

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

June 18, 2023

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St Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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Wednesday, June 21 6:30 to 7:30 pm 603-542-5732

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 18 9:15 am

For the souls (†) of Wanda and Benny Zukauskas
requested by the Wilczoch family

Wed. June 21 5:00 pm

For the souls (†) of John & Lucille Merchant
requested by Deborah and Roy Stone

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

June 25 9:15 am

For the souls (†) of Genowefa and Mieczyslaw Staszkiewicz
requested by the Wilczoch family

There is no Second Collection today

Offertory June 11, 2023

Offertory	\$911.00
Father's Day	\$40.00
Candles	\$47.00
Fuel	\$621.00
Total	\$1,619.00
Upcoming Collections	
Church Maintenance	June 28
Ongoing Collections	
NH Catholic Appeal (15 donors)	\$1,616.00
Grand Annual Collection	\$5,690.00

THANK YOU for your generosity to our Church and our Diocese.

Please remember St Joseph Church in your will.

WHEN WRITING CHECKS
to St. Joseph Church, please mark the name the collection on the memo line (Offertory or Specific Collection) to be sure it is put in the right place.

Choir Rehearsal

**Wed. June 21
at 6:30 pm**

New members always welcome!

Today's Mass Readings are found on page #608

Prayer Cards are in each Missal for your convenience. Please do not remove them.

Confessions at St. Mary Church

Fridays
9:30 am

Saturdays
3:00 - 3:45pm

Prayer to Archangel St. Raphael

Glorious Archangel St. Raphael, great prince of the heavenly court, you are illustrious for your gifts of wisdom and grace. You are a guide to those who journey by land, sea, or air, consoler of the afflicted, and refuge of sinners. I beg you assist me in all my needs and all the sufferings of this life as you once helped the young Tobias on his travels. Because you are the "medicine of God" I humbly pray you to heal the many infirmities of my soul and the ills that afflict my body. I especially ask of you the favor (here mention your special intention) and the great grace of purity to prepare me to be the temple of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THANK YOU

to all who helped to prepare, serve and clean up after our Coffee Hour last Sunday

and to all who supported this monthly fund raiser with your presence and your offerings.

Our next Coffee Hour will be on July 9, the 2nd Sunday of the month.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns 24/7 near the tabernacle in all Catholic Churches in honor of the True Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

It burns this week
for

Florence Coutu and Freddy Zurek
requested by

Cindy Kordys and Michael Bonneville



To schedule an intention for the Sanctuary Lamp, ask Sharon Wood if the date is available. (603-542-6454) or stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

After you have confirmed the date, a donation of \$10 may be placed in an envelope marked Sanctuary Candle and the intention, the confirmed date, your name and contact information, and put

Happy Father's Day!

May God bless all the fathers in the parish

Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet

Envelopes with your intentions will be placed on the Altar for the Mass today and then placed on the Sacred Heart Altar for the remainder of the Month of June. Additional envelopes, available at the back of the church, may be filled out and placed in the offertory basket today.

Treat Dad!
Our famous
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The Sacred Heart Candelabrum is lit this Sunday in memory of
Stuart Stone
requested by
Mary Stone and children



Prayer List

Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert
Fr. John Loughnane
Chad Boardman
Chris Currier
Carol Girard
Isabella Gowell
Deborah Hemingway
Lorraine Merchant
Roger Sheehan
Barbara Trask
Chee Chee Tyrell



St. John the Baptist
Stained Glass Window
given by John & Frances Novak
in memory of their family.

Ham and Baked Bean Supper

Saturday July 1st

**4:30 – 6:30 pm
St Joseph's Church Hall
Elm St
Claremont NH**

**Homemade Baked Beans, Ham, Cole Slaw,
and Potato Salad, Dessert and Beverage**

\$15.00



Eat in or Take Out Available



Catholic Daughters

**Tuesday, June 20
6:30 pm
St Joseph Church Hall
“Bingo Night”
Bring your dobbers!**



Feast Days and Memorials

June 19: St Romuald, Abbot 950-1027

This future saint's life was dramatically changed after he witnessed his father's killing of a family member in a duel over property. Horrified, he rejected his previously dissolute and wasted youth by fleeing to a monastery in northern Italy. For thirty years Romuald travelled throughout his native land, founding monasteries and hermitages. The most famous was the monastery of the Camaldoli in Tuscany where he began the Order of the Camaldolesian Benedictines. In later life Romuald's own father became a monk, and was kept faithful by the encouragement of his son.

June 21: Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

Growing up in Italian courts and army camps, Aloysius was expected to inherit a princely title and perhaps even become a military hero. But at a very young age he experienced a spiritual awakening and was determined to lead a life of religious service. Both churchmen and laypeople tried to convince him to abandon that choice and accept his royal birthright. His determination prevailed and he entered the Society of Jesus. In 1591, a plague struck Rome and Aloysius helped to nurse the patients in the Jesuit hospital. He eventually caught the disease himself, with a lingering fever and weakness that made it difficult for him to even get out of bed. He remained prayerful up to the time of his death at the age of 23.

June 22: St Paulinus of Nola, Bishop, 354-431

Paulinus was born into a wealthy Roman family, was well-educated, became a prominent lawyer, married and led a life of luxury. After the death of their newborn son, Paulinus retreated from the world. He was baptized a Christian and gave his fortune to the poor and to the Church. He and his wife then led a life of austerity, established a monastery and sold all of their property to benefit the poor. It is said Paulinus agreed reluctantly to be ordained a priest and later served as bishop.

St Thomas More, Martyr, 1478-1535

Patron of adopted children, lawyers, civil servants, politicians, and difficult marriages.

Best known as Lord Chancellor in the court of Henry VIII, Thomas More was loyal to the king and a strong defender of the Catholic Church against heresy. His refusal to turn against the Pope and Church doctrine by condoning the annulment of the King's marriage to his wife Catherine so that he could then marry Anne Boleyn are well known. More was imprisoned in the Tower of London, convicted of treason, and executed. St. Thomas More showed heroic courage and defense of Truth. He is venerated today as an example of moral integrity and, as we say today, speaking Truth to Power.

St John Fisher, Bishop and Martyr, 1469-1535

St. John Fisher (1469-1535) shares St. Thomas More's feast day as they both were condemned to death because of their defense of Church doctrine. He was ordained a priest at a young age and appointed Bishop of Rochester, England in 1504. It was he who reviewed King Henry's request to have his marriage annulled and ruled that he could not find grounds to do so. He also refused to recognize the king's supremacy over the Church in England. Imprisoned for treason, St John Fisher was executed less than a month after Pope Paul III made him a Cardinal.

June 24: Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist

From the 2007 address by Benedict XVI in St Peter's Square:

"John the Baptist was the precursor, the "voice" sent to announce the Incarnate Word. For this reason, to commemorate the birth of John the Baptist in reality means to celebrate Christ, the fulfillment of the promises of all the prophets, of whom John was the greatest, called to "prepare the way" before the Messiah (cf. Matthew 11:9-10)...All the Gospels begin the narrative of Jesus' public life with the account of the Jesus' baptism in the Jordan by John..."

From Jerusalem and from every part of Judea people came to listen to John the Baptist and be baptized by him in the river, confessing their sins (cf. Mark 1:5)...he is the first "witness" of Jesus, having received instruction about him from heaven...

As an authentic prophet, John bore witness to the truth without compromise. He denounced transgressions of God's commandments, even when the protagonists were people in power. Thus, when he accused Herod and Herodius of adultery, he paid for it with his life, sealing with martyrdom his service to Christ, who is the truth in person."

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