

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.

September 1, 2024
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Family Holy Hours

“Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.” – Matthew 19:14

Children are a gift from God. Our Lord had a particular love for children and so do we! It is our desire to support our families in the all-important task of raising their children in the faith; therefore, we would like to invite families to gather for a teaching, prayer, and adoration in the church on the first Friday of each month from 6:00—7:00 pm.

Families of all shapes and sizes are welcome!
Please bring the babies, too!

We believe that children’s voices are the sound of new life in the Church, and are happy to abide with a little “joyful noise.”

Our inaugural holy hour will take place on Friday, September 6th in St. Mary Church.

We hope to see you there!

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.

Article XIV: Use of Cemetery

Roman Catholic cemeteries are holy places and an extension of the Church. These sacred grounds are consecrated by the Church and dedicated as a place of prayer and dignity for our faithful departed. Quiet reverence and respect for other people visiting the resting sites of their loved ones should be maintained at all times.

- A. *Visitors – Visitors within the cemetery shall use only the roads, drives, and walkways, unless it is necessary to walk on the grass to gain access to one’s lot. Management expressly disclaims liability for any injuries sustained by anyone violating this rule.*
- B. *Trespassers – Only the lot holder and his/her relatives or friends shall be permitted on a lot in the cemetery. Any other person thereon shall be considered a trespasser, and management shall owe no duty to said trespasser to keep the property, or the memorial thereon, in a reasonably safe condition.*
- C. *Children – Children under fifteen (15) years of age are not permitted within the cemetery unless accompanied by a supervising adult.*
- D. *Animals – Animals are not allowed in the cemetery or in any buildings in the cemetery. (Exception: Specially trained service animals are allowed).*
- E. *Lawns – Lawns shall not be disturbed for any purpose except under the supervision and approval of management.*
- F. *Lot Borders - No coping, curbing, fencing, hedging, borders, or enclosures of any kind shall be allowed around the lot. Management reserves the right to remove same, without notice, if installed.*
- G. *(This item pertains to Ornaments and Flower Vases and will be addressed separately in a future bulletin).*
- H. *Water Usage – With permission from management, and unless otherwise noted in the cemetery specific supplemental rules, the use of water spigots may be used for the watering of Memorial Day floral arrangements, plants, and flowers only (presuming management approves of the use of plants and flowers). Any use of water requires that the spigots be properly shut off. Management is under no obligation to provide access to water at the cemetery.*
- I. *Motor Vehicles – Automobiles, funeral cars and other vehicles, must be kept under control of licensed drivers at all times. At no time shall such vehicles drive through the gates or within the cemetery at a speed in excess of the posted limit. Vehicles may not park or come to a full stop before an open grave unless such vehicles are in attendance at the funeral.*
- J. *Bicycles and Motorcycles – Management reserves the right to refuse admission to any person entering the cemetery on these or any types of moving apparatus.*
- K. *Commercial Vehicles – Management shall admit commercial vehicles based upon proper authorization and approval of scheduled service activity.*
- L. *Metal Detectors – Use of metal detectors in the cemetery is prohibited.*
- M. *Burial of Pets – Burial of pets in the cemetery is prohibited.*

August 31, 2024—September 8, 2024

Sat. Aug 31 4:00 PM	Vigil of Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time For the People
Sun. Sept 1 8:00 AM	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Robert Gilbert (†) By Mike & Sharon Gilbert
10:30 AM	Yvonne Landry (†) By Family
Mon. Sept 2 9:00 AM	Weekday The United States of America
Tue. Sept 3	St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Church Doctor No Mass
Wed. Sept 4	Weekday No Mass
Thur. Sept 5 9:00 AM	Weekday Giuseppe Parise (†) By the Doody Family
Fri. Sept 6 9:00 AM	Weekday (First Friday) Ian Pierce (†) By Knights of Columbus Council 1820
Sat. Sept 7 9:00 AM	Weekday (First Saturday) Herbert Chase (†)— Mass at OSM By Tom & Cynthia LaCasce
4:00 PM	Vigil of Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time For the People
Sun. Sept 8 8:00 AM	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Vera Donahue (†) By Mike & Sharon Gilbert
10:30 AM	Michael Couture (†) By Brian & Cynthia Lessard

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Sept 2	1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30
Tues. Sept 3	1 Cor 2:10-16/Lk 4:31-37
Wed. Sept 4	1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44
Thurs. Sept 5	1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11
Fri. Sept 6	1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39
Sat. Sept 7	1 Cor 4:6-15/Lk 6:1-5
Sun. Sept 8	Is 35:4-7/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37



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

PARISH OFFERING

SUNDAY OFFERTORY - AUGUST 25, 2024

Envelopes (48).....	\$1,836.50
Loose.....	\$1,514.50
Catholic Outreach.....	\$375.00

ONLINE GIVING

Offertory.....	\$892.93
Capital Campaign.....	\$859.31

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Fuel	September 7/8
Church Maintenance	September 14/15
Catholic Outreach	September 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."

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



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



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church will burn this week in memory of
Albert Landry
as requested by Family.

HAPPY
Labor Day

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

HYMNS—Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Processional Hymn: #540—Faith of Our Fathers

Offertory Hymn: #394—The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Communion Hymn: #374—Shepherd of Souls, in Love, Come, Feed Us

Anima Christi: #699

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



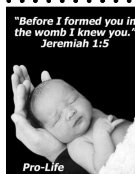
Yard Sale
Parish Picnic
Penny Sale

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



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



Spiritual Adoption of The Unborn – 24 Weeks - End of Month 6

"Thank you for your prayers!"

I am 6 months old now. I just opened my eyes – Before today they were sealed shut for protection. I wonder what you look like. I can hear sounds, too! It's great to have someone praying for me.

We are now at the end of the second trimester! Your spiritually adopted baby now weighs almost two pounds. She sits up straight now to accommodate her internal organs which have moved into their final place in her little body.



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Meeting
Tuesday, September 10th—6:00 PM
St. Joseph Church Hall, Claremont
Program: One-Pound Bag Auction

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, September 6th

Mass 9:00 AM—St. Mary Church

Confessions 9:30-10:30—St. Mary Church

Adoration in Chapel 9:00 AM—4:00 PM



ST. MARY'S GIGANTIC INDOOR YARD SALE
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
GYM - MAIN STREET
CLAREMONT, NH

OVER 100 TABLES
THOUSANDS OF ITEMS FOR SALE
LAY AWAY SERVICE
CARRY OUT SERVICE
FOOD/BEVERAGES

Ham and Bean Supper
Saturday, September 7th—4:30 - 6:30 PM
St. Joseph Church Hall

Ham, Homemade Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad,
Dessert, Beverage
\$15.00—Eat In or Take Out

St. Mary Parish Homebound Ministry



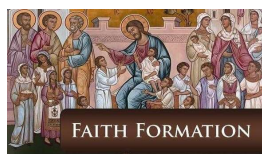
If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Fr. Sebastian, please call Steve Denis at (603) 558-5209. Homebound visits are made on the second Monday of every month. Father is assisted by one of the Lay Ministers of the Holy Eucharist: Steve Denis, Jackie Merrill, Bill Pamplin, or Gary Lambert.



St. Mary Parish—Sept 15th—12:00-3:00 PM

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Bring your favorite family dish to share! Hot dogs, sausage and peppers, hamburgers/cheeseburgers and make-your-own-sundae will be provided by the Knights. Come for great food, games, and fellowship. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church. Call Kevin Krawiec at 603-801-6130 with any questions.



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!



Campaign Corner

The Steering Committee is expecting a 3rd comparable bid in the next few weeks. 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!