St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

32 Pearl Street, Claremont, NH 03743 Phone: (603) 542-9518 / Fax: (603) 542-9614 Website: www.stmaryparishnh.org Email: stmarysclaremont@comcast.net

Pastor **Administrative Assistant Music Director** Interim Faith Formation Director **Children Catechesis Director** Parish Hospitality/Security

Rev. Maria Sebastian Susairaj, HGN 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 Sunday

4:00 PM 8:00 AM / 10:30 AM

9:00 AM

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE Monday / Thursday / Friday / Saturday

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 Saturday 9:30 AM 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 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Friday

February 5, 2023 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LENT 2023

ASH WEDNESDAY February 22nd Masses: 9:00 AM—St. Mary Church 5:30 PM—St. Joseph Church

Collection: Aid to Churches in Central & Eastern Europe & Churches in Africa. Donations may be placed in the offertory basket.

This is a U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' collection which nurtures religious education and scholarships and provides training for seminarians, assistance to the elderly without pensions and food for children.

DAILY MASSES Monday / Thursday / Friday / Saturday 9:00 AM—St. Mary Church Wednesday 5:00 PM—St. Joseph Church

CONFESSIONS Friday 9:30 - 10:30 AM—St. Mary Church Saturday from 3:00 - 3:45 PM—St. Mary Church (except on Holy Saturday - April 8th)

FASTING ... is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

ABSTINENCE ... is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the pastor should be consulted.

DAYS OF FAST & ABSTINENCE	Ash Wednesday (February 22nd) Good Friday (April 7th)	
DAYS OF ABSTINENCE	All Fridays of Lent	
STATIONS OF THE CROSS	15-minute Stations following every weekday Mass	

EASTER DUTY...this is the obligation to receive Holy Communion between the 1st Sunday of Lent (February 26th) and Holy Trinity Sunday (June 4th). Those who are conscious of serious sin (check Examination of Conscience) are also required to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Holy Communion.

PRAYER & ALMS GIVING ... in conjunction with fast and abstinence and linked with a greater intensity in prayer opens our awareness to the needs of others for whom fasting and abstinence are a way of life by virtue of their socio-economic status. For those of us who have the privilege of being able to fast and abstain, we do so in solidarity with our less fortunate sisters and brothers throughout the world, and unite our sacrifice with theirs in interceding to the Lord for peace in our time.

"OPERATION RICE BOWL"... a Catholic Relief Services' Lenten Program that calls all participants to PRAY with their families and faith communities, FAST in solidarity with those who are hungry, LEARN about our global community and the work of Catholic Relief Services overseas, GIVE sacrificial contributions to those in need around the world and in our diocese. RICE Bowls are available at all the Church entrances.

February 4, 2023—February 12, 2023

Sat. Feb 4 4:00 PM	Vigil of the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time For the People
Sun. Feb 5 8:00 AM	The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Charles Fletcher (†) By Janice, Kevin, Kathie & Karen Fletcher
10:30 AM	The Healing of Gary Hampson By Lucy Hampson
Mon. Feb 6	St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs No Mass
Tue. Feb 7	Weekday No Mass
Wed. Feb 8	Weekday No Mass
Thur. Feb 9	Weekday No Mass
Fri. Feb 10	St. Scholastica, Virgin No Mass
Sat. Feb 11 9:00 AM	Our Lady of Lourdes The Healing of Gary Hampson By Lucy Hampson
4:00 PM	Vigil of the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Bernadette Theroux (†) and Edwin Dorr (†) By the Wolfe Family & the Dorr Family
Sun. Feb 12 8:00 AM	The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time The Healing of Gary Hampson By Lucy Hampson
10:30 AM	Intentions of Joseph Pearce By the Buckley Family

The Rosary is prayed 20 minutes before each daily Mass.

		READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Mon.	Feb 6	Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56
Tues.	Feb 7	Gn 1:20—2:4/Mk 7:1-13
Wed.	Feb 8	Gn 2:4-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23
Thurs.	Feb 9	Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30
Fri.	Feb 10	Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37
Sat.	Feb 11	Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10
Sun.	Feb 12	Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

PARISH OFFERING

SUNDAY OFFERTORY - JANUARY 29, 2023

Envelopes (50)	\$1,608.50
Loose	\$1,530.00
Catholic Outreach	

ONLINE GIVING

Offertory	\$677.45
Church Maintenance	\$105.97

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

UPCOMING SECOND	COLLECTIONS
Diocesan Catholic Schools	February 4/5
Fuel	February 11/12
Church Maintenance	February 18/19

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			
Gloria BeattieDWilliam BeattieJDeb BedardFCarol BragaCStephen BurlewTAndy ChampyDMary DiFilippoFSusan DoodyNJimmy DunnDCharles EastmanJChuck FerlandNJoan FlahertyFDennis FontaineF	David Goodwin David Grey Jake Grey Renee Honeman Geoffrey Houle Timothy Houle David Immic Paul Keating Nancy Kingsbury Diane Landry John Laushance Matthew Limoges Fr. John Loughnane Roy Lucier Barbara Manning	Shirley McNutt Sylvia Michaud David Montano Leanne Mortell Mary Ouellette Lynn Raymond Andrew St. Pierre Mary Sullivan Peter Sullivan Christine Snyder Robert Tancrede Richard Tremblay Chee Chee Tyrrell Louise Unger George Veilleux	



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church will burn this week in memory of Deacon Paul Boucher as requested by St. Mary Parish.

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—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Processional Hymn: #451—Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Offertory Hymn: #274—All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Communion Hymn: #490—Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Anima Christi: #699

Recessional Hymn: #692-Go to the World

SAVE THE DATE! The Annual St. Patrick'sDay dinner, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on Sunday, March 12th from 12:30-3:00 PM in St. Mary's Gym. Dinner will include corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, turnip, Kevin's Irish soda bread, and dessert. Macaroni & cheese and hot dogs will be available for the kids. Tickets will be sold beginning in late February after all the Masses. Tickets are limited. All proceeds benefit KofC programs as well as renovations to St. Mary's Church. For information please see Kevin Krawiec or call 603-801-6130.

Parish Employment Opportunities

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.

St. Mary Parish is seeking a part-time maintenance employee to clean the church on a weekly basis and perform janitorial duties as needed in the gym. Duties will also include small maintenance jobs around the parish campus. Please contact the Parish Office at stmarysclaremont@comcast.net or 603-542-9518 if you or someone you know would be interested. Hourly rate of pay based on experience.

t

MARDI GRAS

(Prepared by Knights of Columbus)

Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 Time: 4:30 PM-7:00 PM Place: St. Mary Gym, Claremont, NH

Menu:



Sausages, Eggs, Pancakes, Desserts, Coffee/Tea, Beverages

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 Valentine Social

Monday, February 6th—6:00 PM Pleasant Restaurant, Claremont Order Off The Menu All Degrees Invited

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Meeting



Program: Valentine Theme Tuesday, February 21st —6:30 PM St. Joseph Church Hall Elm Street, Claremont

Sacramental Preparation Classes

Classes began 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.