



*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/Faith Formation Leader*  
*Business Manager / Notary*  
*Music Director*  
*Adult Choir 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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*From the Desk of Deacon Tom*

Happy Advent 2020! Wait – that’s how I started my last Bulletin column in 2020. It’s been almost a year since I’ve gotten to write anything. It may not be Advent yet, but sadly for me, Fall began this week...which just means Summer is over and Winter is coming. I bet for many of you, Fall is your favorite season, but mine is Summer, so I try to hold on to it as long as I can. I’m hoping this year might be different for me since I’ve invested in some new power equipment for my yard that will help with the “benefits” of fall (leaves) and winter (snow).

So “investment” is my key word this weekend. I’ve got a heavy investment into my Parish commitments this weekend. This Bulletin column. I’m preaching at all the masses (you’ve been warned). And I get to make two new Catholics this weekend (with God’s help of course) by baptizing two infants.

Our second reading this weekend comes from the Letter of James and it’s quite a downer. Your wealth has rotted away. Your clothes are moth-eaten. Your gold and silver have corroded. A bit of a fire and brimstone speech from James about focusing on investments that are fleeting. None of these are bad, but if we don’t also invest in our spiritual life, it’s all for nothing. Eternity is a really, really long time. Longer than we get on this earth. However, the great thing about investing in our salvation, unlike our 401(k), is that the outcome of the investment isn’t predicated on starting early. That’s not to mean we get to wait until the last minute either, because that’s pretty risky. But if you start your 401(k) late, you’ve got to catch up on deposits to have something worthwhile when the need arises. Our spiritual life investment can be small and incremental. It just needs attention. Ignoring it for too long can make the recovery path even more challenging. If you are reading this, you are already doing something about your spiritual investment – not that my words are life changing - just that you’ve grabbed a bulletin and decided to look at it. Probably during my homily.

There is a lot going on in the Parish now that we’ve rebooted. There’s bacon on Sunday (YAY!). But there is also a lot more to be done and many ways to plug in, even if it’s a minimal investment. Find a way that works for you to get active in something within the parish, no matter how small. That investment will help not only the life of the parish continue to thrive, but your spiritual journey as well.

Deacon Tom

**Celebrate Priesthood Sunday!**

Today is Priesthood Sunday!! Let's continue praying for our priests, praising God for their courage and their generosity. Let us show Fr. Mike our encouragement and gratitude in thoughts and deeds. God Bless our priests!

**St. Mark's Reboot 2.0 - Get Involved!!!!**

We are excited to get back to normal! To do this, we need YOU! We are looking for more volunteers in the following areas:

**Altar Servers** - We invite any student between Grade 3 through Grade 12 for this ministry. This is based on your availability. Training provided.

**Lectors** - This ministry reads at the weekend liturgies and is based on your availability. Spiritual Preparation needed.

**St. Mark's Cafe** - We have a few people to 'lead' this ministry, but looking for a few more 'helpers'. Training provided.

**A NEW Adult Choir is forming!** We are SO excited to announce that there will be an Adult Choir!! Our first rehearsal will be **Tuesday, September 28 from 6:30 - 8:00 PM** in Room 202. If you have any questions or interested to be apart of this group, please contact Amanda at amanda@stmarksnh.org.

**The 9:30AM Worship Team** Do you enjoy singing or playing an instrument? This contemporary group will practice after the 9:30 Mass in Room 202. The first rehearsal will be **Sunday, October 3**. If you have any questions, please contact Artie at artie@stmarksnh.org. If you love music, we would love to have you!

**Welcome Team** - This ministry welcomes parishioners, and assists in any way. This includes Mass cards, ministry information and much more. Training provided.

Please call the Parish Office at 432-8711 for more information or to sign up.

**Faith Formation 2021-2022**

We are off to a great start!! It's SO great seeing the packed halls of smiling children, parents and our amazing catechists!

Our goal is to have EVERY child enrolled in a Faith Formation Program. We have programs for PreK - 12th grade!

If your child is in a Sacramental year

Grade 2 - Reconciliation

Grade 3 - Confirmation & First Eucharist

they are required to participate to receive their Sacraments.

Registration is still OPEN! We are still looking for Catechists or Catechist Assistants. We are blessed with an abundance of children of all ages and could use some 'extra' hands everywhere! Please consider lending a hand. Training provided.

**Class Dates for October: 3, 17 & 24**

**Weekly Wednesday Witness**

Join us in the Parish Hall following the 9AM Daily Mass for Wednesday Witness! Come have a cup of coffee and join in conversation with our parish evangelist, Brandon Sargent! All are welcome!

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

**Sunday, September 26:**

7:00 PM Pack 605 Committee Meeting

**Tuesday, September 28:**

9:30 - 3:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration

6:30 - 8:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Wednesday, September 29:**

9:30 AM Wednesday Witness (Parish Hall)

**Friday, October 1:**

6:00 PM Pack 605 Den Meeting (Parish Center)

**Saturday, October 2:**

9:30 AM Al Anon

### **St. Mark's Café is OPEN!!**

St. Mark's Café is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and community building!! We have egg and cheese on an english muffin available - either plain, or with bacon or sausage, for a flat price of \$3.00. We also offer donuts from Klemm's Bakery in Windham!

We also partnered with a Christian Mission Company named HOPE Coffee a few years ago. HOPE was founded by a missionary who moved to Honduras and opened a coffee plantation. They employ men and women from surrounding villages, and the proceeds go to building infrastructure, schools, and preaching the Gospel to these poor communities. They're coffee is purchased and promoted in churches throughout the United States, and their mission has expanded further into South America, Africa and beyond. We thought this was a really cool way to support a great mission with something that we already do - serve coffee! We will be brewing a few different types (medium, bold, dark, and decaf). We think everyone will really enjoy it (its super good), and it directly supports a great cause! So come visit us in the St. Mark's Café located in the Parish Hall. We look forward to serving you!

### **Blessing of the Animals - October 3**

In the spirit of St. Francis, we will have a Blessing of the Animals on **Sunday, October 3 at noon**. Our pets can teach us a great deal about love and stewardship. Bring any four legged and feathered friends who you would like to honor for their companionship in your life!

### **Retired Priest - Collection This Weekend**

There are 29 priests who are supported by this fund. When you contribute to the Priests Retirement Trust Fund, your gift goes toward helping currently retired priests as well as to make sure we can provide for those priest who will be retiring in the years to come. Our priests have affected our lives in many ways. Please consider this fund to support our priests!

### **Blood Drive - October 9 @ 10AM**

The Knights of Columbus Council 10488 is sponsoring a Blood Drive on **Saturday, October 9, from 10 AM - 3:00 PM** in the Parish Hall! To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: STMARK-LONDONDERRY.

### **St. Mark's 40th Anniversary!**

November 1, 2021 marks 40 years of worship here at St. Mark's! We will kick off this year celebration with a Parish BBQ and Fall Fest on **October 24 from noon to 3PM!** Plan on an afternoon of fun and entertainment... don't worry the Patriots game will be on!!! **SAVE THE DATE!**

### **Surviving the Holidays - Save the Date!**

Have you experienced a loss of someone you love and planning for the Holidays are difficult? Are the Holidays difficult for you? Do you need help with surviving the "alone" time? We hope you join us **Sunday, November 7 at 5:30 PM**. The group seminar will support, comfort and encourage you through the upcoming Holiday Season. This will be facilitated by Vicky Wood. Materials will be provided. *Reserve your seat today!* Call the Parish Office at 432-8711.

### **His Healing Touch Ministry**

His Healing Touch is a faith based ministry offering hope and support to those suffering from chronic pain, illness, isolation or hardship of any kind, including those caring for others. We seek to foster connections as we encourage one another in our journey, especially during these challenges. Meetings are open and ongoing so feel free to join us at any time. **Meetings will be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 11AM on Zoom** and will last for approximately one hour. Each session will look at a passage from the treasury of healing found in Sacred Scripture. There are materials or fees to take part in a session. We look forward to seeing you as we seek to grow closer to our Lord's healing touch. Come as you are - share in the hope and support the Holy Spirit has prepared for you! For more information and to receive the meeting link, email [healingtouch@stmarksnh.org](mailto:healingtouch@stmarksnh.org).

### **In Remembrance...**

Please join us in praying for the repose of the soul of Maurice Gosselin.

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*

**Sacrificial Giving**

**Week of 9/8/2021 - 9/14/2021**

Regular Offertory:	
Offertory Envelopes:	\$ 4,892.00
WeShare:	\$ 5,016.63
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Total:	\$ 9,908.63

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

**Mass Intentions for Sept 25 - Oct 3, 2021**

**9/25 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Harold & Pauline Hubert by Roger & Paula Hubert

**9/26 Sunday, 8 AM:**

People of the Parish

**9/26 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

John Reardon by Cathy & family

**9/26 Sunday, 11 AM:**

Msgr. Alan Conlan by the Morgan family

**9/27 Monday, 9 AM:**

Constance Ridener by Walter & Liz Martin

**9/28 Tuesday, 9 AM:**

Renata (Mirone) Scarpa by Bernice Granese

**9/29 Wednesday, 9 AM:**

Renata (Mirone) Scarpa by Norm & Diane Ducas

**9/30 Thursday, 9 AM:**

Rose Lofaro by the Spies family

**10/2 Saturday, 5 PM:**

Pat Trongo by his wife & family

**10/3 Sunday, 8 AM:**

Catherine Kelley by the Kelley family

**10/3 Sunday, 9:30 AM:**

Ruth Picarello by the Picarello family

**10/3 Sunday, 11 AM:**

Dennis Murphy by the Gandia family

**Parish Contact Information**

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Al-Anon	Saturdays, 9:30 - 11 AM
Birthingright	(603) 434-3000
NH Catholic Charities, Windham	(603) 893-1971

**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