



*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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*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](http://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 Amanda's Desk,***

It is with profound joy and thanks to Almighty God that our St. Mark's family is blessed to be accompanying two of our friends on their journey to the reception of Sacraments this coming Easter. Witnessing members of our community encounter Christ through His sanctifying grace is an awesome privilege, not to mention one of our primary duties as disciples. As we all share in this experience together this Lenten season, we also hear a specific sequence of readings that correlate to the great mystery of the Sacraments. This weekend, our Elect will celebrate the second of three Scrutinies, and the Scripture passages are powerful depictions of the hidden transformation God accomplishes in the Elect through each Scrutiny.

Our opening reading from the first Book of Samuel is the telling of David's selection and anointing by the prophet, divinely coronating him as the king of Israel. Of the eight sons of Jesse, David is the youngest. The older, presumably more experienced brothers are passed over. God instructs Samuel not to judge from appearance or stature, in the way the people chose their current corrupt king, Saul. Rather, Samuel is instructed to judge as God does, through the merit of David's heart - the hidden core where his thoughts, actions, and intentions originate. David, the youngest brother, is summoned from the flock he is shepherding, and anointed with oil as the new, rightful ruler of the kingdom. *...and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.*

The imagery of David's anointing is a powerful anticipation of the Sacraments of Initiation. The Sacraments are efficacious signs of invisible realities. They are where Heaven and Earth touch. Through the merits of Christ's Paschal Mystery and the power of the Holy Spirit, the Elect are anointed priests, prophets, and kings. Washed free of sin in Baptism, anointed with the Spirit in Confirmation, and united with the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, we are each called to sanctify, to teach, and to govern.

This is the enigmatic reality that our two Elect will receive at the Easter Vigil. Like David, the Lord has not selected them on account of their appearance or prestige. They are conforming their hearts to Christ - they are willing to accept and live the Gospel according to God's will, not to theirs. Like David, they are shepherds of their flock - each of them leading and teaching their young families in the ways of virtue, humility, and faith. Like David, God has elected them not for their many accomplishments and successes, but to elevate them for the accomplishment of His purposes. Like David, their heads will be anointed with oil, and from that day forward, the Spirit of the Lord will rush upon them.

As we continue to pray for our two Elect as they continue to discern the Lord's desire for their lives - let us also reflect on our responsibilities as priests, prophets, and kings in God's Kingdom here on earth. May our privilege to be counted among His elect be evident in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Like David, let us rejoice that the Lord has spoken of us, *There, anoint him, for this is the one!*

Peace be with you.

Brandon

**Mothers Way of the Cross - March 12**

This is a Way of the Cross for mothers, written from a mother's viewpoint. In seeing Jesus' struggle up the road to Calvary, we can see our own hopes, fears, and dreams for our children, our triumphs and failures, our lack of courage, sometimes our lack of hope. What mothers share is universal, no matter what age our children may be. We hope these meditations will help you discover and remember how your own life is reflected in every step of Jesus' journey. We hope you are able to carve out time in your busy schedule to join us **Tuesday, March 12 @ 6PM** as we walk the Mothers Way of the Cross with you.

**Youth Easter Choir - Next Rehearsal on 3/17!**

Our Youth Easter Choir will have its first rehearsal on **Sunday, March 17th @ 4PM** in the church. All singers and instrumentalists are welcome! *This group will sing at the 9:30 Mass on Easter Morning.*

**Morning Bible Study**

Join us **Thursday Mornings after the 9AM Mass!** Each week we will be reading, reflecting upon, and studying the upcoming week's Gospel that we will be hearing at weekend Mass. This is a great way to have some weekly spiritual enrichment, and also to prepare for the upcoming weekend! All meetings will take place down in the parish hall.

**Lenten Project - Helping those in need**

This is the *final* week to donate items for the St. Marks Lenten Project! Specific items are listed below. Thank YOU for helping others! We have received LOTS of items! St. Marks will be able to also donate \$500 due to monetary donations given!! If you still have items, please drop off at the Welcome Center or the Parish Office. THANK YOU for your generosity!!

Any household items, baby hats, baby blankets, baby 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, kitchen towels, laundry baskets/hampers.

**Men of St. Joseph News**

On **Saturday, March 16**, all men are invited to a special mass and breakfast celebrated by Bishop Peter Libasci in honor of the Feast of St. Joseph. **Join us at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Manchester at 7:30AM** for rosary, holy mass and breakfast in the Cathedral hall. Tickets for the catered breakfast are only \$12. Registration and ticket purchase can be done at [catholicnh.org/mosj](http://catholicnh.org/mosj). *There will be NO Men of St. Joseph meeting at St. Mark on March 16.* For more information, please contact Bill Donroe at [bdonroe@comcast.net](mailto:bdonroe@comcast.net).

**Easter Flowers**

The Easter Flower Fund helps us to decorate our altar for the Easter Season. Your flower donation can be made in a special remembrance of a loved one. *Envelopes are available at the Welcome Center.* Please print names clearly. These souls will be remembered at the holy Masses celebrated during the Easter Octave.

**Do you have FLOCKNOTE?**

This is our way to communicate to YOU! How do I sign up? Visit [stmarksnh.org](http://stmarksnh.org).

**This Week @ St. Mark's!!****Sunday, March 10:**

10:30 AM St. Mark's KIDS/EDGE/Life Teen  
12:30 PM First Reconciliation

**Monday, March 11:**

6:00 PM No Greater Love, A Biblical Walk through Christ's Passion

**Tuesday, March 12:**

9:30-3:30PM Eucharistic Adoration  
5:30-6:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6:00 PM Mothers Way of the Cross  
6:30 PM Scouts 521  
7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, March 14:**

9:30 AM Morning Bible Study (Parish Hall)  
7:00 PM K of C Officers Meeting

**Friday, March 15:**

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross  
6:00 PM Pack 605 Meeting  
6:30 PM Fish Fry (LAST ONE!)

**Saturday, March 16:**

9:30 AM Al Anon

# HOLY WEEK @ ST. MARK'S

## Schedule of Events



### Holy Thursday - March 28

**Mass of the Lord's Supper 7PM**

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

### Good Friday - March 29

**Morning Prayer (Church) 9AM**

**Seven Last Words 12PM**

**Youth 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 - March 30

**Morning Prayer (Hall) 9AM**

**Easter Basket Blessing 3PM**

**Great Easter Vigil 7PM**

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

### Easter Sunday - March 31

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

**Sacrificial Giving**

**Week of 2/28/2024 - 3/5/2024**

Regular Offertory:	\$ 6,727.00
WeShare:	\$ 9,331.83
Improvement:	\$ <u>676.00</u>

**Total: \$ 16,734.83**

*Fuel: \$ 15,774.00 out of \$18,000.00 goal*

**Mass Intentions for Mar 9 - Mar 17, 2024**

**3/9 Saturday, 5PM**

Deceased Members of the Trongo family  
by Connie & family

Dan Emerson by Anne Emerson

**3/10 Sunday, 8AM**

People of the Parish

**3/10 Sunday, 9:30AM**

Josephine Lavoie by the Casey family  
Carol Ann Nutter by K of C 10488

**3/10 Sunday, 11AM**

Carlos Tidwell by his wife & family  
Josephine Lavoie by Mary Y. Lynch

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

Bishop John McCormack

**3/12 Tuesday, 9AM:**

Bishop Odore Gendron

**3/13 Wednesday, 9AM:**

Alphonse Patenaude by John & Suzanne Patenaude

**3/14 Thursday, 9AM:**

John Bugden by Jim & Eileen Spies  
Noah Stonestreet by his parents

**3/16 Saturday, 5PM**

People of the Parish

Mary Gleason by her daughter, Terri

**3/17 Sunday, 8AM**

Dennis Werger by Pat Schubert  
Constance Levesque by Pam

**3/17 Sunday, 9:30AM**

Bridget "Betty" Holland by Sophie Veilleux & family

**3/17 Sunday, 11AM**

Sandy Celata by family & friends

**Parish Contact Information**

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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
Birthright	(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