

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

From Our Parish Evangelist...

Our Lenten Season begins its final stretch this weekend as we once again enter into Holy Week. Palm Sunday is a unique celebration in our liturgical calendar, as it is the only Mass where we read two Gospels: St. Matthew's telling of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem as well as his version of our Lord's Passion and death.

The extended narrative is truly an emotional journey. The ecstatic opening scene of jubilee; the pilgrim people fanatically welcome their longed for Savior and King - transforms in a few short days into a murderous mob, chanting and screaming demands for their King's public execution.

In certain ways, the drama of Palm Sunday gives me cause for reflection on my own Lenten journey. Ash Wednesday found me zealous for conversion. Personal commitments to more prayer, more temperance, more intentional discipleship. Come into my life, Lord! Be the King of my heart and soul!

Then came the end of the week. And the week after that. Now all of the sudden, it's Holy Week. I'd like to say I did well. I wish I could tell you that I have grown spiritually. I want to admit that my Lenten journey has made me a better husband, a better dad, a better friend.

I wish I could tell you that. But overall - the only thing I can tell you is what you will hear me say today at Mass... "Let him be crucified".

It is the Scottish poet Robert Burns who gave us the proverb, "the best laid plans of mice and men go oft astray". Well, I'm in good company with the rodents, I suppose. But that is life isn't it? I want Faith, I seek virtue, I know that I need Christ to be the King of my heart! But more often then not, I don't want to give up the petty throne that I sit upon. I deserve this or that. I have a right to be angry about these and those. No, I won't listen. No, I don't care what you think. I, me, my... "Let him be crucified".

I see myself in today's readings. I'm the jubilant Christian - welcoming the Gospel into my home and my heart! I'm the pitiful sinner - choosing my own selfish interests and desires and shunning the love of God and neighbor.

Jesus knows that. He saw me in the crowd on Palm Sunday and He saw me in the mob on Good Friday. And before He dies, He looks at me from the Cross and prays, "Father, forgive him, for he doesn't know what he is doing".

A lot can happen in forty days. A lot can happen in a week, a day, an hour, a lifetime. Ups and downs; false starts; triumphs; failures.

But through it all, He loves us. This week, He is going to show us how much...

Peace be with you.

Brandon

Diocesan Day of Reconciliation - April 3

Come and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mark's on Monday, April 3 from 9:30AM - 11:00AM and 3:00PM - 4:00PM

Easter Flowers

The Easter Flower Fund helps 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, visit

available in the Welcome Center, visit stmarksnh,org or use QR code here. Please print names clearly. These souls will be remembered in at the holy Masses celebrated during the Easter Octave.



CRS Rice Bowls

We ask all parishioners who have been participating in the CRS Rice Bowl to *return their Rice Bowls by Friday, April 14.* 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 at 3PM 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 greet plant, a candle and candy (jelly beans). For more information, please pick up a pamphlet in the Welcome Center for more details.

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.

APRIL - Child Abuse Prevention Month

The month of April is designated as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the United States. The Diocese of Manchester provides child safety articles, parent guides and other helpful information about child protection on its website. For more information, please visit catholicnh.org/safety.

VBS 2023 Registration NOW OPEN!!

We are going to have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world!! Each day at Stellar VBS, children will soar through field-tested stations with their crews through the rugged moonscapes and colorful galaxy!! Each station is designed to reinforce the daily Bible point in a handson, interactive way to keep everyone engaged! Our STELLAR week will be June 26 - June 30 from 9AM to NOON!!

Meet **COSMO**! On Day 1, the Bible verse for the day is "Jesus spoke to them saying, 'I am the light of the world." (John 8:12)

Kids will travel around the galaxy to KidVid Cinema, Imagination Station, Sing & Play Blast off, Stellar Bible Adventures and don't forget Galactic Snacks!! It will be a week full of FUN! STELLAR FUN!!

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

To Register: Registration forms are located in the Welcome Center, online at www.stmarksnh.org or in the Parish Office.

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Sunday, April 2:

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

12:15 PM Workcamp NE Meeting 4:00 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

Monday, April 3:

9:30 - 11:00 AM Confessions Available 3:00 - 4:00 PM Confessions Available

Tuesday, April 4:

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

Eucharist

6:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 6 - Sunday, April 9:

See Triduum Schedule below for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.

Cafe will be closed on Easter Sunday

Schedule of Events



Holy Thursday - April 6

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7PM

Chapel of Repose in the Parish Hall will be open for visitation until 10PM.

Good Friday - April 7

Morning Prayer (Church) 9AM

Seven Last Words 12PM

Stations of the Cross 4PM

Good Friday Service 7PM

The Lord's Tomb in the Parish Hall will be open for visitation until 10PM.

Holy Saturday - April 8

Morning Prayer (Hall) 9AM

Easter Basket Blessing 3PM

Great Easter Vigil 7:30PM

The Lord's Tomb in the Parish Hall will be open for visitation until 3PM.

Easter Sunday - April 9

HE IS RISEN!!! Masses: 8AM, 9:30 AM & 11 AM

Sacrificial Giving Week of 3/22/2022 - 3/28/2023

 Regular Offertory:
 \$ 5,710.00

 WeShare:
 \$ 4,329.51

 Improvement:
 \$ 300.00

Total: \$ 10,789.51

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

Mass Intentions for April 1 - Apr 9, 2023

4/1 Saturday, 5 PM:

Pat Trongo by his wife and family

4/2 Sunday, 8 AM:

Intentions of Ann Doherty by Bernadette, Frank,

Michael & Harrison Hegarty

4/2 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Dorothy Maxwell by her family

4/2 Sunday, 11 AM:

Camille Lynch by Joan Chmielorz

4/3 Monday, 9 AM:

Fredrick Altieri by Bernice Granese

4/4 Tuesday, 9 AM:

Intentions of Robert Corrigan by Bernadette, Frank,

Michael Hegarty

4/5 Wednesday, 9 AM:

Virginia Butchard by the family

4/6 Thursday, 7PM:

Robert Carr by the Carr family

4/8 Saturday, 7:30 PM:

Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Subler by the Carey family

4/9 Sunday, 8 AM:

John Harper by Roger & Paula Hubert

4/9 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Donna Warner by the Kelley family

4/9 Sunday, 11 AM:

Gerry Cooper by Kathy Cooper

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 Cen	nter (603) 206-5306
NH Catholic Charities, Na	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