

# St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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Music Director

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ProLife Ministry Director

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Mary K. Keating

Lisa Sweet

Joe Labrecque

Denny Francis

Juanita Sweet

Steve Denis

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  
(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.

**April 28, 2024**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**



## Mother's Day Bake Sale

Following:

4:00 mass on Saturday, May 11th and

8:00 & 10:30 masses on Sunday, May 12th

**Volunteer to help and/or  
bake your specialty.**



**Please call Gail Leclerc-Roberts @ 603-543-4187  
to coordinate your support.**

**FREE WILL DONATIONS**

## CALL OF DUTY



**St. Mary Cemetery:** We're looking for a few good men (or women!) to volunteer working in St. Mary Cemetery this season. We have a family of independent contractors hired to maintain the cemetery 2 days a week but are looking to supplement the work in order to help with the trimming and other light duties. The preference is to have 4 crews of 2-5 individuals so that each crew would only be volunteering one day a month in the cemetery.

The "official opening" of Catholic cemeteries in the Diocese of Manchester is Memorial Day weekend; however, work usually needs to begin earlier. For further information, please speak with Fr. Sebastian or contact the parish office.

### St. Mary Cemetery Announcement:

To aid in better maintaining St. Mary Cemetery, we will be enforcing the Cemetery Rules and Regulations of the Diocese of Manchester and St. Mary Parish. Any personal items/plants on grave sites that are not permitted by the rules and regulations will be removed. If you do not have a copy of the regulations, please contact the parish office for a copy. In the past we have not strictly enforced the rules but will in the future, as it helps tremendously in allowing the mowing of the lawns in a timely manner.



For St. Mary Parish, the first weekend of May begins the annual New Hampshire Catholic Appeal: Future of Our Faith II, One Bread, One Body (NHCA), an initiative designed to strengthen our ministries for the Church in New Hampshire and to reduce the number of annual second collections at parishes. Last year, our parish along with the other 87 parishes raised more than \$3.8M. Thank you to

all who donated to the appeal last year. The Appeal will take place over the next two weekends at Mass. The NHCA supports the care for our retired and elderly priests, seminarian education and vocations, Catholic education, evangelization through Parable magazine, the Community Services program at Catholic Charities NH and more. Every registered parishioner will receive a letter from Bishop Libasci along with appeal materials in the mail soon. Please keep the Church in New Hampshire in your prayers that we may grow together and carry our faith into the future. For more information, go to <https://www.catholicnh.org/nhca>

## April 27, 2024—May 5, 2024

<b>Sat. Apr 27</b> 4:00 PM	<b>Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> Verne Willard (†) By Nancy Fowler
<b>Sun. Apr 28</b> 8:00 AM	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
10:30 AM	For the People
<b>Mon. Apr 29</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Easter Weekday</b> The United States of America
<b>Tue. Apr 30</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b> No Mass
<b>Wed. May 1</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b> No Mass
<b>Thur. May 2</b> 9:00 AM	<b>St. Athanasius, Bishop and Church Doctor</b> For the People
<b>Fri. May 3</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Sts. Philip and James, Apostles (First Friday)</b> Tim Therrien (†) By Donna Therrien
<b>Sat. May 4</b> 9:00 AM	<b>Easter Weekday (First Saturday)</b> Mary Raymond (†) By Mike & Sue Rivard
4:00 PM	<b>Vigil of Sixth Sunday of Easter</b> Ina Perron (†) By Rod, Ron & Lynne
<b>Sun. May 5</b> 8:00 AM	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b> Arthur Dion Sr. (†) By Lorraine Dion
10:30 AM	Ian Pierce (†) By Knights of Columbus

The rosary is prayed 20 minutes before each daily Mass.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Apr 29	Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26
Tues. Apr 30	Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31
Wed. May 1	Act 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8
Thurs. May 2	Act 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11
Fri. May 3	1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14
Sat. May 4	Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21
Sun. May 5	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

## PARISH OFFERING

### SUNDAY OFFERTORY - APRIL 21, 2024

Envelopes (55).....	\$2,339.50
Loose.....	\$1,720.00

### ONLINE GIVING

Offertory.....	\$812.04
Capital Campaign.....	\$623.34

### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Catholic Outreach	April 27/28
Fuel	May 4/5
Catholic Communications Campaign	May 11/12
Church Maintenance	May 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."*

*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	Chuck Ferland	Shirley McNutt
Linda Bergeron	Joan Flaherty	Sylvia Michaud
Mary Brunet	Dennis Fontaine	David Montano
Andy Champy	Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert	Mary Ouellette
Kathleen Chaudhry	David Grey	Dennis Palmer
Sandy Colby	Jake Grey	Andrew St. Pierre
Scott Colpas	Renee Honeman	Mary Sullivan
Liz Jones-Dern	Geoffrey Houle	Ryan Sullivan
Bryant Dillion	Timothy Houle	Christine Snyder
Susan Doody	David Immic	Erika Thomas
Jimmy Dunn	Pam LaBounty	Pauline Trottier
Thomas Eagan	John Laushance	Louise Unger
Charles Eastman	Matthew Limoges	Felicity Wallace
Frank Emig	Fr. John Loughnane	Joe Wallace



The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church will burn this week in memory of Thomas and Ida Keating as requested by Mary K. Keating.



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 stmaryscclaremont@comcast.net or (603) 542-9518 if you have questions.

## HYMNS—Fifth Sunday of Easter

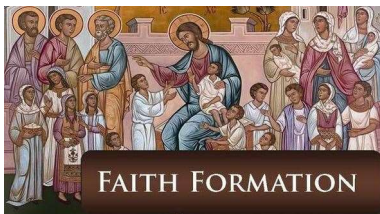
**Processional Hymn:** #258—Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

**Offertory Hymn:** #573—Amazing Grace

**Communion Hymn:** #593—Here I Am, Lord

**Anima Christi:** #699

**Recessional Hymn:** #314—Immaculate Mary



Parents of children aged 7 and up who have not received the Sacraments of Penance, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation, are asked to please contact the parish office to register their child(ren) for Sacramental Preparation classes. These classes will begin after Easter. Please contact Lisa Sweet, Faith Formation Director for St. Mary Parish, at [lsweet@stmaryparishnh.org](mailto:lsweet@stmaryparishnh.org) or call the parish office at (603) 542-9518.

## First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, May 3rd

Mass at 9:00 AM in St. Mary Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:30—10:30 AM

**Adoration in Chapel** 9:00 AM—4:00 PM



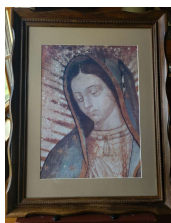
Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Tuesday, May 21st—6:30 PM

St. Joseph Church Hall, Claremont

Recital of Rosary and Baby Shower

to benefit Pregnancy Center of Upper Valley



To schedule a home visitation of the Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, please contact Juanita Sweet at 603-477-1348 or [juanitajoy2@gmail.com](mailto:juanitajoy2@gmail.com).



## Campaign Corner

Our Parish Steering Committee is still waiting to receive the bid documents for the church restoration project from Fulmer Associates. Father and the committee are in discussions with the Diocese concerning the current status of the project. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.



## 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

Monthly Dinner

May 4th 4:30 - 6:30

St Joseph Church Hall

58 Elm St Claremont, NH

Spaghetti

Homemade meatballs

Salad, Vegetable, Dessert, and Beverage

\$15.00

Eat In or Take Out Available

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,"  
Jeremiah 1:5



## Spiritual Adoption of The Unborn – End of Month 2

"I am Dancing!"

Thank you for praying for me.

Your baby is 2 months old now and 2 inches long. She is making progress developing all of her external features and internal organs. Her brain is functioning at 40 days.

Everything your baby needs to survive after birth is already present by the end of the 8th week! She loves to hop, jump and flip—her first dance steps!

## Home Visits



The Homebound Ministry, which has been in its infancy since Fr. Sebastian came in March of 2022, now has a director, Steve Denis. **Others on the team, who will assist Father and Steve, are Jackie Merrill, Bill Pamplin, and Gary Lambert.** If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Father, please call Steve Denis at (603) 558-5209. Homebound visits will be made by Father on the second Monday of every month.



## Knights of Columbus Aluminum Can Drive

Sat. April 27th — 3:00—4:00 PM...St. Mary Rectory Garage

Sun. April 28th — 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.**