

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

June 4, 2023

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Trinity Sunday, *First Sunday After Pentecost*
June 4 9:15am

For the soul of (†) Raymond Janelle
requested by his family

Wed. June 7 5:00 pm

for the souls of (†) George and R. Eleanor Nostrand
requested by Lew and Jeanne Brooks

Corpus Christi, *Second Sunday After Pentecost*
June 11 9:15am

For the soul (†) of Lawrence McNutt
requested by Shirley McNutt and John Hamel



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP
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May 30, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Our Church and, certainly with great enthusiasm, our parishes celebrated the great Feast of Pentecost. What a blessing to realize that while the Holy Temple in Jerusalem welcomed hundreds of thousands of pilgrims fifty days after Passover, as they offered thanks for the first harvest of spring, the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles and through them began the first harvest of believers!

What a sight it must have been! People from all over the Jewish world came to fulfill the Law of the Lord and offer thanks for the first fruits of the earth. The earth was alive again and producing its bounty in proof of God's blessing. From the farthest reaches they came and mingled with the locals. Together they celebrated the early spring harvest.

At the same time as all of this was happening, the little band of disciples was "sheltered in place," not in thanksgiving, but in fear and maybe some amount of grieving after Jesus' Ascension into Heaven. Feeling alone and frightened they didn't join in the festivities of their fellow Jews. They were doing exactly what the Lord had told them: "Remain in Jerusalem until the Advocate comes; the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name," but they couldn't possibly have imagined what this meant or the impact it would have on them and on the world!

The Divinely inspired Acts of the Apostles captures it magnificently. A city swarmed with people, but there is no mention of what a mess that must have been. Instead, the focus is on the disciples united with a voice of faith and love and hope for the world. And of the mobs of people reveling in the good fortune of the early spring harvest, there is a smaller mob focusing on what the disciples are saying. Miracle of miracles! In the midst of chaos and secularism, the Word of God is still able to be heard, understood and taken to heart with the result being a harvest of new souls and new workers for the kingdom! The seeds of faith and love and hope have sprouted the new and early growth that has spread throughout the world. Many saints have shared in the joy of such a harvest. Today, together, we are able to keep the Pentecost alive. Today, together, we are able to draw on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and the wisdom of so many authentic bearers of Sacred Tradition and the Doctrinal teachings of our Church united by this same Holy Spirit. As the Church is one, holy, catholic and apostolic we are all gathered into the storehouse of the Lord and at the same time are called to be the harvesters for the Kingdom of God.

Through this letter I direct that in all Church Bulletins and calendars of the Diocese of Manchester that the "Sundays of Ordinary Time" be written with the subtitles of the Sundays

After Pentecost.” Both designations to appear with Ordinary Time above and After Pentecost below. I wish us all to make this a year of remarkable harvesting of the Fruits of the Spirit for the refreshment of the Church and of the world.

SAMPLE TEMPLATE:

June 4

Trinity Sunday

First Sunday After Pentecost

June 11

Corpus Christi

Second Sunday After Pentecost

June 18

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 25

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

And so on through the year.

Weekdays need **not** be annotated with the “*time After Pentecost.*”

With grateful prayers and assured that all will take up this catechetical moment and device, I remain

Faithfully yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter A. Libasci".

Most Reverend Peter A. Libasci, D.D.
Bishop of Manchester

Today's Second Collection is for the Mission Appeal.

Offeritory May 28, 2023	
Offeritory	\$640.00
Fuel	\$421.00
Candles	\$39.00
TOTAL	\$1,100.00
Ongoing Collections	
Grand Annual Collection	\$5,690
NH Catholic Appeal	\$1,280.00
Upcoming Collections	
Fuel	June 11
Church Maintenance	June 28

Today's Mass Readings are found on page #572.

Prayer Cards are in each Missal for your convenience. Please do not remove them.

Confessions at St. Mary Church
 Fridays
 9:30 am

Saturdays
 3:00 - 3:45pm

CHANGES!

This our first bulletin to be printed by **John Patrick Publishing Co.** You will notice the larger size and added advertising.

The content of each week's bulletin is still being prepared by our Bulletin Committee, but printing will be done by JPPC and sent to us in time for Sunday's Mass.

Therefore we will have a **strict deadline of Tuesday afternoon** for notices to be included in the next weekend's bulletin.

JPPC will also be creating and hosting a website for St Joseph Church! It will include a link for online giving and a link to read each week's bulletin online. Many parishioners have been asking for these options.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE ADVERTISERS who are supporting our church! If you or any business owner you know would like to advertise in our bulletin and website, please contact Dan Linnell, (1-609-883-2700 x197) Follow JPPC on Linked In and Facebook. See local businesses on :FindingFaber.com and www.jppcadvertising.com

This is Mission Appeal weekend.
 Rev. Giltus Mathias, C.P. from the Passionists Mission is with us today.
Welcome Father Giltus!

The Passionists Mission serves in Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and Vietnam. Founded in 2005, the Mission in Vietnam has been blessed with local vocations to religious life and priesthood, with 13 newly ordained priests, 11 professed and 40 young men in formation to priesthood in Vietnam and beyond. The fund will be used mostly for formation of seminarians, building accommodations for seminarians, establishing new ministries in remote areas of Vietnam, and for charity.



Join Us at our next **Coffee Hour** after Mass on **Sunday June 11**
 All are welcome!

Choir Rehearsal
Wed. June 7 at 6:30 pm
 New members always welcome!

K of C 4th Degree Business Meeting
 Monday, June 5, 7pm
 St Joseph Church Hall



K of C 3rd Degree
 Monday, June 12th, 7 pm
 Council Chambers
 St. Mary's Gym.

THANK YOU for your generosity to our Church and our Diocese.

Please remember St Joseph Church in your will.

WHEN WRITING CHECKS to St Joseph Church, please mark the name of the collection on the memo line (Offeritory or Specific Collection) to be sure it is put in the right place.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns 24/7 near the tabernacle in all Catholic Churches in honor of the True Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

It burns this week in memory of Stuart Stone requested by his wife Mary and their children.



To schedule an intention for the Sanctuary Lamp, ask Sharon Wood if the date is available. (603-542-6454) or stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

After you have confirmed the date, a donation of \$10 may be placed in an envelope marked Sanctuary Candle and the intention, the confirmed date, your name and contact information, and put into the collection basket.

The Sacred Heart Candelabrum is lit this Sunday in memory of Ernest & Bernadette Simoneau requested by Larry and Jean Duval.



Prayer List

Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert
Fr. John Loughnane
Chris Currier
Isabella Gowell
Deborah Hemingway
Lorraine Merchant
Roger Sheehan
Barbara Trask
Chee Chee Tyrrell

Feast Days and Memorials

June 5: Memorial of St Boniface Bishop & Martyr, 675-754

St. Boniface was an English Benedictine monk who devoted his life to the conversion of the Germanic tribes. He was a significant figure in the foundations of the Catholic Church in Germany and is known as "apostle of the Germans." He is celebrated as a missionary, a unifier of Europe, and as a national figure to German Catholics.

June 6: St. Norbert, Bishop, 1075-1134

Patron of English writers and historians

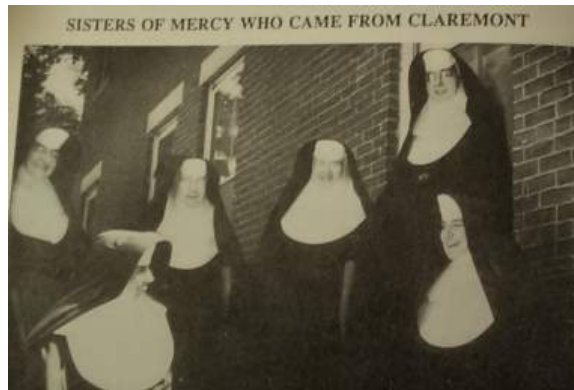
Raised and educated in a monastery from the age of three, Bede became a monk and devoted his life to studying Scripture, teaching, and writing. He is said to have been one of the first to date events as *anno domini* (A.D.), has been called the "father of English history" and was the only Englishman to be named a Doctor of the Church. (673-735)

June 9: St Ephrem, Deacon, Doctor of the Church, d. 373

"Let books be your dining table, and you shall be full of delights.
Let them be your mattress, and you shall sleep restful nights."

Ephrem was a Syrian theologian and poet who wrote hundreds of hymns and poems on faith, commentaries on the Bible, and homilies. He recognized the power of music and poetry to spread and fortify the faith. He was known as the "harp of the Spirit."

Please pray for the soul of **Sister Denise Therriault**, 89, of Windham, a Sister of Mercy for 71 years, who died May 19, 2023. Born in Claremont, she taught at several elementary schools in New Hampshire, including St. Mary School, where she also served as principal. A full obituary was printed in the Eagle Times and Union Leader last week and can be found online.



St Mary School's 100th Anniversary Book

L to R: Sr. Ambrose Donovan, Sr. Marietta Laporte, Sr. Priscilla Girard, Sr. Bertrand Emond, Sr. Denise Therriault, Sr. Monique Therriault. Missing from the picture: Sr. Louise Foisly, Sr. Cecilia Ferland, and Sr. Gloria Morin.

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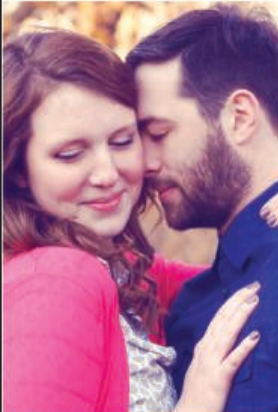
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