



*Welcome to the Catholic Community of*

# ***SAINT MARK***

## ***THE EVANGELIST***

*A Catholic Community of Caring Since 1981  
Serving Londonderry, Hudson & Windham - New Hampshire*

**Church and Parish Center (603) 432-8711  
One South Road, Londonderry, NH 03053**

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*Permanent Deacon*  
*Director of Evangelization*  
*PreK-5 Coordinator/Adult Choir Director*  
*Youth Ministers (Middle / High School)*  
*Business Manager / Notary*  
*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](http://www.stmarksnh.org)  
**Facebook:** [stmarkslondonderry](https://www.facebook.com/stmarkslondonderry)  
**Flocknote:** [flocknote.com/SMECNH](https://flocknote.com/SMECNH)  
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***From Our Pastor***

Brothers and Sisters-

*You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped;  
you were too strong for me, and you triumphed.  
All the day I am an object of laughter;  
everyone mocks me.*

When someone enters into the seminary to continue to discern God's call to the priesthood, this is usually a DRASTIC change to the 'normal' life they were living beforehand. In my own case, I had to resign from my full-time job (which by the way was a good job)...I had to stop pursuing my Masters Degree (as I was attending Bentley University)...and my Seminary studies uprooted me from the state of New Hampshire and all the friends I had here, and I went to seminary school in Baltimore, where I had never even been before, and knew nobody!

Upon entering Seminary, this first reading from Job comes up pretty quickly in the reading cycle at Mass...and I remember sitting in the Chapel feeling the same way Job did! I had gone through seminary orientation and classes were just beginning...and the glamour of this new life and calling was wearing off a bit...and reality was setting in! Did I really give up everything that I had for THIS? I have to study and write papers....my tiny room had no air conditioning!... I was confined to one building for classes, the cafeteria, the chapel....and to sleep....would I ever see the beauty of nature and enjoy being outside ever again? "You duped me, Lord!"

Yes, these are jitters that we can all experience in our life when the rubber hits the road and we begin following God in some uncomfortable ways. In our Gospel, Jesus gives the consolation that ALL OF US need to hear...

*"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself,  
take up his cross, and follow me.  
For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,  
but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.  
What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world  
and forfeit his life?"*

Through all the confusion and struggles of our own crosses, may we truly trust that following HIS will is always worth it...'whoever loses his life for my sake will find it'!

Always in Christ,

Fr Mike

**Welcome Fr. Nduka Uzor!!**

We welcome Fr. Nduka Uzor from the Missionary Society of St. Paul this coming weekend! The Society now has 300 priests. They are working in eleven countries of Africa, (South Africa, Malawi, Botswana, Cameroon, Liberia, Chad, Central African Republic, The Gambia, Nigeria, Kenya and Southern Sudan), Grenada in the West Indies, the United States, England, Sweden and Ireland. They also have over 120 seminarians in their seminary in Nigeria. They need our financial assistance to continue this mission. *You can find out more about them on [www.mspfathers.org](http://www.mspfathers.org).* Thank you for your support!

**Wine Tasting - Do you have your ticket??**

The St. Mark's FUNdraising committee would like you and your friends and family (over 21) to join us **Friday, September 29 from 6PM - 10PM** for a FUN night!! All proceeds will support the STEPup project! If you are unable to join us, but would like to make a donation to a gift basket or the event itself, please call the Parish Office at 603-432-8711. Thank you for your support!

**St. Mark's Café - Opening Day is Sept 10!**

We are SO excited that the St. Mark's Cafe will be opening at full capacity!! There will be donuts, coffee, muffins, bagels and breakfast sandwiches!! We hope you stop by for a bite to eat and some community social!! Thank you to Doug Tancreti, Brian Lindsay and Brandon Sargent who run the café! If you would like to volunteer in the café, please contact Brandon at [brandon@stmarksnh.org](mailto:brandon@stmarksnh.org)!!

**Creation Corner**

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus says "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me" (Mt 16:24). During this Season of Creation, may we remember that our consumption must not come at the expense of our brothers, sisters, or any part of Creation.

**Widow & Widower Support Group**

The journey of the loss of a spouse is a painful process and you do not need to walk it alone. St. Mark's has a group who meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6PM. The next meeting is **Thursday, September 7 at 6PM.**

**Faith Formation - BEGINS in 1 week!!**

Have you enrolled? Registrations forms can be found in the Welcome Center, Café, Parish Office or online!! Our goal is to have EVERY child enrolled. We have programs for PreK - 12th grade! If your child is in a Sacramental year

*Grade 2 - Reconciliation*

*Grade 3 - Confirmation & First Eucharist*

They are required to participate to receive their Sacraments. We look forward to seeing everyone September 10!!

**Questions (PreK - Grade 5):** Contact Amanda at [amanda@stmarksnh.org](mailto:amanda@stmarksnh.org).

**Questions (Grade 6 - Grade 12):** Contact Tom & Heather at [youthministry@stmarksnh.org](mailto:youthministry@stmarksnh.org).

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**No Daily Mass**

There will be no daily Mass **Monday, September 3 - Thursday, September 7** as Fr. Mike will be away. For your convenience, here are some local daily Mass times.

St. Thomas Aquinas	St. Matthews
26 Crystal Ave	2 Searles Road
Derry, NH.	Windham, NH
8:00 AM	8:30AM

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

**Monday, September 4:**

*No Daily Mass ~ Parish Office Closed*

**Tuesday, September 5:**

*No Daily Mass ~ No Eucharistic Adoration*

6:00 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting

**Wednesday, September 6:**

*No Daily Mass*

**Thursday, September 7:**

*No Daily Mass*

6:00 PM Widow & Widower Support Group

**Friday, September 8:**

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting

**Saturday, September 9:**

9:30 AM Al Anon

# **St. Mark the Evangelist Faith Formation Schedule 2023-2024**



*All classes begin after the 9:30 AM Mass*

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September 10, 17, 24

January 7, 21, 28

October 1, 15, 22

February 4, 11, 18

November 5, 19

March 10, 17, 24

December 3, 10, 17

April 7, 14

May 5

**Sacrificial Giving**

**Week of 08/23/2022 - 08/29/2023**

Regular Offertory:	\$ 5,007.52
WeShare:	\$ 5,035.07
Total:	\$ 10,042.59

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

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

**Mass Intentions for Sept 2 - Sept 10, 2023**

**9/2 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Mr. & Mrs. Harold Howe by the Carey family

**9/3 Sunday, 8 AM:**

Michael Howard by Rebecca & Tom Howard

**9/3 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

Dorothy Maxwell by her family

**9/3 Sunday, 11 AM:**

Mary & Joseph Boldeia by Sam & MaryAnn Boldeia

**9/4 Monday, 9 AM:**

*No Daily Mass*

**9/5 Tuesday, 9 AM:**

*No Daily Mass*

**9/6 Wednesday, 9 AM:**

*No Daily Mass*

**9/7 Thursday, 9 AM:**

*No Daily Mass*

**9/9 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Harry & Gerry Duffy by Kathy Cooper

**9/10 Sunday, 8 AM:**

Patrick McAndrew by the Schou family

**9/10 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

Fr. Thomas Bresnahan  
by Sam & MaryAnn Boldeia

**9/10 Sunday, 11 AM:**

Camille L. Lynch by Mary Y. Lynch

**Parish Contact Information**

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Pastoral Council	David Dutil
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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
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