

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

58 Elm Street, Claremont, NH 03743

Established 1920



August 11, 2024

St Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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Parish Finance Council

Rick Logan, Chairman
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Sharon Wood

Music Director

Richard Brown
Organists
Tristan Smith
Deborah Stone

Sunday, August 11, 9:15 am
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

For Katey Comstock
requested by her godparents

Wednesday, Aug. 14, 5:30 pm
Solemnity of the Assumption
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
For the soul (†) of Gordon Brown
requested by Roger and Bessie Sheehan

Sunday, August 18, 9:15 am
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

For the soul (†) of John Barth
requested by Connie Barth

Today's 2nd Collection is for Fuel.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024	
Offertory	\$854.00
HGN Seminarians	\$648.00
CDA Donation for use of hall	\$150.00
Candles	\$26.00
Marian Candelabrum	\$10.00
8-4-24 TOTAL AT MASS	\$1,688.00
8-3-24 Fundraising Dinner	\$1,080.00
8-4-24 Mass & Fundraiser TOTAL	\$2,768.00
There were 91 souls in attendance.	
PARISH GIVING ONLINE	
Offertory	\$119.04
Church Maintenance	\$119.04
Fuel	\$19.84
TOTAL ONLINE	\$257.92
TOTAL Mass, Fundraiser & Online	\$3,025.92

MANY THANKS
to all who have signed up for
Online Giving.

If you have tried to sign up and have encountered problems, a parishioner would like to share a hint that helped him. Try changing the Internet browser that you're using for the process. He found that he was able to complete the procedure using Google Chrome.

Reminder:
you can sign up at our website
stjosephclaremont.org

GRATITUDE
Your Parish Community is
GRATEFUL
for your consistent contributions.



Thursday August 15
is a
Holy Day of Obligation
Solemnity of the Assumption
of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
Mass will be celebrated at
St. Joseph Church
Wednesday August 14
5:30 pm

UPCOMING COLLECTION
August 25: Church Maintenance

ONGOING COLLECTIONS
2024 NH Catholic Appeal
\$3,655.00, 24 donors (48% of goal)

Grand Annual Collection

WE THANK
Fr. Charles HGN
for celebrating
Holy Mass
for us last Sunday.

The Month of August
is dedicated to
the
Immaculate Heart of Mary

Masses and Sanctuary Lamp Intentions
may be scheduled with
Sherri Smith in the Church Hall
after each Mass or by email to
stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com
Suggested donation: \$10.00.

CONFESSIONS
St. Mary Church
Friday 9:30 am
Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 pm

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 healing of loved ones
requested by family and friends.



VOTIVE CANDLE DONATIONS

PLEASE DEPOSIT
the requested amount
in the slot
on the candle stand
to offset the cost of replacing
the candle that you have burned.

THANK YOU.

The Marian Candelabrum will be lit on the Blessed Mother Altar on the Holy Day



in memory of Stuart Stone
requested by his wife Mary.

Feast Days and Memorials

Aug 11: St Clare of Assisi, 1194-1253, Virgin

Patron of eye disease, goldsmiths, laundry and television

Inspired by the teachings of St. Francis, young Clare embraced a life of poverty and service to God. She is said to have claimed that when too ill to attend Mass, she was able to see and hear it on the wall of her room. When Pope Pius XII wisely said that the new invention of television could be “the source of very great wealth, but also of deep troubles” he recalled her story and in 1958 named St. Clare as patron saint of this new media.

Aug. 12: St. Jane Frances de Chantel, 1572-1641, Religious

Patron of forgotten people, widows, parents separated from their children

After her husband was killed in a hunting accident, leaving her a widow with four children, this French Baroness took a vow of chastity and sought spiritual advice from St Frances de Sales. In 1610 she founded the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary (the Visitation nuns), a religious institute for women who were not accepted by existing communities due to age or health. She famously said in answer to criticism, “What do you want me to do? I like sick people myself. I am on their side.” She established eighty-five monasteries before her death.

Aug. 13: St Pontian, Pope; St Hippolytus, Priest & Martyr

Pope Pontian served from 230 to 235. He and Hippolytus were exiled to the infamous mines of Sardinia and, in order to make certain that the Church was not deprived of its leadership, he stepped down, the first pontiff ever to abdicate. He and Hippolytus both died on Sardinia. Their remains were returned to Rome under Pope St. Fabian.

Aug 14: St Maxmillian Kolbe, 1894-1941 Priest and Martyr

Patron of drug addicts, prisoners, families and the pro-life movement

Raymond Kolbe was a Polish Franciscan priest who was imprisoned in the German death camp at Auschwitz during World War II. He volunteered to die in place of a fellow prisoner who had a family. Fr. Kolbe was killed by lethal injection after two weeks of starvation because the Nazis felt his death was taking too long. He died on August 14, the vigil of Mary’s Assumption. Franciszek Gajowniczek, the man whose life he saved, lived to be 93 and was present in Rome when Pope St. John Paul II canonized St Maxmillian Kolbe in 1982.

Aug 16: St Stephen of Hungary, 977-1038

Patron of bricklayers, stone cutters, and against the death of children

Stephen was born to a pagan family but was baptized at 10 with his father, the Magyar chieftain Geza. He was known as Stephen the Great, a “warrior king”, who united the Magyars into a single nation, suppressing revolts by pagan nobles and helping to build churches. Pope Sylvester II anointed him King of Hungary in the year 1000, and he continued to maintain Christianity in the country and region

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Sunday, August 11, 2024

1 Kgs 19: 4-8; Ps 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 4: 30-5:2; Jn 6: 41-51

Monday August 12, 2024

Ez 1: 2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148: 1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Mt 17: 22-27

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

Ez 2: 8-3: 4; Ps 119: 14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18: 1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday August 14, 2024

Ez 9: 1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 18: 15-20

Vigil for Aug. 15

1 Chr 15: 3-4, 15-16; 16: 1-2; Ps 132: 6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15: 54b-57; Lk 11: 27-28

Thursday, August 15, 2024

Rv 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45: 10, 11, 12, 16; 1 Cor 15: 20-27; Lk 1: 39-56

Friday, August 16, 2024

Ez 16: 1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16: 59-63; Isaiah 12: 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mt 19: 3-12

Saturday August 17, 2024

Ez 18: 1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51: 12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 19: 13-15



Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn

THANK YOU to those who have spiritually adopted an unborn child through the Pro-Life Ministry at St. Mary Parish. Information is available at the back of the church. Contact Juanita Sweet 603-477-1348 or juanitajoy2@gmail.com



Sept. 15th to Nov. 2nd
Nationwide campaign of
Prayer and Fasting
for an end to abortion
Local organizers are planning
a 10-day vigil in the public
right-of-way outside
CVS in Claremont
For more information, call
802-591-1207 or
beckymatthews2003@gmail.com

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NOW STREAMING ON FORMED

A parishioner recommends this new link!

The Violinist: Stories of Father Solanus Casey

WATER LINE REPAIRS SUCCESSFUL!

A new water line was installed at St. Joseph Rectory on Monday, July 29th by the City of Claremont Department of Public Works and Hinkley Oil Company. Water pressure in the building was lost after a recent four-hour shut-off due to water line work on North Street. The new water line was installed and the old one removed without incident. All digging was done on Elm Street, not on church property. There was no cost to the parish, because the work was covered under a grant the City of Claremont received for water system upgrades and lead pipe removal. Proper water pressure, which should be about 40 PSI, was returned to the rectory when the project was completed. The portion of the sidewalk in front of the rectory that required removal was also replaced.

We owe a special thank you to Mike LaFont, who was present on the property throughout the project.



The Homebound Ministry is in need of additional Lay Ministers of the Holy Eucharist.

The Ministry has grown and is still growing.
**Home visits alone have more than doubled
since March of this year.**

We are still trying to incorporate Sullivan County Health Care
and the Elmwood Center.

Steve Denis, Director, is assisted by Jackie Merrill,
Bill Pamplin and Gary Lambert. We encourage others to join us to serve
the great need for this ministry in our Parishes.

If you feel called to this ministry as a Lay Minister of the
Holy Eucharist, please reach out to
Steve Denis at 603-558-5209.

Homebound visits are made by Father Sebastian
or one of the Lay Ministers.

Prayer List

Rev. Msgr. Donald Gilbert		
Fr. John Loughnane		
Mandy Albanese	John Arsenault	
Brenda	John Casey	
Anne Cherry	Chris Currier	
Jean Drena	Frederick Gallant	
Isabella Gowell	Stephen Grogan	
Deborah Hemingway	Karen Ouellette	
Tim Roberts	Brenda Ruest	
Janet Ruest	Lorraine Skowronski-Boggis	
Bob St. Aubin	Darlene St. Aubin	
Barbara Trask	Chee Chee Tyrrell	
Janice Vilgats	Joshua White	

Home Visitation of Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe

If you would like this very special Image to visit your home for a week, please contact Juanita Sweet at: juanitajoy2@gmail.com or 603-477-1348.



To add a name to our Prayer List, please ask the person's permission first, and then notify Sherri Smith in the Church Hall after Mass or send an email to stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

**Hymns for
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Entrance Hymn: No. 305
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Offertory Hymn: No. 427
"I Come with Joy"

Communion: (Choir)

Recessional: No. 404
"This Day God Gives Me"



**THERE WILL BE NO
CHOIR REHEARSAL
Wed. Aug. 14, 2024
because of the Holy Day
Vigil Mass at 5:30 pm**

**MASS READINGS
B/633**



**Knights of
Columbus
Council Meeting**
Monday August 12th
7:00 pm
Council Chambers
St. Mary's Gym



**Catholic
Daughters
of the Americas
Meeting**
Tuesday August 13th
6:00 pm
St. Joseph Parish Hall



COFFEE HOUR
After Mass Today
No Charge
Free Will Offering
All are welcome!
Please Join Us!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
Parish Friendship Party & BBQ
Saturday August 24th
4:00 - 7:00 pm.

Tootsie Roll Fundraiser
Large Tootsie Roll \$2.00
Available after Mass
in the Parish Hall.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
**3pm Tuesdays (subject to
change)**

If you have something you would
like put into future bulletins,
please send it to
stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

Our Bulletin Policy

We have received requests from
other parishes to put notices in our
bulletin. Our space is limited, so our
policy is to limit our notices to those
relating to St. Joseph and St. Mary
Churches, notices requested by our
Pastor and Bishop, events we are
participating in that are sponsored
by other area churches, and Polish
cultural events in the Northeast. We
thank you for understanding that
space would become unmanage-
able if we honored every request
that comes in.

Spanish Teacher Needed
Saint Joseph Regional School and Our Lady of
Mercy Academy of Keene are seeking a Spanish
teacher for middle school
introductory Spanish and all levels of
high school Spanish (College Prep/Honors)
For more information, visit
<http://www.mercyacademykeene.org/employment>

Interested candidates please contact:
Ann Szot, Executive Director
aszot@stjosephkeene.org

TICKETS
for the 1-20 RAFFLE
to benefit our Fuel Fund
will go on sale
Labor Day Weekend

Safety and Security
Please remember to lock
your car doors when
attending events in the church.

St. Mary's Annual Yard Sale
Gym – Main Street. Claremont, NH
Saturday, September 7, 2024
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Workers are needed.

If you can help, please contact
Norma Limoges (603) 542-2916

Christmas in August
The Area Choir, comprised of
singers from a variety of neighboring
churches, is known for their annual
Christmas concerts in Newport on the
first weekend in December. St.
Joseph Church parishioners Steve
Wood and Karen Parker have partici-
pated in the Choir for many years.

The Choir's **2nd Annual Summer
Sing** will take place August 17, 9:30
to 11:30 am, South Congregational
Church, 58 S.Main St, Newport, NH.
All are welcome to join in singing
Christmas favorites and celebrating
the joy of music.

Music pick-up 9:00 - 9:30 am
RSVP TheAreaChoir@gmail.com
Director: Susan Cancio-Bello
603-848-8898
Karen Little 603-863-4007

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our bulletin because of travel, illness
or snow?

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Let us know if you'd like older ones.

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but the website address is singular
(St Joseph)

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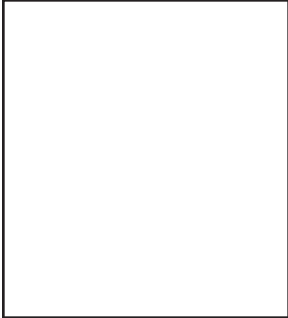
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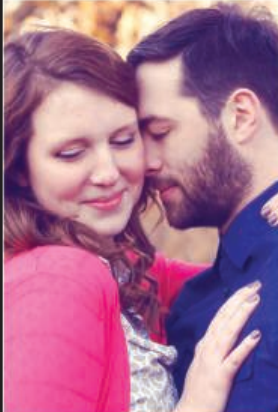
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