

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.

August 18, 2024
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Mary's Annual Yard Sale
Gym - Main Street
Claremont, NH
Saturday, September 7, 2024
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Donations will be received in the gym as follows:

Monday, August 19, 2024	3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Wednesday, August 21, 2024	3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Saturday, August 24, 2024	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Monday, August 26, 2024	3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Wednesday, August 28, 2024	3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Saturday, August 31, 2024	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Accepted Items: tools, small furniture, small appliances, glassware, china, dishes, pot/pans, Christmas items, crafts, toys, jewelry, pictures/frames, movies, puzzles, linens, home decorative items, etc.

Not Accepted: books, large appliances, large furniture, mattresses, luggage, broken items, rugs, carpeting, clothes, shoes, exercise equipment, ski's/poles, golf clubs, typewriters, computers, VHS, and TV's.

Workers still needed! Please contact Norma Limoges @ (603) 542-2916 with questions.

ST. MARY CEMETERY CORNER:

Continuing with the parish informational campaign concerning St. Mary Cemetery to re-educate us all on the importance and beauty of Christian burial in a Roman Catholic cemetery, we will now focus on the Diocese of Manchester's rules and regulations. We will be highlighting various rules to aid the educational process.

The first section to be highlighted concerns lot holders' rights and burial rights. These may be found on page 11 of the document:

The use of a lot is for the lot holder, the lot holder's family, or designee for interment only, and the burial rights and lot holder rights granted therein are not transferable for sale or for profit to third parties. The burial rights in an unoccupied portion of a lot may only be resold to the cemetery at the price originally paid less a service fee; however, management is under no obligation to purchase that unoccupied lot offered to management by a lot holder.

The lot holder may designate lot holder rights to a family member(s) to control the lot after his/her death. Said designation is to be in writing, signed by the lot holder(s), and subject to management approval. In the event there is no written designation, then the lot holder rights will pass upon death to the lot holder's family pursuant to Article IX: Heirship.

It shall be the duty of the lot holder to notify management of any change in his/her mailing address. Notice sent to a lot holder at the last address in management's records shall be considered sufficient legal notification.

Upon written request to management, research for family specific burial information and access to family specific burial records will be provided to the heirs and next-of-kin of the deceased as defined in Article XXVIII: Definition of Terms, in a manner as management determines appropriate. Management is not required to provide burial information to non-family members. Research for burial information and access to burial records requested from non-family members may be provided at the management's discretion, under management's supervision, and at a time designated by management. Management reserves the right to charge a fee for research of burial records.

August 17, 2024—August 25, 2024

Sat. Aug 17 4:00 PM	Vigil of Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time For the People
Sun. Aug 18 8:00 AM	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Rosa Otero (†) By Elvira Otero
10:30 AM	Sally Michaud (†) By Ray & Children
Mon. Aug 19 9:00 AM	Weekday Charles Pamplin, III (†) By the Pamplin Family
Tue. Aug 20	St. Bernard, Abbot and Church Doctor No Mass
Wed. Aug 21	St. Pius X, Pope No Mass
Thur. Aug 22 9:00 AM	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Maureen Walsh By Mary K. Keating
Fri. Aug 23 9:00 AM	Weekday The United States of America
Sat. Aug 24 9:00 AM	St. Bartholomew, Apostle Deceased in St. Mary Cemetery— Mass at OSM
4:00 PM	Vigil of Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Robert Jones (†) By His Wife & Children
Sun. Aug 25 8:00 AM	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
10:30 AM	For the People

The Rosary is prayed 20 minutes before Mass during the week.



*Give a gift of the greatest prayer for
your loved ones, living or deceased.
Contact the Parish Office to schedule.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Aug 19	Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22
Tues. Aug 20	Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
Wed. Aug 21	Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
Thurs. Aug 22	Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
Fri. Aug 23	Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
Sat. Aug 24	Rv 21:9-14/Jn 1:45-51
Sun. Aug 25	Jos 24:1-2, 15-18/Eph 5:21-32/Jn 6:60-69

PARISH OFFERING

SUNDAY OFFERTORY - AUGUST 11, 2024

Envelopes (50).....	\$1,754.50
Loose.....	\$1,031.00
Fuel.....	\$1,460.00

ONLINE GIVING

Offertory.....	\$1002.96
Capital Campaign.....	\$871.92

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Church Maintenance	August 17/18
Catholic Outreach	August 24/25

*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."*

*Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and
everyone who generously donated to the HGN
Seminarians collection. The total collection
came to over \$2,250.00!*

Fr. Sebastian

PRAYER LIST

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

Deb Bedard	Joan Flaherty	David Montano
Linda Bergeron	Dennis Fontaine	Mary Ouellette
Michelle Breen	Dennis Greenwood	Tim Roberts
Andy Champy	Joan Greenwood	Christine Snyder
Kathleen Chaudhry	Renee Honeman	Andrew St. Pierre
Sandy Colby	Geoffrey Houle	Barbara St. Pierre
Scott Colpas	Timothy Houle	Edward Stone
Liz Jones-Dern	David Immic	Mary Sullivan
Bryant Dillion	Donna Kulacz	Ryan Sullivan
Susan Doody	John Laushance	Wayne Sweet
Jimmy Dunn	Diane Lavigne	Richard Tremblay
Thomas Eagan	Matthew Limoges	Pauline Trottier
Charles Eastman	Fr. John Loughnane	Louise Unger
Frank Emig	Merrill McGuire	Felicity Wallace
Chuck Ferland	Shirley McNutt	Joe Wallace
Joan Flaherty	Sylvia Michaud	



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church
will burn this week in memory of
Lorraine Dube
as requested by Brian and Cynthia Lessard.

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—Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Processional Hymn: #490—Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Offertory Hymn: #639—All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Communion Hymn: #498—Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All

Anima Christi: #699

Recessional Hymn: #314—Immaculate Mary



Yard Sale Saturday, September 7
Parish Picnic Sunday, September 15
Penny Sale Saturday, October 5



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Meeting

Tuesday, August 20th—6:00 PM
St. Joseph Church Hall, Claremont



Knights of Columbus Aluminum Can Drive

Sat. August 24th — 3:00—4:00 PM...St. Mary Rectory Garage
Sun. August 25th — 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.

The church bells will ring once again! We are pleased to announce that the new digital church bells system will be installed Monday and Tuesday! It's been a long time since we heard the beautiful bells of St. Mary Church.



At the same time we will begin installing the necessary wiring to allow Internet access in all parish buildings. This will allow the updating of the alarm systems, provide further benefits of the new sound system, allow Catholic Outreach to have access to city records, and also allow streaming videos for faith formation in the Annex building and movie nights in the gym!



Campaign Corner

The Steering Committee was expecting a 3rd comparable bid this month to meet diocesan protocol. Unfortunately, complications with the engineer came into play this week which have again impacted the parish receiving a 3rd bid in a timely manner. Our request to the Bishop for exemption from the 3rd bid was denied. We continue our discussions with the diocese concerning their guidance in this matter. We will continue to be open and honest about this process and will keep everyone informed as we move forward. Keep praying!



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

PROLIFE MINISTRY



Pray for the end of abortion...But what does God say to us? He says: "Even if a mother could forget her child, I will not forget you. I have carved you in the palm of my hand." We are carved in the palm of His hand; that unborn child has been carved in the hand of God from conception and is called by God to love and to be loved, not only now in this life, but forever. God can never forget us. - St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa)

Home Visits

Homebound Ministry in Need of Additional Lay Ministers of the Holy Eucharist



The Homebound Ministry has grown and is still growing. Our home visits alone have more than doubled since March of this year. We are still trying to incorporate Sullivan County Health Care and the Elmwood Center. **If you feel called to this ministry as a Lay Minister of the Holy Eucharist then please reach out to Steve Denis at (603) 558-5209.**

If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Father, please call Steve Denis at the above number as well. **Homebound visits will be made by Father or one of the Team's Lay Ministers of the Holy Eucharist 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!



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