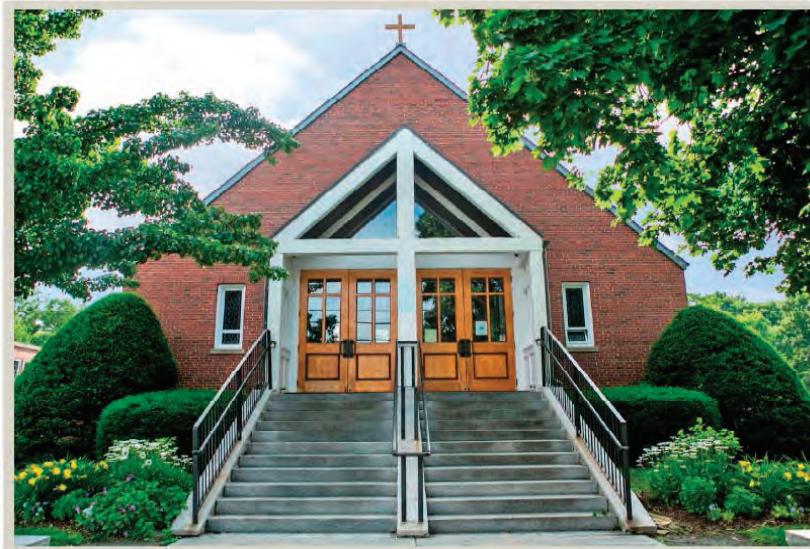


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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am; 11:15 am & No 5pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASS

No 12:10pm Mass on Mon, Tue & Wed

OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tuesday & Thursday: 9-3pm & Wed: 9-1pm & **Fri. Closed**

Food Pantry-Thursday 4-6pm

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:00 - 4:30 pm or by appointment.

Baptism: Call office to register for class & date of celebration.

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Call Director of Faith Formation 603-868-2666

For Parish Registration call 603-868-2666 or visit stmdurham.org.

January 11, 2026

The Baptism 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.

Reflections and Resolutions

We need reflections on our actions to recognize epiphanies in our lives.

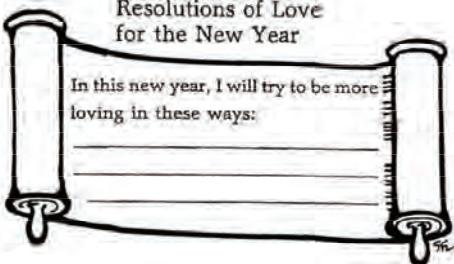
In the infancy of 2026, take time to ask God's blessings on your resolves for the new year.

Use the scrolls printed below and write your resolutions concerning love, presence and compassion.

L'Shalom - in peace,
Fr. Andrew

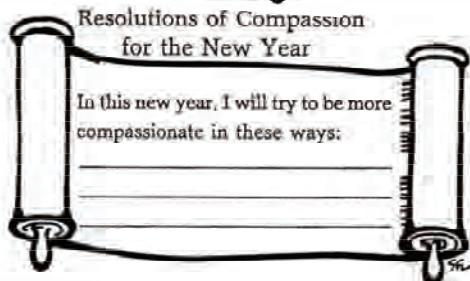
Resolutions of Love
for the New Year

In this new year, I will try to be more loving in these ways:



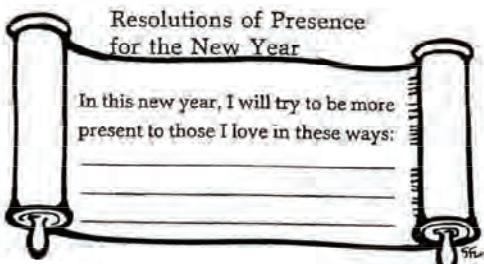
Resolutions of Compassion
for the New Year

In this new year, I will try to be more compassionate in these ways:



Resolutions of Presence
for the New Year

In this new year, I will try to be more present to those I love in these ways:



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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 9am, 11:15am & **No 5pm**

WEEKDAY MASS

NO 12:10pm MASS ON MON, TUES & WED IN THE CHURCH

OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues & Thurs 9-3pm & Wed: 9-1pm & **Closed Friday**
Food Pantry-Thursday 4-6pm



January 10th-11th: The Baptism of the Lord

Reading I: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
Reading II: Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38
Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

January 17th-18th: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
Reading II: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3
Gospel: John 1: 29-34



January 10th-11th: The Baptism of the Lord

Saturday 5pm – † Bill MacBride
Sunday 9am – † Don Cowles
Sunday 11:15am – † Thomas Maciolek

January 17th-18th: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5pm – † St. Thomas More Parishioners
Sunday 9am – † Bill MacBride
Sunday 11:15am – † Deceased St. Thomas More Parishioners



*Please pray for our STM
Faith Formation students
preparing for the Sacrament of
Confirmation over the next
several weeks.*

*May they be filled with the
Holy Spirit as they prepare to be
Disciples of Christ.*



OFFERTORY UPDATE:

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

Christmas Collection (Dec 24-25) **\$10,666.30**

Offertory for December 28, 2025 **\$5,006.50**

Offertory for January 4, 2025 **\$7,057.00**

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

Thank you for your generous contributions.



*This is my beloved Son...
Hear Him!*



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Ed Donnelly
Peter Farrington
Bernadette Komonchak**

**Barbara Farrington
Dot Meneghin**

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



Memorials for Deceased Loved Ones

Josephine & Frank Lodick
Amy Trawinski Marcin
The Connolly Family

Evelyn Haley
Stephen Web

St. Thomas More Food Pantry Update



In December, the Pantry served 253 patrons from nine towns.

We continue to seek volunteers to assist with two opportunities: 1) pickup of donations from Walmart in Newington on Tuesdays at 1:00pm. Your task would be to collect the items and return to the church where a set of volunteers will help unload your vehicle. 2) pickup of food donations from Hannaford on Grapevine drive on Wednesday mornings. Best if your vehicle is like a small SUV. You would be in a rotation with at least two others so typically your turn would be once every three weeks. Please let me know if this sounds like it can fit into your schedule and I can provide the details. Contact me at rasamom3@comcast.net.

This week, at the pantry, we need the following items:

- Paper towels
- Sandwich bags
- Quick bread mixes

200 CLUB



The next drawing of the 200 Club is almost here.

You could be a winner on Sunday, January 25th.

There's plenty of time to become a new member or renew your membership before the January drawing.

New/renewal application forms are available at the church entrances. Subscription options are for 3, 6 or 12 months, at a cost of \$50, \$100 or \$200 respectively. Simply write a check made payable to **St. Thomas More Church**. **Don't forget to 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**

A special note of thanks to all those who have supported and continue to support the club. You have made a difference!!

Attention All Christmas Fair Volunteers

We would like to thank everyone who volunteered and assisted with the Christmas Fair.....we couldn't do it without all of you!! We raised **\$6,760.00** (net income) for the parish. We have planned a pot-luck luncheon scheduled for **Sunday, Jan 11th at 12:30pm** in the church hall. We hope you can attend to enjoy some after the holidays fellowship. We will also "debrief" this year's fair and make suggestions for next year's fair.

If you plan to attend and can bring either a dish or dessert, please let Kara (603-767-9837) or Stacey (603-534-5420) know. Thank you all so much for another wonderful year! Kara & Stacey



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

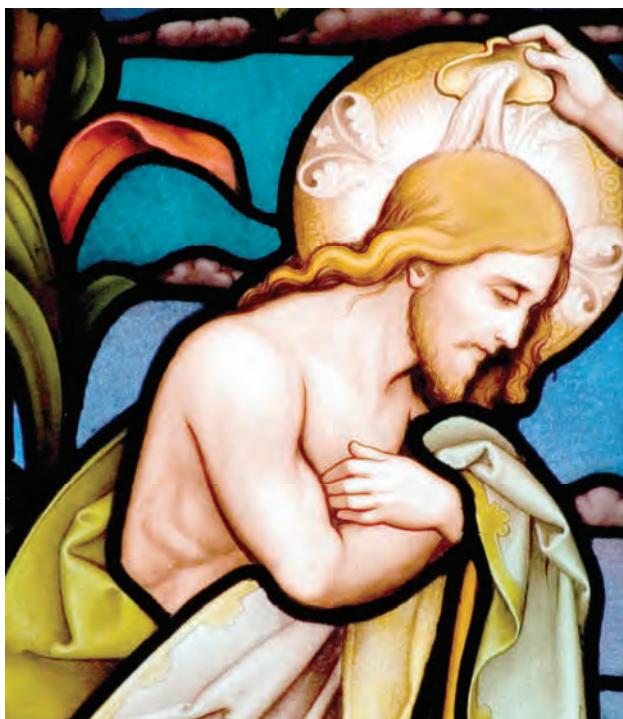
"I the Lord have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand, I formed you and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring prisoners out of confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness... 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.'"

The description from Isaiah, the words of Peter, describing Jesus 'going about doing good', help us appreciate the scene of Jesus' meeting John the Baptist at the Jordan. They help us appreciate Jesus as He initiates His public ministry. He would quote Isaiah later in Nazareth describing more clearly His pending mission. We who live as children of the covenant, whose eyes were opened through our baptism, who have been freed from original sin and are pleasing to the Father, are now sent on our mission, the singular task the Lord has reserved and entrusted personally to me.

HIS WORD TODAY

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS



KID'S KORNER

Gospel Today

The Baptism of the Lord / Matthew 3:13-17

Coming from Galilee, Jesus met John at the Jordan River and asked to be baptized. Seeing that John was surprised at the request, Jesus assured him it was God's plan for him to be baptized by John.

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“THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, WITH WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED.”

—Matthew 3:17

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.



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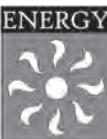
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