

# St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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## Pastor

Administrative Assistant

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Music Director

Catholic Outreach Director

ProLife Ministry Director

Parish Hospitality/Security

Rev. Maria Sebastian Susairaj, HGN

Mary K. Keating

Lisa Sweet

Joe Labrecque

Denny Francis

Juanita Sweet

Knights of Columbus Fr. Cote Council 1820

*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 10, 2024**  
**Fourth Sunday in Lent**  
*Forty-First Sunday After Pentecost*





#### 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

7:00 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

## St. Patrick Day Dinner

(Prepared by Knights of Columbus)

**Date:** Sunday, March 10, 2024

**Time:** Noon - 3:00 PM

**Place:** St. Mary Gym, Claremont, NH



#### **Menu:**

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes,  
Carrots, Turnip, Rolls, Irish Soda Bread,  
Desserts, Coffee/Tea, Soft Drinks

Seats are Limited - Tickets are **REQUIRED**  
\$20 per adult - \$40 per family

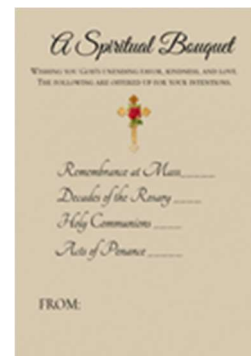
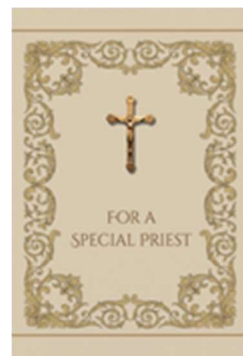
Tickets will be sold after weekend Masses.  
You may also contact Kevin Krawiec at (603) 801-6130  
or [kkrawiec26@gmail.com](mailto:kkrawiec26@gmail.com) for tickets.

**Raffle Prizes and 50/50 Drawing**  
**Live Entertainment by the Poor Cousins**  
All Proceeds to Benefit the Knights of Columbus and  
St. Mary's Church Maintenance Fund

Happy Birthday, Fr. Sebastian!

Sunday, March 10th

We are offering spiritual bouquets for Fr. Sebastian on his birthday. Many of you may remember the spiritual bouquets we did for Fr. Shawn and Fr. Arockia for Priesthood Sunday a few years back. Father truly appreciates knowing you are all praying for him, and he depends upon your prayers. The cards are in the back of the church (pictures below) this weekend, along with a basket to put them in, and we will move the basket over to the gym after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday so Father may look through them later.



**March 9, 2024—March 17, 2024**

<b>Sat. Mar 9</b> 4:00 PM	<b>Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Lent</b> Michael Perkins (†) By Family
<b>Sun. Mar 10</b> 8:00 AM	<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b> For the People
10:30 AM	George Veilleux (†) By Jerry & Karen Arel
<b>Mon. Mar 11</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Dan Murray By Mary K. Keating
<b>Tue. Mar 12</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> No Mass
<b>Wed. Mar 13</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> No Mass
<b>Thur. Mar 14</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Rev. Edward Evans (†) By Mary K. Keating
<b>Fri. Mar 15</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Gloria Kalbfleisch By Mary K. Keating
<b>Sat. Mar 16</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Ian Pierce (†) By Knights of Columbus Council 1820
4:00 PM	<b>Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Lent</b> Joanne Lemieux (†), Lisa Viens (†) & Angie Chicoine (†) By Family
<b>Sun. Mar 17</b> 8:00 AM	<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b> Michael and Sharon Gilbert By Steve Denis
10:30 AM	For the People

Stations of the Cross for the Souls in Purgatory will be prayed after each daily Mass during Lent.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Mar 11	Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tues. Mar 12	Ez 47:1-9, 12/ Jn 5:1-16
Wed. Mar 13	Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thurs. Mar 14	Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Fri. Mar 15	Wis 2:1, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat. Mar 16	Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
Sun. Mar 17	Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

## PARISH OFFERING

### SUNDAY OFFERTORY - MARCH 3, 2024

Envelopes (58).....	\$2,211.00
Loose.....	\$1,157.00
Fuel.....	\$1,929.00

### ONLINE GIVING

Offertory.....	\$1,036.03
Capital Campaign.....	\$279.73

### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Diocesan Catholic Schools	March 9/10
Church Maintenance	March 16/17
Catholic Outreach	March 23/24

*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 in memory of Omer and Eliza Lafontaine as requested by Mark & Carla Lafontaine.



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](mailto:stmarysclaremont@comcast.net) or (603) 542-9518 if you have questions.

## HYMNS—Fourth Sunday in Lent

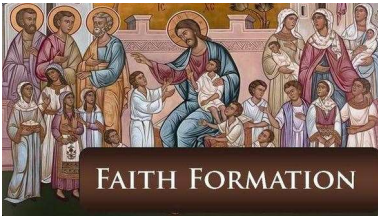
**Processional Hymn:** #435—Praise to the Holiest in the Height

**Offertory Hymn:** #573—Amazing Grace

**Communion Hymn:** *Choir*

**Anima Christi:** #699

**Recessional Hymn:** #314—Immaculate Mary



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](mailto: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.



## Campaign Corner

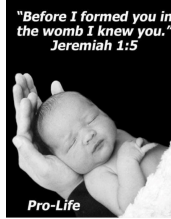
The safety measures will remain in place throughout the winter and restoration of the church. Total pledges received as of Dec. 20th is \$974,100. Any funds raised beyond the total cost of the church exterior repair and restoration project will be used for additional capital improvement needs of the church. 100% of all gifts/pledges remain with the parish.

Please do not forget to make your weekly/monthly pledge payments. There are envelopes available in each church entrance for your convenience. Also, you are welcome to make your payments online.



## 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.



## Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Yankee Swap—March 19th—6:00 PM  
St. Joseph Church Hall, Claremont  
Bring a "green gift" for Yankee Swap



## 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.**

## HOME VISITS



Fr. Sebastian visits the homebound on the 2nd Monday of each month. If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Father, please call the Parish Office at 603-542-9518 or email Fr. Sebastian at [sebaafri@comcast.net](mailto:sebaafri@comcast.net).

**St. Patrick's Day:**  
**St. Joseph's Day**

Brunch after Mass, March 17th  
St. Joseph Church Hall  
Corned Beef and Cabbage  
Free Will Offerings Accepted



## SAVE THE DATES

**The Knights of Columbus will hold a Benefit "Fish Fry" on the Fridays of**

**Lent from 4:30 - 6:00 pm at St. Mary's gym. Dinner includes beer-battered fish, hand-cut french fries, beer-battered onion rings, hushpuppies, soda, coleslaw and tartar sauce. Cost per plate is \$15.00. Dine in or take out. Proceeds benefit KofC activities and St. Mary's maintenance fund. For more information please contact Kevin Krawiec (603) 801-6130.**