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17th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." - Lk 11:9



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JULY 27 2025

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Weekdays –St. André Bessette Parish at
Sacred Heart Church, 291 Union Ave, Laconia.

- ♦ **Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. or by appointment.
- ♦ **Baptisms:** Contact the Parish Office for details regarding preparation that is required prior to the baptism.
- ♦ **Marriages:** Please call the Parish Office for a first meeting at least six months prior to the desired wedding date.
- ♦ **Anointing of the Sick:** Arrangements can be made to celebrate this Sacrament at any time by calling the Parish Office.
- ♦ **Homebound and Hospital Ministry:** Kindly call the Parish Office if you are homebound so we may bring Holy Eucharist. If you are entering the hospital, inform the staff you are Catholic so you may receive Holy Eucharist during your stay.
- ♦ **New parishioners:** Please call the office to register.

Mission Statement - Ours is a faith community which is welcoming, family oriented, and spiritually vital. We seek to provide each person with the opportunity to experience spiritual growth by developing a deeply personal relationship with Jesus Christ and to serve the community by making present the person of Jesus and his Gospel message. We seek to attract others to enter into our parish family by rejoicing in the resurrection and living what we profess to believe.

Answering Our Call To Discipleship

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 26

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Mt 13:24-30

4:30 pm Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish

Sunday, July 27- 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

9:30 am: Edwin Blow by his wife, JoAnn

Monday, July 28

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35

8:00 am Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Laconia

Tuesday, July 29

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

5:00 pm Mass - Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday, July 30

Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

8:00 am Mass at Sacred Heart Church

Adoration, Sacred Heart Laconia until 11 pm

Thursday, July 31

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

8:00 am Mass - Sacred Heart Church, Laconia

Friday, August 1

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

No Mass

Saturday, August 2

Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

4:30 pm Sue Sargent by her Lacroix Cousins

Sunday, August 3- 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecc 1:2, 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

9:30 am: Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish



**GLUTEN INTOLERANT?
PLEASE GO TO A PRIEST
FOR COMMUNION**

"COME SIT WITH ME"

St. Joseph Parish Church is open daily for private prayer
from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

Enter by the Front Entrance

Prayer for Vocations

Thank you to the following parishioners
who will be praying for vocations:

**July 28 - August 3 - Robert Chapman,
and Ron & Cheryl Hrasna**
**August 4 - August 10 - Yolande Weston,
and Jaclyn & Aaron Clark**

Let us pray for a deeper faith, hope, and love among all,
especially those He is calling to serve as a priest or religious
sister. Contact Aaron Clark if you would like to pray for a week
603-728-5136.



OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY FOR JULY 20, 2025

Offertory	\$	2,641.00
Vanco	\$	701.63
Total	\$	3,342.63
Building Fund	\$	368.00

FISCAL YEAR TOTALS - WEEK #3

Budget Amount	July 1 -July 20	\$	15,300.00
Actual Amount	July 1 --July 20	\$	36,904.59
Surplus Amount	July 1 --July 20	\$	21,604.59

**OUR WEEKLY BUDGET IS \$5,100.00.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.**

NH Catholic Appeal

We are grateful to all our parishioners who
have made a gift to the New Hampshire
Catholic Appeal. **WE DID IT!!!**

**As of today, we have raised \$35,438.00
towards our parish goal of \$31,363.00.**

90% of the funds raised above this Appeal
goal are returned to our parish this year. If you have not made
your gift yet, please bring your gift envelope which includes
your donor ID and parish ID to Mass next weekend or you can
make your gift online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca.

*We thank you on behalf of all who will come to know the loving
hand of Christ and our Church through your generosity.*



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Welcome to our Parish!



**THE KNIGHTS
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Guaranteed Winner

While the Knights can't guarantee that someone from Belmont will win one of the 8 prizes in their charity raffle, we can guarantee that St. Joseph's Food Pantry will come out ahead for every ticket sold by our Council. Half the funds we collect will come back to our Food Pantry. The rest goes to the winners (a total of \$5,000) and to charities that our State Council supports. Tickets are \$1, or 6 for \$5. Top prize is \$3,000, then \$1,000, \$500, and five \$100 prizes. Drawings will be Oct. 4. Ask any Knight about buying raffle tickets after Mass.



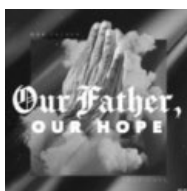
GOSPEL MEDITATION - Luke 10: 38-42

Once I went to a hospice facility to celebrate Last Rites for an elderly dying man. His family had told me that he had been uncommunicative for days. At the conclusion of the ritual, we began to recite the Our Father prayer. To everyone's surprise, his lips moved, clearly mouthing the words to the Lord's prayer. Stripped of most of his faculties, the man could still pray those precious God-given petitions. A lifetime of prayer had planted the words even deeper than his failing consciousness.

Do we want the Lord's prayer to be as deeply embedded in us? If we want to be people of hope, we should. Recall that our Lord immediately follows the prayer by saying: **"Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you"** (Luke 11:9). We only ask, search and knock because we hope that the request is not in vain. Everything we could possibly hope for is contained in the prayer. Praying the Our Father deepens our hope.

We should consciously pour all our hopes into the Lord's prayer; we should allow it to be an expression of hope, not simply rote words. Then, over time, it builds up our hope in God. It sinks deep into our souls and bodies. How blessed we are when these words of hope are on our lips, even when everything else seems to fail.

Father John Muir ©LPi



LET'S BUILD A CULTURE OF LIFE



LIFE WASN'T GOING WELL FOR DAVE

– The relationships with his wife and children were rocky, he lashed out at those closest to him, and he drank too much. He felt a deep sense of loss and a grief that would not go away.

He knew something was wrong with his life but did not know where to start to change it.

A friend knew that Dave was involved in two abortions before he married. Dave admitted that the abortions bothered him but did not see how those could be connected to his problems. Dave signed up for a **Project Joseph Retreat** weekend. Since 2014 this program has helped men see the damage done by abortion. Loss, grief and guilt are at the core of every story regardless of how the man was involved.

Project Joseph creates a space to explore issues like damaged fatherhood and marriage relationships. It allows men to honestly look at their role in that tragic event, whether active or passive, and how it relates to their current struggles in life. The path to healing involves reconnecting in love with one's aborted child. A man will carry the burden of this loss forever if the relationship is not repaired. In a place of emotional and spiritual safety they can grieve that loss, making room in their father's heart for the reconciliation, healing and peace of the Lord.

And it is not just the father of the child who needs healing. The college roommate who drives the friend to the abortion facility, the brother who loans money to a sibling to have the procedure, or the man who encourages and affirms a friend's decision to abort – all are deeply wounded by their intimate connection to that child's death.

Dave found healing after the retreat. He stopped drinking, began to have a deeper love and appreciation for his wife and to value his living children. He now serves on the Project Joseph team to help other men affected by abortion. (Source: Pregnancy Help News)

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION –

Next Saturday, **August 2**, is the First Saturday of the month. Our Lady came to Fatima, Portugal, in 1917 to give us a message through three shepherd children. One key aspect is her request for the Five First Saturdays of reparation to her Immaculate Heart. This is an individual devotion which you can begin any month. **Guidelines and prayer cards are in the acrylic pamphlet holder on the table in the back of the church.**



One devotion requirement is to receive Holy Communion. We can receive the Eucharist at our Saturday Vigil Mass as long as we attend a second Mass that weekend to meet our Sunday obligation. However, two area churches do have a Saturday morning Mass.

8:00 A.M. at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Franklin
8:30 A.M. at St. Charles Borromeo, Meredith



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JULY 27, 2025

Saturday, July 26

3:30 pm Confessions

4:30 pm Mass - St. Joseph Church

Sunday July 27

9:30 am Mass - St. Joseph Church

3:00 pm Got Lunch Program - Chapel Rm.

Monday, July 28

8:00 am Got Lunch Program - Chapel Rm.

3:00 pm Food Pantry

Tuesday, July 29

5:00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday, July 30

8:00 am Mass, Sacred Heart Church, Laconia

8:45 am - 11:00 pm - Adoration Sacred Heart Church, Laconia

4:30 pm HATT - SAB Laconia Parish Gym

6:00 pm Youth Group, SAB Laconia

Thursday, July 31

8:00 am Mass, Sacred Heart Church, Laconia

7:00 pm Bible Study - Parish Hall

Friday, August 1

8:30 am Food Pantry

Saturday, August 2

3:30 pm Confessions

4:30 pm Mass - St. Joseph Church

Sunday August 3

9:30 am Mass - St. Joseph Church

3:00 pm Got Lunch Program - Chapel Rm.

Abba House of Mercy at St. André Bessette Parish



Unity in the Spirit Prayer Community-August 6.

resumes our monthly praise and fellowship time at 7:00 p.m. Last spring we began meeting in St. Joseph's Chapel where Jesus is exposed in the Blessed Sacrament and we can sing and worship in His Real Presence.

I AM WHO YOU SAY I AM - August 12, 7:00 p.m.

Have you noticed that identity theft is on the rise? Individuals don't know who they are nor WHOSE they are. Even if you think you know, it's always uplifting to get that hug from heaven. During this presentation we will delve into our identity in Christ and how we can walk as God's beloved children.

COME ALIVE FOR HIS GLORY HEALING SERVICE

- **August 20, 6:30 p.m.** Backs have been healed, sinuses cleared up, and even a report of long-covid being healed. Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever! Come walk with Him and touch the hem of His garment! This healing service is open to all. Jesus healed all who came to Him. *Matthew 15:29-31*

Tabernacle Flowers



If you wish to have flowers placed before the tabernacle in honor of a loved one for a donation of \$50, please call the office at 603-267-8174.

JULY 27, 2025

Save the Date - Movie Night!



Hello, Everyone!

We thought it might be fun to show a classic movie from the early '70s -- **GODSPELL** -- a movie based on the Gospel according to Matthew. You may remember some of the songs featured in the film — Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord, All Good Gifts, Day by Day, and many others. Should be a toe-tapping and sing along good time!

Invite your family and friends to this FREE presentation on **THURSDAY, JULY 31 at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Joseph Church, Belmont. Refreshments will be available.

Hope to see you there!

Lionel and Annette 603-387-2946 (A) 603-387-9865 (L)
P.S. Brightly colored tie-dyed clothing, bellbottoms, and flowers in your hair completely optional!

What excuse did Adam give his children about why he no longer lived in Eden?

YOUR MOTHER ATE US OUT OF HOUSE AND HOME!

Special Collection August 2-3



I am Sr. Magdalena Chubwa, I was born and raised in the Kigoma region in western Tanzania. At 14 years, I was accepted into the religious community of the Daughters of Mary located in Tabora – Tanzania, of which I am a member

today. I eagerly anticipated acquiring formal education, a rare thing, especially for most girl-children from my remote village. My Congregation sent me to the U.S. in 2008, to study a course in Biology and where I earned my MS in Health Care Management and Administration from Saint Elizabeth University in NJ. In 2024, I was awarded my Ph.D. in Health Sciences at Seton Hall University in NJ. I am currently performing my practicum in a healthcare setting.

As a Catholic nun, I wish to see my Community grow, advance, and achieve its goals within the two pillars of Love and Service. I envision, through my religious life, to strive to serve the disadvantaged segment of the community through the application and deliverance of life-changing approaches by providing quality healthcare, Catholic education, social-related works, and children and women development.

Thank you for the opportunity to share with you about the Daughters of Mary and our needs in Tanzania. For more information about the Daughters of Mary, please go to www.daughtersofmary-tabora.org

Identity Theft

I AM

CHOSEN

NOT FORSAKEN

I AM WHO

YOU

SAY I AM

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been stolen?

Are you an unsuspecting
victim?

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your true identity
and citizenship.

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