

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 the Desk of Deacon Tom,

Have you ever heard God's "voice"? I'm not sure I have. A few weeks ago I talked about hearing God's "call" but it wasn't so much about hearing His voice as it was figuring out what He was asking me to do for Him with my life. Maybe that's the same thing, but there's always that lingering question – is it just me rationalizing what I want to hear, or is it really God's voice?

Thankfully, one thing we won't be hearing so much anymore is the voice of political campaigning. Having completed the Primary in NH this week, the mailings will disappear, and the TV ads should decrease. During one of the football games the other day I think one commercial break aired the same ad three times within four commercials. And as I drive to St Mark on Sundays, I see the endless display of those lawn signs on the side of the road. I'm not sure what the science of human behavior is that says volume equals results, but then again I've never run for office or worked in a campaign.

While it was hard to escape the political voices over the last few weeks and months, it can be equally hard to hear God's voice. And maybe for the same reasons. With the political bombardment, I find I just tune it out, and don't really hear anything anyone is saying in their ads. In order to hear God's voice, it's not a bombardment, but as we hear in scripture, God is found in the whisper - a light, silent sound. You have to really listen to hear God's voice. With all that goes on in our lives, it can be very hard to find that time to really listen.

They say two things never to bring up in conversation are religion and politics. I used to really like to engage in political discussion. These days, not so much. I still pay attention to what's going on in politics, but I really don't do much with it other than just keep up with the news. A bit similar for religion. However, I am always still happy and ready to engage in a religious discussion, even at work if it's appropriate.

That guidance on talking about religion and politics came to mind with today's Responsorial Psalm. Whenever I hear or see the words "If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts." I first think of Yul Brynner in the Ten Commandments movie with Charlton Heston. The narrator would say "...but Pharoah's heart was hardened" in this booming voice. In politics, everyone seems to be so polarized that there is no room for any consideration for a different viewpoint. Everyone's heart is hardened. But in this weekend's readings, we hear Moses guiding the people and then Jesus teaching and all were astounded.

I think of what the Church teaches as a continuation of Jesus teaching in today's Gospel. Some of it is not easy. Sometimes we don't want to hear it, or we tune it out. But we're reminded in today's Psalm — "if today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts." Our faith is not like politics. No one running for office can promise eternal life. Our faith does. So this week I plan to take a break from the political news and maybe find some equal time for quiet scripture reading and reflection so maybe I can hear God's voice.

Deacon Tom

Community Outreach - Lenten Project

The Outreach Committee has recently met with the Director of Community Outreach and Special Events of the Boys and Girls Club. This agency services Nashua, Derry, Windham and Londonderry too! There are low income housing developments being built within our great towns and items are needed... not only to furnish these apartments, but personal items too. This project is a way for St. Mark's to give back to others... lets help our community together!! You can donate the specific items (list below and in the Welcome Center) from February 14 - March 18. Please keep these families in prayer who are affected by these difficult circumstances. Thank you for supporting this Lenten Project!!

Any household items for babies: hats, blankets, mittens crib sheets body wash soap toothbrushes tooth paste baby wipes tear free shampoo ziploc bags feminine Products deodorant duffle bag/ diaper bag throw blankets/infant blankets body towels - bath set towels shower curtains pillows kid fun pillows mops - brooms silverware dishes pots/pans glasses bed sheets (twin/full) vacuums toaster - microwaves dining table ** kitchen towels couch ** laundry baskets/hampers night lights -LED lights for kids' room

**please contact Nicole directly at 603-661-6859

Super Bowl Sunday - Food Collection

This is traditionally the day we collect SOUP for the local food pantry! Guess what? They don't need soup! They need: **canned chicken, canned tuna, spam & ramen noodles.** The canned items are for St. Judes and the ramen is for Sonshine Kitchen! If you would like to make a donation, please use the envelopes in the Welcome Center labeled "SuperBowl". **Please return all items ON Sunday, February 10 & 11 ONLY!** We kindly ask that you check the expiration date. Thank you for filling our local pantries!!

Ash Wednesday

The celebration the Eucharist with the Blessing and Impositions of ashes will take place Wednesday, February 14 at 9AM and 7PM.

Fuel & Plowing- Help Meet Our Goal

We are so close to meeting our goal!! Our goal is \$18,000.00. We have collected \$14,196.00. We count on your support during this time to keep up with the heating and plowing expenses. We want to ensure that all who visit are 'safe' and 'warm'. If you're able, there are fuel envelopes located in the Welcome Center for your convenience. Thank you in advance for your donation!

EDGE & Life Teen Families

We will be holding a brief informational session on Workcamp THIS Sunday, January 28 at 11:15AM in the EDGE meeting room! We are so excited to announce that it will be in Woonsocket, Rhode Island (July 14 - July 20)!! If you are interested in Workcamp this summer or have questions... this is the meeting for you! We look forward to growing through this experience alongside all of you!! See you there!!

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Sunday, January 28, 2024:

10:30 AM St. Marks KIDS/EDGE/Life Teen

Tuesday, January 30:

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, February 1:

6:00 PM Widow & Widower Support Group

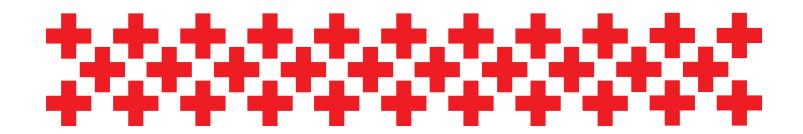
Saturday, February 3:

9:00 AM K of C Blood Drive

9:30 AM Al Anon

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive St. Mark the Evangelist

Church Hall 1 South Road Londonderry, NH 03053

Saturday, February 3, 2024 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Sponsored by St. Mark Knights of Columbus Council #10488

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: STMARKLONDONDERRY to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.

If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation.

Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Share your heart! Come give in Feb. for a \$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. See rcblood.org/heart



can to schedule in appointment.

Sacrificial Giving Week of 1/17/2024 - 1/23/2024

 Regular Offertory:
 \$ 6,337.00

 WeShare:
 \$ 8,139.17

 Total:
 \$ 14,476.17

Fuel: \$ 14,196.00 out of \$18,000.00 goal

Mass Intentions for Jan 27 - Feb 4, 2024 1/27 Saturday, 5PM

Constantine Samalis by Charles Samalis Michael Lamoureux by Ed & Rita Gorman

1/28 Sunday, 8AM

Louisa Gendron by the LaCerda family John Kelly by his children

1/28 Sunday, 9:30AM

Candee Siracusa by the Schou family Michael Hendrix by Barbara Scott

1/28 Sunday, 11AM

People of the Parish

Carol Potter by the parishioners

1/29 Monday, 9AM:

Noah Stonestreet

1/30 Tuesday, 9 AM:

Rev. Mark Rundzio

1/31 Wednesday, 9 AM:

Fr. Moe Lavigne

2/1 Thursday, 9 AM:

Bishop Odore Gendron

2/3 Saturday, 5PM

Bob Wilkie by his family

John & Jodi Harper by the family

2/4 Sunday, 8AM

Burt Sell by the Schou family

People of the Parish

2/4 Sunday, 9:30AM

Salvatore DiSchino by the Fallon family

2/4 Sunday, 11AM

Judy Pincince by the family Suzanne Johnson by John & Suzanne Patenaude

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