## Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 4, 2012

#### SAINTS MARY AND JOSEPH PARISH (All Area Codes are 603 unless noted.)

Parish Office: 893-8661, 200 Lawrence Road, Salem, NH 03079 Open: Monday-Thursday 9:00AM-5:00PM; Friday 9:00AM-12:30PM St. Joseph Rectory: 898-4933 Fr. John Michalowski ext 11, Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick ext. 16

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Sign up with Anna Willis 898-5729

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Mn's Pryr Brkfst: Dick Collopy 898-7020

Mexico Mission: Lee Alphen 898-1927

Natural Family Planning: Nancy Malo

1-800-437-9666 x8706

Pastoral Council: Judi Ryan 898-2278

Prayer Line: Lee Alphen 898-1927 or Melanie Costello 893-6763

Prayer Shawl: Eileen Gauthier 893-6645 Quilt Ministry: Anna Willis 898-5729

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Respect Life: Deacon David 893-8673

Small Christian Communities: Dan Yetter 893-5429

# DADTELL CALENDAD

<u>PARISH CALENDAR</u>			
SUNDAY, November 4	10:45AM	Mass followed by GAP Meeting	MQP-Church
	1:00-4:30PM	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING	SJ then MQP
	2:30-4:00PM	REL ED Middle School Option C	SJ-St. Julie Hall
	5:00-6:45PM	REL ED Emmaus Experience Option 1	SJ-St. Julie Hall
	7:00PM	Workcamp Meeting	SJ-St. Julie Hall
	7:00-8:30PM	EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH	SJ-Family Room
MONDAY, November 5	4:00-5:15PM	REL ED Grades 1-4	MQP-Classrooms
	5:00PM	Novena Closing Prayer	MQP-Church
	6:00-7:30PM	REL ED Middle School Option A	MQP-Hall
TUESDAY, November 6	10:00AM	Bible Study	MQP-Emmaus Rm
VOTE!	12:30-3:30PM	Saints Mary & Joseph Quilters	SJ-St. Julie Hall
		NO REL ED Grades 1-5	
	6:00-7:30PM	REL ED Emmaus Experience Option 2	SJ-Family Room
	7:30-9:00PM	Al-Anon	SJ-St. Julie Hall
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7	4:00-5:15PM	REL ED Grades 1-4	MQP-Classrooms
	5:30PM	POT LUCK SUPPER—ALL INVITED!	SJ-St. Julie Hall
	8:00PM	AA	MQP-Hall
THURSDAY, November 8	6:15-6:45PM/7:15-9:00PM 🦪	Children's Choir/Adult Choir	SJ-Church
	7:00PM	Big Day of Serving Meeting	SJ-Family Room
	7:00-8:30PM	Bereavement Group	SJ-St. Julie Hall
FRIDAY, November 9	6:00-7:00PM	DOTs Meeting	SJ-Family Room
SATURDAY, November 10	8:00-9:30AM	Bible Study	SJ-Family Room
SUNDAY, November 11	2:00PM	HEALING MASS	MQP-Church
	5:00-7:00pm	REL ED High School/Circles of Care	SJ-Julie H & Gym
	7:00-8:30PM	EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH	SJ-Family Room

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord Jesus,

One of the great blessings of being a religious priest is that each year I go off for eight days to pray, examine the year past, and make a general Confession for the past year. During that time I take stock of the blessings and challenges of the past year, see more clearly where God has been, and take time to pray for all of you, and come back refreshed and renewed in the Spirit. This year I went off to Eastern Point Retreat House in Gloucester.

Retreats are not just for priests and religious, but are for anyone who wants to spend quality time with the Lord, have some spiritual guidance, and simply get away to a quiet, holy place. When I directed Campion Renewal Center in Weston, MA, we had retreats that were as short as a day, many which lasted a weekend, and others that went for five or eight days. The lay people who went on the retreats ranged from computer engineers to nurses, from artists to teachers, and from people in their twenties to those in their eighties. Some people encountered God in the various chapels, others at Mass, others in the Scriptures, while others found God in the woods and fields. I remember one retreatant who fell into the pond, and it was a breakthrough moment for her. I myself have found God in a drop of dew, as well as in the crucifix, and often in you.

If you have never done so, I invite you to consider a retreat. If you have not done one since high school or Confirmation, realize that God has lots more for you that you can only appreciate now, as your experience has deepened.

> Peace in the Lord Jesus, Fr. John

Because he remains forever, he has a priesthood that does not pass away. Hebrews 7:23-28

### BEREAVEMENT GROUP "CHRISTMAS TREE"

The Bereavement Center is entering another Christmas Tree in the Festival of Trees as a memorial for their loved ones. We are in need of small white lights and any ornaments that are blue or silver. The theme this year is: "A Blue

Christmas." If anyone is down-sizing and planning to get rid of these items, please let us know. Call Linda O'Reilly 893-6061 or Maryanne Murach 489-1591.

# Children's Christmas Pageant Monday, December 24 4:00PM Mass at Mary Queen of Peace

Sunday, November 18 SIGN-UPS:

> 12:30PM MOP Hall

6 reading parts/17 Characters/angels

REHEARSAL: Saturday, December 15

Noon-2:00PM MQP Church

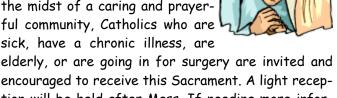
All Children MUST attend!

The more angels and shepherds (preschool age-grade 5) at Jesus's birth day, the more joyful! Help with costumes is needed—wings, halos, and shepherds' outfits. Thank you for letting your "angel" help us celebrate the birth of Jesus! Contact: Mary Roy 893-8661.



## HEALING MASS

On Sunday, November 11, we will be celebrating a special Mass of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at 2:30PM at MQP Church, 200 Lawrence Road. In the midst of a caring and prayerful community, Catholics who are sick, have a chronic illness, are



encouraged to receive this Sacrament. A light reception will be held after Mass. If needing more information, please call Sandy Lemay at 893-3110.

## VETERANS' MASS AT MQP

Our annual Veterans' Mass will take place on Saturday, November 10, 4:00PM. Flags of deceased Veterans will be displayed and blessed, and the Veterans' names will be read. Bring your flag, noting the Veteran's name, to the Parish Office before November 8. If you know a soldier currently serving our country, call Mary Roy and she will add him/her to our Service banners. We continue to pray for them throughout the year. Contact Mary at the Parish Office.

## JOIN IN THE 40th MARCH FOR LIFE

Join 100s from NH in traveling to Washington, DC for the March for Life and Pilgrimage of Faith from Jan. 24-25. Contact: Valerie\_lynn\_somers@comcast.net or visit www.catholicnh.org/life.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

Sharing the Gospel: Love God above all things. You have choices. You choose whether to let your younger sister play a game with you. You can give four quarters to the poor or you can buy a candy bar. You can eat the whole candy bar, or share it with a friend. In church you can pitch a fit, or you can say, "OK, Lord. I am sitting quietly because I love you."

Prayer: Dear God, help me love you better than toys, movies, candy, and games.

Something to Draw: Draw God sitting in a rocking chair or playing a game with you.

Mission for the Week: Every morning I will say, "I love you, Lord, above all things."



# UPCOMING CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIRS

Raffles, Baked Goods, Crafts, Gifts, Fun!

First Congregational Church: 15 Lawrence Road, Salem, NH. Friday, November 9, 4:00-8:00PM, and Saturday, November 10, 10:00AM-6:30PM w/ Ham & Bean Supper. St. Monica School Hall: 212 Lawrence Street, Methuen, MA. Saturday & Sunday, November 10-11, 9AM-4PM.

St. Patrick Parish Center: 12 Main Street, Pelham, NH. Saturday, Nov. 10, 9AM-6PM; and Sunday, November 11, 9AM-3PM.



"I love you, Lord, my strength." Psalm 18

# PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

October 27-28, 2012

Because of the storm and our loss of power, the Offertory for last Sunday will be in next Sunday's Bulletin. Thank you for your generosity.

## PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor the priesthood and deaconate in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood and deaconate in the life of the church. It is also a day to pray for vocations. We invite you to share a moment of thanksgiving and gratitude to our priests, Fr. John, Fr. Tom Frink, and Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick, during this special time.

### PIETA MINISTRY

For Grieving Parents: A Spiritual Retreat for Parents who have Experienced The Death of a Child At any Age by any Cause.



Join other parents and Franciscan Friars in a warm and loving place where you can find comfort, rest, and peace—at least for a while.

November 30-December 2 Miramar Retreat Ctr. 121 Parks St. Duxbury, MA Call Diane at 617-542-6129 for more details.

Buy your *quilt* raffle tickets at the Parish Office in support of the Honduran Mission Team-NH! It's a beautiful quilt and it could be yours! You can't win if you don't try!

#### REST IN PEACE

We pray for those who died recently and were buried from our Parish: Michael Foster, Sylvia Enos, Armand Dionne, Rosario Contarino, Victoria Levy, Capt. Shawn Hogan, Maria Ferranti, Albert Maciariello, and Grace Yebba. May they enjoy the fullness of life, happiness, and peace with God in Heaven.

### GROWING IN FAITH (GIF) TV SERIES

SCTV-17 Calendar-Week of November 4

You Shall Be Saved and All Your Household: Patti Mansfield

GIF airs on SCTV17 Mon at 9:00PM, on Tues. & salem 17 Wed. at 2:00PM. Please consult the latest schedule at www.sctv17.com.



# READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 4:

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34; Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14; Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24; Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33; Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10; Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22; Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15; Sun: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

### SJ MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 3

4:15p Frank Worthy, Jr. r/b Frank, Laura & Lisa (8th Anniv.)

Sunday, November 4

7:30a Allen Coburn r/b David & Melanie Costello

8:45a Sandra Fennell r/b Family (Anniversary)

11:00a Maurice Theberge r/b his Family

Monday, November 5

7:15a For Deceased Parishioners

Tuesday, November 6

7:15a For the People of the Parish

Wednesday, November 7

7:15a Eucharistic Service

6:30p NO MASS

Thursday, November 8

7:15a Sri Day r/b Maryanne Murach

Friday, November 9

7:15a Robert Kenney r/b Bernard & Jean Kenney

Saturday, November 10

4:15p Carol Madden & Mirium Fujimaki

r/b Lee Alphen

Sunday, November 11

7:30a Jacqueline Corbin r/b The Ouellette Family

8:45a Richard Pelletier r/b Pauline & Family

11:00a Michael Pandelena r/b Friends

## SJRCS CASH RAFFLE NEWS

St. Joseph Regional Catholic School will be holding its annual Cash Raffle fundraiser on Thursday, Nov. 8 at Fuddruckers in Methuen, MA. SJRCS families will be selling raffle tickets after Masses on Nov. 3 & 4. Each ticket is \$25. There will be five cash prizes awarded ranging from \$100-\$3,000. The winner will be drawn on Nov. 8—you do not need to be present to win. All proceeds from the fundraiser are for the school. Contact: SJRCS Office 893-6811.

## STUDENT PRO-LIFE CONTEST

The NH Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Student Pro-Life Essay/Poem/Poster (Grades 6-12 NH) contest in conjunction with the National "March for Life" in Washington, D.C. Entries are submitted to the National contest that makes awards of \$100 (\$1,200 total) plus trips to Washington, D.C. for winning student and parent in each category. Entries then go to the NH Knights who will make six additional \$100 awards. The theme is: "What Does it Take to be a Pro-Life Leader?" Entry deadline: December 3. Obtain Entry Forms from www.marchforlife.org (click on 2013 Student Contest). Contact John Matuszewski 434-4098.

### MQP MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 3 (Mass of Remembrance)

4:00p Expedido Vicente r/b Family

Sunday, November 4

9:00a Remegio Cayabyab r/b Benito Cayabyab &

Family

10:45a Leonard & Richard Leduc r/b Lorraine

Monday, November 5

9:00a Josephine Gurciullo r/b Family

Tuesday, November 6

9:00a Ronald Sedlak r/b Charles Wheeler

Wednesday, November 7

9:00a Eucharistic Service

Thursday, November 8

9:00a Eucharistic Service

Friday, November 9

9:00a Barry Melvin r/b M/M James Fitzgerald

Saturday, November 10 (Veteran's Mass)

4:00p Abigail DeSousa r/b Family

Sunday, November 11

9:00a Loreta Macaulay r/b Theresa Gaudet

10:45a Robert B. Taplin r/b Huebner Family

2:00p HEALING MASS

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## "AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT"

Considering the past two weeks, note how Jesus' behavior differs from that of the average person. This is due to divergent motivations. The average person is motivated by a *natural* concern for self, family, and friends, while Jesus is motivated by a

supernatural concern to do the will of his Father as made known by the promptings of the Spirit. Fortunately, we human beings are capable of transcending our merely natural concerns, if we choose to imitate Christ. The classic notion of divinization holds that God sent Jesus for the very purpose of making us like him, "God became man, that man might become God" (St. Athanasius, quoted in McGinn, Christian Mysticism, p.400). This accords too with Jesus' saying that a disciple is meant to become like his teacher (see Mt 10:25). Furthermore, these promises have been fulfilled in the countless people we refer to as Saints, those who like Jesus, "performed virtuous actions with uncommon promptitude, ease, and pleasure, from supernatural motives, and with full control over natural inclinations" (Catholic Encyclopedia, "Heroic Virtue"). Sanctity so described is not martyrdom, but a pure "yes" to God. This yes, though rare in this life, is not only possible but is requisite for our entry into heaven, "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven" (Catechism, #1030). The place of this purification we traditionally call Purgatory. Fr. Tom

### OUR FOOD PANTRY IS IN NEED OF ...

...canned soup, macaroni & cheese, jelly, baked beans, boxed or canned potatoes, fruit juice, hot chocolate, coffee, hand soap, toothpaste, shampoo, toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, beef stew, and snacks. You may drop off food at SJ and MQP during Mass times or at MQP during Parish Office hours. Thank you.



### WEDDING BANNS

Joseph Johnson and Sophia Jossick November 16, 2012 Marcus E. Pratt and Kristen Capithorne November 17, 2012 at St. Anselm Abbey

## GIVING THANKS, FAMILY TO FAMILY

Anyone wishing to adopt a family to put together a Thanksgiving Basket for, please email Mary at senoraroy@comcast.net and she will send you the information about the family and a list of foods you should consider buying. Last Thanksgiving you helped over 86 families have a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner. Food (in a basket or box) must be dropped off at Mary Queen

of Peace Hall Saturday Nov. 17 by 11:30AM. Ιf you have been blessed this past year and want to "give



thanks" this is your chance. (Pictured are some of last year's helpers!)

Question of the Week: As November brings us to the junction where late fall becomes early winter, and signs of nature's death join with the liturgy to remind us of the reality of our own, how far do I sense myself to be from the kingdom of God? What can I plan to do to draw closer?

#### ETERNAL LIGHT



Jesus is the Light of the World and the Eternal Light Candle at St. Joseph Church is burning this week in memory of Carol Madden & Mirium Fujimaki requested by Lee Alphen, and at Mary Queen of Peace for Alfonsas Baika, Jr. r/b Reggi Baika.

### EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The theme for this Sunday's "Exploring the Catholic Faith" is "Jesus, the Teacher, and Saints and Holiness." All are invited to this faith-sharing opportunity in the Family Room of St. Joseph Church from 7:00-8:30PM.

### RELIGIOUS ED Grades 6-12

Imagine 400-500 teens and their chaperones "invading" Salem to offer one day of painting, yard work, house repairs, landscaping, etc. to elderly and low-income residents, as well as for area schools and parks! Come join the local Leadership Team who, with the guidance of Group Cares (a Christian youth ministry service organization), will help



find and identify those who could be served, who will find funds, donations and supplies for the various projects, supervise projects, and plan the huge block party that ends the day. Want to help make this happen Salem? Please email Sue Sue.Levesque@comcast.net to join us in this effort! Our next meeting is Thursday, November 8 at 7:00Pm in the Family Room at St. Joseph.

Middle School Movie Night: Mark your calendars! The DOTs (Disciples of Today) leadership team is planning its 2nd annual Movie Night for Saturday, Nov. 17.



Emmaus Experience Families: Don't forget: teens and their parents have a special class on Sunday, November 11. This is for all youth registered for Options 1, 2, and 3.



High School Mission Trip 2013: Next summer during the week of July 21, we will be serving with Wheeling Jesuit University's Appalachian Immersion Experience in Jacksonburg, WV. Teens and adult chaper-

ones interested in next summer's mission experience will be meeting on Sunday, November 4 at 7:00PM at St. Julie Hall to begin planning their fund-raising efforts. All high school youth are invited to check it out!

College Care Packages: Thank you to our Monday middle school class and Tuesday High School class who brought in items for our care packages to our college students! Our parishioners living away at school know their faith community is thinking of them. Thank you!

Love the Lord your God. Love your neighbor. Mark 12:28b-34

# SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES Newsletter for November

During the month of November, we will be meeting at the home of Dan Yetter. Our weekly meetings are open to all in the parish. We explore how God might be acting in our lives. To attend, contact Dan Yetter 896-5429 or danyet@myfairpoint.net.