



*“A gateway to lead people closer to Christ and His Church through faith, service and compassion”*



# ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST PARISH

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**Address:** 1 South Road, Londonderry NH  
**Phone:** 603-432-8711

**Daily Mass:** Monday - Thursday @ 9:00 AM

**Saturday:** 5:00 PM

**Sunday:** 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

**Confession:** Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appt.

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*From Our Youth Ministers,*

The sound of the elevator BING jostles you from your yet to be caffeinated daze. The door slowly opens and you mindlessly enter the elevator with your untouched coffee in one hand and your cellphone in the other. You ask one of the other people already situated in the elevator to push the button for floor 12. The elevator proceeds upward almost at the same speed as your seemingly endless scrolling. Right at this moment you feel it. That unmistakable feeling that someone is watching you. You turn and notice that one of the few people in the elevator with you is indeed staring at you. You begin to take a quick self-assessment. Is my hair a mess? Did I spill on myself? Did I forget to put on pants? All seems to be in order. Another quick glance verifies that their stare has yet to stray. Why is this person staring? Are they judging you? Nothing more than their stare and your own cavalcade of intrusive thoughts has left you feeling vulnerable and guilty, but of what?

You turn one last time and as you do the person speaks, “What is the reason for the hope that you have?” Taken back you say, “Excuse me?” He replies “I saw your chain, a cross. I do not believe in that stuff So, what is the reason for the hope that you have?” All eyes in the elevator are on you awaiting your response! You look at the floor selection buttons on the elevator and realize you have 7 floors left...

Today’s readings remind us that God’s love is active and present in our lives. God remains close to his people. Even when we may feel cornered and vulnerable he is present. As we read in John 14, God will not leave us orphans. In Acts 8, we hear that our faith spreads and provides great joy. The holy spirit guides and strengthens us and is with us when we need that strength and courage. We are reassured that God is with us always.

How will you respond when you are presented with the opportunity to proclaim your faith? Will your response be gentle and respectful? Will you have the courage needed to profess your love of Jesus in a manner that not only garners respect but also enlightens others? You can trust that you are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with you. The Holy Spirit is represented in the Bible several different ways. Which image of the Holy Spirit will speak to you and advocate you in this moment? Maybe it will be the wind that moves you and propels you forward in your faith life. Perhaps it is the descending dove that brings peace to your heart. Will the tongues of fire that burn within you fuel your passion?

We can all practice our elevator speeches and “Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks us for a reason for our hope.” 1 Peter 3: 16

In Faith and Fellowship  
Tom and Heather Lindner

**Happy Mother's Day!**

Flowers will be available after all Masses. Proceeds will support Birthright of Southern NH. This organization provides care, pro-life, non-judgmental support to girls and women who are distressed by an unplanned pregnancy for over 30 years. All Birthright services are free, confidential and available to any woman. Thank you for your support!



**Save the Date - June 6**

***NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!!***

This event is being lead by our very own Knight of Columbus #10488 who has partnered with Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP). We will work as a team building bed frames for kids who not not have beds of their own. All materials will be delivered on site. We will cut, sand, drill, assemble, stain! The Knights are seeking volunteers to help out with this amazing opportunity.



***Signup today!!***

**New Hampshire Catholic Appeal**

We are grateful to all our parishioners who have made a gift to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, we have raised **\$10,281.99** towards our parish goal of **\$72,883.00**. 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 that includes your donor ID an parish ID to Mass next weekend or you can make your gift online at [www.catholinh.org/nhca](http://www.catholinh.org/nhca). Extra gift envelopes are available in the pews. We need the support of all our parish families to reach our parish goal and every gif matters, no matter the size of the gift. To donate, visit [www.catholicnh.org/nhca](http://www.catholicnh.org/nhca). ***Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.***

**Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive**

The annual Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll drive will be held **Friday, May 8th from 5PM - 8PM and Saturday, May 9th from 8AM - 4PM**. Volunteers are needed All proceeds will benefit Londonderry Anyone else who wishes to volunteer can call or text Nick at 603-490-0401. All shifts except 3 are of 2 hour duration. Please be kind when you see a volunteer and take a Tootsie Roll or two to share with someone you love.

**May 17th - Join us for Rosary Making!**

**Following the 9:30 Mass**, join us in the Parish Hall for Rosary Making! This activity is free of charge and open to all of our Faith Formation families - we just ask that you RSVP so we can pre-prepare the appropriate amount of supplies, all are welcome! :)



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

**Sunday, May 10:**

*~ Happy Mother's Day ~*

**Tuesday, May 12:**

9:30 AM - 3:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday, May 14:**

9:00 AM Mass - Ascension of the Lord  
7:00 PM Mass - Ascension of the Lord  
7:00 PM Life Everlasting Gathering  
7:30 PM K of C Officers Meeting

**Friday, May 15:**

6:30 PM Scouts Pack 605

**Saturday, May 16:**

7:00 AM Men of St. Joseph  
9:30 AM Al Anon  
9:30 AM Women of St. Ignatius



**Blood Drive**  
**St. Mark the Evangelist**

Church Hall  
 1 South Road  
 Londonderry, NH 03053

**Saturday, May 30, 2026**  
**9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Sponsored by St. Mark Knights of Columbus Council #10488.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: STMARKLONDONDERRY to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.  
 If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation.  
 Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Scan to be directed to RapidPass®



**Get summer ready! Come to give blood May 18-31 for an exclusive Red Cross beach towel, ltd. qty!**



Scan to schedule an appointment.

**Give Blood.**

1-800-RED CROSS | [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) | Download the Blood Donor App

**Sacrificial Giving**

**Week of 4/29/2026 - 5/5/2026**

Regular Offertory:	\$ 6,330.00
WeShare:	\$ 8,652.64
Special Gift:	<u>\$29,820.56</u>
Total:	\$44,803.20

*(Parish Budget: \$12,000 per week)*

**Parish Contact Information**

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Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30 - 11 AM
K of C #10488	Nick Maffattone (603) 490-0401
Birthright	(603) 434-3000
Pennacook Pregnancy Center	(603) 206-5306
NH Catholic Charities, Nashua	(603) 889-9431

**Mass Intentions for May 9 - May 17, 2026**

**5/9 Saturday, 5PM**

Intentions of Married Couples & Families  
by Roger & Paula Hubert

**5/10 Sunday, 8AM**

Muriel Humora by Bernice Granese  
Bertha Webster by the McIntire family

**5/10 Sunday, 9:30AM**

Luigi & Maria Violanti by the Violanti family  
Connie Zeiller by her daughter Jane Leonard

**5/10 Sunday, 11AM**

Jane Carbonneau by Chris & Eileen Beliveau

**5/11 Monday, 9AM:**

Souls in Purgatory by the Rahilly family

**5/12 Tuesday, 9AM:**

Mary Vuolo by Jackie Valentovic

**5/13 Wednesday, 9AM:**

Ralph Ketchum by Tom & Rebecca Howard

**5/14 Thursday, 9AM:**

Augustine Patenaude by John & Suzanne Patenaude

**5/14 Thursday, 7 PM:**

Ron Bechard by the Savina family

Matthew Donovan by his father

**5/16 Saturday, 5PM**

Mary Ann Boldeia by Kelly Giguere & daughters

**5/17 Sunday, 8AM**

Paul & Carole Doyon by their children

**5/17 Sunday, 9:30AM**

People of the Parish

**5/17 Sunday, 11AM**

Lorraine & Don Connolly by Mary Y. Lynch

Clifford & Shirley Jaros by a friend

**Sacrament of Baptism**

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM 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, 9:30 AM-3:30 PM