

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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Pastor
Permanent Deacon
Director of Evangelization
PreK-5 Coordinator/Adult Choir Director
Youth Ministers (Middle / High School)
Business Manager / Notary
Music Director
Facilities

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

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 6, 2023

From Our Pastor

Brothers and Sisters-

"Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves.

And he was transfigured before them;
his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light."

Peter, James, and John had that amazing opportunity and experience to see the 'glory' of God, and that Jesus was something more than just their teacher and friend. This event of the Transfiguration is something that must have been permanently etched in their memory; something they could never forget! This man that they gave up their 'former way of life' for is indeed who He said he was as the voice from heaven came down and said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." We know that these apostles ended up giving up their own lives, as they had ultimate trust in Christ and the promise of eternal life!!

We may have not been on that mountain to witness such a grand event; but we witness something truly amazing each and every time we come to Mass. Through the hands of the priest, the Sacrifice of Christ is ever present as He shows Himself to us in His very Body and Blood in the Eucharist! "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world". We have witnessed the 'glory' of God each time that we have been granted 'Absolution' when our sins are forgiven by God in the Confessional. We experience the 'glory' of God when we witness the miracles of life...the birth of a child, or even watching a beautiful sunset. The 'glory' of God is all around us; hopefully we keep our eyes open to see Him in our lives!

Like the disciples, seeing the 'glory' of God leads to ultimate 'Trust' in Him. After they came down that mountain, life returned to normal. I am sure that they had doubts....they ended up being persecuted...they saw their friend Jesus suffer and die on a Cross! Yet, their faith did not waver as they put their trust in Him and ultimately risked their lives for the Gospel.

May the moments that we experience of God's glory instill in us that unwavering Trust...that He will indeed carry us though our tough times...as we know that our faith and trust leads to being with our God for all eternity in heaven!

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Fr Mike

Welcome NEW St. Mark's Youth Ministers!!

Greetings! Together as a married couple, Heather and I have been blessed with the opportunity to help our youth foster their relationships with Jesus as the new Youth Ministers for St. Mark's Parish. Our family has been members of St. Mark's for three years. Together as a family, we have loved celebrating mass together, volunteering at Vacation Bible School and making friends while sipping coffee in the cafe.

Heather and I are excited to begin working more closely with our middle school and high school students. In contemplating what youth ministry means to us one bible verse resonated louder than others: Timothy 4:12 says, "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." We are hoping to lead our young believers by providing opportunities for strengthening relationships with God and our community of believers. We also want to provide opportunities to strengthen our faith together by setting examples in our community through service. Most of all we look forward to hearing their voices and encouraging them to be proud of their faith and shine as beacons of hope for others.

We are looking forward to this new opportunity. We welcome your encouragement, prayers, and support. Warmly,

Tom and Heather Lindner

Parent Orientation - Faith Formation

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

Welcome Home WorkCamp'ers!!!

Welcome back Caelum, Aaron, Bridget, Hope, John, Orion, Garrett, Sydney, Brenner, Thiago, Aiden, Brandon, Amanda and Abby!! Thank you for all your hard efforts this past week!! We are proud of you!!!

Summer Update - NHCA

It is INCREDIBLE that we have gifts in the amount of \$50,320.00 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.

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.

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 the feeling that someone cares. Many of the backpacks have already been distributed. We are sincerely grateful for your incredible kindness.

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Tuesday, August 8:

9:30 AM **Eucharistic Adoration** Pack 605 Den Meeting 6:00 PM

Thursday, August 10:

7:00 PM K of C Officers Meeting

Friday, August 11:

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting

Saturday, August 12: Al Anon

9:30 AM



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.



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?

<u>Make a Donation</u> - 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, food servers and more...

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

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

Sacrificial Giving Week of 07/26/2022 - 08/01/2023

 Regular Offertory:
 \$ 4,346.36

 WeShare:
 \$ 3,767.41

 Total:
 \$ 8,223.77

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

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Mass Intentions for Aug 5 - Aug 13, 2023

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

8/7 Monday, 9 AM:

Paul & Catherine Merlino by the family

8/8 Tuesday, 9 AM:

Richard Cleary by the Carr family

8/9 Wednesday, 9 AM:

Mr. & Mrs. Carey by the Carey family

8/10 Thursday, 9 AM:

Deceased Members of the Butchard family

By the family

8/12 Saturday, 5 PM:

Marie Therese Cantave by her children

8/13 Sunday, 8 AM:

Joan Maher by the Spies family

8/13 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Jay Lockhart by the Jurkiewicz family

8/13 Sunday, 11 AM:

Vernon Ouellette by his wife Andrea

Parish Contact Information

Parish Office	(603) 432-8711
Parish Email	info@stmarksnh.org
Web Page	stmarksnh.org
Office Hours	Mon-Thurs 9:30AM- 4 PM

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Pastoral Council	David Dutil
Finance Council	Andy MacWilliam
Prayer Line	Nancy Conner (603) 566-2357
Safe Environment	Lisa Olsen(603) 432-8711
Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30 - 11 AM
Knights of Columbus	www.KofC.org/joinus
Birthright	(603) 434-3000
Pennacook Pregnancy C	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