OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

NOVEMBER 15, 2026 ~ 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 05:00pm (Vigil) OLF
Sunday | 08:30am IC, 10:30am OLF

Weekday Masses

Monday | 08:30am
Tuesday | 08:30am
Wednesday | 05:30pm
Thursday | 08:30am
Friday | 08:30am
Saturday | 05:00pm

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INFORMATION

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

9:00 - 10:00 AM - FRIDAYS AT OLF

RECONCILIATION

OLF 4-4:45 PM SATURDAYS

ANOINTING THE SICK

CONTACT RECTORY 603-526-4484

BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE

CONTACT RECTORY 603-526-4484 in advance six months for marriage and 30 days for baptism.

OUR MISSION

OLF AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

We are a Catholic faith community called by God to holiness. Our calling is realized in a spirit of love, unity and hospitality. As a faith community, we will deepen our knowledge and love of God in Christ. We seek to devote our time, talent and resources in a spirit of service based on our Baptismal commitment, founded on the Word of God and celebrated in sacramental life, especially the Eucharist.

WORSHIP WITH US

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 11/14
05:00pm † Alice Parker (dec) by Her Daughters
Sunday 11/15
08:30am † Natalie Cormier (dec) by Greg and Allyson McGinn
10:30am † Christine Dell Erabe (dec) by Rosemary and John Silverberg
Monday 11/16
08:30am † Sue Ellen Reel (dec) by A Friend
Tuesday 11/17
08:30am † Katherine Kaki Harvey-Hinton (dec) by Diane Blasotto
Wednesday 11/18
05:30pm † For The People
Thursday 11/19
08:30am † Scott Cook (liv) by A Friend
Friday 11/20
08:30am † Michael Curci (dec) Joanne Leslie
Next Saturday 11/21
05:00pm † Charlotte Brown (dec) by Jane Birk
Next Sunday 11/22
08:30am † For The People
10:30am Frank & Anne Perri (dec) By John and Rosemary Silverberg

PARISH WEEK AT A GLANCE

Mon. Nov. 16	8:30 am - Mass at OLF 9:00 am - Rosary OLF 6:30-8:00pm - Pastoral Council LMR
Tue. Nov.17	7-8:30 am Men's Scripture - Hall 8:30 am Mass at OLF 9:00 am Rosary 2-4 pm Bible Study - LMR 6-8 pm OCIA - LMR
Wed. Nov.18	5:30 pm Mass at OLF 6:30-8 pm Book Disc. OLF Hall
Thur. Nov. 19	8:30 am Mass at - OLF 3-5pm Mom to Mom OLF Hall 6:30-8 pm Social Comm. OLF Hall
Fri. Nov. 20	8:30 am Mass at OLF 9-10 am Adoration - OLF
Sat. Nov. 21	4-4:45 pm Confession - OLF 5:00 pm Mass at OLF 5:00 pm Loaves & Fishe Coll.
Sun. Nov. 22	8:30 am Mass - IC 8:30 & 10:30 Loaves & Fishes Coll. 9-10:15 am FF (Family) OLF Hall 10:30 N Mass - OLF 10:45 am OCIA - LMR 6-7:30 pm FF - Youth Hall/LMR

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

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	OLF	IC
Envelopes	**$ 592**	**$ 665**
Loose Cash	**$ 2,906**	**$ 456**
E-Giving	**$ 3,060**	
Grand Total	**$ 7,679**	

OLF OFFERINGS

Retirees - Make your RMD a gift of Faith! If you need to take your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your 401 (k) or 403 (b) before year-end....please consider asking your account custodian to send a donation directly to NH Catholic Appeal/OLFIC. You may reduce your taxable income while helping our parish continue its mission and ministry. It's a wonderful way to share the blessings you've received and put your faith into action. A tax-smart gift that blesses both you and our parish - a true win-win!

Living Flame of Our Lady of Fatima at Our Lady of Fatima Sactuary. This week the candle is for: Scott Cook.

You too can light this weekly candle in reverence and petition, birthday or anniversary. Offering fee is $10.00 per week. Please make arrangements with the Parish Office at 603-526-4484.

Replenish The Food Pantry

The KLS Community Food Pantry is asking people to donate food items this month. Our Lady of Fatima has been asked to donate Hearty Soups and Stews for the month of November. Please leave your offerings in the Narthex of the church in the appropriate box. We thank you in advance for your generosity to the Food Pantry.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered and participated in this year's Holiday Fair. You made it an overwhelming success!!!

Homebound / Hospitalized: Communion will be brought to anyone unable to attend Mass. Please call: Cheryl Dean at 603-770-6622 Kelly McCue at 1-802-490-4105 and Paul Gorman at 603-526-4353, Marc Clement at 603-526-6851

Loaves & Fishes Help Line: 800-978-6395
Catholic Charities: 800-562-5249

PARISH NEWS NOTES

- Flu and cold season is upon us. Not feeling well? Stay home and watch the Mass on Livestream. Go to OLFIC.Org and scroll to Livestream and press enter.
- Loaves & Fishes are collecting gift cards this weekend.
- Book discussion Group meets in the OLF Hall starting Nov. 4th. ***"Becoming Who you are"*** is the book.

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TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH

God's gifts are meant to be regifted

Any gift from God is an occasion for our greatest praise. Christ, however, often reminds us that praise merely begins our acceptance of God's grace. What follows is responsibility. The act of giving not only displays God's love, but also God's trust. Booker T. Washington touched upon the complex nature of this gift when he said, "Few things can help an individual more than to place responsibility on him, and to let him know that you trust him." By taking responsibility for the gifts God has given us, we confirm both our faith in God and God's faith in us. Look at the particular gifts you have been given and how you can use them to move the world toward God.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's readings:Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30 (157).

'"Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.'"

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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

My first instinct upon waking is to grab my phone and start scrolling. Sometimes I do it for 20 or 30 minutes, and it makes me feel distracted and agitated. I feel A friend once took his young adult son to the casino for his birthday. He handed him $100 and said, "Let's have a great time." The son, a graduate student with limited money, quietly pocketed the money and refused to play. "I don't want to lose it," he said. But he missed the point: the money was not really his to pocket; it was his father's invitation to share an experience together.

God sees our gifts a bit like this. In Jesus' parable, a servant buries his master's talent and explains: "Master, I knew you were a demanding person…so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground" (Matthew 25:24-25). The master condemns him not for failure but for refusing to risk. The servant's fear distorts his image of the master and leads to a small, loveless response. No love, no risk. No risk, no relationship.

How easily we fall into this trap! We treat God's gifts as fragile possessions rather than invitations. We play it safe, avoid risk, and tell ourselves we are wise and God is cruel. But Jesus praises those who trust the Master's goodness enough to act boldly. They are not reckless but confident enough in their Master to risk their gifts for Him.

So, what is my interior story about God right now? That hidden narrative shapes everything. Because love, by its nature, always takes risks with, and for, the beloved.

— Father John Muir

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK ~ UPDATE….

Please take a few minutes to review the names and let the office know if anyone should be removed. You can email us at: parishoffice.org or call at 603-526-4484.

Margaret Marschner
Cailyn Dezotell
Honey Kohler
Matt Ezovski
Joseph Ganley
Felicity
Bill Connors
Debra Marshall
Charlie Freiberg
Raheleh Hariri
Ken Celmer
Dee Belle Isle
Randy Currier
Robyn Muller
Michael Lenihan
John Moran
Joanne Watson
Jeanne Wallace
Gretchen Evans
Catherin Parquett
Richard Turgeon
Laurel Ann Anderson
Renata Schmidt
Dennis Lund
Kim Kristle

Avan Pyle
Michael Holt
Zion Hague
Richard Reed
Jeanne Demars
Barbar Jean Cannon
Robert L. Ward
Heather Steve
Roman Caparo
MP McEnrue
Tim Fleury
Doreen Currier
Carla Everson
Pat & Jack Murphy
Gene Firm
Rob Grant
Paula Rosander
John Moore
Lindsay Herrin
Maureen McEhhern
Paul Finnegan
Theresa Sullivan
Caroline Meeker
Thomas Draper
Rose Turgeon

The Advent Wreath as we know it today is a modern spin on an ancient practice.

Christians have always utilized candles to illustrate the metaphor of Christ as the "great light" shining on a people waiting in darkness (Isaiah 9:2). Historians tell us that pre-Christian societies in Europe also viewed candles as symbolic of the coming light of spring, and may have used wreaths of natural material along with these candles. Traditions and rituals surrounding an "Advent Wreath" are often thought to have originated in the Lutheran tradition in 16th-century Germany. Today, Advent Wreaths are a practice embraced by most Christians in the Western world.

An Advent Wreath consists of a circle of evergreen and four candles, one for each week of Advent. Three of the candles are purple; one is rose, representing Gaudete Sunday, a time of rejoicing at the closeness of Christmas. In Catholicism, Advent Wreaths are blessed on the First Sunday of Advent.

KEEP THE FAITH
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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

I remember watching a television show about a high school that dug up a time capsule that students had buried twenty-five years earlier. They had buried it with the purpose of showing others many years later the trends of the day and how student life was at that time. It was a fun exercise and everyone--the current students as well as those now grown--laughed at the clothing styles, corny photos, and lack of technology from years ago.

I wonder how the former students felt about how they had grown in those twenty-five years. How many of them realized their high school dreams? Did they find their purpose in this world and feel fulfilled in life? Did they use the talents and gifts God gave them to really make a difference in the world?

We have all been given talents and gifts by God to be cultivated and offered back to him and those around us for his glory. As time has passed, hopefully we have taken seriously our stewardship of these gifts. But sometimes out of fear, misunderstanding, or even apathy, we have taken one or more of our gifts and buried them, hiding them away from others and stifling all growth. This is no way to honor God and certainly not a path to fulfillment in life. If we have anything buried in our backyard we might do well to dig it back up, clean it up, and begin building upon it. Like a time capsule, those things will not be buried forever. One day the giver of that gift will ask what you have done with it. When that day comes, I pray you don't need to find a shovel.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities is now serving ages 4 and up for counseling in the Manchester office and they also have offices located in Nashua, Lancaster, and Littleton for in-person or telehealth sessions. They offer individual, families, and couple counseling.

If you are interested or for additional information please call 603-624-4747 or go to: https://www.cc-nh.prg/services/mental-health-counseling/ to request services.



PROFESSIONAL CATHOLICS

They call us "professional Catholics."

You know many of these folks. Maybe you are one (I am). Maybe it's part of your actual job to work for the Church. "Manna from Heaven," I once called it — the privilege of seeing your bills paid by money earned talking about God.
I was having dinner with a friend recently who works in a local parish. She shared with me that some of her colleagues don't seem to have much of a devotional life outside of their jobs. Some don't even attend regular Mass, though their lives revolve around the Church.
"That's terrible," I said, not wanting to think of the holy hours I haven't had time for, the Rosaries I haven't finished, and the stack of spiritual books next to my desk, spines uncracked.
You don't have to earn a paycheck to be a professional Catholic. A professional Catholic can be anyone who spends a good deal of time simply identifying as a disciple, without embracing what that actually means.
See, I was wrong to call it "manna from Heaven." Manna merely sustains life, and we shouldn't be satisfied with that. The reward of a disciple should be more.
The opportunity to spread the Gospel is a fortune, lavishly endowed to the care of a servant by a master who is long delayed. He doesn't care about return on investment. He'll be just as pleased with a twofold increase as a five-fold one. It's not about profits. It's about engagement.
How terrible will it be, when I stand before God, if all I can tell Him is this: "I did my job. I was a professional."



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