

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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Please remember St. Mary's Renovation Fund in your will.

WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM / 10:30 AM

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday / Thursday / Friday / Saturday

9:00 AM

MASSES AT OLD ST. MARY CHURCH

Saturday Morning Mass at 9:00 AM every week
(Memorial Day Weekend to October) at Old St. Mary Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday

9:30 AM

Saturday

3:00 - 3:45 PM

VOCATIONS HOLY HOUR Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Friday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

EMERGENCY NUMBER: (603) 322-1644

This number is to be used to reach Fr. Sebastian outside office hours in cases of emergency.

CATHOLIC OUTREACH HOURS

Tuesday

2:00 PM

ADORATION CHAPEL—24/7

Please come by the Parish Office to receive the code and instructions.

ST. MARY CEMETERY Old Church Road

Please call the Parish Office for inquiries or other information regarding the parish cemetery.

March 24, 2024
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



ST. MARY PARISH:

PALM SUNDAY

4:00 PM Mass (Saturday)

7:45 AM Mass / 10:30 AM Mass (Sunday)

HOLY THURSDAY

6:00 PM Confessions

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper/Adoration

GOOD FRIDAY

2:30 PM The Lord's Passion/Veneration of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY

7:30 PM Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 AM Mass / 10:30 AM Mass

ST. JOSEPH PARISH:

PALM SUNDAY

9:15 AM Mass

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

5:00 PM Mass

5:30 PM Confessions

GOOD FRIDAY

5:30 PM Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY

11:00 AM Blessing of the Food

EASTER SUNDAY

9:15 AM Mass

Italian Food

(Prepared by Louie Millette)

Date: Friday, April 19, 2024

Time: 4:30 PM-7:00 PM

Place: St. Mary Gym, Claremont, NH

Menu:



Spaghetti with Meatballs, Italian Bread
Salad, Desserts
Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks

Please RSVP to:

St. Mary Rectory at

603.542.9518 or stmarysclaremont@comcast.net

There will also be sign up sheets in the back of the church following all Masses

Free Will Offering

All Proceeds to Benefit the Church Maintenance Fund



Divine Mercy Sunday

The **Novena to Divine Mercy** begins on Good Friday, March 29, and continues for the nine days preceding Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, the Sunday directly after Easter. "Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet" pamphlets can be found in the back of the Church as we get closer to Holy Week.

Divine Mercy Sunday is April 7. Parishioners are invited to spend time before the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel from 12 noon to 3 PM. We will begin each hour with the recitation of the rosary and at 3 PM will conclude with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Volunteers are needed. If you can spend an hour in Adoration please contact Steve Denis at (603) 558-5209.

March 23, 2024—March 31, 2024

Sat. Mar 23 4:00 PM	Vigil of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Robert Jones (†) By Wife & Children
Sun. Mar 24 8:00 AM	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
10:30 AM	For the People
Mon. Mar 25 9:00 AM	Monday of Holy Week Arthur Dion (†) By Lorraine Dion
Tue. Mar 26	Tuesday of Holy Week No Mass
Wed. Mar 27	Wednesday of Holy Week No Mass
Thur. Mar 28 7:00 PM	Thursday of Holy Week Priests of the Diocese of Manchester
Fri. Mar 29 2:30 PM	Friday of the Passion of the Lord The Lord's Passion/Veneration of the Cross
Sat. Mar 30	Holy Saturday No Mass
7:30 PM	Easter Vigil For the People
Sun. Mar 31 8:00 AM	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
10:30 AM	For the People

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Mar 25	Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
Tues. Mar 26	Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wed. Mar 27	Is 50:4-9/Mt 26:14-25
Thurs. Mar 28	Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Fri. Mar 29	Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Sat. Mar 30	Gn 1:1—2:1/Gn 22:1-18/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ez 36:16-28/ Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7
Sun. Mar 31	Acts 10:34, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/Mk 16:1-7



To schedule a home visitation of the Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, please contact Juanita Sweet at 603-477-1348 or juanitajoy2@gmail.com.

PARISH OFFERING

SUNDAY OFFERTORY - MARCH 17, 2024

Envelopes (61).....	\$2,753.00
Loose.....	\$1,099.00
Church Maintenance.....	\$814.00

ONLINE GIVING

Offertory.....	\$1,091.64
Capital Campaign.....	\$864.72

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Catholic Outreach	March 23/24
Holy Land	March 29
Fuel	April 6/7

Donations to Catholic Outreach should be made payable to "Catholic Outreach—St. Mary Parish."

New Hampshire Catholic Appeal checks should be made payable to "New Hampshire Catholic Appeal."

Capital Campaign checks should be made payable to "God's House, Our Home."

PRAYER LIST

Call the parish office to add/continue a person on the prayer list

Deb Bedard	Joan Flaherty	Sylvia Michaud
Linda Bergeron	Dennis Fontaine	David Montano
Mary Brunet	Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert	Mary Ouellette
Andy Champy	David Grey	Dennis Palmer
Kathleen Chaudhry	Jake Grey	Mary Raymond
Sandy Colby	Renee Honeman	Andrew St. Pierre
Joseph Dalton	Geoffrey Houle	Janet Sullivan
Liz Jones-Dern	Timothy Houle	Mary Sullivan
Bryant Dillion	David Immic	Christine Snyder
Susan Doody	Paul Keating	Erika Thomas
Jimmy Dunn	Pam LaBounty	Pauline Trottier
Thomas Eagan	John Laushance	Louise Unger
Charles Eastman	Matthew Limoges	Felicity Wallace
Frank Emig	Fr. John Loughnane	Joe Wallace
Chuck Ferland	Shirley McNutt	



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church will burn this week for the Holy Souls in Purgatory.



Please consider online contributions to St. Mary Parish. Visit our website and click on the "Give Online" button.

Welcome New Parishioners...Just moved to this area? We welcome you to St. Mary Parish!

Parish registration forms are available in the back of the church or on the parish website.

Please contact the Parish Office at stmarysclaremont@comcast.net or (603) 542-9518 if you have questions.

The Parish Office will be closed Good Friday, March 29th.

HYMNS—Palm Sunday

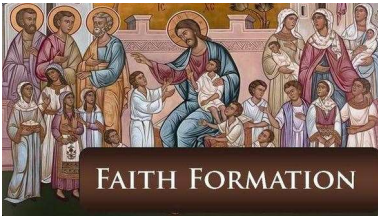
Processional Hymn: *Choir*

Offertory Hymn: #161—O Sacred Head Surrounded

Communion Hymns: #713—Soul of My Savior/#359—O Lord, I Am Not Worthy

Anima Christi: #699

Recessional Hymn: #327—Lift High the Cross



Parents of children aged 7 and up who have not received the Sacraments of Penance, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation, are asked to please contact the parish office to register their child(ren) for Sacramental Preparation classes. These classes will begin after Easter. Please contact Lisa Sweet, Faith Formation Director for St. Mary Parish, at lsweet@stmaryparishnh.org or call the parish office at (603)542-9518.

St. Mary Parish Catechumen and Candidates:

Catechumen:	Julie Haslam
Candidates:	Dawn Nelson Mike Nelson Janice Bushey Joanne Baillargeon

Let us pray for them. The candidates are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 7th in St. Joseph Cathedral in Manchester.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Rita Moore will be celebrating her 105th birthday on March 30th. She's at Elmwood Center, 290 Hanover St., Claremont NH 03743 if anyone would like to send her a card. She appreciated the cards everyone sent last year.



Campaign Corner

Fulmer Associates has notified us that our Parish Steering Committee will receive bid documents for the church restoration project by the end of March, with it going out to bid early April and bids submitted by contractors mid April. Slow progress, but progress.



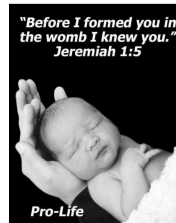
Catholic Outreach—St. Mary Parish

If you or someone you know needs assistance with food or living expenses, please call Denny Francis of Catholic Outreach at 603-543-0551



Parish ProLife Ministry

Coming Soon...ProLife Holy Hour
Please contact Juanita Sweet (603-477-1348) if you would like more information about this ministry.



Spiritual Adoption of The Unborn – One Month

Thank you for participating in the Spiritual Adoption Program! Already, your spiritually adopted baby is a wonder! Even though she is only one cell, everything about this little person is already

present: eye color, blood type, how tall she will be, hair color- everything! This baby will play a role in our community only she can play!

At the end of 1 month, I have a heart pumping my blood and backbone. I am very, very tiny but 10,000 times bigger than at conception. I have developed the foundations of my brain, spinal cord, and nervous system. Your baby is very vulnerable to abortion during this month – thank you so much for your prayers!

Home Visits

The Homebound Ministry, which has been in its infancy since Fr. Sebastian came in March of 2022, now has a director, Steve Denis. **Others on the team, who will assist Father and Steve, are Jackie Merrill, Bill Pamplin, and Gary Lambert.** If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Father, please call Steve Denis at (603) 558-5209. Homebound visits will be made by Father on the second Monday of every month.



Knights of Columbus Aluminum Can Drive

Sat. March 23rd – 3:00–4:00 PM...St. Mary Rectory Garage
Sun. March 24th – 7:30–10:30 AM...St. Mary Rectory Garage

Aluminum cans only! Rinse out cans, do not crush them.
5 cent plastic soda bottles marked VT accepted. Check markings!
Proceeds go to 2 seminarians and a postulant.