

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
(June 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

ST. MARY CEMETERY Old Church Road

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

ADORATION CHAPEL

Closed until further notice!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday ONLY 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Chapel Hours

Monday	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday	6:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM - 12 Noon
Sunday	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

January 8, 2023
The Epiphany of the Lord

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

1927—2022

Joseph Ratzinger was born in Marktl am Inn (on the Inn River), Germany, 16 April 1927, Holy Saturday, and was the first person baptized in the Easter Water blessed at the Easter Vigil. His father, a policeman, from a family of farmers in Lower Bavaria, was frequently transferred. In 1929, young Joseph's family moved to Tittmoning, a small town on the Salzach River, on the Austrian border.

Journey to the Priesthood

In 1932 his father's outspoken criticism of the Nazis required the family to relocate to Auschau am Inn, at the foot of the Alps. His father retired in 1937, and his family moved to Hufschlag, outside of Traunstein. There Joseph began studying classical languages at the local gymnasium or high school. In 1939, he entered the minor seminary in Traunstein, his first step toward the priesthood.

World War II forced a postponement of his studies, until 1945, when he re-entered the seminary with his brother Georg. In 1947, he entered the Herzogliches Georgianum, a theological institute associated with the University of Munich. Finally, on 29 June 1951, both Josef and his brother were ordained to the priesthood by Cardinal Faulhaber, in the Cathedral at Freising, on the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul.

Teacher of Theology

Continuing his theological studies at the University of Munich, he received his doctorate in theology in July 1953, with a thesis entitled "The People and House of God in Augustine's doctrine of the Church." He fulfilled a requirement for teaching at the university level by completing a book-length treatise on Bonaventure's theology of history and revelation. On 15 April 1959, he began lectures as a full professor of fundamental theology at the University of Bonn. From 1962-1965, he was present during all four sessions of the Second Vatican Council as a peritus, or chief theological advisor, to Cardinal Josef Frings of Köln (Cologne), Germany.

In 1963, he began teaching at the University of Münster, taking, in 1966, a second chair in dogmatic theology at the University of Tübingen. A wave of student uprisings swept across Europe in 1968, and Marxism quickly became the dominant intellectual system at Tübingen. He had no sympathy with the new radical theology, so in 1969 he moved back to Bavaria and took a teaching position at the University of Regensburg. There, he eventually became dean and vice president. He was also a member of the International Theological Commission of the Holy See from 1969 until 1980.

In 1972, together with Hans Urs von Balthasar, Henry De Lubac and others, he launched the Catholic theological journal *Communio*, a quarterly review of Catholic theology and culture. It has been said that this was done in response to the misinterpretation of the Second Vatican Council by Karl Rahner, Hans Kung and others, as represented by the theological journal *Concilium*.

Archbishop and Cardinal

On 24 March 1977, Fr. Ratzinger was elected Archbishop of Munich and Freising by Pope Paul VI. He was ordained to the episcopal Order on 28 May 1977, taking as his motto a phrase from 3 John 8, "Fellow Worker in the Truth." On 27 June 1977, he was elevated to Cardinal (Cardinal Priest) by Pope Paul VI, with the titular church of St. Mary of Consolation (in Tiburtina). In 1980, he was named by Pope John Paul II to chair the special Synod on the Laity. Shortly after that, the pope asked him to head the Congregation for Catholic Education. Cardinal Ratzinger declined, feeling he shouldn't leave his post in Munich too soon. On 25 November 1981, he did become, however, the Prefect for the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, becoming at the same time ex officio the President of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, and the International Theological Commission.

Cardinal Ratzinger was President of the Commission for the Preparation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and after 6 years of work (1986-92) he presented the new Catechism to the Holy Father. On 5 April 1993, he was transferred to the order of Cardinal Bishops, with the suburbicarian see of Velletri-Segni. On 9 November 1998, his election as Vice-Dean of the Sacred College of Cardinals was approved by Pope John Paul II, and the Holy Father approved his election as Dean of the College of Cardinals on 30 November 2002, with the title of the suburbicarian See of Ostia added to that of Velletri-Segni.

Besides his prefecture at the Doctrine of the Faith, his curial memberships include: the Second Section of the Secretariat of State, the Congregation of Bishops, of Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, of Catholic Education, of Evangelization of Peoples, for the Oriental Churches; and the Pontifical Councils for Christian Unity, for Culture (councils); as well as, the Commissions *Ecclesia Dei*, and for Latin America.

Papal Election

As Dean of the College he has presided over the College's deliberations in General Congregation during the Vacancy of the Holy See, after the death of Pope John Paul II on 2 April 2005. In the same capacity he presided at the Solemn Funeral Mass for Pope John Paul II at 10 a.m. 8 April 2005 in St. Peter's Square, and the Mass For the Election of the Supreme Pontiff celebrated by the College of Cardinals in St. Peter's Basilica at 10 a.m. on Monday 18 April 2005.

That afternoon the Cardinals processed from the Hall of Benediction of St. Peter's Basilica to the Sistine Chapel, where they solemnly inaugurated the conclave for the election of the successor to St. Peter, under the presidency of Cardinal Ratzinger. The single vote that afternoon produced no election.

On Tuesday morning, 19 April 2005, two ballots of the Conclave produced no election. However, on the first ballot of the afternoon, the fourth of the Conclave, Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger was elected the Bishop of Rome and the Supreme Pontiff of the Catholic Church. On Sunday, 24 April 2005, at 10 a.m. he celebrated the Mass for the Inauguration of his pontificate in St. Peter's Square, receiving the Pallium and the Fisherman's Ring at that liturgical celebration.

January 7, 2023—January 15, 2023

Sat. Jan 7 4:00 PM	Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord Ina Perron (†) By Ron, Rod & Lynne
Sun. Jan 8 8:00 AM	The Epiphany of the Lord For the People
10:30 AM	Deborah Pamplin (†) By Claremont ProLife Ministry
Mon. Jan 9 9:00 AM	The Baptism of the Lord Steve Scott (†) By Albert & Doris Bergeron
Tue. Jan 10	Weekday No Mass
Wed. Jan 11	Weekday No Mass
Thur. Jan 12 9:00 AM	Weekday William and Muriel Burke (†) By Friend of the Family
Fri. Jan 13 9:00 AM	Weekday Charlie Rosinski (†) By Albert & Doris Bergeron
Sat. Jan 14 9:00 AM	Weekday John Bentley (†) By Albert & Doris Bergeron
4:00 PM	Vigil of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Bob Flavin (†) By Albert & Doris Bergeron
Sun. Jan 15 8:00 AM	The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Sally Michaud (†) By Her Children
10:30 AM	For the People

The Rosary is prayed 20 minutes before each daily Mass.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Jan 9	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17
Tues. Jan 10	Heb 2:5-12/Mk 1:21-28
Wed. Jan 11	Heb 2:14-18/Mk 1:29-39
Thurs. Jan 12	Heb 3:7-14/Mk 1:40-45
Fri. Jan 13	Heb 4:1-5, 11/Mk 2:1-12
Sat. Jan 14	Heb 4:12-16/Mk 2:13-17
Sun. Jan 15	Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

PARISH OFFERING

SUNDAY OFFERTORY - DECEMBER 25, 2022

Envelopes (51).....	\$1,947.50
Loose.....	\$1,088.00

ONLINE GIVING

Offertory.....	\$742.17
Church Maintenance.....	\$55.14

Total Collected for Grand Annual Collection...\$24,953.00

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Fuel	January 7/8
Seminary Fund	January 14/15
Church Maintenance	January 21/22
Catholic Outreach	January 28/29

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."

Grand Annual Collection now available with online giving.

PRAYER LIST

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

Becky Baril	Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert	Sylvia Michaud
Bill Beattie	David Goodwin	David Montano
Gloria Beattie	David Grey	Mary Ouellette
William Beattie	Jake Grey	Ron Perra
Deb Bedard	Renee Honeman	Lynn Raymond
Carol Braga	Geoffrey Houle	Andrew St. Pierre
Stephen Burlew	Timothy Houle	Mary Sullivan
Andy Champy	David Immic	Peter Sullivan
Mary DiFilippo	Nancy Kingsbury	Christine Snyder
Susan Doody	Diane Landry	Robert Tancrede
Jimmy Dunn	Matthew Limoges	Richard Tremblay
Charles Eastman	Fr. John Loughnane	Chee Chee Tyrrell
Chuck Ferland	Roy Lucier	Louise Unger
Joan Flaherty	Barbara Manning	George Veilleux
Dennis Fontaine	Shirley McNutt	Joe Wallace



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church will burn this week in memory of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI.

GiveOnline
easy, fast, secure.

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.

HYMNS—The Epiphany of the Lord

Processional Hymn: #148—We Three Kings

Offertory Hymn: #150—As With Gladness Men of Old

Communion Hymn: *Choir*

Anima Christi: #699

Recessional Hymn: #126—Joy to the World



St. Mary Parish Meeting

On Sunday, January 8, 2023, in St. Mary Gym, beginning at 12:00 noon, Robert Fulmer (engineer) and Rob Eib (Manchester Diocese) will conduct a presentation of the restoration/renovation needed to St. Mary Church. We will all have an opportunity to learn all involved with this major project and to ask questions. A bagged lunch will be provided. Please call the Parish Office at 603-542-9518 if you plan to attend.

Filipino FOOD

Prepared by Rose Lawton

Date: Sunday, January 15, 2023

Time: 4:30PM-7:00PM

Place: St. Mary Gym, Claremont, NH

Menu:



Spring Rolls, Fried Noodles, Fried Rice, Chicken Curry, Macaroni Salad, Desserts, Coffee/Tea, Soft Drinks

Seats are Limited

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 Renovation



Knights of Columbus Aluminum Can Drive

Sat. January 28th — 3:00—4:00 PM...St. Mary Rectory Garage

Sun. January 29th — 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.

Sacramental Preparation Classes

Classes will begin on Sunday, January 29, 2023. All classes will be held following the 10:30 AM Mass (approximately 11:30). These classes are designed for those baptized children, 2nd grade and above, who desire the Sacraments of First Holy Communion, First Confession and Confirmation. We will meet every other Sunday in the St. Dominic Room on the 2nd floor of the Annex building. Because this catechesis is part of the Family Faith Formation program, parents are encouraged to attend. Any questions, please contact Kevin Krawiec at 603-801-6130 or kkrawiec26@gmail.com.

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Reborn - Episode 1: A New Creation

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and graces press

Men of St. Joseph

The Men of St. Joseph meet every first and third Wednesday of month at 7:00 PM in the St. Dominic Room located on the 2nd floor of the chapel building. All men are welcome to attend. Come, see and share the virtues and values of St. Joseph with other Catholic men. For information please call Kevin Krawiec @ 603-801-6130.

Parish Employment Opportunity

St. Mary Parish is seeking to onboard a Director for a proposed parish child care center. The individual would be involved in the early stages of the decision-making process prior to opening and engaged directly and enthusiastically in the start-up of the center. It is required that a candidate be a practicing Catholic who understands the importance of providing a positive childcare environment based on good Catholic values. Once open, the Director will be responsible for the daily operation of the program and ensure the program's compliance with all applicable federal, state and local codes, as well as diocesan policies. Other responsibilities will include: Oversee staff, assist in the creation of a budget, market the facility, meet with parents and parish personnel regularly. This is a new venture for the parish, one that will provide a much-needed service with a Catholic identity. Salary and benefits will be based on experience. Interested candidates should send a brief description of interest in the position along with any relevant experience to stmarysclaremont@comcast.net.