$ 22,642.03

(Parish Budget: \$12,000 per week)

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Mass Intentions for Oct 14 - Oct 22, 2023

10/14 Saturday, 5 PM:

The Harper & Hubert families
by Roger & Paula Hubert

10/15 Sunday, 8 AM:

Matthew Pedley by his mom & dad

10/15 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Vinny Ardizzoni by William Lajoie

10/15 Sunday, 11 AM:

Camille L. Lynch by Mary Y. Lynch

10/16 Monday, 9 AM:

Rosemary & Vincent Colonna
By Amanda Morgan

10/17 Tuesday, 9 AM:

Gilford Jandreau
by his wife Jeannette Jandreau

10/18 Wednesday, 9 AM:

Anna Marie & Joe Kovac by the family

10/19 Thursday, 9 AM:

Elsie & Lib Merlino by the family

10/21 Saturday, 5 PM:

Intentions of Deacon Lee Abbott
by Sam & MaryAnn Boldeia

10/22 Sunday, 8 AM:

Matthew Pedley by his mom & dad

10/22 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Dorothy Maxwell by her family

10/22 Sunday, 11 AM:

John & Anna Flemings
by Sam & MaryAnn Boldeia

Parish Contact Information

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Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30 - 11 AM
Knights of Columbus	www.KofC.org/joinus
Birtheright	(603) 434-3000
Pennacook Pregnancy Center	(603) 206-5306
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