

Hosanna



**Blessed
is He
who
comes
in the
name
of the
Lord!**

Matthew 21:9b

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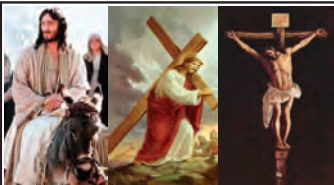
March 24, 2024
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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.



**Christ
of the Cross**

Christ of the Cross,
reviled and rejected,
bruised and bleeding,

You are one with all who suffer.

Christ with outstretched arms, we remember
you, Lest we fold our arms in an attitude of
defeat or indifference, saying to ourselves,
'There is nothing we can do.'

Christ with hands pierced by nails, we
remember you, lest we use our hands to grasp
and to hoard, saying to ourselves,
'It is not our problem.'

Christ with tired and dusty feet, we
remember you, lest we choose the easy path,
saying to ourselves,
'There is no other way.'

Jesus Christ, whose words and works were
one, grant that our lips and our lives may
agree.

In your name, by the power of the Spirit,
and for the glory of God, send us out to bring
the Kingdom in. Amen.

*The readings of Holy Week converge
around the suffering and death of Christ.
Francis of Assisi stood in awe before three
great mysteries: The Incarnation, the Cross,
and the Eucharist.*

*Holy week calls us to remember and to
emulate. Lord, instill within us a deep love for
all that you have done for us.*

*L'Shalom—in peace,
Fr. Andrew*

CHURCH OF SAINT THOMAS MORE

*A Community of Parish & University Ministry
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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

WEEKEND MASSES

Easter Vigil-Saturday 8pm
Easter Sunday 9am & 11:15am

WEEKDAY/HOLY WEEK SERVICES

**12:10pm Mass- Monday; Holy Thursday, 7pm;
Good Friday, 7pm & Easter Vigil, 8pm**

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues & Thurs 9-3pm Wed 9-1pm **Closed Friday**

March 23rd-24th; Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Reading I: Isaiah 50:4-7
Reading II: Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

March 31st; Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Reading I: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a,37-43
Reading II: Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel: John 20:1-9



March 23rd-24th; Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday 5pm – ✠ Margaret Kirby
Sunday 9am – ✠ Robert Rush, Sr.
Sunday 11:15am – ✠ Cathleen Coakley (5th Anniversary)

March 31st; Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Saturday 8pm – ✠ Jud Porter
Sunday 9am – Mary Ann Wren (90th Birthday)
Sunday 11:15am – ✠ Pablo Rasilla & Mary Lou Ortega



STM FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

Faith Formation (K-5th grade)

Grades Kindergarten-1st During the 9am Mass—Church Hall
Grades 2 & 3 (Student Center) & Grades 4-5 Church Hall

Next Faith Formation Class April 7th-Classroom

For more information please contact Ann McGurty
stmfaith@comcast.net or call 603 868-2666 X110

Faith Formation Grades K-5th classes

Please contact Ann McGurty for more information
stmfaith@comcast.net or 603-868-2666 EXT #110

Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

Next class Sunday, April 14th from 6:30-8pm in the Church Hall

Please contact Regina Smick-Attisano for more information
stmmsfaith@gmail.com

High School Youth Ministry

High school students, please contact Felicia Sperry for more information on class schedule.

Please contact Felicia Sperry stmHSYM@gmail.com

LIFE— Living In Faith Everyday



OFFERTORY UPDATE:

Average Weekly Regular Offertory
Amount needed to meet our
Annual Budget, **\$5,192.31**

Offertory for March 17th: **\$4,978.00**

"Give and it shall be given to you." - Luke 6:38
Thank you for your generous contributions.



MATCHING GIFT CAMPAIGN

Our goal is **\$25,000.00**
Please help us reach our goal.
Currently we are at **\$14,970.00**

Our Matching Gift Campaign will be concluding on Monday, April 8th.
We haven't reached our goal yet.
There is still time to donate.

*Thank you to all who have contributed,
your generosity is greatly appreciated!*

HOLY WEEK 2024



PALM/PASSION SUNDAY Sat/Sun March 23/24
ALL Masses Begin in the CHURCH ~ Come early to receive
Palms and be seated before Mass.
Sat 5pm; Sun 9am; Sun 11:15am; 5pm UNH

TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY Mar 28, 7pm "Mass of the Lord's Supper"
New Holy Oils; Foot-Washing; Adoration-Center Library

GOOD FRIDAY Mar 29, 7pm "Passion of the Lord"
Passion; Veneration of the Cross; Holy Communion



HOLY SATURDAY "EASTER VIGIL" Mar 30, 8pm
Alleluia! New Paschal Candle and Easter Water
EASTER SUNDAY "RESURRECTION of the LORD"
March 31, 9am & 11:15am



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 13 from 9-3pm

We will be having a Spring Clean-Up
inside and outside the Church.

Come donate 1-2 hours.

Signup and more information will follow after Easter.



Become a 2024 Totus Tuus Missionary!

The Diocese of Manchester is seeking committed Catholic College Students, preferably sophomores or juniors, to serve as Totus Tuus Missionaries this summer. The commitment is from June 5 to August 2, 2024. The first ten days are dedicated to rigorous training to present the Totus Tuus Catholic curriculum, along with prayer, games, song, and witness to elementary age students and high school students in a team setting. Immediately following the training, missionaries from the Diocese of Manchester will travel to the first of six parishes to impart the week-long program. Missionaries will have the week of July 4 off. Room and board are provided by each parish, and a stipend is provided by the diocese.

For the complete job description and online application, please go to: <https://www.catholicnh.org/parishes/formation/parish-faith-formation/totustuus/>

When applying, please check the box next to NH: Diocese of Manchester as the diocese to which you would like to apply.

For questions and more information, please contact Gloria Zapiain, Cabinet Secretary for Catholic Formation, at gzapiain@rcbm.org or 603-669-0159.

Please prayerfully consider this unique opportunity to serve your faith and community.



"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." Docility in prayer is essential to vocation discernment. Are you open to a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Matt Mason, the Vocations Director at 603-663-0196 or mmason@rcbm.org.



**Children's Liturgy
of the Word**
will resume on April 7th at the
9am Mass.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Barbara Farrington Sheryl Mazur
Peter Farrington Dot Meneghin
Carol Johnston Susan Whitworth

*For all our homebound and residents of our
local nursing homes and care facilities.*



**MEMORIALS FOR
DECEASED LOVED ONES**

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| Michael E. Healy | Hurley & McDowell Families |
| Deceased Family | Claire & Earl Way |
| Stephanie Leadbetter | The Johnson Family |
| Norman Lamontagne | Ruth Babilon |
| John Babilon | Helen Dean |
| Linda Campbell | Jake Villella |

EASTER FLOWER OFFERING

Honor or remember loved ones with a donation for Palms/Easter Flowers. Envelopes are available on the church window sills and all entrances. Names will be posted in the bulletin.



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Bishop Libasci invites couples celebrating 5, 10, 25, 50, and 60+ years of marriage in 2024 to attend a Mass in celebration of significant wedding anniversaries. The Mass will be held on **Sunday, May 5th, at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Joseph Cathedral, Manchester. To register, please contact your parish office (603-868-2666) by April 12, 2024.**

The parish office will gather and submit all necessary information. Once registration has been completed by the parish office, all couples will receive a mailed invitation to this special celebration. To those celebrating the indicated anniversary years, congratulations and we look forward to seeing you at the Cathedral this spring!



200 CLUB



March winds are blowing strong! If you're a 200 Club member, those winds could blow some winnings your way on Sunday, March 31.

Both enrollment and renewal are easy. As the 200 Club 'year' ends in January, all annual new or renewal subscriptions in March are \$185.

Quarterly and Semi annual subscriptions are available at \$50 and \$100 respectively.

Simply write a check made payable to **St. Thomas More Church. Don't forget to also put 200 Club in the memo section.** Mail it, along with your contact information [address, phone, and email], to the parish office at

St Thomas More Parish, PO Box 620, Durham NH 03824

For additional member information contact Tom Dolan at tomdolan84@hotmail.com or 603-519-0369



**St. Thomas More Food Pantry
Update**

As we officially moved into Spring this week, our volunteers deserve a much-needed Spring Break. Please contact Regina Smick-Attisano at rasamom3@comcast.net to explore how you can make a difference.

This week, at the pantry, we have a need for:

- Body wash
- Paper towels
- Snack cracker packets



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



March 25th-March 31st

March 25– Board Meeting. 6pm. Student Center.

March 26– Women’s Group. 6pm. Student Center

Men’s Group. 6pm. Lighthouse.

March 27– CSO Meeting. 7pm. MUB 338.

March 28– Holy Thursday. 7pm. Mass of the Lord’s Supper.

March 29– Good Friday-Veneration of the Cross. 7pm.

UPCOMING UNH Student Mass Schedule

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|--------------------|---------------|
| Sunday, March 31st | EASTER SUNDAY |
| Sunday, April 7th | 5pm |
| Sunday, April 14th | 5pm |
| Sunday, April 21st | 5pm |

Home Cooked Meal to Follow All Student Masses!

Spring Retreat-April 13th at the Cathedral!



HAPPY EASTER!

“He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.” [Matthew 28:6](#)

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March 27– Gregory of Narek (d. 1003)
Doctor of the Church. Wrote a mystical interpretation of the Song of Songs.
One of the greatest Armenian saints and theologians.

March 28– Catherine of Bologna (d. 1463).
Left the nobility to join the Poor Clare's.
Led a life of great humility and service before becoming Abbess of her community in Florence.



UNH Catholic Student Organization News for Spring 2024 Students

If you would like additional information, please contact our **Campus Minister**,

Derick Alexandre—unhstm@gmail.com or
Tyler Johnson—tyler.johnson@unh.edu

Stay tuned for more exciting events happening this semester.

[Hope to see you at the next meeting](#)
March 27th at 7:00pm at the MUB 338/340

[Sunday Mass](#)
April 7th at 5pm

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