

Second Sunday of Advent • December 9, 2012





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<u>MASS</u>

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 9:00AM Wed: Eucharistic Service 9:00AM Sat: 3:00PM Reconciliation Sat: 4:00PM Sun: 9:00 & 10:45AM

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WELCOME TO SAINTS MARY AND JOSEPH PARISH A Jesuit parish responding to the call of Christ through prayer, service, and community.

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

Fr. Tom Frink (use cell # below), Deacon David Costello ext 15, Food Pantry ext 30

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CONTACTS

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PARISH CALENDAR

Prayer Line: Lee Alphen 898-1927 or Melanie Costello 893-6763 Prayer Shawl: Eileen Gauthier 893-6645 Quilt Ministry: Anna Willis 898-5729 RCIA: Ann Halloran 894-4251 Respect Life: Deacon David 893-8673 Small Christian Communities: Dan Yetter 893-5429

SUNDAY, December 9	2:30-4:00PM	Rel Ed-Middle School Option C	SJ-St. Julie Hall
	5:00-6:45PM	Rel Ed-EE Option 1	SJ-St. Julie Hall
	7:00-8:30PM	Exploring the Catholic Faith	SJ-Family Room
MONDAY, December 10	4:00-5:15PM	REL ED—Grades 1-4	MQP-Classrooms
	6:00-7:30PM	REL Ed—Middle School Option A	MQP-Hall
	7:00P M	LECTOR TRAINING	SJ-Church
TUESDAY, December 11	10:00 AM	Bible Study	MQP-Emmaus Rm
9999	12:30-3:30PM	Saints Mary & Joseph Quilters	SJ-St. Julie Hall
Bread & Roses Day	4:00-5:15PM	REL ED—Grades 1-4	MQP-Classrooms
Bring Desserts to Parish	6:00PM-7:15PM	REL ED—GRADE 5 Meet at	Salem Haven
Office by 10:00AM	6:00-7:45	REL ED—Emmaus Exper. Option 2	SJ-Family Room
	7:30-9:00PM	Al-Anon	SJ-St. Julie Hall
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 12	4:00-5:15PM	REL ED—Grades 1-4	MQP-Classes
	6:30-9:00PM	Saints Mary & Joseph Quilters	SJ-St. Julie Hall
	8:00PM	AA	MQP-Hall
THURSDAY, December 13	6:00-7:15P M	Confirmation Dinner	MQP-Hall
	6:15-6:45PM/7:00-9:00PM	Children's Choir/Adult Choir-Christmas	MQP-Church
	7:15PM	Pastoral Council Meeting	MQP-Emmaus Rm
	7:00-8:30PM	Bereavement Group	SJ-St. Julie Hall
FRIDAY, December 7	7:00-9:00PM	Rel Ed Middle School Christmas Party	SJ-Family Room
SATURDAY, December 15	8:00-9:30AM	Bible Study	SJ-Family Room
	Noon-2:00PM	CHRISTMAS PAGAENT REHEARSAL	MQP-Church
SUNDAY, December 16	7:00-11:00AM	COMMUNITY BREAKFAST	SJ-St. Julie Hall
	10:00AM-5:00PM	Rel Ed Middle School Retreat	MQP-Hall
	2:00PM	CLUSTER ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE	St. Patrick/Pelham
	7:00-8:30PM	Exploring the Catholic Faith	SJ-Family Room

CD NEWS

New CDs are available at each Church entrance. Make this advent a time of reflection and praver. You may also find some interesting and inspiring topics that would make wonderful stocking stuffers. In "A Journey Through Advent" Fr. Barron ties the Sunday readings to today's culture. Another inspiring CD is "The Year of Faith," which reminds us of the splendor and beauty of our faith.

THE NATIVITY STORY

Come to the Family Room of St. Joseph Church



on Sunday, December 16, from 7:00-8:30PM

for a presentation of the movie, "The Nativity Story." This is an inspiring and enjoyable way to prepare for the feast of Christmas!

KNOW ANY HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

If you know the name and address of any parishioners who are unable to join us for Sunday worship, please let us know by calling the Parish Office or dropping a note in the collection basket. We will carol at their home and bring them some Christmas cheer!

GROWING IN FAITH (GIF) TV SERIES

SCTV—17 Calendar-Week of December 9

Healing in the Eucharist: Fr. Lou Cerulli

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

RELAY FOR LIFE

It's not too early to sign up your team! We need both new and past teams to make this year's relay successful. This year's kick-off meeting will be January 14, 2013 at 6:00PM at the Knights Hall at 37 Main Street. Visit relayforlife.org/salemnh to sign up your team!

HELP NEEDED!

A single Mom with a 6 year-old child is in need of a serviceable car for less than \$1,000. Please call the Parish Office if you are able to help. Thank you.

Children's Christmas Pageant REHEARSAL: Saturday, December 15, Noon-2:00PM MQP Church. All children MUST attend! Contact: Mary Roy 893-8661.



NOTE FROM KNIIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus, Council #4442, 37 Main St., Salem, NH will not be hosting a Christmas day dinner this year due to extenuating circumstances. They made this decision very reluctantly. The Knights look forward to Christmas Day 2013, when we hope to have another free Christmas Dinner for all who otherwise may be alone, or not have a place to go. All will be welcome. Keep your spirits up and have a Very Happy, Blessed, and Merry Christmas. Sincerely, Knights of Columbus, Council 4442, Salem.

READER (LECTOR) TRAINING AND FORMATION

A prayerful and meaningful proclamation of sacred scripture by a well-prepared reader can be an instrument of God's grace to those who hear. An orientation for new readers and a refresher for current readers will be held at 7:15PM on Monday, 12/10, in St. Joseph Church. Attendance is necessary for new readers, and strongly recommended for current readers who have not attended a refresher in the last year. Topics will include ministry requirements and skills, preparation, roles, procedures, delivery, use of microphone, and decorum. We should be finished around 8:30PM.



We still have a few cards left on our Giving Trees. Please take one if you can to brighten a child's Christmas day. If you have taken a card, please check the back of your card to see when the gifts need to be re-TREE turned to us at the Parish Office, 200

Lawrence Road. Thank you.

FOR SALE:

1. Scooter Store 2010 Power Chair. Apartment sized/ indoor-outdoor use. Orig. Price \$3,000 asking \$800.

2. 2006 Optelec ClearView 18.5" Color CCTV reading machine. Good for those with limited vision. Orig. Price \$200 asking \$600.

Call the Parish Office if interested.

INTERFAITH CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Interfaith Choir's annual Christmas Concert, <u>Rejoice and Be</u> Merry, will be held at 4:00PM on Sunday, December 9, at Londonderry United Methodist Church, 258



Mammoth Rd, Londonderry. There is no admission charge (a free-will offering will be taken), and there will be refreshments following. Come and enjoy an afternoon of glorious Christmas music.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES RETREAT

Once again Fr. John is offering the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius in daily life. This is for a person who does not have the time to go away for 30 days in prayer with four or five meditations a day. Those who choose this retreat would meet once a week on a Tuesday beginning in January and



ending in June. Each person choosing this retreat is asked to give 45-60 minutes a day to praying over the assigned scripture passages or meditations from the Spiritual Exercises and then journal what happened in the person's prayer. The retreat is limited to 8 people. At times a person would meet one-on-one with the one giving the Exercises. A preliminary meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 18, at 7:15PM in the rectory. Come and get to know Jesus more intimately.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER REMEMBRANCE

If you would like to make a donation to our Christmas Flower Fund in memory of a loved one, please take an envelope at a church exit. Please print clearly and return it to us via the Offertory or the Parish Office by December 16.

USED OR NEW LAPTOP NEEDED

If anyone has a laptop that they would like to donate to a needy family, please drop it off at the Parish Office and mark it for Deacon David.

SJRCS NEWS

Mark February 16, 2013 in your new calendar—The Annual SJRCS Auction will be taking place that night! Fun!

> The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy. Psalm 126

ETERNAL LIGHT



Jesus is the light of the world! The Eternal Light Candle at St. Joseph Church is burning this week in memory of David R. Morency r/b his Mom and at Mary Queen of Peace for Elizabeth Pfaff (birthday remembrance) r/b Richard & Family.

Come out in the cold to warm peoristmas ple's hearts! We will be bringing Caroling Christmas joy to our home-bound parishioners by caroling for them. All

(including families) are invited to meet on Saturday, December 22, after the 4:15PM Mass at St. Joseph in the Family Room. Hot chocolate and cookies await the carolers when they return. Please join in—the more the merrier!

YOUTH MINISTRY DECEMBER EVENTS

Monday December 10: December TYME...Praying with the Monks at St. Anselm College

Wednesday December 12: Serving at Cor Unum Saturday December 15: Adoration, Prayer & Dunkins Feel free to learn more about out Youth Ministry Core team by calling Shawn @ 893-0144, emailing youthminister@stjosephsalemnh.org or through our Face Book page Saints Mary and Joseph Youth Ministry.

On Sunday, December 2, our Youth Ministry Core Team and Emmaus Experience students assisted in making over 125 Gingerbread Houses for our Saint Nicholas Workshop. The teenagers shared about who Saint Nicholas is and what children look for on his Feast Day, December 6. There was plenty of candy to decorate each Gingerbread House and there was a sugar buzz in the air. :) Thanks to all the Moms and Dads who brought their kids to visit our Saint Nicholas Workshop.



Saints Mary and Joseph Youth Ministry Closed Group

BREAD AND ROSES DAY

On the second Tuesday of each month, we are committed to providing desserts for Bread & Roses Soup Kitchen in Lawrence. If you can help with this Ministry, please bring dessert (bought or homemade) to the Parish Office a by 10:00AM Tuesday. Thank you!

WE CELEBRATE DEACON DAVID'S 29TH



Be sure to congratulate Deacon David next time you see him for his 29 years of service to his church and God's people. He was ordained a Deacon on December 10, 1983 and has served those in need with compassion, grace, and with a deep faith. Thank you, Deacon David! God Bless you and Melanie too!

PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

December 1-2, 2012 Loose: \$2,804 + Env: \$10,011 = \$12,815 + All Saints/All Souls: \$35 + Parish Pay (Nov): \$2,736 + Thanksgiving: \$100 = \$15,686 Needed Weekly: \$14,313 Wkly Surplus: (\$1,373) YTD Deficit: (\$42,322) Dev Fund: \$2,980 Christmas Flowers: \$947 Fuel: \$50 Sol. of Mary: \$30 Ret. Fund for Rel: \$30 Thank you for your continued generosity.

> voice of one crying out in the desert "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."

SJ MASS INTENTIONS	MQP MASS INTENTIONS		
Saturday, Dec. 8-IMMACULATE CONCEPTION*	Saturday, Dec. 8-IMMACULATE CONCEPTION*		
7:30a Immaculate Conception/Celebrant's Intention	9:00a Immaculate Conception/Celebrant's Intention		
4:15p Don Blacklaw r/b wife, Joan	4:00p Gus Childs r/b Family (3rd Anniversary)		
<u>Sunday, December 9</u>	<u>Sunday, December 9</u>		
7:30a Louis Couture r/b Charles	9:00a Marjorie Mitchell r/b Marge & Tom Gray		
8:45a Norman & Clare Minkle	10:45a David Masoud r/b Family		
r/b Children & Grandchildren	Monday, December 10		
11:00a Patricia Plansky r/b Shambarger Family	9:00a Martin Sinacore r/b Marian Glendye		
Monday, December10	<u>Tuesday, December 11</u>		
7:15a Elizabeth Pfaff r/b Husband Richard & Family	9:00a Irene Laird r/b Deb Sarnie		
<u>Tuesday, December11</u>	Wednesday, December 12		
7:15a All Souls' Day Mass Intentions	9:00a Eucharistic Service		
<u>Wednesday, December 12</u>	Thursday, December 13		
7:15a Eucharistic Service	9:00a For the People of the Parish		
6:30p Celebrant's Intention	Friday, December 14		
<u>Thursday, December 13</u>	9:00a Barbara Seltzer r/b her Nephew & Family		
7:15a Emily Dancause r/b Pat & Ivan Murphy	<u>Saturday, December 15</u>		
<u>Friday, December 14</u>	4:00p Frank DeLucia r/b Family		
7:15a John Williams r/b Fred & Jerry Bean	<u>Sunday, December 16</u>		
<u>Saturday, December 15</u>	9:00a Sherman Gray r/b Family		
4:15p Nellie & Cy Carabello & Joyce Hosty	10:45a John & Kay Bennett r/b Balukonis Family		
r/b Andrea & John Faro			
<u>Sunday, December 16</u>	If you would like to further explore Fr. Tom's		
7:30a Doris Couture r/b Charles	topic below, you are invited to attend tonight's		
8:45a Norman Lambert r/b Wife & Family			
11:00a Margaret E. LaRue	Exploring the Catholic Faith at 7:00PM in our		
r/b David & Melanie Costello	Family Room below St. Joseph Church.		

EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH



Jesus is the Messiah, the "anointed one." "Messiah" referred originally to kings and priests, anointed with oil for their role as channels of divine power, but it came eventually to designate a future hero whom God would send to save Israel from their oppression. Genesis mentions an "offspring" of Eve who will "strike at" the offspring of the ancient serpent, but expectations were sharpened later on with the achievements of Israel's great historical figures. Moses, with his miraculous staff, freed Israel from slavery in Egypt and led them to the Promised Land, while David, with his military prowess, subdued all of Israel's enemies. Whatever Moses and David accomplished, however, the Messiah would surpass. He would "crush the oppressor" and bring peace, not to Israel only or for a limited time, but "to the ends of the earth" and "till the moon be no more" (Ps 72:7-8). He would even

transform nature, making "the wolf ... a guest of the lamb" (Is 11:1-10). As Christians, we believe Jesus fulfilled the Messianic prophecies, although in an unexpected way. He did not establish a new kingdom on earth, but he promises a new earth itself (Rev 21:1). He brings peace and justice, but not through crushing oppressors; rather, he fills hearts with the peace that "surpasses all understanding" (Phil 4:7). Finally, he does not save the world by himself as we simply look on, but uses men and women "transformed into the same image" (2Cor 3:18) to do "greater works" even than he (Jn 14:12). Fr. Tom

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC 9:

Sunday: Ar 5:1-9/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6; Monday: Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26; Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14; Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or 1:39-47; Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15; Friday: Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19; Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13; Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18 I Pi

ADVENT CLUSTER PENANCE SERVICE

Sunday, December 16, at 2:00PM St. Patrick Church 12 Main Street, Pelham Come ready your heart for Jesus' coming.

RELIGIOUS ED Grades 6-12

<u>Faith Formation Classes</u>: Middle School Option A class meets Dec. 10 & 17. Option C's next class is Dec. 9. Option 1's final class is on December 9 (parents also attend) and Option 2 meets December 11 (parents also attend).

<u>Confirmation</u>: Thank you to the Most Reverend Peter A. Libasci, D.D., Bishop of Manchester, Fr. John Michalowski, SJ, Fr. Tom Frink, SJ, Deacon David, our readers Julia Carew and Rio Cayabyab, our Eucharistic Ministers, Cheryl Bernier, David Thompson, Joe Dufour, and Kathy Loffredo, our altar servers Samantha McCann and Dawson Shyne, our minister of hospitality Lorraine Thompson, the Knights of Columbus & our leaders of sung prayer Anna Willis, Chris Lacey & the Choir! Thank you to all those who participated in providing faith formation, especially the mentors who embraced their ministry, Shawn McDonough with the high school youth ministry and retreat teams, and those in the parish community of Saints Mary and Joseph who are examples of what it means to be a member of the People of God! Thank you to each of the sponsors who helped lead the candidates to this new beginning, and to the parents who are the first to pass on the faith. Our children learn what they live! May we all continue to grow in age, grace, wisdom and God's love!

Our first Middle School Ministry CHRISTMAS PARTY!



FRIDAY, December 14, 7:00-9:00PM in the Family Room (below St Joseph Church) Youth in grades 6-8 are invited to come for laughter, games, friends, and food!
Feel free to invite a friend to come!!! Please RSVP to Sue Levesque by December 10. What to bring: snacks to share and a wrapped gift suitable for guy or girl.



(gift not to exceed \$5)

<u>Middle School Retreat</u>: Youth in grades 6-8 who signed up for the December 16 Retreat will be meeting 10:00AM-5:00PM at MQP. This year's retreat theme is "So Long Self: A retreat about being other-centered." The day promises to be filled with laughter and to challenge us to live our Christianity more authentically.







CONFIRMATION RETREAT REFLECTION: The weekend retreat for the Junior Confirmation candidates was an unforgettable experience for both the students and the mentors. Having the opportunity to be a mentor was fantastic. As much as the students appreciated it, I did too. One of the best ways that I have found to deepen my faith is to live it out and share it with others, especially those willing to listen. The kids on this retreat were all extremely willing to experience all that they could during their short stay. They were attentive and respectful during witnesses given by the team and were completely flexible when there were kinks in the schedule. The facilities at the Retreat center were beautiful and that definitely added to the experience. The team all worked together extremely well to accomplish this retreat and it showed, especially in the majority of the response received from both the confirmation candidates and their parents. Just like any retreat we put together, the team says a successful retreat is one where we could make a positive impact on at least one person. On this weekend retreat, we made multiple positive impacts. No one regretted coming even after they had been there even for just a few hours. Some even wanted to stay longer, I know that I did. This was a great retreat to add to the Confirmation experience because there is always room to deepen faith. This retreat gave these Juniors a place where they could be comfortable in an environment where there were also a bunch of other students in similar situations. They all learned different ways to live out their faith in their daily lives by example of the mentors. I can not wait to be a part of this retreat experience next year! Naomi, Retreat Team Member

















