

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







Website: www.stmarksnh.org
Facebook: stmarkslondonderry
Flocknote: flocknote.com/SMECNH
Instagram: stmarkslondonderry

Fourth Sunday of Lent

From Our Pastor...

Brothers and Sisters-

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out,
he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"
He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?"
Jesus said to him, "You have seen him,
the one speaking with you is he."
He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him.
Then Jesus said,
"I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see,
and those who do see might become blind."

As we journey through our lives, who do we rely on? In our Gospel today, Jesus gives us another glimpse into why He came into this world...so that the 'blind' will be able to see clearly! Who are the 'blind' that He is referring to? - Well, each and every one of us who acknowledge that we cannot do it alone...meaning that we rely on the One and True God at all times!

The temptation is always out there to 'go it alone'...and feel that we can just do it by ourselves. As human beings, we have the tendency to always strive to be 'self-sufficient'. When we do this, however, it is easy to just become a know-it-all or become pompous and arrogant (quite the opposite of what we are called to...'humility').

Our prayer should always be for clarity and wisdom in our lives on how to handle certain situations and relationships. This may lead us to be open to receiving advice from outside sources, or even asking our heavenly Father for guidance in our own prayer and reflection. So those who 'become blind' are those who think that they do not need a Savior...and just choose to live any way they want. These people choose to think that the Word of God is just another opinion in the world where everyone has their own opinion.

As True believers, we acknowledge that Jesus is truly the Way, the Truth, and the Life. By living our lives in charity according to His Word, he wants to continually give us 'new sight' so they we can put things into much better perspective than if we just were to 'go it alone'.

May we pray always for His clarity and His Wisdom in all that we do.

Always in Christ,

Fr Mike

Youth Easter Choir!

Our Youth Easter Choir will have its next rehearsal on **Sunday, March 26th** @ **4PM** in the church. All singers and instrumentalists are welcome! *This group will sing at the 9:30AM Mass on Easter Morning*.

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. The following items are still needed: bar of soap, soap holder, shampoo (full size), conditioner (full size), chapstick, toothpaste (KIDS Crest only), face/hand towels, comb, toothbrush, toothbrush holder, deck of cards and small kleenex. *Please return all items by April 2.* you can make a monetary donation by using the Foster Care Backpack envelopes or visit our website. Thank you for making a difference in the children who are affected by these difficult circumstances.

Fight Hunger Bag Program

St. Marks is lucky in March!! For each purchase of the *Fight Hunger Reusable Bag* at the Londonderry Hannaford location, they will send us \$1. All money will be directly donated to the St. Mark's backpack project supporting the children in DCYF who are removed from their homes. We are so lucky for this opportunity! Thank you Londonderry Hannafords!!

Mothers Way of the Cross - March 30

This is a Way of the Cross for mothers, written from a mother's viewpoint. In seeing Jesus' struggle up the road to Calvary, we can see our own hopes, fears, and dreams for our children, our triumphs and failures, our lack of courage, sometimes our lack of hope. What mothers share is universal, no matter what age our children may be. We hope these meditations will help you discover and remember how your own life is reflected in every step of Jesus' journey. We hope you are able to carve out time in your busy schedule to join us Thursday, March 30 @ 6PM as we walk the Mothers Way of the Cross with you.

Outreach for Victims and Their Families

If you or a loved on has experienced abuse by someone representing the Catholic Church, we urge you to call (603) 669-3100. Help is available.

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. Envelopes are available in the Welcome Center. Please print names clearly. These souls will be remembered in at the holy Masses celebrated during the Easter Octave.

Adult Easter Choir!

Our Adult Easter Choir will have its next rehearsal on **Tuesday, March 28th** @ 7PM in the practice room. This group will sing at our Masses that occur during the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil). Singers of all backgrounds and abilities are welcome! Questions? Email Amanda.

Anniversary Celebration

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2023, to attend a Wedding Anniversary Mass. The Mass will be held on **Sunday, April 30 at 2PM** with reception to follow, St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester. To register, please contact the parish office by April 7.

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Sunday, March 19:

10:30 AM St. Mark's KIDS/EDGE/Life Teen 12:00 PM First Reconciliation (Grade 2)

Monday, March 20:

6:00 PM Presence: Mystery of the

Eucharist

Tuesday, March 21:

9:30 - 3:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 AM Presence: Mystery of the

Eucharist

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting 6:00 - 7:00 PM Confessions Available 7:00 PM Lenten Prayer Service

Thursday, March 23:

9:30 AM Weekday Witness

6:00 PM Widow & Widower Support Grp

Friday, March 24:

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Pack 605 Pack Meeting

Saturday, March 25:

9:30 AM Al Anon

11:30 AM Pack 605 Pinewood Derby

Lent at St. Mark's 2023

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.

Presence: The Mystery of Eucharist

An Adult faith study on the Most Blessed Sacrament. Sessions will be offered on Monday evenings at 6PM (beginning Feb 27) and Tuesday mornings at 9:30 AM (beginning Feb 28) during Lent. Registration fee: \$15

Call the Parish Office to register

Lenten Pause

Join us on Tuesday, March 21st from 6:30PM - 7:30PM for Eucharistic Adoration and reflection. We will prepare our hearts for the mystery of our Lord's Passion with music and scriptural reflections. Come for an hour of peace in the Presence of our Eucharistic Lord. We will be exposing the Blessed Sacrament at 6PM for personal prayer. Confessions will be available.

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.

Confessions

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

Friday Night Fish Fry

Join us at 6:30PM on March 31 in the St. Mark's Parish Hall for FISH, FRIENDS and FELLOWSHIP! Fish & Chips (aka: French fries).

The cost is \$10 per person (\$40 max per household).

Mother's Way of the Cross

Join us on Thursday, March 30 @ 6PM as we journey with Jesus and Mary, through a Mother's perspective, praying a special Stations of the Cross.

Sacrificial Giving Week of 3/8/2022 - 3/14/2023

 Regular Offertory:
 \$ 4,522.00

 WeShare:
 \$ 8,390.78

Total: \$ 12,912.78

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

Mass Intentions for March 18 - Mar 26, 2023

3/18 Saturday, 5 PM:

Mary Gleason by her daughter, Terri Brunelle

3/19 Sunday, 8 AM:

Dorothy Maxwell by her family

3/19 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

William Chmielorz by his wife, Joan

3/19 Sunday, 11 AM:

Penny Hager by the Quandt family

3/20 Monday, 9 AM:

Leo Guilfoyle by Joan Chmielorz

3/21 Tuesday, 9 AM:

Richard Emerson by Dan & Anne Emerson

3/22 Wednesday, 9 AM:

John & Jo Merlino by the family

3/23 Thursday, 9 AM:

Jim Cleary by the Carr family

3/25 Saturday, 5 PM:

Rene Robergeau by his wife and children

3/26 Sunday, 8 AM:

Dorothy Maxwell by her family

3/26 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Sal Pasciuto by Philip Gath

3/26 Sunday, 11 AM:

Francis Smith by John & Suzanne Patenaude

Parish Contact Information

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Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30 - 11 AM
Knights of Columbus	www.KofC.org/joinus
Birthright	(603) 434-3000
Pennacook Pregnancy Ce	enter (603) 206-5306
NH Catholic Charities, N	(ashua (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