

July 14, 2019
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome Child of God!

*No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,
No matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality, or marital situation,
No matter your own self-image of holiness or virtue,
You belong to Jesus Christ and you belong to us!
You are invited, accepted and respected here at the Parish of Saint Thomas More.*

*Take our hands, Lord Jesus, leading us in courage to confront with courage the forces which oppress and divide.
Take our hearts, Lord Jesus, and open them to the truth which will set others free.
Accompany us on our way, Lord Jesus, as we seek to share our Roman Catholic faith and life in your Spirit.*

Summertime



During the next two months, many of us will find some time for vacation, whether in a familiar and well-loved place or through travel to some unfamiliar destination. Although the purpose of such vacations is to renew our energies and provide time to relax, they also provide an opportunity for re-examination.

The church calendar accomplishes the same feat by moving from a full year of highs and lows, feasts and fasts, into the long season after Pentecost. The Lucan Gospel readings focus on Jesus' earthly life in the byways of Galilee, his words to his disciples, his forgiveness of sinners, his many ministries in their varied forms. We have an opportunity to consider what Jesus means for us, not in the dramatic moments of either his life or ours, but in the daily living out of faith.

Father Andrew

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

**Average Weekly Regular Offertory Amount Needed
to Meet Our Annual Budget = \$5,050**

Offertory for June 30:	\$4221
Works of the Holy Father collection:	\$1049
Offertory for July 7:	\$4700

"Give and it shall be given to you." - Luke 6:38

Thank you for your generous contributions.

CHURCH OF SAINT THOMAS MORE

*A Community of Parish & University Ministry
PO Box 620, Durham, NH 03824; 868-2666*

SUMMER HOURS: Mon, Tues & Thurs 9am - 1pm;
Office closed Wednesday & Friday
Weekday Masses: Mon, Tues, Weds at 12:10pm (library)

Food Pantry: Thursday 4pm - 6pm

July 21: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Genesis 18:1-10a
Reading II: Colossians 1:24-28
Gospel: Luke 10:38-42



For July 13th – 14th

Saturday, 5pm – † Robert "Bob" Calamari
Sunday, 9am – † Bob & June Russell
Sunday, 11:15am – † Jim Beliveau

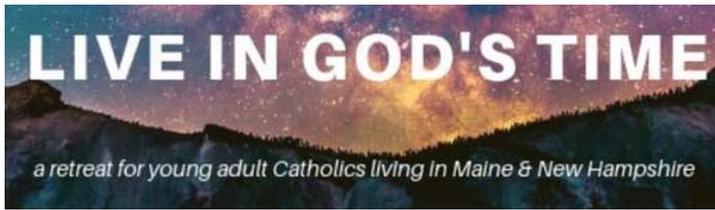
For July 20th – 21th

Saturday, 5pm – † John Casey
Sunday, 9am – † Trevor Delisle
Sunday, 11:15am – † Robert Wengert

Second Collection next weekend...

...will be for the **Parish to Parish** fund. This is an assessed collection, and STM is responsible for \$1252, regardless of the collection amount.

Your support it greatly appreciated!



August 23-25
at Notre Dame Spirituality Center
in Alfred, ME.

Registration fee is \$120, includes 2 nights lodging (single gender shared rooms, except for married couples), meals, snacks, retreat materials and facilitators (\$250 value). Limited funds available for financial assistance.

For more information Email mjsilvia@rcbm.org or visit <https://portlanddiocese.org/olff/ya-retreat19>

Picture Frames needed...

We're looking for 20-25 **inexpensive, small** frames to hold 8 1/2 x 11 size paper. It's ok if there's no glass/plastic. Call the office at 868-2666 if you have any to donate. Thanks!



CARING & SHARING

For this week the Pantry needs are:

Applesauce, stuffing, meal helpers, canned pasta, and soup (vegetable, chowders, or creamed)

Thank you!!



Care for Creation

A May 2019 New England Journal of Medicine article addresses the harms of the climate crisis to the health of young people and states, "Climate change is the greatest public health emergency of our time, and is particularly harmful to fetuses, infants, children, and adolescents." In June 2019 a coalition of U.S. medical and public health groups declared a health emergency and called for urgent action: "The health, safety and well-being of millions of people in the U.S. have already been harmed by human-caused climate change, and health risks in the future are dire." The coalition includes the American Medical, Lung, and Heart Associations, and the American College of Physicians



<https://climatehealthaction.org/cta/climate-health-equity-policy/>

According to Meghan Goodwin, government relations associate director for the U.S. bishops, "As incarnate beings called to relationship with God and one another, we should participate in the institutions that govern our social relationships, including our governmental institutions. No matter where you fall on the political spectrum, early engagement could help create a scenario where candidates are debating who has the superior solution to addressing environmental degradation."

Join us for...

Lemonade on the Lawn

every weekend after the 9am Mass
over the summer!



This weekend, we're celebrating
Dennis Russell's retirement
and the decades of service
he provided to our parish!

Community News

PILGRIMAGE to the historical St. Anne Church in Berlin, NH on **July 26** (the feast of St. Anne), for many festivities, tours of the church, adoration, confession, and a barbecue. Visit <https://berlingorhamcatholics.org/feast-of-st-anne> for more information or to register.

GOSPEL MUSIC CONCERT MARK209 in concert on **Monday, Aug 5** at 8pm outside at the Newmarket Town Hall/St Mary Church parking lot (inside St. Mary Church in case of rain). \$5/ticket. Bring your own chair. For more information, email thewhitecastle@comcast.net

DISCERNING GOD'S CALL QUO VADIS DAYS CAMPS for high school age (14-18) young men (Quo Vadis Days) overnight vocations camps. Northeast Catholic College in Warner. Led by priests, sisters, and seminarians. Full schedule of hiking, swimming, canoeing, sports, games, daily Mass and prayer. **August 5-9**. \$50, financial aid available. For more info or to register visit liveinblackandwhite.com or contact Becky Vinson 603-663-0153 or rvinson@rcbm.org

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Jesus calls us to love the Lord and to love one another. Deepen your communication, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are **Sep 14-15** in Medway, MA and **Oct 18-20** in Laconia, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwwmema.org/>.

Diocese of Manchester Safe Environment Announcements



#21 Keep Kids Safe— Talk with Your Child

Open communication with your child is a key factor in helping to keep him or her safe. It's important to start talking about safety matters with children from a young age. Let children know that you want them to tell you if anyone touches them in a way that makes them feel uncomfortable or sends them inappropriate messages or pictures. Role play different safety-related scenarios to help teach skills such as saying no, telling a trusted adult, and resisting peer pressure.

Use our *Family Discussion Cards* to help jump-start these important conversations: www.catholicnh.org/cards

Glorify God
GIVE THANKS

SCAM ALERT

Fr. Andy is NOT sending out emails requesting iTunes or Google Play cards! Staff (and others) have received bogus emails that look like they are from Fr. Andy. THEY ARE NOT. Please check the actual email address emails are sent from. Fr. Andy does NOT have a gmail account. Please spread the word. Thank you.

FertilityCare System CREIGHTON MODEL

Natural Family Planning

The Creighton FertilityCare System is a highly effective and morally acceptable natural method of family planning. It is healthy and strengthens marriage. It is used to achieve a pregnancy or avoid a pregnancy and can be useful in the diagnosis and treatment of reproductive disease.

Online introductory classes will be held on the first Wednesday and third Thursday at 7pm of each month.

For more information contact
Mary Menendez, CFCP
St. Gerard Majella FertilityCare Services
642-8050 or CreightonFertility@yahoo.com

You Can Make a Difference



Good SAMS outreach provides meals for parishioners who ask for help... new baby, accident, illness.

If you, or someone you know, needs assistance or wants to share a meal, contact Beth Pescosolido, the coordinator, through STMPastoralMin@comcast.net.

- ✦ Do you know someone who is homebound who would like a visitor or to receive communion?
- ✦ Do you know someone who needs a greeting of joy or consolation from our Card Ministry?

Contact Roberta MacBride to get the conversation started at stmpastoralmin@comcast.net.



SAINT MARY ACADEMY

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**DAILY TOURS
AVAILABLE**

**PRE-K 3
THROUGH GRADE 8**

At SMA, we:

- ✓ Prepare our students to be faithful and successful in today's world
- ✓ Offer a strong educational program based on the fundamentals of reading, writing and mathematics
- ✓ Cultivate creativity and innovation, critical thinking and problem solving, communication, and collaboration to develop the necessary skills for success
- ✓ Offer an innovative Healthy Mind/Healthy Body/Healthy Spirit program which furthers our mission to educate the whole child
- ✓ Have a well-equipped science lab that gives our students the opportunity to participate in hands-on experiments and increase their understanding of the natural world

To learn more about our registration process, call Blake McCurdy or
visit www.saintmaryacademy.org

Golfers!



14th Annual **Crescentia Classic** golf tournament
supporting **On Belay**,
an adventure-based program providing support & community
for kids whose family has been affected by cancer.

Pease Golf course, Portsmouth, NH
August 5, 2019
8am shotgun tee-off
Golfers - \$125 (foursomes- \$500)

Contact: Bill & Crescentia Healy 292-6454
Eryn True 793-9498
Register: <http://birdeasepro.com/thecrescentiaclassic>

200 CLUB

And here are the newest winners!!

Congratulations to:

*Marie Conlon
Alan Zezula*

Chris and Jane Bagnell

... winners of the June 200 Club drawing.

Don't forget to pick up a membership/renewal envelope
so you too can have your chance to be a monthly winner
at the next drawing on July 28th.

It's \$200 for an annual or \$100 for a semi-annual
membership. Additional information is available online
at stmdurham.org, or on the Church Facebook page.

Renewing members may contact Tom Dolan at 603-659-
7162 or tomdolan84@hotmail.com, if you are unsure of
your renewal date.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults ~ RCIA Journey to the Easter Sacraments

"COME AND SEE!!!"

Have you thought about joining the Catholic
church by

receiving the Initiation Sacraments of
Baptism ~ Confirmation ~ Eucharist?



RCIA is the *Christian Initiation process*
through which an adult begins a faith journey of conversion
that is gradual and suited to individual needs within a Catholic
faith community.

BEGIN THE CONVERSATION with Roberta MacBride
stmpastoralmin@comcast.net ~ 603-868-2666



ENGAGED COUPLES WEEKENDS HELP NEEDED

The Diocese of Manchester is seeking:
part time presenters & part time hospitality coordinators for
our **Engaged Couples Weekends** in the following regions:

- ◆ The Seacoast area,
- ◆ Greater Manchester/Nashua area,
- ◆ Western NH, and
- ◆ Northern NH.

These positions will collaborate to lead positive, formative
weekend experiences for engaged couples based on
Ascension Press' *Joy-Filled Marriage* program. These
workshops will take place on various weekends throughout the
year.

Couples married at least five years are encouraged to apply.
Training will be offered for these openings.

If you are interested in applying please send your resume to
Chris Hagen at chagen@rcbm.org as soon as possible.

Please visit the following link for more information and the full
job descriptions: <https://www.catholicnh.org/employment/>

The **Contemporary Choir** will be taking a much
needed month off from singing at the 9:00am Mass. We
will be gone July 28 through August 18th and returning
August 25th.



We would like to take this opportunity to
thank you our congregation for supporting the
choir. It is truly a privilege to lead you in
prayer and praise of our God.

- Pamela Bapp, Contemporary Choir Director