



“A gateway to lead people closer to Christ and His Church through faith, service and compassion”



ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST PARISH

Rev. Michael Zgonc, *Pastor*
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Tom & Heather Lindner, *Youth Ministers*
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Address: 1 South Road, Londonderry NH
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Daily Mass: Monday - Thursday @ 9:00 AM

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Confession: Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appt.

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From the Desk of Deacon Tom,

How many of you remember last week's First Reading? If you had asked me after each Mass last weekend, I probably couldn't have told you what it was! So if you don't remember what it was, don't worry. How about last week's Gospel reading? If you at least remember it was from Matthew, you are ahead of the curve in my opinion! As Fr Mike mentioned over the last few weekends, we've started a new Liturgical Year. So starting last Sunday all the way through November 22, 2026, we'll be hearing (mostly) from the Gospel of Matthew.

Now, how many of you remember the movie Ghostbusters? The original Ghostbusters, that starred Bill Murray, not the remake. There's a line where his character, Dr Venkman, is trying to explain the consequences of releasing ghosts into New York City to the Mayor. In order to emphasize the gravity of the situation, he says there will be "...dogs and cats living together, mass hysteria!"

Today's First Reading from Isaiah reminded me of that line:

"Then the wolf shall be the guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together..."

Would that cause mass hysteria? Or is that the kind of peace that Jesus brings? I'm betting if you are reading this and someone asks you next week if you remember this week's First Reading, whatever image those lines create in your head will come back to you!

If that's the peace Jesus brings, then I'll state the common phrase – "why can't we all just get along?" We all profess to believe the same things, we all profess to believe what the Catholic Church teaches. But applying it to our lives can be difficult. What's easy is to look at others who profess to believe what we believe, yet don't outwardly live it. What's hard is to look at ourselves, and our words and actions relative to what we say "I believe" and objectively apply that scrutiny to our own lives.

As we await the coming of the savior in the form of a baby, the season of Advent gives us the reminder that if we live authentically to what we say we believe, what may seem like "mass hysteria" will become the norm. And the joy of Christmas will be part of our lives throughout the year!

Deacon Tom

Holy Day of Obligation - December 8

We hope you can join us on **Monday, December 8 at 9AM or 7PM** for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Advent Nights of Prayer & Reflection

Join us **Tuesday(s), Dec 9 & 16** as we prepare our hearts for the birth of our Lord this Advent Season.

Adoration: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM.

Benediction: 6PM, *followed by a brief Advent reflection by Fr. Mike.*

Happy 10th Anniversary Fr. Mike!

Join us **Tuesday, December 9** after Advent Prayer & Reflection in the Parish Hall to celebrate Fr. Mike being our Pastor here at St. Mark's!! Light refreshments and cake (of course) will be served. Let's FILL the church and celebrate! See you there!

Knights of Columbus - Christmas Trees

Christmas trees can be found at Londonderry BP, 2 Mohawk Drive (across from Dunkin Donuts).

Hours of Operation: Saturday/Sunday 9AM - 6PM and Mon/Thurs/Fri 6PM - 8PM.

Christmas Flower Envelopes

Christmas flower envelopes are available in the Welcome Center. These flowers will adorn our worship space for the Christmas Season. Please *print* your loved ones names. Thank you!

Creation Corner

This weekend John the Baptist warns: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." John explains what he means by repent: "Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance." So, "repent" does not mean saying "Oh, I'm terribly sorry." It means "I'm going to change my ways; I'm going to convert to a new way of living. Popes Francis and Leo have asked us to undergo an ecological conversion, to adopt a new way of living that produces "good fruit," not consuming Creation but turning it into a "kingdom of heaven."

Women's Ministry - FORMED

Women's Ministry is sponsoring informal FORMED sessions facilitated by Samantha Delp **starting Jan 8, 2026 and continuing on Thursday nights at 7PM until Feb 5.** This year we will be exploring the doctors of the church and pulling from their insights. Join us for discussions utilizing FORMED videos, Saint's writing, scripture, artwork and prayer, so that we may continue to grow deeper in our relationships with Christ, in our knowledge of Catholic faith, and become closer in community. Come as you can, bring a friend. All adult women are welcome to attend. No registration required, Cost: FREE.

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Sunday, Dec 7:

10:30 AM St. Mark's KIDS/EDGE/Life Teen Programs
12:00 PM Baptismal Preparation Class

Monday, Dec 8:

9:00AM Solemnity of Immaculate Conception Mass
7:00PM Solemnity of Immaculate Conception Mass

Tuesday, Dec 9:

9:30AM - 3:30PM Eucharistic Adoration
6:00 PM Advent Reflection/
Benediction
6:30 PM OCIA
6:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Dec 11:

9:30 AM Bible Study
6:00 PM Widow & Widower Support Group
7:00 PM Women's Ministry - Advent Meditations

Friday, Dec 12:

6:30 PM Scouts Pack 605

Saturday, Dec 13:

9:30 AM Al Anon
9:30 AM Christmas Basket Delivery

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, December 8, 2025.



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

THANK YOU!

KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS

9:30 MASS
SET UP CREW

PRAYER SHAWL
MINISTRY

PARENT
VOLUNTEERS

ALL WHO
DONATED PAPER
TOWELS!

EVERYONE WHO
ATTENDED!



Sacrificial Giving

Week of 11/19/2025 - 11/25/2025

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| Regular Offertory: | \$ 6,048.00 |
| WeShare: | \$ 4,793.09 |
| Total: | \$ 10,841.09 |

*(Parish Budget: \$12,000 per week)
Thank you for your continued generosity!*

Mass Intentions for Dec 6 - Dec 14, 2025

12/6 Saturday, 5PM

Frank & Faith Bianco by their granddaughter
Mike Dromgoole by Mary Guilfoyle

12/7 Sunday, 8AM

Frank Griffin by the Griffin family
Bob Wilkie by the family

12/7 Sunday, 9:30AM

Ed Dziergowski by the Schou family

12/7 Sunday, 11AM

Intentions of Christopher English
by the Rahilly family

12/7 Sunday, 11AM

Intentions of Sr. Mary Rose Reddy
by the Women's Ministry

12/8 Monday, 9AM:

Harry & Gerry Duffy by Kathy Cooper

12/8 Monday, 7PM:

People of the Parish

12/9 Tuesday, 9AM:

John J. Joyce by the Knights of Columbus

12/10 Wednesday, 9AM:

Doug DeCosta by the Knights of Columbus

12/11 Thursday, 9AM:

Rod Granese by Tuesday Prayer Friends

12/13 Saturday, 5PM

Noah Stonestreet by his parents

12/14 Sunday, 8AM

Doss & Bob Maxwell by the family

12/14 Sunday, 9:30AM

Mario, Filomena, Helen Pisano
by Cheryl & Ray Hoegen

12/14 Sunday, 11AM

Warren & Aurelia Carter
by Paul & Diane Carter

Parish Contact Information

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| Al-Anon | Saturdays, 9:30 - 11 AM |
| K of C #10488 | Nick Maffattone (603) 490-0401 |
| 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