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<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 4<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
8:00 AM	Holy Hour
9:00 AM	General Intentions
4:00 PM	Sharon Wotton
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 5<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:15 AM	Intentions of the Parishioners
11:30 AM	Robert Descoteaux <i>by His Wife</i>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 6<sup>th</sup> – Weekday (Labor Day)</b>
8:00 AM	General Intentions
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 7<sup>th</sup> - Weekday</b>
8:00 AM	Lorraine Powell <i>by Richard Powell</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>September 8<sup>th</sup> – Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
8:00 AM	Arthur Alimi <i>by His Wife</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>September 9<sup>th</sup> – Peter Claver, priest</b>
	No Parish Mass
<b>Friday</b>	<b>September 10<sup>th</sup> - Weekday</b>
8:00 AM	Rob Pierog <i>by Family</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 11<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
4:00 PM	Lorraine Gelinas <i>by Family</i>
	Twombly & Rumazza Families <i>by Family</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 12<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:15 AM	Donald & Elizabeth Bolduc <i>by Felicia</i>
11:30 AM	Intentions of the Parishioners

**BIRTHRIGHT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

Please consider becoming a part of the Birthright family, helping troubled mothers and their unborn babies. Please come and find out more as volunteers host a "New Volunteer Coffee on Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 9:30 am at the Birthright office at 323 Islington St. in Portsmouth. All you need is a willingness to listen and to love the woman and her baby, a commitment to life, and a desire to help those in need without judgment.

**R.C.I.A.**

Thinking about becoming Catholic? Know someone who might be? Want more information about the Catholic Church? Call Sister Lucie at 332-1869.

**ST. MARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Registration for Religious Education classes will take place after each Mass on the weekend on September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. It is important that we have updated information for all children enrolled in the program. Classes for Grades 6-9 will begin on Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Classes for K-5 will begin on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, during the 4:00 pm Mass and on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, during the 11:30 am Mass.

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOPS**

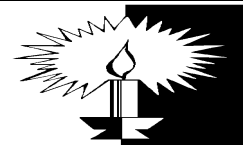
Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at the St. Patrick School in Portsmouth from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Please register by e-mailing Amanda Norris at [anorris@stpatsportsmouth.com](mailto:anorris@stpatsportsmouth.com).

Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Rochester, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Please register by e-mailing Robin Langlois at [rlanglois@hrsl.org](mailto:rlanglois@hrsl.org).

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

NHCC in conjunction with St. Ignatius Parish, Somersworth, will host a Bereavement Support Group. The group will meet on Thursday evenings from 7 pm to 8:30 pm for six weeks starting September 30<sup>th</sup> and ending November 4<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at Holy Trinity Church hall on High Street in Somersworth.

Please register by calling Sr. Helene at NH Catholic Charities at 332-7701. There is no fee for participating in this group.



**Sanctuary Lamp**

September 5 to 11

In Honor of St. Jude by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Demers

**EMMAUS CHRISTING HEALING MINISTRIES**

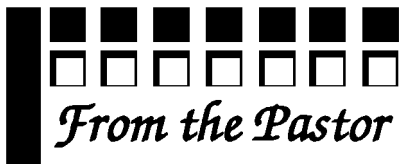
Emmaus Christian Healing Ministries, an Interfaith Ministry, will begin a new series on Healing Prayer. Who can come? Anyone interested in learning about the healing process of their own personal journey and how to pray for those bound by hurt, pain and trauma. The purpose is to find greater freedom and wholeness through inner healing prayer, love and compassion and/or how to respond to a call to serve in the healing ministry. Courses will be held at St. Mary Church in the conference room every Thursday evening from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Level I begins October 7<sup>th</sup>. You must register by September 25<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$50. Make checks out to Emmaus Christian Healing Min. For more information and to register, call Rachelle Arcoite at 332-9682.

**THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL**

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

Luke 14:25-33

**How much is Jesus worth to you and me?**



This weekend Jesus puts in stark terms what is necessary to be a **true** disciple of His. Would you be willing to say that you (and I) love Jesus so much that when push came to shove, we would even leave our family and indeed even our own lives in order to work on Christ's foundation of faith and salvation?

Fr. Daniel

**"LET GOD ARISE"**

Father John Paul Joyce, Superior of Men at Intercessors of the Lamb, Omaha, Nebraska, will lead a one-day spiritual conference based on Ezekiel 37:12b-14. "I will open your graves and have you rise from them. . .I will put my spirit in you that you may live!" Come join us for Let God Arise on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church, Rochester, at 8:00 am. Fr. John Paul will offer four presentations and there will be opportunities for the sacraments, plus prayer, praise and worship, music and fellowship. Cost of the day is only \$30 and will include meals. Registration deadline is September 15<sup>th</sup>. To register or for more information, call Marianne Bruneau at 332-9442 or e-mail [jmtcb@metrocast.net](mailto:jmtcb@metrocast.net).

**GERRY'S FOOD PANTRY**

Gerry's Food Pantry is in need of the following items: macaroni and cheese, canned pasta, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste and juice.

**MARIAN SOCIETY**

The Marian Society will meet on September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the church. This is the first meeting of the new session. We will have elections and are planning for the new year as part of the agenda. Please save the date and note the change due to the Labor Day holiday.

**CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA**

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, DC. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. Next week is the National Collection for the Catholic University of America. Every dollar given directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. Please be generous.



**Stewardship/Sacrificial Giving**

Envelopes	\$4,100.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 957.50</u>
Total Collection	<u>\$5,057.50</u>
Parish Tithe – 6% of Actual Collection	\$ 303.00
Parish Use	\$4,754.50

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**PADRE PIO HOLY MASS OF HEALING & HOPE**

On Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Feast of St. Padre Pio, a very special Mass of Healing and Hope will be celebrated at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Rochester, Beautiful relics of the revered saint will be displayed, as well as a witness speaker. Experienced prayer teams will also be available. Fr. Paul Gousse will be the celebrant. Rosary begins at 6:30 pm.

**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED**

The Mercy of Jesus Charismatic Prayer Group will be celebrating its 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church. All are welcome to join us and bring a friend! Light refreshments will follow.

**ST. IGNATIUS BREAKFAST BUFFET**

The parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish in Somersworth invite you to join us for our Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> any time between 8:00 am and 11:15 am in the St. Martin Parish Hall. The meal includes sausage gravy on a biscuit, scrambled eggs, fried eggs, plain and blueberry pancakes, French toast, ham, sausage, bacon, home fries, "St. Martin" potatoes, toast, beans, juice, milk, hot chocolate, tea and coffee. The cost is only \$5.50 for adults, \$1.50 for children 6 to 12, and free for children under 6. These breakfasts will be held monthly on the second Sunday through April 2011. Mark your calendars.

# WELCOME

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### Mass Intentions

September 5 Twenty-third Sunday  
 Renee Sublette by the Keery's  
 September 12 Twenty-fourth Sunday  
 Eric Bean by Sally Sublette

Sanctuary Candle:  
 August Sanctuary candle for Francis LeClair; candle in front of Mary for Joe Powers by Jewell Gray until Sept 15<sup>th</sup>

### Church Support

WEEKEND OF: August 22, 2012  
 OFFERTORY GIVING: \$1183  
 Envelope users: \$893; Loose: \$290

### How Much Should I Give?

The Bible says "our first fruits", not what is left over each week. Some give a portion, eg. \$3.00/wk /\$1000 income; others, a percentage. The Old Testament's guideline was the tithes ~10% of your income to charity and of that 5% to the church. How does that work out in real money?

\$100/week	(\$400/mo.)	5%	\$7 weekly
\$250/week	(\$1000/mo.)	5%	\$14 weekly
\$500/week	(\$2000/mo)	5%	\$25 weekly
\$600/wk	(\$2400/mo.)	5%	\$30 weekly
\$700/wk	(\$2800/mo.)	5%	\$35 weekly
\$850/wk	(\$3400/mo.)	5%	\$43 weekly
\$1000/wk	(\$4000/mo.)	5%	\$50 weekly

You get the idea! How do you measure up?

### Religious Education

Parents are asked to enter into a partnership with the parish. This involves fee free quality education from the parish with the expectation that all parents will attend Mass regularly with their child (ren), use envelopes, and support and participate in the parish activities.

September 5, 12, and 19  
 REGISTRATION, upstairs classroom  
 September 14 Catechists' Mtg, 6pm  
 September 19 Catechetical Sunday

September 21 Religious Education  
 Classes begin at 6:30 pm in Church.  
 Parents / children in attendance. No Registration 8/21

### Coming Events

September 12 Parish Picnic, St. Mary's  
 September 20 Parish Council Meeting

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 50/50 WEEKLY WINNER: \$9 Joyce Gardner  
 120 CLUB WEEKLY WINNER:  
 Bobbi Gibbs, K. Berrill, Capt.

Big Drawing: September 19<sup>th</sup>

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 Many, many thanks and what a surprise! Well, it looks like I don't know everything that goes on in this parish. Thank you so much for the lovely gifts, cards, cake, flowers, and well wishes for my 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a Sister of Divine Providence. A special thanks to our Ladies Guild and the Knights. It was a beautiful day. Ps. The cake was great and the gardenia is still alive! Smm

Special Congratulations to Frank and Martha Mclaughlin on their 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary also