UNITED HEARTS PARISH PRAYER LINE
The number to call for prayer requests, or if you wish to pray with us, is 622-2094.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples who are celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or beyond Wedding Anniversary (anytime during the year 2017), to attend a Special Anniversary Mass. This celebration will be held on October 15, 2017 at 2:00 p.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester. If you are celebrating your 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or beyond anniversary, please contact the parish office by September 22.

FR. LARRY RICHARDS IS COMING TO ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH OCTOBER 16-19
Join us as we welcome Father Larry Richards, a gifted speaker, dynamic teacher and retreat master from Monday, October 16 through Thursday, October 19 from 7 – 9 p.m. in the Church. Fr. Larry Richards will speak about:

Monday: God’s Love and Prayer
Tuesday: Love of Others
Done in the context of a Mass

Wednesday: Passion of Christ and the Need for Confession
Followed by the opportunity for individual confessions

Thursday: Adoration and Healing
Done in the context of Eucharistic Adoration and a Healing Service

There is no need to register – just come. Your Life WILL Be Changed Forever!

COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS
Our retired priests have always been there for us, and they still play a vital role in our lives and in our diocese. Help honor their lives of service and devotion with a contribution to the Priests Retirement Trust Fund in next week’s special collection. You can learn more at catholicnh.org/theyservcd. The collection will take place the weekend of September 23-24. Checks may be made payable to St. Catherine of Siena.

PARISH FAIR MEETING
The initial Parish Fair meeting will be held Wednesday, September 20 at 7 p.m. in the school.

RESTORE, RENEW, PROCLAIM THE HOPE THAT IS CHRIST!
The Diocese of Manchester is launching an initiative to strengthen faith formation in our parishes and schools. It is called “Restore, Renew, Proclaim the Hope that Is Christ.” The goal of this initiative is to make lifelong faith formation a priority and a reality in all our parishes. To accomplish this, we will be looking at ways to strengthen our youth ministry and adult faith formation processes, as well as reimagining our sacramental preparation programs. At the heart of all this is a desire to form disciples of all ages. Exciting things will be happening in all our parishes as we look forward with hope and with confidence that the Holy Spirit will guide all our efforts. Our parish will continue to be a place where disciples are formed in the faith and sent out on mission. Go to www.catholicnh.org/lifelong for more information on this diocesan initiative.

HURRICANE RELIEF
Thank you to everyone who contributed to Hurricane Relief. We received $8,715.00 for the victims. Funds raised will support humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and will provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses. Please also keep the victims of the storm in your prayers.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., September 27 through November 5, over 100,000 Christians around the world will pray outside of abortion centers, interceding for the most vulnerable among us, as part of the 40 Days for Life prayer vigil– 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Will you come and join us outside of Planned Parenthood in Manchester? Consider praying for just one hour. Whether it’s an hour a week or an hour during the 40 days- please join us. The Lord will bless your sacrifice.

How: It’s easy to sign up. Just do one of the following:
Website: Type 40daysforlife.com/manchester in your search bar & sign up on the calendar
Phone: 978-226-3240 and leave a message with your name, day(s)/hour(s)
Email: 40daysforlifemanchester@gmail.com with your name, day(s)/hour(s)
Questions? Call Sheila DePuydt at 978-226-3240 or email 40daysforlifemanchester@gmail.com.
ACTS OF THE APOSTLES BIBLE STUDY
Tuesdays through September 26, from 7-9 p.m., you are invited to take a daring 12 week journey with the first Christians...and meet the lion-hearted disciples who gave all for the Lamb of God! Each episode will bring us deeper into the world of the early Church and the power of the Holy Spirit. After watching the video, you can share your thoughts and reflections with each other in small group discussions. A Catholic Viewers’ Guide will be available for all participants. YOU WON’T WANT TO MISS ANY!! For more information, contact Therese Finegan at 603-247-6499.

THE BIBLE TIMELINE IS BACK
The Bible Timeline is a fascinating study that takes participants on a journey through the entire Bible. They will go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Using a unique color-coded system, they will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. The Bible Timeline has been granted the Imprimatur. The course will take place on Thursday evenings at 7pm in the Parish Hall. We will be starting right where we left off in May with the Second Book of Samuel. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT
September 9/10, 2017

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Hurricane Relief: $8,715.00

JESUS WAS BORN IN A SHELTER
The box at the main entrance of the church is to collect items for those who live in shelters in Manchester. Needs for September are diapers and wipes, razors, floss.

Thank you from Moms’ Group
We were overwhelmed and humbled with the community support, especially from Fr. Paul, St. Catherine School, the Religious Education Program and of all you who took supplies home and for the MANY of you who came down after the 11 Mass to make cards! Please remember to bring all your finished cards back to the collection basket in the Gathering Space no later than September 24.
ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS

CALENDAR RAFFLE
We need the help of the community to help us make this fundraiser successful. The calendars will be sold for $10.00 apiece. Drawings will be daily during the month of NOVEMBER in time for the Holiday Fair and Christmas Shopping. Tickets can be purchased from the school or rectory office.

Dear Friends,
Change happens. It is the one thing we can ALL count on. It can be frightening, indeed; BUT it is how we deal with change that is most important…With hope! And that is how I pray we will all approach the new year! We have a new team, this is true, but it is our moral and professional obligation to move forward to learn and grow from each other. Older educators (myself included) will learn from our newer teachers; and, of course, our new teachers will be mentored in the rich tradition that we all hold so dear. We are not veterans vs. newbies. We are a team! Moving forward as a community will keep us whole!
What can never change is how the children are treated and educated. Each child is made in the image and likeness of God, and it is our job to help them realize their full potential through ‘academic excellence, spiritual development, and a commitment to serve others.’ This is the core of who we are and what we do! So, thank YOU for trusting us to be servant leaders for the children of Saint Catherine of Siena School and Parish.
With you, I look forward to an exciting year.
God Bless,
Mrs. Bergeron

“SALT & LIGHT!” COMING TO ST. PIUS X
“Salt & Light!” is a comedy for kids. TV Star Frank Runyeon will be starring in this production at St. Pius X on Sunday, October 1 at 5 p.m. Parents will love this, as well. Please call St. Pius rectory at 622-4966 for additional information.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRIES VOLUNTEERS
Children’s Ministries at the 9am Mass will resume in September. We are looking for volunteer helpers for our babysitting service and a co-teacher for our Pre-CCD students. We provide all the material and no teaching experience is necessary. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lori Vincent at dlvincent6@gmail.com.

BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAYS
Please join us every Wednesday after the 9 a.m. Mass for bible study, facilitated by Deacon Geoff Ashman. It’s held in the conference room in the Church Hall.

PARISH NURSE NEWS

FREEDOM FROM SMOKING COURSE
Free 8-week course from September 12 to October 24. Call 626-2626 for more information, and to register.

BETTER HEALTH, BETTER CHOICES
Free, chronic disease self-management series, Thursdays from September 14 – October 19, 9 – 11 a.m., Founders Room at Dartmouth-Hitchcock, Manchester. To register, call 629-1732.

OVARIAN CANCER: GET THE FACTS
Join Joseph Pepe, MD, President & CEO of CMC who will discuss the incidence and seriousness of ovarian cancer, and why it is sometimes difficult to diagnose. Monday, September 18 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. Call 603-626-2626 to register.

CHAIR EXERCISE CLASSES (FREE)
Tuesdays at St. Elizabeth’s, 8:30
Wednesdays at Congregation Church of Goffstown, 10
Thursdays at Transfiguration, 9:30

WALKING GROUPS (FREE)
Tuesdays at Transfiguration, 9:30

SHINE: (SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS)
St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, Goffstown on Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

2 BEDROOM RESIDENCE WANTED
A parishioner, her 11 year old son, and their two cats are looking for a 2 bedroom rental in the Hooksett School District. Anybody willing to rent is asked to call the rectory at 622-4966.

THANK YOU TO LESLIE GOAN
I would like to thank Mrs. Leslie Goan for all her hard work setting up our lesson plans for the Children's Ministry Pre-CCD program. I would also like to thank her for her generous donations to the program. We have lots of new things to share with the children. Lisa Daugherty and the Children's Ministry staff.

SEWING AND KNITTING GROUP
We extend a warm welcome to all who wish to come and work at knitting, crocheting, or sewing small items including prayer shawls for the needy and homeless. Our meetings are every other Monday, 9:30am - 11:30am in the church hall. The next meeting is scheduled for this Monday, September 25.