

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) 504-5430

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.

June 23, 2024
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MEDITATION OF THE DAY

Calm in the Knowledge of Jesus' Love

In your trials, don't give up turning to God with filial trust. If you call upon Jesus with faith and trust, I assure you, your prayer will be heard by him. Remember Jesus is sensitive to our ills and has compassion on all our suffering.

In days of trial, rekindle your confidence. Recall that God has promised his aid to those who persevere in prayer. You should pray to Jesus like this: "Yes, my God, precisely because you delay in answering me, I have hope you will hear me, and the more you reject me, the more will I surrender myself with greater trust and ardor into your paternal arms." Jesus has promised to help us in all circumstances. He will never be the first to abandon us. If Jesus delays in hearing you and seems to refuse you the grace you seek, you must convince yourself that this is in the plan of his fatherly love for you. He wants to try you, to increase your faith and your merits and form you by making you practice patience. Adore his plans and bless him always.

"Think of me," Jesus tells us, "and I will look after you and everything that concerns you." Abandon yourself to God and he will lead you wherever he wants. Knowing that he is leading you, you should remain peacefully in his hands.

BLESSED CLELIA MERLONI

Blessed Clelia Merloni († 1930) founded the Congregation of the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in 1894. Today they share the love of the Heart of Jesus on four continents. / From Spiritual Anthology: Elements in the Spirituality of Mother Clelia Merloni, Sr. M. Clare Millea, Tr. © 1992, Edusc Sacred Heart University Press, Bauru, São Paulo, Brazil. Reprinted with permission of Mount Sacred Heart Convent, Hamden, CT.



Next weekend the 2nd collection will be for the Peter's Pence Collection. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. For more information see <https://www.peterspence.va/en.html>.

Please make checks payable to St. Mary Parish for the parish collection.

If you miss the parish collection but wish to support the collection, please mail your donation to: Peter's Pence Collection, c/o The Apostolic Nunciature, 3339 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 200 8.

June 22, 2024—June 30, 2024

Sat. Jun 22 4:00 PM **Vigil of Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Sally Michaud (†)
By Her Children

Sun. Jun 23 8:00 AM **Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Emig and Mathauser Families
By Frank Emig

10:30 AM Giuseppe Parise
By the Doody Family

Mon. Jun 24 **The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**
No Mass

Tue. Jun 25 **Weekday**
No Mass

Wed. Jun 26 **Weekday**
No Mass

Thur. Jun 27 **Weekday**
No Mass

Fri. Jun 28 **St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr**
No Mass

Sat. Jun 29 4:00 PM **Vigil of Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Rick and Sue Doody
By the Doody Family

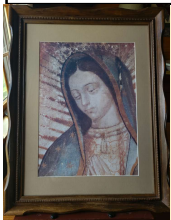
Sun. Jun 30 8:00 AM **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Alfred Villers (†)
By Margaret Villers

10:30 AM Todd Norman (†)
By Wayne & Juanita Sweet

This weekend we again welcome Fr. Theodore Mbaegbu as the celebrant for all Masses.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Jun 24	Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
Tues. Jun 25	2 Kgs 19:9-11, 14-21, 31-36/Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wed. Jun 26	2 Kgs 24:8-17/Mt 7:21-29
Thurs. Jun 27	2 Kgs 24:8-17/Mt 7:21-29
Fri. Jun 28	2 Kgs 25:1-12/Mt 8:1-4
Sat. Jun 29	Act 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Sun. Jun 30	Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43



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 - JUNE 16, 2024

Envelopes (54)	\$1,644.00
Loose	\$1,233.50
Church Maintenance	\$880.00
Bake Sale	\$544.00

ONLINE GIVING

Offertory	\$1,090.34
Capital Campaign	\$294.21

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Catholic Outreach	June 22/23
Peter's Pence	June 29/30

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
Michelle Breen	David Grey	Mary Ouellette
Andy Champy	Jake Grey	Dennis Palmer
Kathleen Chaudhry	Renee Honeman	Andrew St. Pierre
Sandy Colby	Geoffrey Houle	Mary Sullivan
Scott Colpas	Timothy Houle	Ryan Sullivan
Liz Jones-Dern	David Immic	Christine Snyder
Bryant Dillion	Donna Kulacz	Erika Thomas
Susan Doody	Pam LaBounty	Richard Tremblay
Jimmy Dunn	John Laushance	Pauline Trottier
Thomas Eagan	Diane Lavigne	Louise Unger
Charles Eastman	Matthew Limoges	Felicity Wallace
Frank Emig	Fr. John Loughnane	Joe Wallace
Church Ferland	Shirley McNutt	

If you notice people on the prayer list who may be taken off for whatever reason, please let us know so that we may keep the list updated. Also if you have someone you would like on the prayer list, please let us know that as well.



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church will burn this week in honor of Herbert Chase and his 100th birthday as requested by Mike and Sue Chase.

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.

HYMNS—Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Processional Hymn: #452—Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Offertory Hymn: #573—Amazing Grace

Communion Hymn: #685—It Is Well With My Soul

Anima Christi: #699

Recessional Hymn: #459—I Sing the Mighty Power of God



Yard Sale
Parish Picnic
Penny Sale

Saturday, September 7
Sunday, September 15
Saturday, October 5

Workers are needed for the yard sale and the collection dates. Please call Norma Limoges at 603-542-2916 for details.



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

The Sanctuary candle burning in the church may be burned as an offering in memory of a loved one or for the special intention of someone by making a \$10.00 donation to the parish. This is an offering that has been available at St. Mary Church but not given much attention over the past several years. The intention of the offering will be published in the bulletin. Offering requests made be scheduled for specific weeks of the year to commemorate special dates or anniversaries. Please contact the parish office for further information.



Knights of Columbus Aluminum Can Drive

Sat. June 22nd – 3:00–4:00 PM...St. Mary Rectory Garage
Sun. June 23rd – 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.



Campaign Corner

The Steering Committee received 2 bids through Fulmer Associates late June 11th, one for \$2.4 million and one for \$3.2 million. Both bids far exceed our campaign goal and original cost projection. We are looking at all possible options as we continue our discussions with the Diocese concerning their guidance in this matter. We want to continue to be open and honest about this process and will keep everyone informed as we learn more. As always, prayers are our best defense against the forces working against us and we ask that you continue to keep Father and the parish in your prayers.



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

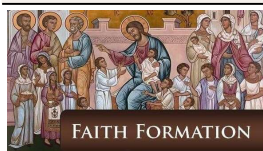


Parish ProLife Ministry

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

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.



OCIA

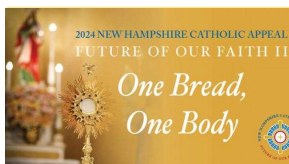
"Why do those crazy Catholics use holy water? Pray to Mary? Use incense?"

Would you like answers to these or other questions? Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Do you think you might like to join the Church?

If any of the above is true, please consider joining us for OCIA (The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults), the process by which adults learn what the Catholic Church teaches and prepares the way for them to enter the Church.

To inquire, please email Lisa Sweet at claremontfaith-formation@gmail.com.

We look forward to welcoming you home to the Church!



NH Catholic Appeal:

We are grateful to all parishioners who have given to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised **\$3,730.00** toward our goal of \$32,307.93. 100% of the funds raised above this Appeal goal are returned to our parish this year. If you have not made your gift yet, please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend or make your gift online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca. Extra gift envelopes are available in the pews. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our parish goal. Please make all checks payable to **New Hampshire Catholic Appeal**. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries in the Church.