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SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Benedictine Monks of Saint Anselm Abbey

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

January 5, 2025 | The Epiphany of the Lord

Saint Raphael Parish Office Hours

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday
9:00am to Noon

And in the afternoons by appointment

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103 Walker Street
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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 5:00 pm

Weekday Mass Schedule Mon-Fri 12 Noon

Holy Days 12 Noon and 6:30 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm Sunday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm and by appointment



Many Thanks!

Dear Friends,

Many thanks to all to all those who sent cards, gifts, cookies, and treats of all kinds during this Christmas Season. Wishing you all a happy & healthy 2025 -Father Anselm, OSB



Christmas Giving Tree

Once again we had a tremendous response to the request for donations to our Christmas Giving Tree. Many, Many thanks to all those who donated to the Giving Tree this year.



Parish Groups

Benedictine Oblates-Fr. Anselm, OSB

Book Group-Ann-Maria Contarino

Food Pantry-Stephanie Emmons

Knights of Columbus-Lionel Coulon

Knitting Group-Lillian Coulon

Liturgy Committee-Eileen Smith

Men's Group-Darrell Royter

Pastoral Care-Kate McGrath

Sanctuary Guild-Judy O'Donnell

Women's Fellowship-Theresa Dame

In addition to these groups we also have the **Finance Council** and the **Pastoral Council**. All are welcome to join the parish groups or attend the council meetings. Please contact the parish office of more information at 603.623.2604



Winter Weather Policy

Just a reminder that if the Manchester Public Schools are closed due to weather conditions, all parish facilities are closed. The parish office is closed and there is no noon-time Mass. Also, you may check WMUR for closing updates.



Parish Offertory

The Offertory for some of the December weekends will be printed in an upcoming bulletin.



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Monday 1 Jn 3:22; 4:6 Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday 1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday 1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 Mk 6:45-52
Thursday 1 Jn 4:19; 5:4 Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 Lk 4:14-22
Friday 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Lk 5:12-16
Saturday 1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Jn 3:22-30
Sunday Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, January 4~Epiphany of the Lord (Vigil)

4:00pm: Our Parish Family

Sunday, January 5~Epiphany of the Lord

7:30am: +Mary Ann Earnshaw by Lillian & Lionel Coulon
9:30am: +Joseph Dambach (9th Anniversary) by Christine & Jack Dambach
5:00pm: +Kevin O'Connor by Ann & Jay Cormier

Monday, January 6~Christmas Weekday

12:00pm: The Intentions of Michael & James Ledoux by the family

Tuesday, January 7~ Christmas Weekday

12:00pm: +The Souls in Purgatory by the Pereira Family

Wednesday, January 8~ Christmas Weekday

12:00pm: +Robert Blais Jr by the Pereira family

Thursday, January 9~ Christmas Weekday

12:00pm: The Intentions of Eileen Smith by Colleen Lang

Friday, January 10~ Christmas Weekday

12:00pm +Deceased Benedictines

Saturday, January 11~Baptism of the Lord (Vigil)

4:00pm: +Joyceann Fitzgerald-Guill by Linda Beland

Sunday, January 12~Baptism of the Lord

7:30am: Our Parish Family
9:30am: +Laurent Cote by Jeannine Cote
5:00pm: +Dierdre Fitzpatrick by Tom & Yong Me Collins

Parish Event Calendar

Saturday, January 4

10:00am Women's Fellowship (Church Conference Room)

Sunday, January 5

Monday, January 6

5:30pm Food Pantry (Parish Hall)

Tuesday, January 7

11:30am Parish Nurse (Church)

Wednesday, January 8

Thursday, January 9

7:30pm Choir Practice (Church)

Friday, January 10

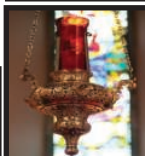
Saturday, January 11

9:00am Benedictine Oblates (Rectory)

Sunday, January 12

Considering a Vocation?

"My kingdom does not belong to this world." Help lead others to Christ and to know his merciful love. Prayerfully consider he may be calling you to serve in this world as a priest or religious brother or sister. Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Matt Mason, the Vocations Director at 603-663-0196 or mmason@rcbm.org



*The sanctuary candle burns
this week for
Prayers Answered
by Flo Breault*

Our Parish Facebook Page

Be sure to check out all the parish information posted there.

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2025 Special Occasion Flower Memorials for the Altar

There are several dates throughout the year where we adorn the altar with flowers to celebrate a special liturgical Mass. We are inviting parishioners to cover the cost of the flowers by dedicating them in a loved one's memory. The memorial will be listed in the bulletin for each particular occasion as it occurs. The cost of the flower arrangement is \$110. If you would like to dedicate any flower arrangement for any of the dates listed below, please call the parish office. This is much like booking a mass intention, where one memorial will be intended for the flowers and does not include Easter and Christmas flowers where all parishioners are invited to dedicate Easter lilies and Christmas flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones. The dates available for 2025 are listed below.

March 17-St. Patrick's Shamrocks	April 17-Holy Thursday (two displays)	April 19-Easter Vigil
May 29-Ascension	May 11-Mother's Day	June 8-Pentecost
June 15-Trinity Sunday	June 22-Corpus Christi	August 15-The Assumption
September 28-The Archangels	November 1-All Saints/All Souls	November 23-Christ the King
December 8- The Immaculate Conception		

2025 Calendars

We have been notified by Catholic Extension, the company that produces our calendars, that there has been a delay in their production system and they are not able to inform us when to expect delivery of the 2025 calendars. Hopefully the calendars will be arriving soon!



Mass Intentions 2025

The **2025 Mass Intention** book is open for requesting Masses for loved ones. It is a common practice among the faithful to arrange Masses to be said for deceased loved ones on the anniversary of their passing or on other significant anniversary dates. We encourage you to contact the parish office early so that any specific dates that you want may be reserved. The customary offering is \$10 for each request.

The Magi's Visit

The **Magi** had more faith in God than in their own ideas and understanding. We might look to them as the patron saints of evolution, reminders that no matter how much we accomplish, learn or love, God keeps offering more to those who are willing to seek and find it. The feast of the Epiphany invites us to holy disquiet, a way of living that has nothing to do with grumbling or complaint. We can make **holy disquiet** a lifelong posture by nurturing it with wonder, gratitude and hope—all of which require **humility**. Holy disquiet leads us to appreciate the good of every moment not as something to be grasped, but as a promise of more. (NCR)

Food Pantry

The **food pantry is always looking for volunteers to help out on Monday nights from 5:00 to 6:30pm**. Here is the link to sign up to be a food pantry volunteer: <https://volunteersignup.org/TH4PL> Orders also need to be picked up from the **Food Bank** on Mondays. Feel free to sign up for as often as you would like!



The food pantry numbers for this week will be printed in a future bulletin.

PARISH PRAYER LIST All sick and/or medically fragile in our parish family and throughout our communities, our health care personnel, for first responders and essential workers: Sean O'Donnell, Paul Bedard, Jocelyn Ducharme, Richard Fudala, Jenna Harrington, Cindy Kenny, Amy Lesniak, Fr. Tom McGann, Claude Morin, Jake Richards, Kitty B. Rene, Lillie Duquette, and Jacob Rivera. **If you would like a name placed on the prayer list or removed from the prayer list, please call the office at (603) 623-2604 or e-mail SRP@st-raphael-parish.org. Call each month to renew the listing.**

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Saint Raphael Parish Celebrates

The Baptism of the Lord
January 11, 2025

Join us for Mass at 4:00pm,
followed by an open house at the
parish rectory until 7:30pm.

RSVP by Tuesday, January 7th to
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