

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

Oh Lord... I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. I serve you in the midst of the people you have chosen... Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart... to distinguish right from wrong.

This quote from our First Reading this weekend is of the newly coronated King Solomon as he faces the immensity of the task in front of him. How poetic that the young king's humility is synonymous with the wisdom that he is petitioning for. Perhaps it conveys the truth of our own first taste of wisdom - that moment when despite our youthful confidence and exuberance, we discover the stark reality of our actual ineptitude. It is then that we realize our complete and utter dependence on the grace and providence of Almighty God. It's frightening when the moment came that we realized we didn't have all the answers. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding (Proverbs 9:10).

This week, I have the privilege of joining Amanda Morgan in leading eleven of our St. Mark's teenagers on a mission trip to the Lakes Region. WorkCampNE is an ecumenical ministry where young men and women give up a week of their summer vacation to do home repairs for low-income and disabled families. WorkCamp runs between four to seven week-long camps each summer, and over 500 volunteers work on repairs to 60 or more homes. This year, our home base will be in Belmont, NH, where the teens will leave in the morning to different job sites, and return together in the evenings for communal prayer, worship, fellowship, and a lot of fun.

It has been a blessing over my years here at St. Mark's to have had so many opportunities to work with the young people of our community. They truly are the future of our Faith. To play a part, however small, in fostering discipleship amongst them is truly one of the most vital missions of my own ministry as a disciple of Christ - a mission and responsibility that every one of you reading this shares with me. I am humbled to have been counted as one in a line of incredible individuals who have answered the call to witness the Faith with our teenagers: from Scott, to Kate and Beccah, to Hollis, to Mickayla, to our Core Team, to our new Youth Ministers (who I am so excited to be revealed to you all soon!) - to each and every one of you who have ever graciously given of your time, talent, treasure, and prayers to this essential mission. Thank you. It's not about how much we 'know', or how 'relateable' or 'cool' we are - it's about adult disciples inspiring and encouraging young disciples. And our St. Mark's family is awesome at it. God be praised!

So please keep these young men and women in your prayers this week. It will be hot, it will be tiring, it will be challenging - and it will be full of grace.

On behalf of all of our St. Mark's youth - thank you. Wisdom is on the way...

## **Parent Orientation - Faith Formation**

**SAVE THE DATE!** Join us in the Parish Hall on **August 27 after the 9:30AM Mass** for an informational meeting. We encourage and welcome all parents to attend. Activities will be provided for children while the meeting is in progress. See you there!

## Wine Tasting Event Friday, September 29, 2023 6 - 10 PM

The proceeds of this year's event, called "Step Up", will enable us complete the much needed repairs to the front steps to the church. How can you help?

Make a Donation - We are looking for gift cards and items to be offered in the silent/live auction. Financial donations are also much appreciated. Donors will be recognized on our event program and website. Please contact Diana at fun.stmarks@gmail.com or 603-204-4500.

<u>Volunteers NEEDED</u> - There is a signup sheet located in the Welcome Center to volunteer. A variety of areas include setup/cleanup and food servers

Attend the Event - Tickets are on sale now! \$50 each or a table of 8 for \$350.00.

This is a night you don't want to miss!!

## WorkCamp NE - Week of July 30

These eleven students will be leaving for WorkCamp on July 30!! Please keep them in prayer as they serve the people of Belmont, NH; Caelum, Aaron, Bridget, Hope, John, Orion, Garrett, Sydney, Brenner, Thiago, Aiden and their leaders. Brandon, Amanda and Abby!!

## Faith Formation - Can you volunteer?

Volunteer as little or as often as you would like!! Seeking volunteers for grades preK - grade 5. Email Amanda@stmarksnh.org.

## **Summer Update - NHCA**

It is INCREDIBLE that we have gifts in the amount of \$49,270.00 towards our parish goal!! BUT, we aren't there 'yet'. Our parish goal is \$61,223.00. There are sixteen parishes that reached their goal, can St. Mark's? As we consolidate many Catholic collections, including Catholic Charities NH into this one appeal effort ~ "We move forward together as one Church, one body in Christ". Please consider your charitable donation today.

When we meet our parish goal and beyond - All money collected *over* our goal gets returned to St. Mark's!

Can you help us meet our parish goal?

Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.

## **Foster Care Backpacks**

Heartfelt thanks to all who supported our Lenten Foster Care Backpack project. Due to your generosity, we were able to help 180 boys and girls. These children, through no fault of their own, must leave their homes immediately and unexpectedly. The backpacks, which are filled with toiletries, a stuffed animal and a note of encouragement give them a sense of comfort and dignity, and the feeling that someone cares. Many of the backpacks have already been distributed and we are in the process of coordinating the rest of the deliveries. We are sincerely grateful for your incredible kindness.

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

## **Tuesday, August 1:**

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration6:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting

Thursday, August 3:

6:00 PM Widow & Widower Support Group

Friday, August 4:

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting

Saturday, August 5:

9:30 AM Al Anon



## SEPTEMBER 29, 2023 / 6-10PM

AT ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST PARISH HALL

# 4TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISER WINE TASTING, DINNER & AUCTION

(AGE 21+ ONLY)

Raising funds to repair the front steps and curb area of the church

Tickets on sale! \$50pp/\$350 table of 8 Purhase online at stmarksnh.org or call the Parish Office at 603-432-8711.



This beautiful evening is possible with the help of MANY. Would you consider volunteering your time? We have specific areas such as; food servers, decorating, setup (the week of Sept 25th), clean up, live/silent auction volunteers and more... why volunteer? A great way to support St. Mark's, meet new people, enjoy great food.. and SO much more! We look forward to hearing from you!

For more information or questions, please contact Lisa at the Parish Office: info@stmarksnh.org or 603-432-8711.

## **Sacrificial Giving Week of 07/19/2022 - 07/25/2023**

 Regular Offertory:
 \$ 4,014.00

 WeShare:
 \$ 4,719.86

 Total:
 \$ 8,733.86

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

Thank you for your continued generosity!

## Mass Intentions for July 29 - August 6, 2023

## 7/29 Saturday, 5 PM:

Benjamin & Bunny Andrusaitis By Sam & MaryAnn Boldeia 7/30 Sunday, 8 AM:

Margaret Mary McCue by the Spies family

7/30 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Anna Flemings by Sam & MaryAnn Boldeia

7/30 Sunday, 11 AM:

Rosemary Colonna by Dennis & Barbara Pedley

7/31 Monday, 9 AM:

Harold & Louise Houle by Dianne Carey

8/1 Tuesday, 9 AM:

Chuck Breard by Joan Chmielorz

8/2 Wednesday, 9 AM:

Paul Lamanno by K of C

8/3 Thursday, 9 AM:

Louise Jones by Dan & Anne Emerson

8/5 Saturday, 5 PM:

Clarence & Beatrice Pedley

by Dennis & Barbara Pedley

8/6 Sunday, 8 AM:

Josephine Giguere by Kelly Giguere

8/6/ Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Marion MacWilliam by Marc Gendreau

8/6 Sunday, 11 AM:

Aage & Sylvia Schou by the Schou family

## **Parish Contact Information**

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## **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