

# St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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Mary K. Keating  
Joe Labrecque  
Kevin Krawiec  
Moriah Lombardi  
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  
(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 |

**December 11, 2022**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**

## Christmas Mass Schedule for St. Mary Church and St. Joseph Church

### December 24th

4:00 PM St. Mary Church (*Children's Mass*)  
6:00 PM St. Joseph Church

*No 9:00 AM Mass on December 24th*  
*No confessions on December 24th*

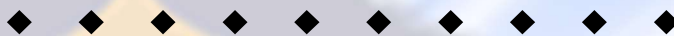
### December 25th

12:00 AM St. Mary Church (*Midnight Mass*)  
9:00 AM St. Joseph Church  
10:30 AM St. Mary Church

### Additional Times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Advent:

|               |               |                   |
|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| December 21st | 5:30—6:30 PM  | St. Joseph Church |
| December 23rd | 9:30—10:30 AM | St. Mary Church   |

*The above are dates in addition to the normal confession schedule.*



### Children's Catechism Class Christmas Party

Friday, December 23rd at 6:00 PM in the St. Dominic Room.



The Parish Office will be closed December 26th—28th for the Christmas holiday.



**December 10, 2022—December 18, 2022**

|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| <b>Sat. Dec 10</b><br>4:00 PM  | <b>Vigil of Third Sunday of Advent</b><br>For the People   |
| <b>Sun. Dec 11</b><br>8:00 AM  | <b>Third Sunday of Advent</b><br>Benefactors of the Kepler and Matthews Families<br>By the Kepler Family |
| 10:30 AM                       | Cheryl Tancrede (†)<br>By Steve Denis  |
| <b>Mon. Dec 12</b>             | <b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b><br>No Parish Daily Mass Due To Funeral                                      |
| <b>Tue. Dec 13</b>             | <b>St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr</b><br>No Mass  |
| <b>Wed. Dec 14</b>             | <b>St. John of the Cross, Priest and Church Doctor</b><br>No Mass  |
| <b>Thur. Dec 15</b><br>9:00 AM | <b>Advent Weekday</b><br>Raymond LeBlanc (†)<br>By Joan Grey   |
| <b>Fri. Dec 16</b><br>9:00 AM  | <b>Advent Weekday</b><br>Raymond LeBlanc (†)<br>By Joan Grey   |
| <b>Sat. Dec 17</b><br>9:00 AM  | <b>Late Advent Weekday</b><br>Eleanor Dalton (†)<br>By Jackie Merrill                                    |
| 4:00 PM                        | <b>Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Advent</b><br>Patrick James Matthews (†)<br>By the Kepler Family            |
| <b>Sun. Dec 18</b><br>8:00 AM  | <b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b><br>Sally Michaud (†)<br>By Her Husband                                    |
| 10:30 AM                       | Paul Duval (†)<br>By Bev Duval   |

*The Rosary is prayed before each weekday Mass, beginning 20 minutes before the start of Mass.*

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

|               |                                  |
|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Mon. Dec 12   | Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:26-38           |
| Tues. Dec 13  | Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32      |
| Wed. Dec 14   | Is 45:6-8, 18, 21-25/Lk 7:18-23  |
| Thurs. Dec 15 | Is 54:1-10/Lk 7:24-30            |
| Fri. Dec 16   | Is 56:1-3, 6-8/Jn 5:33-36        |
| Sat. Dec 17   | Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17          |
| Sun. Dec 18   | Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-17/Mt 1:18-24 |

## PARISH OFFERING

### SUNDAY OFFERTORY - DECEMBER 4, 2022

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Envelopes (56)..... | \$2,446.50 |
| Loose.....          | \$973.00   |
| Fuel.....           | \$1,758.00 |

### ONLINE GIVING

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Offertory.....          | \$1,074.50 |
| Church Maintenance..... | \$96.69    |
| Fuel.....               | \$25.00    |

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

### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

|                               |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Retirement Fund for Religious | December 10/11 |
| Church Maintenance            | December 17/18 |

*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 Grey              | David Montano     |
| Gloria Beattie   | Jake Grey               | Mary Ouellette    |
| William Beattie  | Renee Honeman           | Ron Perra         |
| Deb Bedard       | Geoffrey Houle          | Lynn Raymond      |
| Carol Braga      | Timothy Houle           | Andrew St. Pierre |
| Stephen Burlew   | David Immic             | Mary Sullivan     |
| Michael Clough   | Nancy Kingsbury         | Peter Sullivan    |
| Mary DiFilippo   | Richard LaCasce         | Christine Snyder  |
| Susan Doody      | Diane Landry            | Robert Tancrede   |
| Erick Eaton      | Matthew Limoges         | Richard Tremblay  |
| Charles Eastman  | Fr. John Loughnane      | Chee Chee Tyrrell |
| Chuck Ferland    | Roy Lucier              | Louise Unger      |
| Charles Fletcher | Barbara Manning         | George Veilleux   |
| Dennis Fontaine  | Shirley McNutt          | Joe Wallace       |



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church  
will burn this week for a  
Special Intention.



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

*This is the last weekend to sign up for the Indian Food Festival  
on December 16th. You don't want to miss all the fun!*

**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—Third Sunday of Advent

Processional Hymn: #84—O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Offertory Hymn: #99—Savior of the Nations, Come

Communion Hymn: *Choir Only*

Anima Christi: #699

Recessional Hymn: #98—People, Look East

## Parishioner Volunteer Needed:

Plans are being made to reopen the Chapel in the Annex Building for visits to the Blessed Sacrament and also resume First Friday Eucharistic Adoration (at current schedule) in the Chapel. Part of the plan is to have a new front door installed with a keypad lock that parishioners will have access to so we do not need to open and close the Chapel. However, we would need a volunteer to coordinate future Adoration times and also to keep the chapel clean. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in this parish ministry.

### Children's Catechesis



**Advent Schedule:** Children's Catechism class will be every Sunday, starting at 9:00 AM. We will meet in the choir loft to practice music for the Children's Mass on Christmas Eve, followed by class until 10:30 AM.



Help spread Christmas Joy!

Would you like to give the catechism kids a gift that keeps giving every year?

Please donate any traditional ornaments, nativity sets, lights, or Christmas decor for the St. Dominic classroom. We need batteries.

Please email Moriah Lombardi with any questions at [mmmlombardi3@gmail.com](mailto:mmmlombardi3@gmail.com). Bring donations to the back of the church after each mass. If there are any extra items we may donate or sell them for our next event.

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.



### Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Advent Gathering/Luncheon

Sunday, December 18th—1:00 PM

St. Joseph Church Hall

## THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of December 11, 2022



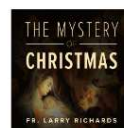
### I Am Who I Am Lectio: God Episode 1

Who is God and what does he mean when he says "I Am Who I Am"? Join Dr. Elizabeth Klein in her latest Lectio series as she begins to unpack the mystery of who God is.



### Saint Teresa of Ávila: A Study in Perseverance

Both St. John of the Cross and his dear friend St. Teresa of Avila lived heroic lives of prayer. In honor of these spiritual masters, enjoy this film depicting the Carmelite way of life and the virtue of perseverance.



### The Mystery of Christmas by Fr. Larry Richards

In this talk, Fr. Larry Richards reminds us that in the mystery of Christmas, God gives humanity his greatest gift: his Son.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.

## 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](mailto:stmarysclaremont@comcast.net).