

# St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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## Pastor

Administrative Assistant

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Catholic Outreach Director

Rev. Maria Sebastian Susairaj, HGN

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Kevin Krawiec

Knights of Columbus Fr. Cote Council 1820

Denny Francis

*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) 322-1644

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 27, 2023**  
**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost*



# New Sound System for St. Mary Church!



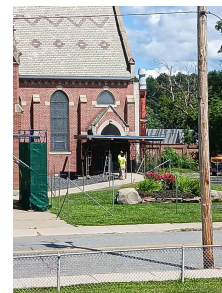
Some time ago, a very generous parishioner donated money to be put towards a new sound system in St. Mary Church. A group of men from the parish have been diligently working for months on this project, researching various companies to ensure the right system for the church would be custom made and ready in time for the 200-year anniversary celebrations. This week Phase One of the new system was installed! Phase Two is scheduled to be completed the beginning of December, in time for Christmas. To say it was a rough road in getting the project to this point of installation is truly an understatement. Thank you to our generous donor and all the men who persevered and got it done!



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## Hard-Deck Protection and Fencing are Going Up!

This was a busy week for St. Mary Church! The hard-deck protection for the main entrances of the church and also the construction fencing have both been installed.



**August 26, 2023—September 10, 2023**

<b>Sat. Aug 26</b> 4:00 PM	<b>Vigil of The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> George Limoges (†) By Monique Limoges
<b>Sun. Aug 27</b> 8:00 AM	<b>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
10:30 AM	Danilo Villanueva (†) By Divina Carrier
<b>Mon. Aug 28</b> 9:00 AM	<b>St. Augustine, Bishop and Church Doctor</b> Deb Pamplin (†) By Bill Pamplin
<b>Tue. Aug 29</b>	<b>The Passion of St. John the Baptist</b> No Mass
<b>Wed. Aug 30</b>	<b>Weekday</b> No Mass
<b>Thur. Aug 31</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Weekday</b> Josephine Manley (†) By The Josephine Manley Fund
<b>Fri. Sept 1</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Weekday—OSM</b> Sally Michaud (†) By Ray Michaud
<b>Sat. Sept 2</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Weekday—OSM</b> Jack Byrne (†) and Dorothy Byrne By Kevin Cameron
4:00 PM	<b>Vigil of Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Charles Fletcher (†) By Linda & Matt
<b>Sun. Sept 3</b> 8:00 AM	<b>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> William, Eleanor and Lisa Cameron By Family
10:30 AM	For the People
<b>Mon. Sept 4</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Mass at Old St. Mary's</b> Main Celebrant: Rev. Maria Sebastian
<b>Tue. Sept 5</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Mass at Old St. Mary's</b> Main Celebrant: Rev. Britto Adaikalam
<b>Wed. Sept 6</b> 5:30 PM	<b>Mass at Old St. Mary's</b> Main Celebrant: Rev. Samuel Seyd
<b>Thur. Sept 7</b> 5:30 PM	<b>Mass at Old St. Mary's</b> Main Celebrant: Rev. John Loughnane
<b>Fri. Sept 8</b> 5:00 PM	<b>Mass at Old St. Mary's</b> Main Celebrant: Most Rev. Shawn Therrien, VG
<b>Sat. Sept 9</b>	<b>Shroud of Turin Presentation</b>
<b>Sun. Sept 10</b> 8:00 AM	<b>Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Main Celebrant: Rev. Leo LeBlanc
10:30 AM	Main Celebrant: Most Rev. Peter Libasci

**PARISH OFFERING**

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY - AUGUST 20, 2023**

Envelopes (62).....	\$1,885.50
Loose.....	\$1,216.00
Church Maintenance.....	\$895.00

**ONLINE GIVING**

Capital Campaign.....	\$705.91
Offertory.....	\$1,157.30
Fuel.....	\$208.43

**UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS**

Catholic Outreach	August 26/27
Fuel	September 2/3
Church Maintenance	September 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."*

*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**

Elaine Bean	Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert	Sylvia Michaud
Deb Bedard	David Grey	David Montano
Mary Brunet	Jake Grey	Leanne Mortell
Stephen Burlew	Renee Honeman	Mary Ouellette
Andy Champy	Geoffrey Houle	Shirley Pierce
Scott Colpas	Timothy Houle	Lynn Raymond
Joseph Dalton	David Immic	Mary Raymond
Liz Jones-Dern	Nancy Kingsbury	Andrew St. Pierre
Mary DiFilippo	Pam LaBounty	Janet Sullivan
Susan Doody	Diane Landry	Mary Sullivan
Jimmy Dunn	John Laushance	Christine Snyder
Thomas Eagan	Matthew Limoges	Pauline Trottier
Charles Eastman	Fr. John Loughnane	Louise Unger
Chuck Ferland	Shirley McNutt	George Veilleux
Joan Flaherty	Clark Merrill	Felicity Wallace
Dennis Fontaine	Jack Merrill	Joe Wallace



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church  
will burn this week in memory of  
Alberto and Silvana Enzler  
as requested by Kevin and Carolina Stetson.



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

## HYMNS—Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Processional Hymn:** #633—Come, Christians, Join to Sing

**Offertory Hymn:** #540—Faith of Our Fathers

**Communion Hymn:** #372—Humbly We Adore Thee

**Anima Christi:** #699

**Recessional Hymn:** #305—Daily, Daily Sing to Mary

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.



### Knights of Columbus Aluminum Can Drive

Sat. August 26th — 3:00—4:00 PM...St. Mary Rectory Garage  
Sun. August 27th — 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.**

Fr. Sebastian visits the homebound on the 2nd Monday of each month. If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Father, please call the Parish Office at 603-542-9518 or email Fr. Sebastian at [sebaafri@comcast.net](mailto:sebaafri@comcast.net).

HOME VISITS



St. Joseph Parish—Baked Bean and Ham Supper  
Saturday September 2, 2023 / 4:30 - 6:30 / Elm Street

Homemade baked beans, Ham, Cole slaw, Potato salad, Dessert and Beverage.  
Cost: \$15.00. Eat In or Take Out Available.



### Campaign Corner

Total pledges received as of August 23rd is \$919,500. Any funds raised beyond the total cost of the church exterior repair and restoration project will be used for additional capital improvement needs of the church. 100% of all gifts/pledges remain with the parish.

Please do not forget to make your weekly/monthly pledge payments. There are envelopes available in each church entrance for your convenience. Also, you are welcome to make your payments online.



### 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

Are you or someone you know thinking about joining the Catholic Church? Do you have questions about the Catholic faith and its teachings or practices?

RCIA ( Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will introduce you to the teachings of the Church and help you to understand the richness of the Church's Traditions. You will have the opportunity to meet members of our parish and engage in prayerful discussions. These sessions will be opportunities to ask questions about the Catholic faith and will prepare you to receive the Church's Sacraments of Initiation. If you are already Catholic, this is also a great opportunity to learn more about your faith.

The first RCIA meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 27th following the 10:30 Mass. Classes will begin mid September. Please contact the Parish Office at 603-542-9518 for further information.

### Upcoming Parish Events

**August 26th**—Parish Annual Yard Sale

**September 1st-10th**—Celebration of the 200-Year Anniversary of Old St. Mary's

**September 10th**—Parish Annual Picnic

**October 7th**—Parish Annual Penny Sale

St. Mary's Annual Parish Picnic—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 will be in the back of the church. Please call Kevin Krawiec at 603-801-6130 with any questions.



We are grateful to all our parishioners who have given to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised \$7,615.00 toward our goal of \$28,422.00. 100% of the funds raised above this Appeal goal are returned to our parish this year. If you have not made your gift yet, please bring your envelope to Mass or make your gift online at [www.catholicnh.org/nhca](http://www.catholicnh.org/nhca). Extra gift envelopes are available at each entrance of the church. We need the support of all our parish families to reach our parish goal. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.