

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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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
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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
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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
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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.

November 26, 2023
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

CHRISTMAS DINNER/DANCE & SPECIAL EVENTS

DATE: Friday, December 15, 2023
TIME: 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM
PLACE: St. Mary Gym, Claremont, NH



MENU: Cheese Pizza/Pepperoni Pizza, Salad, Desserts



Special DJ and MC for the evening!
50/50 Raffle and other events!

Please sign up on the sheet in the back of the church!

RSVP to: St. Mary Rectory
(603) 542-9518—stmarysclaremont@comcast.net

Free Will Offering
All proceeds to benefit the church maintenance fund



All proceeds will go to God's House, Our Home capital campaign. All 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. Please make checks payable to "God's House, Our Home."

Parish Ornaments For Sale

Great Christmas Gifts!

Souvenirs of the 200-Year Anniversary Celebration!

One for \$20 or Two for \$35

Limited supply available

Samples available on display in the Parish Office and Church.

Please fill out this order form and return to the Office.

Name _____

Phone Number _____

OSM _____ Color _____

St. Mary's _____ Color _____

Please indicate how many and color.

November 25, 2023—December 3, 2023

Sat. Nov 25 4:00 PM	Vigil of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Cyril and Anna Ondre (†) By Their Children
Sun. Nov 26 8:00 AM	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
10:30 AM	For the People
Mon. Nov 27 9:00 AM	Weekday All Souls
Tue. Nov 28	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary No Mass
Wed. Nov 29	St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr No Mass
Thur. Nov 30 9:00 AM	St. Andrew, Apostle Joseph Langevin (†) By Glenn & Wendy Houle
Fri. Dec 1 9:00 AM	Weekday (First Friday) Kay Lawrence (†) By Mary K. Keating
Sat. Dec 2 9:00 AM	Weekday (First Saturday) Leona Denis (†) By Charles & Doreen Kusselow
4:00 PM	Vigil of First Sunday of Advent Therese St. Pierre (†) By Family
Sun. Dec 3 8:00 AM	First Sunday of Advent Flore Petrin (†) By Her Grandchildren
10:30 AM	For the People

The Rosary is prayed 20 minutes before daily Mass.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Nov 27	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4
Tues. Nov 28	Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11
Wed. Nov 29	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19
Thurs. Nov 30	Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22
Fri. Dec 1	Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33
Sat. Dec 2	Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36
Sun. Dec 3	Is 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

PARISH OFFERING

SUNDAY OFFERTORY - NOVEMBER 19, 2023

Envelopes (59).....	\$2,396.00
Loose.....	\$1,694.00
Campaign-Human Development.....	\$758.06
Indian Dinner (gross amount).....	\$2,812.00
Bake Sale.....	\$470.00

ONLINE GIVING

Offertory.....	\$866.60
Capital Campaign.....	\$876.29
Fuel.....	\$71.08
Church Maintenance.....	\$108.05

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Catholic Outreach	November 25/26
Fuel	December 2/3

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	Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert	Sylvia Michaud
Mary Brunet	David Grey	David Montano
Andy Champy	Jake Grey	Leanne Mortell
Kathleen Chaudhry	Renee Honeman	Mary Ouellette
Sandy Colby	Geoffrey Houle	Shirley Pierce
Joseph Dalton	Timothy Houle	Mary Raymond
Liz Jones-Dern	David Immic	Andrew St. Pierre
Bryant Dillion	Nancy Kingsbury	Janet Sullivan
Susan Doody	Pam LaBounty	Mary Sullivan
Jimmy Dunn	Diane Landry	Christine Snyder
Thomas Eagan	John Laushance	Erika Thomas
Charles Eastman	Matthew Limoges	Pauline Trottier
Chuck Ferland	Fr. John Loughnane	Louise Unger
Joan Flaherty	Amy Major	Felicity Wallace
Dennis Fontaine	Shirley McNutt	Joe Wallace



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



*Congratulations to Luke Anthony Puksta,
son of Michael and Brianna Puksta,
baptized into the Catholic faith
on November 18, 2023!*



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—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Processional Hymn: #289—To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King

Offertory Hymn: #276—Come, Thou Almighty King

Communion Hymn: #361—O Sacrament Most Holy

Anima Christi: #699

Recessional Hymn: #490—Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

2024 Calendars

We are doing something special for the 2024 parish calendars. A commemorative calendar of the 200-year anniversary of Old St. Mary's is being created with our own pictures from the events over the past months to prepare and celebrate this special time in the history of the first Roman Catholic Church in New Hampshire. We hope to have the calendars available by the First Sunday of Advent. Because of the additional cost involved with the calendars this year, we will plan on selling them at a small cost per calendar. The 2024 calendars, combined with the beautiful parish ornaments, will make a great gift for you, your family and others! Please contact the Parish Office with any questions.



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



The Ministry of Helps is looking for additional parishioners to help keep the church clean. Right now there are a few members who have health issues needing their full attention and so they have had to back off cleaning for a time. We are looking for both temporary and permanent help, as well as anyone interested in being a substitute. It is not a time-consuming commitment, only 2 hours a month. The Ministry has been doing a fantastic job keeping the church maintained, and, therefore, the tasks are light. If you've been looking for a way to help out the parish and have only minimal free time available, this would be a wonderful opportunity! Please contact the Parish Office.



Come and See!! The Men of St. Joseph is a lay men's ministry that promotes fellowship, prayer and education to all interested men of the parish. We are beginning a video series entitled "In the Footsteps of God - From Abraham to Augustine". This series explores the pivotal players in church history. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 7- 8:30 pm. Meetings are held in the upstairs room in the chapel building. Further information, call Kevin Krawiec @ 603-801-6130



Knights of Columbus Aluminum Can Drive

Sat. November 25th — 3:00—4:00 PM...St. Mary Rectory Garage

Sun. November 26th — 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.



Campaign Corner

The safety measures will remain in place throughout the winter and restoration of the church. We are currently waiting for our engineer to complete the design stage and then the whole project will go to bid.

Total pledges received as of Nov. 15th is \$973,600. 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.

Advent Tree of Life

If you have already taken one or more envelopes off the Advent Tree, thank you! If you have not, this is your last chance to take an envelope and shop for a gift for a needy child in the Claremont area. Each envelope has a specific request for a clothing item. Do not worry if you can't find a particular color. Do the best you can. Your gift will be greatly appreciated. Requests have increased this year, so please buy several gifts if you possibly can! **All gifts must be returned to the church or parish office by next Sunday December 3rd.** Gifts will be sorted on Monday December 4th for distribution by the Claremont Kiwanis Club. If you can't shop, you can still help by taking a white yarn envelope and returning it in the collection basket or to the parish office with a monetary gift. This money is used to purchase the many boots, jackets and snowsuits that are requested.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, December 1st

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



HOME VISITS



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.