



*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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### **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday @ 5:00 PM**

**Sunday @ 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM**

**Monday through Thursday @ 9:00 AM**

**Welcome Home! We, as a Parish Family,  
are so glad you are here!**

*As sharers of the one baptism & the one Spirit of the Risen Christ, we have 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*



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**Deacon's Pencil....** *“and I will send another Advocate, the Holy Spirit”*

In our Gospel reading Jesus had promised to leave the Holy Spirit with his followers and they were somewhat confused and wondered how He could leave them and still be with them. In the form of human flesh, Jesus was available only to those who were where He was, but now He is available wherever we are through His Holy Spirit. His Spirit resides in our temple, the body, and He is always prepared to use His presence to help His people. The Holy Spirit is the very presence of God within us and all believers.

He promised that His Father would give us another comforter and that He would never leave us. Do you really believe the presence of God exists within you? Jesus stated that He does live within us and that He will never leave the heart of one who believes in Him. The Comforter is a combination of comfort and counsel. The Holy Spirit is a powerful person who is working for us and with us. We have to know that the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth (Jn. 14:17), and is our teacher. We must remember that He will show us what to do and what to say when we are in crisis. All our intelligence and human wisdom are weak and insignificant compared to His wisdom. On a more personal note, I always pray before every homily that the Holy Spirit speak through me, the message of Jesus.

I believe that the Holy Spirit will give us the courage to speak when it is easier to be silent. He will be within us and comfort us when all others mock us and abandon us. But, we are not to be pitied; rather, we are to be ecstatic with joy because Jesus has chosen us to be His ambassadors. This means we have the incredible privilege of being messengers of the Good News and, with the Holy Spirit who resides in us, we are far more than conquerors.

Do we really believe that the Holy Spirit dwells within each one of us who believes that Jesus Christ is Lord? Is the way we live our life visible proof of what we really believe. If the Holy Spirit does not seem to be present in your life, seek Him out through Scripture and prayer.

Much of the world today is hostile to Jesus Christ, but because of His Holy Spirit, we are called to be victorious disciples. The Holy Spirit gives us the power to resist evil and to stand up for our faith. Faith, to many people, is a personal and private matter that we try to keep to ourselves. Yet, probably the best kept secret is the revelation Jesus Christ is the Lord and Savior of the whole world. We do not have to be boisterous or objectionable in sharing our faith, but we should not hide it under a bushel basket (Mt. 5:15) or keep it from being seen like a city on a hill (Mt. 5:14).

When asked about our lifestyle, we should always try to answer gently and respectfully in compliance with our faith. Is our faith in Christ readily observable to others? I don't just mean by what we do, but by who we are. Are we prepared to tell others what Jesus has done in our life? Are we prepared to suffer for Christ as He has suffered for us? If you were arrested today for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?

God Bless,  
Dc. Lee

**Ascension Thursday!**

This week we celebrate the glorious Ascension of our Lord Jesus to the right hand of God, our Father, in Heaven. This is a holy day of obligation for all the faithful, and we will be celebrating mass at **9 AM and 7 PM, on Thursday, May 25.**

**Welcome to our Newly Baptized!!**

Please welcome the newest members of St. Mark's: Kyle Paul Aguilera, son of Felix and Lauren (O'Connor) Aguilera; Bryce Wilder Barczak, son of Dan and Stephanie (Sinitski) Barczak; and Chase Nolan Buker, son of Ryan and Katie (Lynch) Buker. May we always be examples of God's love to them.

**Adult Faith Formation!**

Our Adult Faith Formation evenings continue **Monday night, May 22nd, at 7:00 PM!** Join us as Paula Flynn leads us in a discussion on the essential role of prayer in our lives. Bring along your favorite prayers to share with group!

We will pick back up after Memorial Day, on **Monday night, June 5.** Our Parish Evangelist will return with a talk on the Fruits and Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Join us for this timely discussion right after Pentecost!

Our Adult Faith Formation evenings are held in the Parish Lounge at 7:00 PM. Refreshments are provided, and all are welcome!

**St. Mark's Day at the Ballpark!**

We're going to see the NH Fishercats play the Portland Seadogs on **Wednesday night, July 26!!** Even better, our own St. Mark's choir has been invited to perform the National Anthem before the game! The Knights of Columbus and St. Mark's Youth Ministries has teamed up to raise money for continued programs for the youth of our parish. Proceeds from ticket sales will go to help fund these opportunities for our students! Tickets are sure to go fast, so see Brandon after mass, or call him at the office Monday through Thursday at 432-8711.

**Religious Education News**

- \* 9th and 10th grade Confirmation students are reminded that all requirements are now due!
- \* Registrations for the Summer Religious Education program are now due. The Summer Program will be held from July 10th through July 20th.

**Fr. Thom's 25th Anniversary!!**

You are cordially invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of Father Thom Duston's ordination to the priesthood. Fr. Thom will celebrate Mass on **Sunday, June 4, 2017, at 3 pm,** at St. Mary's Church, 71 Lowell Street, Rochester, NH. A reception will follow in St. Mary's Parish Hall attached to the church.

**This Week @ St. Mark's!!!**

**Sunday, May 21:**

- 12:30 PM Baptisms (Church)
- 4:00 PM Middle School Youth Night (Lounge)
- 6:00 PM High School Night (Lounge)

**Monday, May 22:**

- 7:00 PM Adult Faith Formation (Lounge)

**Tuesday, May 23:**

- 6 AM- 11 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
- 7:30 PM Choir Practice (Church)

**Wednesday, May 24:**

- 7:00 PM Grace Within Dinner (Hall)

**Thursday, May 25:**

*Parish Office Closed*

- 9:00 AM: Mass of the Ascension (Church)
- 7:00 PM Mass of the Ascension (Church)

**Friday, May 26:**

- 6:00 PM Cub Scouts (Religious Ed Center)

**Saturday, May 27:**

- 9:30 AM Al Anon (Room 209)

**Sunday, May 28:**

- 7:00 PM Praise & Worship Rehearsal (Church)

**Middle School Night!!**

Middle School Night is *tonight from 4 - 5:30!* All 6th and 7th graders are welcome, and being so close to the end of the school year, we'd love to invite 5th graders to join us, too! We had an awesome turnout last time, and we've been looking forward to doing it again! All are welcome - so bring a friend! You don't have to belong to St. Mark's to join us and have a blast! There will be food and fun, as always, so you don't want to miss it! See you there!

**High School Night Tonight!!**

The school year is winding down, but that doesn't mean we are! Join us tonight from 6 -8 in the Parish Lounge for fun and fellowship (oh, and pizza too)! Your friends are welcome, too - so bring 'em down and check it out! See you there!

**St. Mark's Needs YOU!!**

Thank you to all the great folks who have stepped forward to help out these past few weeks! We're so excited to have you on-board! There are still plenty of opportunities for YOU to help out, too!

Our Welcome Team and our Liturgical Services Team need volunteers to assist in the ministry and mission of St. Mark's. With the addition of a third Sunday Mass, we need some friendly folks to roll up their sleeves and give us a hand! You can help out at the Mass you and your family regularly attend, and it just requires about fifteen minutes before and after Mass. What a great way to participate more in our community and live the Gospel! If you're interested, stop by the Welcome Center, chat with a team member, or email us at [stmarkevan@comcast.net](mailto:stmarkevan@comcast.net). We can't wait to hear from you!

**Youth Group Fundraiser!**

We're getting ready (and really excited!) for our upcoming trip to the Stuebenville East Youth Conference in July! We'd be so grateful if you would help us! On Sunday, June 4, we will be serving full breakfast after all the Sunday masses!! Come on down for some fellowship and help support this great event for our High School students! Make sure you stash some cash in your pocket, and stay tuned to next week's bulletin for more details!

**Novena to the Holy Spirit**

From the Friday after the Ascension (May 26) until the feast of Pentecost (June 4), we will be praying the Novena to the Holy Spirit following our daily masses. This is a beautiful devotion, and we encourage all to join with us at home:

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who, before ascending into heaven, did promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul, the work of Your grace and Your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal, the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth, the Spirit of Counsel that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven, the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation, the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and know myself and grow perfect in the science of the Saints, the Spirit of Piety that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable, and the Spirit of Fear that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him. Mark me, dear Lord, with the sign of Your true disciples and animate me in all things with Your Spirit. Amen.

**Stuebenville East!!**

We've got a great group going down to UMASS Lowell, July 14 - 16, for the largest Catholic youth festival on the East Coast! We've still got a few spots left, and we want YOU to fill them! Get a hold of Brandon after mass, or at 432-8711. You can email him, too, at [brandon.stmarks@comcast.net](mailto:brandon.stmarks@comcast.net). Join us!!

**Family Movie Night!**

The St. Mark's Knights of Columbus Council is hosting a Family Movie Night on *Saturday, June 3, at 6 PM*. Come have a fun and relaxing evening as we watch the 2010 Disney production, *Tangled!*

Come by the Welcome Center after mass and sign up, or call Chris Cook at 557-7240. All are welcome, and we can't wait to see you there!

**Sacrificial Giving (May 13-14)**

**Operating Funds**

Offertory Envelopes (170)	\$ 6,658.00
Loose Cash	\$ 945.00
Electronic Giving -wkly- 3 donors	\$ 90.00
ParishPay - wkly avg - 75 donors	\$ 1,912.00
Social	\$ 38.00
Mass Donations	\$ 20.00
Donations (bap/wed/fun/gen)	\$ 600.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,263.00</b>

**Designated Funds**

Capital Development	\$ 408.00
Charitable	\$ 475.00
Poor Box	\$ 15.00
Diocesan Collection(s)	\$ 473.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,371.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$11,634.00</b>

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Safe Environment	Susan Joncas (603) 432-8711
Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30- 11 AM
Birthright	(603) 434-3000
NH Catholic Charities, Windham	(603) 893-1971

**Mass Intentions for May 20 - May 28**

**5/20 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Rosalie Aiello by Joseph & her family

**5/21 Sunday, 8 AM:**

Roger R. Beliveau by the Beliveau family

**5/21 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

George Doyle by Angeline Lemere

**5/21 Sunday, 11 AM**

Benjamin & Bunny Andrusaitis  
by Sam & Mary Ann Boldeia

**5/22 Monday, 9 AM:**

The intentions of Sr. Mary Matthew by Monica

**5/23 Tuesday, 9 AM:**

Mary Antonellis by Dora Antonellis

**5/24 Wednesday, 9 AM:**

Camille L. Lynch by Renata Dryer

**5/25 Thursday 9 AM:**

Frank Sagalime Sr. by his family

**5/25 Thursday 7 PM:**

Richard Willey by the Botteron family

**5/27 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Diane Savoie by her family

**5/28 Sunday, 8 AM:**

Augustine Patenaude by John & Suzanne Patenaude

**5/28 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

Wally Filip by a friend

**5/28 Sunday, 11 AM**

John Flemings Jr. by Sam & Mary Ann Boldeia

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Parents are asked to participate in the baptismal catechesis program prior to their child's baptism.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:30-4:30pm 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, 6:00am-11pm / First Fridays 8pm-12am