

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Saturday, 30 August

3:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

4 pm ... †Marguerite Doherty by the Doherty Family

Sunday, 31 August 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am ... †Arthur Smet (36th Anniv.) by Cynthia Hobbs

9:30 am ... †Alice Carignan (17th Anniv.) by Kathy Carignan

4:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

5 pm ... Our Parish Family

Monday, 1 September ~ Office Closed ~

HAPPY LABOR DAY

9 am ... Mass

Tuesday, 2 September

12 pm ... Flynn Patrick Travis (living) by P. Jerome

Wednesday, 3 September Saint Gregory the Great

11:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

12 pm ... †Annette Morneau by Pauline Morneau

Thursday, 4 September

8:30 am ... Poor Souls of Purgatory by the Pereira Family

Friday, 5 September Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

5:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

6 pm ... †Charles & †Marjorie Costello Day by P. Jerome

Saturday, 6 September

3:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

4 pm ... †Carrie Kohler (15th Anniv.) by Kathy Carignan

Sunday, 7 September 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am ... †John Drobot (10th Anniv.) by Marge Drobot

9:30 am ... †Katherine Jaskolka by Alan & Barbara Heidenreich

4:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

5 pm ... Our Parish Family



Sanctuary candle The sanctuary candle burns this week for †Don & †Rita DeCotis by Dottie DeCotis.

Readings for the week of August 31, 2014

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5

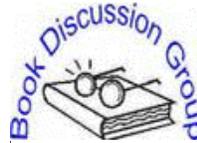
Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

In The News



Catholic Charities

Our parish has raised **\$12,290** towards Catholic Charities. Our parish's contribution goal is **\$30,000**. Please consider a contribution. Your donation transforms lives. Thank you!



Please join the parish Book Group in celebrating its 10th birthday on **Thursday, Sept. 18!** Our next book selection is *Like Water for Chocolate* by Laura Esquivel, a novel about love, passion, family, personal freedom --- and cooking! A light supper, activities, and discussion will begin at 7 pm in the parish hall. Please use the Ferry Street entrance. Books and reading packets are available at the parish office for \$12. Please note that this book is suitable for adult readers.



Spiritual Direction – Saint Raphael Parish offers Spiritual Direction to those who are going through a loss or transition in life, or who simply want to explore, deepen and broaden their relationship with God. Our Pastoral Assistant, Anna Wallich, trained in Spiritual Direction as part of her Th.M. in Pastoral Care, meets with both men and women. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact her at the parish office, 623-2604 or spdirectionmin@gmail.com



We have lots of exciting events planned for the fall! Watch for additional information in future bulletins:

Sun., Sep. 14 @ 9:30 am Mass: Catechetical Sunday and our choir resumes!

Sun., Sep. 28 @ 9:30 am Mass: Altar Server Investiture.

Fri., Oct. 3: LifeLine Screening in the Parish Hall.

Sun., Oct. 18: Ancient Order of Hibernian breakfast, open to all, following 9:30 am Mass in the Parish Hall.

Fall session of The Pastor's Class: "The Sacraments: A Way of Life, a Way to Life"



Please keep in your prayers the family of †Julio Aramini and †Charles Richard who passed away last week.

Moral courage, commitment to truth outshine brutality of Jim Foley's death

During one of the final classes in my journalism course at **Saint Anselm College** last year, I discussed the necessity of “**moral courage**” for news reporters and editors in pursuit of the story. They have to know that only conviction and commitment will sustain them as they endeavor to uncover the facts, problems, issues and controversies that make news.

Inevitably, reporters will encounter hostile citizens, uncooperative sources, angry public officials, secretive businessmen and corrupt bureaucrats. Not everyone wants “the story” to get out, and **a few individuals wish real harm to those whose profession it is to find, write and tell the story.**



My students on the Hilltop do not immediately think that facing such ornery types will put them in any real physical danger. They think of news

reporting as a rather challenging and exciting job, but not one fraught with dangers, until I tell them about **Danny Pearl** (*top right*) and **Don Bolles** (*inset above*). Now, tragically, I will add **Jim Foley's name** (*top left*) to my list.

In truth, I mentioned Foley's circumstances to my students just as we were heading into December. After a unit on the stories of Pearl and Bolles, I added details on this New Hampshire native, who for many months was the subject of an international effort to “**Free Jim Foley.**”

Tragically, Jim, like the two journalists mentioned above, became part of the story he was covering when terrorists in the so-called **Islamic State** forced him to kneel in the desert sands and repeat an obviously coerced statement denouncing U.S. Mideast policies before they beheaded him on Aug. 19 for a worldwide video audience.

With only a reporter's notebook, a pen, a



recorder and a camera to defend himself, Jim represented a threat as dangerous to the IS as any special forces unit. **Jim Foley was in the business of truth-telling** – and the truth, if told, ultimately unmask all frauds and does in all folly.

A native of **Rochester, N.H.**, and a member of **Holy Rosary Parish** where his parents John and Diane still worship, Foley, age 40, was a graduate of Marquette University in Milwaukee, where he received his B.A. degree in history. In addition, he had an M.F.A. in writing from UMass Amherst, and an M.S. in journalism from Northwestern University.

Jim worked for **Global Post**, an on-line news site specializing in international coverage. His coverage led him throughout the Middle East. He was held captive in **Libya** for more than a month in 2010, and after his release and a stint at Global Post's headquarters in Boston, he was in Iraq, where allied troops were pulling out, and then Syria, where a civil war has claimed tens of thousands of innocent lives.

Amid this carnage, the Islamic State emerged and with its drive to establish a medieval-style **theocratic “caliphate”** through aggression, intimidation, terror, rape, amputation, beheading and even crucifixion. A gang associated with the IS, itself linked to al Qaeda, grabbed Foley from an internet café in Syria on Thanksgiving Day in 2012. When U.S. **airstrikes** targeted the IS earlier this summer, the terror group

struck back by killing an innocent journalist. Although the world has become jaded and shocked by far too many stories of violence, the callous brutality of this murder caused horror and outrage in much of the world and left a searing wound in the hearts of his family and friends here in **New England.**

Murders, such as Jim Foley's, tragic and shocking as they are, sadly have become all too common in recent years. Journalists, doctors, teachers, social service workers are easy prey for hostile factions and terrorists to use for winning ransom payments or prisoner releases or simply striking fear into their audiences.

Don Bolles was a **reporter for the Arizona Republic**, killed in 1976, while **investigating public official and organized crime links** to an alleged corrupt land deal in Phoenix when dynamite taped to the underside of his car exploded.

Danny Pearl, a **reporter for The Wall Street Journal**, was killed in **2002** by al Qaeda Islamic radicals in Pakistan; like Jim Foley, Pearl too was forced to make a false statement, then beheaded and a video circulated. It remains **my particular privilege to have hired Danny for his first job** in professional journalism at The North Adams (MA) Transcript, to have worked with him as his first editor and to have remained a good friend until his death.

More than 2,200 journalists worldwide have been killed since 1837 in efforts to “get the story,” according to the **Newseum**, a national center showcasing journalism history. As we see, hear and read the news, we might remember that amid all the criticism we may make of contemporary news reporting, amid all the controversies that it can generate, **it still takes real flesh-and-blood men and women with genuine, moral courage to tell us** what is shaping the world in which we live. May the Risen Christ welcome Jim Foley and all the others into the arms of his mercy. © Jerome J. Day, O.S.B.



Saint Raphael Food Pantry The food pantry will be closed on Monday, Sept. 1, in observance of Labor Day. We

are in need of baked beans, canned vegetables, cereal, and canned fruit. Thank you!



Thank you to everyone currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces! Please keep them in your prayers, especially:

**Kenneth Breuder
Philip Breuder
Danielle Wells**

Weekly Collection

August 24, 2014

Offertory Regular	\$2,862.00
Offertory Make-Up	\$ 277.00
Offertory Loose	\$ 927.00
Total:	\$4,066.00
Stewardship:	\$ 80.00
Assumption of Mary	\$ 117.00



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Liturgical Reminder Please remember that Our Blessed Lord is truly present in the Eucharist and do your best to subdue any loud or untoward noises during the celebration of Mass. While we all make some noises as we move about, loud yawning, conversation, and generous arm-stretching is disrespectful the presence of Our Blessed Lord, to the celebrant, and distracting to our worship experience. And as the summer months approach (although with the recent cold spell it's

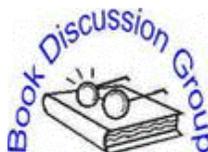


Crafters Needed The Sisters of Holy Cross are preparing for their Fall Fair, which will be held on Saturday, Oct. 18, at 357 Island Pond Road, Manchester. They are looking for crafters at this time. If interested, please contact the Development Office at 622.9504 x20. If no one is available, leave a message and your call will be returned.



We are still looking to increase our group of altar servers **especially for the 4 pm Saturday Vigil, 7:30 am, and 5 pm Sunday Masses.** Typically, candidates are considered as soon as they reach third grade and have made their First Communion. **If you are interested in training to be a server, please contact Kerri Stanley in the rectory at 623.2604 in order to set up a training session.**

Write on the Heart—Saint Raphael Church Reflections Have you seen our blog? Check it out www.saint-raphaelsblog.com. We welcome guest writers too!



Movie Night! Come join the book discussion group on **Thursday, July 17 at 7 pm** downstairs in the parish hall classroom. We'll be screening Charlotte Bronte's *Jane Eyre* -- but which version of this famous novel will we watch? At the moment, it's a mystery! Bring a friend, have some popcorn, and see what awaits!



Did you miss out on pictures?

If you would like to have your family portrait displayed in the new directory, you are welcome to submit a photo and

we will add it. You may send a photo electronically via email to secretary@saint-raphael-parish.com or drop it off at the rectory between 9 am and 4 pm. **PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR PHOTO BY JUNE 15.**

We plan to include a **memorial page** dedicated to the deceased members of our parish so if you would like to include a photo of your deceased loved one, please email it or drop it at the rectory. Thank you for being a part of our directory!



Knitting Group is participating in "CLICK for Babies" a period of purple crying hats. We are inviting all knitters and crocheters to join us in making purple baby hats.