

# *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

February 7, 2016

## **UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYER LINE**

The number to call for prayer requests, or if you wish to pray with us, is 622-2094.

## **MORAL DUTIES CONCERNING VOTING**

We encourage all citizens, particularly Catholics, to embrace their citizenship not merely as a duty and privilege, but as an opportunity meaningfully to participate in building the culture of life. Every voice matters in the public forum. Every vote counts. Every act of responsible citizenship is an exercise of significant individual power. We must exercise that power in ways that defend human life, especially those of God's children who are unborn, disabled or otherwise vulnerable. We get the public officials we deserve. Their virtue—or lack thereof—is a judgment not only on them, but on us. Because of this we urge our fellow citizens to see beyond party politics, to analyze campaign rhetoric critically and to choose their political leaders according to principle, not party affiliation or mere self-interest. *Fr. Paul*

## **ONE DAY SPIRITUAL RETREAT**

On **February 13** from 9:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m., St. Anthony Shrine is offering a one-day spiritual retreat for grieving parents who have lost a child of any age by any cause. Give yourself the gift of getting away for a day to focus on your own individual spiritual journey. Share as much or as little as you like. The retreat is presented by the Emmaus Ministry at St. Anthony Shrine, 100 Arch St., Boston. The cost of the retreat is \$25 for individuals and \$40 for couples. It includes three meals, refreshments, and all retreat materials. Parking nearby is available for \$9/day. For more information, call 617-542-8057 or email [dmonaghan@stanthonyshrine.org](mailto:dmonaghan@stanthonyshrine.org).

## **PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE**

**Oct. 25 - Nov. 4, 2016** Medjugorje: where 35 years ago Our Lady appeared to 6 young people and is still today appearing and delivering messages to the world. Our Lady is trying to bring the world back to Her Son through prayer, fasting, penance, faith, and conversion. You are invited to see Medjugorje for yourself. Please pray and consider joining our pilgrimage retreat **Oct. 25- Nov. 4, 2016**. Deacon Geoff Ashman, St. Matthew Parish in Windham, NH, will be our Spiritual Director. For more information please contact Doreen Duquette [603-216-4186](tel:603-216-4186) or at [ladyduke95@yahoo.com](mailto:ladyduke95@yahoo.com).

## **HUNGERING FOR THE JOURNEY**

Join our parish community – and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States – in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's rice bowl in the Gathering Space today and don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! Remember, what you give up for Lent changes lives.

## **MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT**

Save the date: Sunday, **March 6, 2016** from 12 – 5 p.m. The retreat is open to engaged and married couples. More information will be coming soon.

## **MESSAGE FROM FR. PAUL**

I wanted to share a few things that are happening at St. Catherine of Siena. We begin Lent this coming week and, as is our custom, we will provide all parishioners with many opportunities to grow in your Catholic faith. Our Evangelist, Derek McDonald, will be offering adult education sessions on the Thursdays of Lent. Deacon Jeff will continue to lead our Bible study on Wednesday mornings. Also, don't forget to get **Formed** by visiting that website for new and exciting teachings. Daily Mass will be celebrated Monday through Friday at 9 a.m. and every Saturday at 8 a.m. I am pleased to have Father Roger Bilodeau assist with the Friday morning celebration. Join us for the Stations of the Cross on Friday at 5:30 p.m., which will be followed by a simple meal of various soups and breads. This weekend the parish will distribute inspirational Lenten materials, Rice Bowls and calendars for your daily reflections.

The parish will begin some renovations to the sacristy. The back panels in the sanctuary, including the Blessed Sacrament, Baptism Font, and Crucifix will be painted. The ceiling in the sanctuary, as well as the side walls, will be cleaned and painted as well. Again, I wish to thank the St Catherine of Siena Women's Group for their donation of 4 candlesticks to the parish.

As was mentioned this past weekend, we have a mortgage to pay which is about \$3,500 a month. Please use your mortgage envelope and commit to helping to eliminate this debt as soon as possible. Those parishioners who do not use envelopes will have access to a Mortgage envelope, which will be made available on the first Sunday of every month. You may also use E-Give for any mortgage payment. Again, thanks for all you do! *Fr. Paul*

## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION RESUMES**

Please join us as Adult Faith Formation resumes with our Eucharist and Symbolon programs. Haven't joined us yet? Not to worry! All are welcome at any point in the program, and you can always catch up on Formed.org. Adult Faith Formation sessions are Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m. in the Church Hall.

## **LENTEN ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

Tired of giving up chocolate for Lent? Why not do something else? Lent has been called "spiritual bootcamp" because it provides a particularly powerful opportunity for spiritual training and growth, in preparation for our highest Holy Day, Easter. Join us every Thursday of Lent for adult faith formation at either 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m.

## **ST. CATHERINE QUESTION SERIES**

A new year is upon us, filled with new opportunities. The Office of Evangelization and Adult Faith Formation has a number of great programs in store for 2016, one of the first being our brand-new "St. Catherine Question Series," based entirely on parishioner-submitted questions. We all have questions about the faith. No matter how old we are or how much faith formation we have had, there is always more to learn when the subject matter is God. Asking questions and pursuing answers is how we grow. So, if you have questions about the faith, we would love to hear them. You can submit your questions to [questions@scsnh.com](mailto:questions@scsnh.com), or look for the link on our website [www.saintcatherineparishnh.com](http://www.saintcatherineparishnh.com) where you can submit questions anonymously. Stay tuned for session dates, as we wait for submissions to roll in.

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT**

**January 30/31, 2016**  
Checks: \$ 7,099.50  
Cash: \$ 3,001.00  
e-Give : \$ 1,689.00  
Total: \$11,789.50

### **GENEROUS SUPPORT CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

**As of January 25, 2016**

Total Pledges: \$1,106,867.69  
Total Cash Received: \$1,037,785.99  
Remaining Pledges: \$ 150,475.13\*  
We paid down \$20,000 on our mortgage 1/7/2016

*\*This figure is not derived from total pledges minus cash received. This figure represents remaining pledges only. People have given more than their pledged amount.*

## **JESUS WAS BORN IN A SHELTER**

The box at the main entrance of the church is to collect items for those who live in shelters in Manchester. Needs for **February** are cleaning supplies, detergent, and dish soap.

### **Mass Intentions**

#### **SATURDAY FEBRUARY 6**

8:00 DORIS TROTTA by A.J. & Therese  
4:00 MSGR. THOMAS HANNIGAN  
by his friends (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

#### **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7**

7:30 THOMAS, DELIA, & JAMES O'NEILL  
by M/MN Patrick McDermott  
9:00 WILLIAM COFFEY by St. Catherine School  
11:00 JOSEPH DONATI by the family (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)  
DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE LATTIG  
FAMILY by Bobbie  
DORIS MARTIN by Steve & Deb Reichheld

**MONDAY-FRIDAY** - Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m.

#### **MONDAY FEBRUARY 8**

9:00 ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, Virgin  
MARY DUVAL by the Mad Hatters

#### **TUESDAY FEBRUARY 9**

9:00 KAY PIERONI by her husband  
ROBERT HAMILTON by Anne Hamilton

#### **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10**

9:00 ASH WEDNESDAY  
12:00 GERARD DEMERS by Pauline & Warren Nader  
7:00 FR. DON LAFOND  
BUTCH LAVIGNE by the Parish Choir

**After the Noon Mass ADORATION OF THE BLESSED  
SACRAMENT**

#### **THURSDAY FEBRUARY 11**

9:00 OUR LADY OF LOURDES  
FR. ROLAND BLAIS

#### **FRIDAY FEBRUARY 12**

9:00 SOULS IN PURGATORY  
5:30 STATIONS OF THE CROSS

#### **SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13**

8:00 PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE  
4:00 ALFRED A. DELISLE  
by John & Alfred Delisle  
TONY DESROCHERS by Ellen DesRochers

#### **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14**

7:30 TYLER GREGOIRE by M/M Bertrand Gregoire  
VIRGINIA & ROBERT FLYNN, MARILYN &  
JOHN LETVINCHUK by the families  
9:00 FR. ROLAND BLAIS  
11:00 MARY DUVAL by Mary Barnett

## **EMC COMMISSIONING**

If you have expressed interest in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy, please contact Derek in the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation to find out about upcoming Masses for commissioning. [603-232-7213](tel:603-232-7213) or [dmcdonald@scsnh.com](mailto:dmcdonald@scsnh.com).



## **ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS**

### **REFERRAL PROGRAM FOR 2015-2016**

The purpose of the referral program is to **reward** current St. Catherine of Siena School families for increasing and sustaining enrollment at St. Catherine of Siena School. A **tuition reduction of \$500 will be credited** to current families of St. Catherine of Siena School who successfully recruit/or refer a new student to St. Catherine of Siena School. The award will apply for the 2016-2017 school year. The referral program is based on every child, not families (i.e., if a family has **three children** and they all enroll, the family that refers them will **receive a \$1,500 tuition reduction** for the 2016-2017 school year).

### **SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING**

If you would like to volunteer to help with lunch or serve as a chaperone or room parent, you must see Mrs. Broketa who will guide you through the Safe Environment process. No one may volunteer at the school until this process is completed.

### **SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED**

Bishop Libasci is making scholarships available to youth, ages 6–15, to attend Camps Fatima and Bernadette this summer. The youth must be Catholic and reside in NH. The scholarship is based on level of need and recommendation from the pastor. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Paul.

### **WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING**

Please join us for the next Women's Group meeting on Tuesday, **February 9** in the church hall. The social starts at 6:00pm and the meeting begins at 6:30pm. Don't forget to bring your donation of a personal care item for The Way Home. All are welcome and we hope to see you there!

### **IT'S NEARLY LENT...**

Consider "giving up" an hour of your time to stand with thousands of volunteers nationwide in a life-saving campaign of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil. From **February 10 to March 20**, 40 Days for Life will coordinate a loving, reverent witness to the sanctity of life in front of the Planned Parenthood facility at 24 Pennacook Street in Manchester. For information, please email Beth at [40DaysforLifeManchester@gmail.com](mailto:40DaysforLifeManchester@gmail.com). Prayer saves lives!

### **DONATION TAX STATEMENTS FOR 2015**

If you require a statement for contributions made to St. Catherine in 2015, please call the rectory at 622-4966. *Statements are only available for envelope users.*

## **VISITING THE SICK AND ELDERLY**

We are called in this Year of Mercy to extend ourselves in some small way. Do you have less than an hour a week to bring Holy Communion to the infirmed? No previous experience is needed. We will give you help and guidance to carry out this very rewarding ministry. Please call or email Deb Reichheld at 603-930-8331 or [drdebortho@aol.com](mailto:drdebortho@aol.com), or speak with Fr. Paul.

## **YOUTH GROUP NEWS**

### **RAFFLE TICKETS**

This weekend, the Youth Group is selling raffle tickets for Valentine-themed gift baskets to help defray the cost of Steubenville. Please consider buying one or two.

### **SOUP SUPPER**

We will be hosting the Soup Supper after Stations of the Cross on Friday, **February 12**. If you would like to help set up, serve, or clean up, please contact Mrs. Brockway.

### **NO YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY, FEB. 14**

### **TRIP TO SKY ZONE**

Please join us on Wednesday, **February 24** at Sky Zone in Manchester. We plan to jump from 7pm until 8pm. The cost is \$15.00 and you will need a permission slip. This is open to all students in grades 6-12, so bring your friends. Let Mrs. Brockway know if you plan to attend as soon as you can. (She might be able to get a group rate.) Also, bring a little extra cash so you can go get a snack after you jump.

### **CALLING ALL CONSOLERS**

There will be a meeting on Monday, **February 8** at 6 p.m. in the Church for all current consolers and those interested in joining this ministry. Members of the Consolers Group attend funeral Masses at St. Catherine Church and assist in the following ways: Cross and Candle Bearers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers. All are welcome.

### **SLICE OF THE PIE UPDATE**

Thank you to all those participating in the Slice of the Pie fundraiser. It has been a huge success! Proceeds from the fundraiser are being used to renovate the sanctuary. Included in this renovation are the four new candlesticks you may have already noticed, as well as a plan to repaint the sanctuary in the spring. As a reminder, drawings occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month after the 9 a.m. Mass. To date, we have given \$1,700 in cash prizes. The next drawing will be **February 14**. You could be a lucky winner!