



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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Permanent Deacon
Director of Evangelization
Youth Minister (Middle/High School)
PreK-5 Coordinator/Adult Choir Director
Business Manager / Notary
Music Director

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday @ 5:00 PM

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

Monday through Thursday @ 9:00 AM

***All Masses can be seen on our livestream at
stmarksnh.org***

As sharers of the one baptism & the one Spirit of the Risen Christ, we 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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Facebook: [stmarkslondonderry](https://www.facebook.com/stmarkslondonderry)
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From Our Parish Evangelist...

I'm writing this letter with the hope that the dog days of summer are behind us. Even with such modern miracles as backyard swimming pools and central air conditioning, the oppressive heat of a few weeks ago can still be difficult to escape. Perhaps you may have noticed that the heat has been turned up in the Sunday Gospels recently, as well... what a coincidence! A few weeks ago we had servants being beaten (both severely and lightly); last Sunday we had the world on fire and households divided; and this week we hear of the narrow gate and the locked door - with those left outside wailing and grinding their teeth. Hot fun in the Summertime!

These passages tend to make us feel uncomfortable. We'd rather be back in the air conditioning - where Jesus paid the price for all of our sins. The comfortable assurance that we are all redeemed, forgiven, and sanctified through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Yet the sultry, oppressive heat is still there, isn't it? Temptation, disordered desires, selfishness, pride. And no matter how insulated we are, it always seems to find its way in - or more often, we eventually have to go out and deal with it face-to-face.

Jesus loves me and He saved me. He continues to intercede for me at the right hand of God the Father. He gives me the Holy Spirit to strengthen me and make me holy. So what gives with all the doom and gloom talk in these Gospels? It's simple - He knows I can mess it all up. He knows I have a bad habit of putting myself before Him and before my neighbors. He knows that to follow Him isn't easy - that's why He gave us His Grace in Word and Sacrament. That's why He gave us the Holy Spirit. That's why He gave us the Church. But even with all that help - I still mess it up. I still choose myself over Him. I know Him, but I don't accept Him - I don't love Him the way He loves me.

And when that fateful day comes, when my soul and my body part ways, I will come to the door: 'Lord - it's me... it's Brandon! Open up!'

Will He know me? Sure He will. He made me. Will He deny me? I sure hope not. But then again, how many times have I denied Him? How many times is too many?

That's a trick question - the love and mercy of God is beyond all limits or measure. The real question is, will I accept it? I accept it through repentance and charity. I accept it by taking up my cross and walking with Him. I accept it by forgiving others as I have been forgiven. I accept it by loving as He loves.

It's important to remember something when we encounter these heavy-handed Scripture passages: God doesn't kick us out of the air conditioning. We do that. We make the decisions that bring the intolerable heat - not Him. So while Summer is still here, let's strive to enter the narrow gate together. Let's love recklessly and forgive unconditionally. Let's beat the heat and stay cool.

Peace Be With You.

Brandon

Faith Formation - BEGINS in 3 weeks!!!

Our staff and their teams are preparing classrooms and materials as we look forward to growing in faith TOGETHER!! There is only 3 weeks left! Are you registered? Do you have any questions? Would you like to volunteer?

Questions (PreK - Grade 5): Contact Amanda at amanda@stmarksnh.org or the Parish Office at 603-432-8711.

Questions (Grade 6 - Grade 12): Contact Mickayla at mickayla@stmarksnh.org or the Parish Office at 603-432-8711.

If your child is in a Sacramental year (Grade 2 - Reconciliation or Grade 3 - Confirmation & First Eucharist), they are required to participate to receive their Sacraments.

Grief Share Ministry - Did you know?

The journey of the loss of a spouse is a painful process and you do not need to walk it alone. St. Mark's has a Grief Share Ministry who meets the **1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6PM** in the Parish Hall. This is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. GriefShare is designed to help churches continue ministry in the long months after the funeral applying biblical principles to the healing process through videos and a workbook. This is an ongoing ministry and can be attended at any time.

Adult Choir - First Rehearsal is Sept 13!

We are so excited to announce that our Adult Choir is back! We will rehearse every Tuesday evening from 6:30PM - 8:00PM upstairs in the music room beginning September 13. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda. All are welcome!

Catechist Meet & Greet - August 21

We will have a casual meet & greet for all preK - Grade 5 volunteers who will be assisting us with Faith Formation 2022-2023! **Join us in the Parish Hall on August 21 after the 9:30AM Mass** to give program information and give insight on what the new year will look like and answer any questions.

Parent Orientation - Grades 2 - 5

Join us in the Parish Hall on **August 28 after the 9:30AM Mass** for an informational meeting. We encourage and welcome all parents to see what we have in store for the upcoming year! Activities will be provided for children while the meeting is in progress. If you have questions? Contact Amanda.

Mission Trip to Dominican Republic!!

Informational Meeting



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION TRIP
Informational Meeting

Who: High School students & parents

Meeting Date: Sunday, September 11th (St. Mark's)

Time: 12:30 - 1:30 PM

Description: Come join us for a non-commitment informational meeting about a high school mission trip to the Dominican Republic!!

Homeschool Annual Fall Mass - Sept 15

Homeschool families are invited to St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester on **Thursday, September 15 at 10AM**.

Diocesan Eucharistic Revival - September 24

The National Eucharistic Revival was created by the Bishops of the United States. It is to rediscover the source and summit of our faith through a deep commitment of prayer, pilgrimage and worship. This Diocesan wide *free* event is **Saturday, September 24, 2022 from 8 AM - 2:30 PM** at Bank of New Hampshire Pavilion. Visit www.EucharisticRevivalNH.org for information or tickets.

This Week @ St. Mark's!!

Sunday, August 21:

10:15 AM Adult/Teen CORE Orientation
10:15 AM Catechist Meet & Greet

Tuesday, August 23:

9:30 - 3:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, August 25:

9:30 AM Weekday Witness

Saturday, August 27:

9:30 AM Al Anon



SAINT MARK'S
KIDS

All New Faith Formation For Grades 2-5!

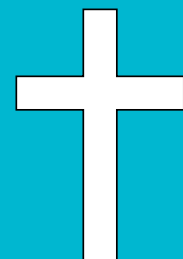
CREATION STATION

FAITH FUNDAMENTALS

GAMES!

SAINT OF THE DAY

Station-Based Interactive Growing in Faith!



What

Kids rotate between four, 20 minute stations to learn about their Faith in a variety of ways!!

When

Sundays after the 9:30 Mass! We'll finish by 12PM

Why

Our Faith grows as we grow, there is always more to learn!

Questions?

Pre-K - First Grade - Contact Amanda
2nd Grade - 5th Grade - Contact Amanda
6th Grade - 12th Grade - Contact Mickayla

Registration NOW OPEN!
stmarksnh.org

Sacrificial Giving
Week of 8/10/2021 - 8/16/2022

Regular Offertory:	\$ 4,950.00
WeShare:	\$ 4,538.95
Improvement:	\$ 255.00
Assumption:	\$ <u>302.00</u>
Total:	\$ 10,045.95

(Parish Budget: \$10,000 per week)

Mass Intentions for August 20 - Aug 28, 2022

8/20 Saturday, 5 PM:

James & Zora Strauss by the family

8/21 Sunday, 8 AM:

Mary & Bill Lombard by the family

8/21 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Allan & Evelyn Young by Roger & Paula Hubert

8/21 Sunday, 11 AM:

Vernon Ouellette by Andrea Ouellette

8/22 Monday, 9 AM:

Robert Sargent

8/23 Tuesday, 9 AM:

Louise DesLauriers by the family

8/24 Wednesday, 9 AM:

Chuck Breard by Joanne Breard

8/25 Thursday, 9 AM:

Daniel & Ruth Emerson
by Dan & Anne Emerson

8/27 Saturday, 5 PM:

Dorothy Maxwell by her family

8/28 Sunday, 8 AM:

Patricia Hildreth by the Kelley family

8/28 Sunday, 9:30 AM:

Matthew Pedley by K of C 10488

8/28 Sunday, 11 AM:

Peter & Florence Lynch by Mary Y. Lynch

Parish Contact Information

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Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30 - 11 AM
Birthright	(603) 434-3000
NH Catholic Charities, Nashua	(603) 889-9431

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 / First Fridays 8 - 9 PM