



*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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*Assistant Youth Minister*  
*RCIA Coordinator*  
*Music Director*  
*Music Director*  
*Custodian*

### **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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**From Seminarian Ryan...**

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ! I hope all of you fathers enjoyed your big day this weekend. The Lord certainly blessed all of us with great weather that helped to make our celebrations more joyful. As you might notice, the color of the altar frontal and the priest's vestments are green once again for Sundays; it's been a long time! That means we are back in Ordinary Time and the Easter season and the solemnities that follow it are finished.

While we hear a selection from the prophet Jeremiah as our first reading this Sunday, I want to begin by commenting on the second reading, which the Church takes from Saint Paul's letter to the Romans. In this passage, Saint Paul gives his readers a glimpse into the universal bondage to sin in which we all participate as human beings. Sin entered the world through the free choice of one human being (Adam) because he chose to defy God's command to not eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. As a result of sin entering the world, death also entered. Saint Paul reminds us that we all have sinned, and are thus subject to death as well. Sin is a reality in our world and in our own lives; we often find ourselves succumbing to the temptations against which we constantly struggle and so choose to love other things more than God who created them. But because the Son of God came to earth, became a man like us, suffered, died, and rose from the dead, sin and death have been defeated! The grace given to us by Jesus Christ is infinitely more powerful than any sin, as Saint Paul reminds us when he says that "For if by the transgression of the one the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many." There is no sin that is so bad or evil that the Lord cannot forgive if we are truly sorry and try our best not to do it again. God's gift of grace can truly work in our lives to help us avoid sin; we must avail ourselves of this great gift of God's grace to avoid sin. Pray every day for God's grace to avoid those sins that we just can't seem to avoid, and work with that grace!

In the reading from the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus advises us to "be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna." What can destroy the soul and the body in Gehenna is sin, and sin's promoter, namely, the devil. This may seem rather scary, but the Lord is giving us advice for how to avoid sin and to stay faithful to our relationship with Him. We know that for those who have been redeemed by Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection, sin and the devil are nothing compared to the infinite love that God has for us. So, Jesus does not want us to "fear" sin and death in the sense of despair, or like a child would fear a monster under his or her bed. Instead, the Lord wants us to fear sin in the sense of treating it as something that should be avoided. We should fear sin, then, precisely because if we choose it over our Lord, we distance ourselves from Him and reject His love. So, Jesus wants us to fear sin because we should be afraid to refuse His infinite love that He has for us.

Interpreting the second reading and the gospel in this way can give us a way to interpret the first reading from the prophet Jeremiah. The prophet describes the plots of his enemies against him, but does not give in to despair. He knows that the Lord will deliver him and save him from the hands of his foes. We know as Christians that our number one enemy is sin and the devil, and so the thoughts and prayers of Jeremiah should be ours. While we have an enemy, we know that Lord delivers us and frees us by His love. And when He does deliver us from a certain temptation or when we triumph over a little sin that we cannot seem to be rid of, we should also give praise to the Lord just as Jeremiah did when the Lord delivered him from his enemies: "Sing to the LORD, praise the LORD, for he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!" Stay close to the Lord; choose Him and His love, and you will have nothing to fear! Please know that I am praying for all of you, and I ask you to please keep me in your prayers. Until next time, I remain,

Sincerely in Christ,

Seminarian Ryan

**Welcome, Artie Carew!!!**

Please join us in joyfully welcoming Mr. Artie Carew to our St. Mark's family! Artie will be working alongside Allan Fernald as Director of Music for our parish! His talents and experiences are sure to be a blessing to our sacred liturgies and beyond! Artie lives in Nashua with his wonderful wife, Meliza, and their newborn son, Zachary. Be sure to give them the big St. Mark's welcome that we extend to all new members of our growing community!

Artie will be leading our worship in song at the 5:00 PM Saturday, as well as the 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM Sunday Masses. Our beloved Adult Choir will remain the featured music at our 9:30 AM Sunday Mass.

We are so blessed to have such wonderful music ministry here at St. Mark's, and the Lord continues to enrich us with His grace as we grow together as a community of faith. Won't you be a part of it? Talk to either Allan or Artie and let them know that you're ready to lend your voice and praise to this wonderful ministry! We cant wait to hear you!!

**Thank You, Steve!!**

Our heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Steve Pratt for his beautiful ministry at our 11:00 AM Sunday masses these past few months. As most of you know, we had to add the 11 AM mass at Easter to accommodate for the amazing growth we have been experiencing. Steve generously donated his time and talent to lead the music ministry for this service, and we all agree that he has done an amazing job! You'll be missed, Steve - please come back and join us anytime! Thank you!!

**Women's Ministry End of the Year Social!**

It's the end of the school year and we know just how crazy it gets! Come de-stress and relax with us on **Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, from 7pm-9pm** in the lounge. Whether you have been unable to come to any of our events, or you have come to all of them; if you've just finished your first year of college, or your youngest grandchild has just graduated from college or you're somewhere in between, we want to get to know you or get to know you better! Bring a friend and a snack to share! We're looking forward to seeing you! Email Susanne at [Live4Him@myfairpoint.net](mailto:Live4Him@myfairpoint.net) if you have any questions. See you there!

**Religious Education News**

- \* Parents who were unable to attend the parent meeting on Wednesday, June 7, regarding the Summer Religious Education Program are asked to call Cathy Kinnon at 434-5711 and make arrangements to meet and pick up their child's religious education materials.
- \* Summer Religious Education registration forms are now overdue. Please call the Religious Education Office at 434-5711 if you would like to enroll.
- \* 9th and 10th grade Confirmation students are reminded that all requirements are now overdue.
- \* Summer Religious Education teachers are reminded of their teacher meeting on **Tuesday, June 27**, at 6:30 PM in the Parish Lounge.

**Coffee Break with Seminarian Ryan!**

Join us for fifteen minutes after daily Mass on Wednesday mornings for coffee and pastries with Ryan, our resident seminarian! We'll sit around and have a chat about the Scriptures, the Faith, and much more! What a great way to start the day! Come on down to the Parish Lounge right after 9 AM Mass and join us for faith and fellowship.

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

**Sunday, June 25:**

- 12:00 PM Baptisms (Church)
- 4:00 PM Knights of Columbus (Hall)
- 4:00 PM Middle School Night (Lounge)
- 6:00 PM High School Night (Lounge)

**Tuesday, June 27:**

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

**Wednesday, June 28:**

- 9:30 AM Coffee Break with Ryan (Hall)

**Thursday, June 29:**

- 7:00 PM Woman's Ministry (Lounge)

**Saturday, July 1:**

- 9:30 AM Al Anon (Room 209)

### **Adult Faith Formation!**

A very special 'thank you' to Monique Nemaszyk and Emma Neville for the beautiful guided Eucharistic Adoration last Monday night! What a blessing to spend some time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament as a community... why not stop by on Tuesday's in the Chapel when our Lord is exposed for worship all day! Such a great way to grow in our personal relationship with the Lord, and at the same time strengthen the prayer life of our entire community!

Our Adult Faith Formation sessions will resume on Monday, July 10, at 7:00 PM in the Parish Lounge. We have invited Seminarian Ryan to lead our discussion, and to share with us some of the spiritually enriching knowledge he has been receiving in priestly formation. You won't want to miss it! Stay tuned to the bulletin for more details.

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

We're going to see the NH Fisher Cats play the Portland Sea Dogs 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. Tickets are \$12 each and are almost gone, so see Brandon after mass, or call him at the office Monday through Thursday at 432-8711.

### **Smiles Wanted!**

Summer is here, and that means it's time for vacation! With so many of us getting away for a well-deserved getaway in these months, staffing for our various weekend ministries gets a bit light. Won't you lend us a hand, and more importantly, your smile? Many hands make light work, and goes a long way in filling in some of the vacation gaps! If you're interested in volunteering a few minutes before and after Mass, once or twice a month, stop by the Welcome Center and let us know! Or call Brandon at 432-8711. Thank you!

### **Youth Ministry!!**

Youth Night is tonight, Sunday, June 25!! It's been a few weeks, and we know everyone is itching to get back together and have some summer fun! Middle School Night starts at 4:00 and wraps up at 5:30. High Schoolers meet from 6:00 to 8:00. School's out - so if you'll be in Middle School or High School next fall, come on down! We always have a great crowd - and with no more homework for a couple months, there's no better time to come down and check it out if you haven't yet! Bring a friend! They don't have to belong to St. Mark's - they don't even have to be Catholic - all are welcome! Plenty of food and lots of fun, as always...we meet downstairs in the Parish Lounge. Can't wait to see you there!

### **Check Us Out!!**

Have you been to our Parish website? If not, you're missing out! There you'll find archived videos of Father Mike and Deacon Lee's homilies, Brandon's weekly Evangelist Messages, our Adult Faith Formation sessions, and more!! News on upcoming events, ministry schedules, and even see the weekly bulletin a few days before everyone else does! Stop by and check it out at [saintmarkevangelist.com!](http://saintmarkevangelist.com) There you can also find links to our Facebook and Twitter pages, where you can keep up on the latest happenings here in our St. Mark's community, and browse through pictures and videos of everything that's going on. It's a lot of fun and we'd love to have you join us!

### **Prayer Shawls...**

Do you know someone in need of a spiritual lift? Someone who could benefit from the power of prayer? Perhaps someone in the hospital, homebound, or going through difficult challenges? We at St. Mark's are blessed to have a wonderful group of women who knit Prayer Shawls to accompany others on their journeys through life. If you know someone who could benefit from this gift of love and prayer, stop by the Welcome Center and pick one up.

**Sacrificial Giving (June 17 - 18)**

**Operating Funds**

Offertory Envelopes (174)	\$ 5,503.00
Loose Cash	\$ 1,847.00
ParishPay - wkly avg - 75 donors	\$ 2,617.00
Electronic Giving (6)	\$ 605.00
Ascension	\$ 35.00
Youth	\$ 1,065.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,672.00</b>

**Designated Funds**

Capital Development	\$ 240.00
Diocesan Collection	\$ 25.00
Charitable	\$ 12.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 277.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$11,949.00</b>

**Parish Contact Information**

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Men of St Joseph	Bill Donroe (603) 432-6066
Prayer Line	(603) 429-1211
Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30- 11 AM
Birthright	(603) 434-3000
NH Catholic Charities, Windham	(603) 893-1971

**Mass Intentions for June 17 - June 25**

**6/24 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Russel Kelley by the Kelley family

**6/25 Sunday, 8 AM:**

People of the Parish

**6/25 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

Genevieve Williams by Allan & Terry Fernald

**6/25 Sunday, 11 AM:**

Joseph & Mary Boldeia by Sam & Mary Ann Boldeia

**6/26 Monday, 9 AM:**

Marilyn Norton by Judy Vining

**6/27 Tuesday, 9 AM:**

Gerald M. Gillespie by K of C Council 10488

**6/28 Wednesday, 9 AM:**

Reverend John Sledziona

**6/29 Thursday 9 AM:**

Robert C. Sargent by his son

**7/1 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Francis McInerney by his daughter Mary Christine

**7/2 Sunday, 8 AM:**

James Dromgoole by K of C Council 10488

**7/2 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

Jim Alexander by Sam & Mary Ann Boldeia

**7/2 Sunday, 11 AM:**

Eric Dunbar by Nouhad Soueidan

**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