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A Community of Parish and University Ministry

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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am; 11:15 am & 5pm (UNH Mass)

WEEKDAY MASS

12:10pm Mass Monday, Tuesday & No 12:10 Mass Wednesday

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 9-3pm , Office Closed Wednesday
Closed: Friday

Food Pantry-Thursday 4-6pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Join us Friday in the Church 7-8pm

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:00 - 4:30 pm or by appointment.
Baptism: Call office to register for class & date of celebra. on.
Marriage: Call office to schedule appointment at least six months prior.
Anointing of Sick: Call office anytime.
Inquiries & Reception in Catholic Faith (OCIA): Call Roberta **603-868-2666**
First Communion, First Reconciliation & Youth Confirmation:
Call Director of Faith Formation **603-868-2666**
For Parish Registration call 603-868-2666 or visit www.stmdurham.org.

November 8, 2026

Thirty-Second 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.



Kristallnacht is the German name for the program sponsored by the Nazi government on the nights of November 9th and 10th, 1938. The program shattered not just vast quantities of plate glass (thousands of Jewish shops, warehouses and homes were burned or otherwise destroyed and hundreds of synagogues were reduced to smoldering embers); but it also eliminated all hope for continued Jewish existence in Germany. After Kristallnacht, German Jews lost their place in the country's economy, saw their cultural organizations dissolved and desperately sought to emigrate.

This week we mark the 88th anniversary of the dreadful night which ushered in the Holocaust. It is a time to remember the six million Jews who were murdered by the Nazis in Europe between the years 1939 - 1945.

During the Holocaust, Jews were often taken from the cities and towns in which they lived to concentration camps far from their homes. As the destruction of European Jewry progressed, the first gassing took place in Auschwitz, marking the first systematic genocidal assault in human history.

On this anniversary of Kristallnacht and the beginning of the Holocaust, let us impress upon our minds the words "whoever closes his eyes to the past becomes blind to the present."

Fr. Andrew

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MASSES & OFFICE HOURS

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November 7th-8th; Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Reading I: Wisdom 6:12-16
Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

November 14th-15th; Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Reading I: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Mass Intentions

November 7th-8th; Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday 5pm – ✞ David Holmes
Sunday 9am –✞ Evelyn Smick
Sunday 11:15am–✞ Mary Murphy- 1st Anniversary

November 14th-15th; Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday 5pm –✞ David Holmes
Sunday 9am – ✞ Virginia Wilman (1st Anniversary)
Sunday 11:15am –✞ Mary Conlon (1st Anniversary)

STM FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

Classes for Faith Formation-Grades K-5

Next Class November 8th.
For more information please contact Ann McGurty stmdurham@stmdurham.org or call 603 868-2666

Faith Formation

Grades K-5th Classes
9:00am-Kindergarten-Grades 1 (Church Hall Classroom)
10:00am- Grade 2 (Student Center Prayer Rm)
10:00am- Grade 3 (Library Student Center)
10:00am- Grades 4 & 5 (Church Hall)

Middle School Youth Ministry

Next Class November 15th
10:00am-Middle School (Grades 6-8) Gym –See MS Calendar
LIFE– Living In Faith Everyday



Adult Faith Formation Series-Updated Dates

Derick Alexandre, our Campus Minister is offering a 5-week series on Pope Leo XIV Encyclical Letter of Magnificent Humanity (Magnifica Humanitas):

"On Safeguarding The Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence."

Each Session will be on Wednesdays 1-2:30pm in the Gym

Please mark your calendar with the following updated dates:
November 11th

STM Christmas Fair
Saturday, Dec 5, 2026



The STM Christmas Fair is one of our biggest Fundraisers for the parish and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** The Christmas Fair is in need of volunteers for the various tables and activities at the fair: Bake Table, Basket Raffle, Pets, Jewelry, Accessories, Crafts, Set-up and Clean-up, etc... We are also looking for someone who would be interested in assisting with advertising/ promotion. Please contact **Kara Kane directly at 603-767-9837** if you are able to assist with one of these roles. Sign-up is at the Main entrance of the Church



Remember your deceased loved ones by recording their names in our Book of Remembrance throughout the month of November.



STM CHRISTMAS 2026 GIVING PROJECT FOR CHILDREN

This year we are working with the Durham Fire Dept in collecting **brand new unwrapped** toys and coats for children (infant–high school) from **Nov 9th-Dec 6th**



There will be designated boxes between the glass doors at the Student Center for coats and toys. Gift cards are accepted but Please bring to the Office.603-868-2666.

As always, thank you for your generosity!



The STM Office will be closed & there will be no 12:10 Mass on Wednesday, Nov. 11th in remembrance of Veteran's Day

Offertory

Grateful Giving

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

Offertory for November 1st $5,331.36

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

Thank you for your generous contributions



St. Thomas More Food Pantry Update

Our St. Thomas More Food Pantry is pleased to announce we once again renewed our partnership with the New Hampshire Food Bank by recently passing our annual audit.

Thank you to all of our volunteers who consistently give their time each week!

This week, at the pantry, we could use:

- **Body wash**
- **Baking spices – cinnamon, nutmeg, etc.**
- **Mayonnaise**



200 CLUB

It's time to be thankful!

If you have a number, you might be a thankful winner at the next 200 Club drawing on November 29th. *There's plenty of time to become a new member or renew your membership before the* ***November 29th*** *drawing. 200 Club enrollment forms for November are available at the entrances to the church. Or 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!



Thanksgiving Day Pies (Campus Ministry)

ORDER FORM due by **Thursday, Nov 19th** Please complete this form and mail or bring in person with money)

$16 per pie or 2 pies for $30 Apple Pie # _____

Pumpkin Pie #_____

I am paying by (check one): cash _____ check _____ Total _____

(please make all checks out to Diocese of Manchester)

Name: _____ Phone: _____





Thanksgiving Pie Fundraiser

The CSO students are currently taking orders for Apple & Pumpkin Pies for Thanksgiving.



$16 per pie or 2 pies for $30

All orders must be received by Thursday, Nov 19th

Forms are available at the entrances of Church . Pick up pies on:

Monday, Nov 23rd between 11am-6pm or Tuesday, November 24th between 11am-6pm



DONATIONS NEEDED for Thanksgiving Baskets!

It's that time of year to open our hearts and share our bounty!

Thanksgiving Baskets are completed with the the help of STM's Food Pantry which is now serving record numbers of families, so your help is especially needed this year to complete our baskets. Thank you!



ABSOLUTELY NEED:

-140 CANS of Pie Filling (Fruit or Pumpkin & Evaporated Milk)
-140 Pie Crust mixes or ready-made Graham cracker crusts
-50 Brownie mixes
-80 Jars of Pickles AND 90 Jars of Olives
-160 Jars or cans of Turkey Gravy
-160 Jars of Cranberry Sauce
-160 Boxes of Stuffing
-80 Aluminum Roasting Pans & Napkins (Thanksgiving Themed if possible)
-Candy- We make 100 bags!

ALSO NEED: Cash or gift cards (for fresh food, etc.)

The front doors of the Student Center are always open and ready for donations!

We could use your donations ASAP to ensure enough food for all of the basket requests this year. We appreciate all donations by **Sunday, November 9th** .

THANK YOU! 2025: Over 100 baskets were made thanks to your generosity!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week of November 9th-15th

WEEKLY EVENTS:

MONDAY 11/9	*OCIA 7pm Student Center*
TUESDAY 11/10	Men's Group 7pm—Student Center Women's Group 7pm — Student Center
WEDNESDAY 11/11	*Board Meeting 5:15pm-MUB 2nd floor* *CSO All Student Meeting 7pm-MUB 334*
THURSDAY 11/12	*Food Pantry 2-6pm*
FRIDAY 11/13	*Adoration, 7pm-STM* *PowerPoint Night, Kingsbury*
SATURDAY 11/14	*Fall Retreat-Corpus Christi Parish, Portsmouth, NH, 9:00am-3:30pm*

DID YOU KNOW?

In 313 AD, Emperor Constantine the Great issued the Edict of Milan, granting toleration of Christianity within the Roman Empire. Contrary to a common misconception, he did not create the Catholic Church; the Church had already existed for centuries and continued to develop independently of imperial authority.

UPCOMING UNH Student Mass Schedule

Sunday, November 15th --5pm
Sunday, November 22nd –5pm
Sunday, November 29th – NO MASS
Sunday, December 5th - 5pm
A Home cooked meal to follow Student Mass

THANKSGIVING PIE SALE

SAVE THE DATE!

Our Pie Baking Fundraiser will take place Saturday *November 21st* starting at 10am in the parish hall and student center. We will need all hands on deck to make these delicious pies.



Saint of the Day

CSO SAINTS CORNER



November 14th-Gertrude the Great
(d. 1302). Benedictine Nun and Mystic. One of the first saints to be called "bride of Christ." Early devotee of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

November 15th-Albert the Great
(d. 1280). Intellectual Giant of the Middle Ages. Teacher of Thomas Aquinas. He wrote a compendium of all knowledge. Incorporated Aristotle into Christian thought.

UNH Catholic Student Organiza. on News for Fall 2026 Students

If you would like additional information, please contact our Campus Minister:
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CSO President: Christian Anderson
caa1063@usnh.edu

Stay tuned for more exciting events happening this semester.
Hope to see you at the next meeting
November 11th at 7:00pm at the MUB 334

Sunday Mass with Supper to Follow
November 15th at 5pm

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