

XII Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sat., June 18

2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34; Mt 6:24-34

4 pm ... ☩ Charles Richard by Simone Richard

Sun., June 19

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Zec 12:10-11; 13:1; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Gal 3:26-29; Lk 9:18-24

7:30 am ... ☩ Mary Marszal by Richard Bienvenue

9:30 am ... ☩ Edward Heroux by Bridget Heroux

4:30 pm ... Penance & Reconciliation

5 pm ... Our Parish Family

Mon., June 20

2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5

12 pm ... ☩ Alfred K. Hobbs, Jr., by Cynthia Hobbs

Tue., June 21

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga

2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14

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12 pm ... ☩ Ernest Rocha by Lionel & Lillian Coulon

Wed., June 22 Sts Paulinus, John Fisher, Thomas More

2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119:33-37, 40; Mt 7:15-20

11:30 am ... Penance & Reconciliation

12 pm ... ☩ Deceased members of the Hobbs & Smet families by Cynthia Hobbs

Thur., June 23

2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 7:21-29

8:30 am ... ☩ Phillip Beland by Linda Beland

Fri., June 24

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17
Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

6 pm ... ☩ Robert "Doc" Reel by his family & friends

Sat., June 25

Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:15-17

4 pm ... ☩ Luke Atkins (1st Anniv.) by Pat Tremblay

Sun., June 26

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1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

7:30 am ... ☩ Edward J. Moran (3rd Anniv.) by Margaret-Ann Moran

9:30 am ... ☩ Joseph M. Dambach by Denis & Eileen Smith

4:30 pm ... Penance & Reconciliation

5 pm ... Our Parish Family



CLASS OF 2016

Congratulations to the following youth on their graduations: From

Trinity High School: **Zara Morrissey**, who will attend Manchester Community College, and from Bedford High School, **Molly Hayden**, who will attend NH Technical Institute.



Catholic Charities

2016 Annual Campaign

Our goal this year is \$26,000. Thank you to

those who have supported Catholic Charities. To date, your gift has helped us raise **\$4,076** towards our goal. Envelopes are located at the back of the church. Thank you for supporting Catholic Charities New Hampshire. Please help us reach our goal!



Lynne Hartshorn Memorial Blood Drive Mark your calendar for **Monday, June 20, 1-6 pm**, in the Parish Hall. Lynne was a longtime volunteer and receptionist at the American Red Cross Center, Manchester. Her son, Peter Hartshorn and his wife,

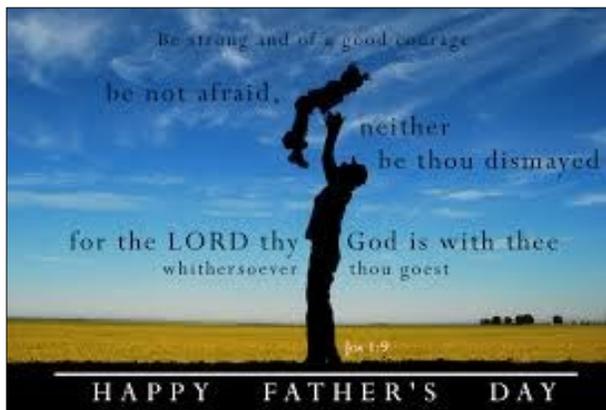
Melissa, and their three children are parishioners of Saint Raphael. All blood donations would be greatly appreciated!



Congratulations to parishioner **Laurie Rothhaus**, parishioner of Saint Raphael and principal of Campbell High School, Litchfield, on her retirement after 35 years as an educator in New Hampshire. Thank you for your years of service in educating thousands of New Hampshire students!



We extend best wishes from Saint Raphael to three staff members leaving Saint Benedict Academy this year: **Beth Gravel**, who has been with the school since 1998! She started when it was known as West Side Catholic and has been a parent, volunteer, teacher and eventually administrative assistant. **Benjamin O'Brien**, music teacher, is leaving to attend graduate school in sacred music. Finally, **LaDelle Hauk**, longtime 5th grade teacher, is getting married and relocating to the Carolinas. Ladelle served as administrator of SBA for a year. They all will be missed and we wish all of them the very best in their future endeavors!



Sign up to host Vocation Chalice or Pilgrim Virgin statue

Parishioners and friends of the parish are encouraged to sign up for either or both of these opportunities for two-week



Sanctuary candle The sanctuary candle burns this week for ☩ **Victims, family and friends of the Orlando night club attack.**



Mon., June 20

11 am—7 pm ... L. Hartshorn blood drive

7—8 pm ... Food Pantry

Tue., June 21

12:30 pm ... Parish Nurse

Fri., June 24

7:30 pm ... Holy League



Altar Servers Needed! The Altar Server's Ministry is a unique one in the Catholic Church. Other than priests and deacons, no one else is allowed to play so closely a part in the preparation of the Eucharist. Your participation as an Altar Server is special. When you serve the priests and deacons, you serve the people of God, and above all, you serve Christ. Servers should have received their First Eucharist before they start serving. If you are interested, please call Kerri in the office at 623.2604. Thank you!



intervals. Find out more by reading about it on our website, www.saint-raphael-parish.com. Please **call the office at 623.2604** to make arrangements. This is a great opportunity to develop prayer in your home and heart, to honor Mary and to ask God for the gift of new vocations!

So Long, Farewell, auf Wiedersehen, Goodbye



The Sound of Music has always been a **favorite movie** of mine; and I have been known to put a CD of the soundtrack into my car radio on long trips so I could sing along

(much to my children's annoyance when they were younger—they much preferred my CDs of the Supremes or the Beatles). *The Sound of Music* was one of the first movies I ever saw, since my parents weren't really in favor of movies and TV out of concern that we wouldn't become good readers.

Over the years, I have watched it many times. There is **no substitute for the original cast** in my mind, because they combined a perfect artistry within a perfect set dysfunctional family and political system; there is a beautiful balance, symmetry and forward motion.

The movie has appealed to me on many levels as I have gotten older—from simply appreciating the music and the exciting storyline, I grew to appreciate how the religious devotion that Maria has gets translated into a different area of life, showing that **ministry can be practiced everywhere and anywhere** as God shows us the need. It has helped me to understand my family history a bit differently, as members of one side of my dad's had to flee Germany because of **Nazi persecution**, while members of the other side were conscripted into the German army, suffering terrible wounds that affected them their entire lives. Themes of mercy, trust, generosity, thinking outside the box, betrayal, loss, redemption: the movie has it all.

The final song, "So Long, Farewell" captures **all the feelings of leave-taking**. "There's a sad sort of clanging from the clock in the hall and the bell is in the steeple too;

and up in the nursery an absurd little bird is popping out to say, 'cuckoo, cuckoo, cuckoo'.*"Regretfully they tell us, "Cuckoo, cuckoo, But firmly they compel us, 'cuckoo, cuckoo, ' to say good bye."* The children bid goodbye to all the guests, and then exit stage right (or left, I really can't remember).

Because I am me, I always think about the layers of meaning in words and I have been thinking about the **layers of meaning** in the title words of this song. "**So Long**" is profoundly American, and most sources agree that it comes from the gradual mispronunciation in the culturally mixed ghettos of New York where parting guests said "Shalom" (Hebrew) or "Salaam" (Arabic) or "Slán" (Irish Gaelic) to wish peace on those who were leaving.

"**Farewell**" first appears in Middle English in the 14th century as "farewell" and has imperative flavor to it, containing an active desire to bless those who are leaving each other; it is mindful rather than casual. The word has many cognates in the European languages: Scots 'farewele' or 'fairweill', Frisian 'Foarwail', Dutch 'vaarwel', Danish 'farvel', Norwegian 'farvel', Swedish 'farväl', and Icelandic 'farvel', from which one can gather that traveling during the time the phrase evolved was neither safe nor secure.

The modern German "**auf Wiedersehen**" is a phrase that literally means "upon seeing again," and so it contains a hidden blessing as well; after all, if a person doesn't remain healthy or does poorly, the chances of seeing that person again are much slimmer than they otherwise might be. Even today, when spoken in a personal context, this phrase has an implicit promise of hoping for good things and wanting to see the departing guests again, and in a business context it conveys a sense of expectant community.

"**Goodbye**," the final word in the song, is a

contraction of "God be with you," and that is the sentiment I most appreciate as I leave Saint Raphael. My time here has been a time of growth and blessing, and yet last summer, a voice popped out unexpectedly from my heart and prompted me to want to move back home to Virginia and take a risk, moving forward into a new phase of my life much like when I arrived here four years ago. Becoming a part of this parish has been full of unanticipated blessings because of Fr. Jerome's generosity in allowing me to enter into and grow in a variety of areas of ministry, as well as the care and encouragement of so many people I've gotten to know.

One of the things I have learned here is that **people never really retire from anything they do in ministry**—they keep going and going in faith until it is time to go to the Lord. There is a deep sense of commitment and service in this parish (and a strong sense of fun), and those examples have given me the courage to step forward in faith, knowing that

God has a new venue and new plans for my work in ministry. Knowing that you're never too old to serve is a blessing in itself.

I hope that I will keep in my heart these words of **Saint Paul** as I move forward into uncharted waters: "Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell.

Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you." (2 Cor. 13:11) Shalom, as some of my ancestors would have said, and goodbye.

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Weekly Collection

Weekend of June 12, 2016

Regular Offertory
\$3,218.00 Make-Up Offertory
290.00 Loose Offertory
831.00 Online Parish Giving
300.00 Total

\$4,639.00
Stewardship
\$1,893.00 Stewardship Loose
190.00 Stewardship Online
60.00 Total Stewardship
\$2,143.00

Food Pantry
695.00

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VBS 2016: Cave Quest!... Saint Raphael's ever popular Vacation Bible School is coming! This year, VBS will be **July 18—22 from 9 am—12 pm**. This year's theme is "Cave Quest—Following Jesus, the Light of the Word". We seek volunteers and participants. Applications via our website, www.saint-raphael-parish.com.



Saint Raphael Food Pantry On Monday, June 13, the food pantry served **16** families and gave out **26** bags of groceries We need Mac 'n Cheese and can always use brown paper



May all you wonderful dads, grandfathers, uncles, big brothers and godfathers and all who take the role of a father in someone's life enjoy a very happy Father's Day. Please help yourself to a clip magnet as a salute from Saint Raphael. The clips are in the chapel and at the main entrances of the church.