

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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Sunday, May 25, 9:15 a.m.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

For Eric and Jennifer Gallant
requested by their parents and

For the soul (†) of Joseph Januszewski
requested by his family.

Wednesday, May 28, 5:30 pm

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

For the soul (†) Paul St. Martin
requested by Tom DeVoyd

Sunday, June 1, 9:15 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

For the soul (†) of Stuart Stone
requested by his wife Mary and family
and

For the soul (†) of Fr. Stanley J. Piowar
requested by Ron and Marilyn Gilbert

Today's 2nd collection is for Church Maintenance.



Sunday, May 11, 2025	75 souls
Offertory	\$760.00
Fuel	\$342.00
Nut Fundraiser	\$315.00
Mother's Day Intentions	\$70.00
Votives/SanctuaryLamp/ Candelabrum	\$49.25
Mass Intentions	\$40.00
TOTAL at Mass	\$1,576.25
Parish Giving Online	
Offertory	\$574.80
Church Maintenance	\$74.60
Fuel	\$50.00
Flowers	\$19.60
TOTAL ONLINE	\$719.00
5-11-25 TOTAL at Mass and Online	\$2,295.25

Future of Our Faith II, *Jesus, I trust in You*

Our parish continues to work toward our parish goal for the NHCA of \$9,116.00 To date, thanks to the generosity of so many, we have raised \$2,206.00. The NHCA supports the ministries such as the increasing needs of parishes, our community, Catholic schools, retired clergy, seminarians, and much more. If you have not donated yet to the appeal, please consider donating, as 90% of every dollar raised above the goal will be rebated to the parish to be used for the needs of our parish. Thank you for your support as we continue to show God's mercy to all who are impacted by these ministries and beyond. To donate or learn more, go to www.catholicnh.org/nhca.

Please make checks payable to NHCA and that they are correctly written.

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.

NHCA donations in your sealed envelopes are not opened here. Unless enough are received in the collection basket to make it more cost effective to put them into a single mailing envelope, we put stamps on each one and mail them.

IF YOUR CHECK HAS AN ERROR

in the date, is missing a signature, or is unreadable, crediting your donation to our church will be further delayed until the problem can be resolved.

IMPORTANT!

In the last few months, we have received several checks dated 2024, not signed, or with illegible numerals or words. PLEASE TAKE CARE when making your very appreciated donations so we don't have to return your checks to you for correction.

ONGOING COLLECTION Grand Annual Fund

October 2024 - October 2025 \$2,211.00

Our parish's Grand Annual Fund is an ongoing collection to build a fund for larger repair and maintenance projects on the various parish buildings, both current and future—similar to our Renovation Fund in past years. Envelopes for your gifts are available at the back of the church. We thank the donors who contributed to this year's Grand Annual Fund since October 1, 2024.



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
Stephen Grogan**

requested by Rick and Carol Logan.



UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

June 1: No Second Collection

June 8: Fuel

INTENTIONS FOR MASS & SANCTUARY LAMP

Schedule with Sherri Smith
in the Church Hall after
Sunday Mass or by email to
stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

We thank all who participated in the lighting of the Marian Candelabrum on the Blessed Mother Altar on the Sundays in May.

**It is lit today in memory of
Lucille and Cliff Bonneville**

requested by
Larry and Jean Duval.



**It will be lit on the Holy Day
for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis**
requested by
the parishioners of St. Joseph Parish.

Feast Days and Memorials

May 26: St Philip Neri, Priest, 1515-1595

An Italian priest who founded a society of secular clergy known as the Priests of the Oratory, Philip Neri promoted the holiness of priestly life. He was called the Second Apostle of Rome, after St. Peter, and is known for his use of short maxims, such as: "Nulla dies sine linea: Do not let a day pass without doing some good within it" and "We must not be behind time in doing good, for Death will not be behind his time."

May 27: St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop, d605

Augustine, Prior of a monastery, was selected by Pope St. Gregory the Great to lead thirty monks as missionaries to England. Earlier converts there had been forced into hiding when Anglo-Saxons conquered the land. Stories of the barbarous treatment of Christians caused many of the monks to turn back to Rome. The Pope, however, believed that the marriage of the King of England to a Christian princess meant that the country would then be more receptive to evangelization. King Ethelbert did convert and did not prevent his subjects from embracing the new faith too. Augustine lived in England for eight years before his death.

May 29 St. Paul VI, Pope; 1897-1978

Born Giovanni Battista Enrico Antonio Maria Montini, this future saint was ordained to the priesthood in 1920 at the age of 23. He studied philosophy, civil law and canon law, was appointed attaché at the Apostolic Nunciature in Warsaw, Poland and the next year returned to Rome to serve in the Vatican's Secretariat of State. In 1963 he was elected Pope, succeeding John XXIII. He continued the Second Vatican Council until 1965, implementing its numerous reforms. He always encouraged the Church to be open in the modern world while respecting her tradition and seeking communion among the Council Fathers.

May 31: Visitation of the Blessed Virgin

This Feast commemorates the Virgin Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth, when each one found herself pregnant in unusual circumstances — Elizabeth in her old age after suffering from infertility and Mary by the Holy Spirit. At their meeting, John the Baptist leaped in the womb of Elizabeth, who then blessed Mary and the Christ Child. Mary responded by praising the Lord with the famous *Magnificat*. As Pope Benedict XVI said, this feast day is a day to recognize Mary's humility and willingness to be used by God, and for us to strive to do the same in our own lives.

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Sunday, May 25, 2025

Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29; Ps 67: 2-3, 5, 6, 8;
Rv 21: 10-14, 22-23; Jn 14: 23-29

Monday, May 26, 2025

Acts 16: 11-15; Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4,
5-6a, 9b; Jn 15: 26 – 16: 4a

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

Acts 16: 22-34; Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3,
7c-8; Jn 16: 5-11

Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Acts 17: 15, 22 – 18: 1; Ps 148: 1-2,
11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16: 12-15

Thursday, May 29, 2025

Acts 1: 1-11; Ps 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9;
Eph 1: 17-23

Friday, May 30, 2025

Acts 18: 9-18; Ps 47: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7;
Jn 16: 20-23

Saturday, May 31, 2025

Rom 12: 9-16; Is 12: 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6;
Lk 1: 39-56

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

PRAYER LIST

Rev. Msgr. Donald Gilbert

Fr. John Loughnane

Mandy Albanese

John Arsenault

Ashley Booher

Brooke

Jean Brown

John Casey

Elissa Coburn

April Colle

Jean Drena

David Farrar

Carol Girard

Isabella Gowell

Gianna Gregorutti

Stephen Grogan

Deborah Hemingway

Christine Hunter

Samuel Januszewski



Kallie Knight

Carol Logan

The Lord family

Karen Ouellette

Linda Patch

Brenda Ruest

Janet Ruest

Sonya Sheehan

Bob St. Aubin

Darlene St. Aubin

Barbara Trask

Becky Trombley

Janice Vilgats

Vello Vilgats

Joshua White

Lawrence Woodward

The Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud
in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good
things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the
help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of
mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham
and his children forever.
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen

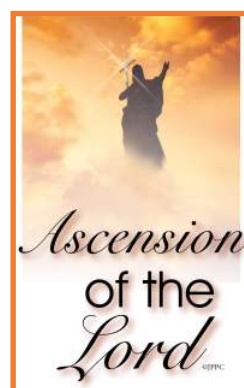
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Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Holy Day of Obligation

St. Joseph Church
Wednesday 5:30 pm

St. Mary Church
Thursday 9:00 am

The Sacred Heart Candelabrum will be lit on the side altar on Sundays in June.
See Sherri Smith in the church hall after Mass to schedule an intention.
A \$10.00 donation is requested.



Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet

Envelopes are available in the back of the church. Intentions may be made for living and deceased fathers. They will be placed on the altar for Father's Day and will remain throughout the month of June.



Reciting the
"LORD'S PRAYER"
=
2 minutes of
HAND WASHING

Roman Catholic Homebound Ministry

Homebound visits:
2nd Monday of every month

If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Father Sebastian, call Steve Denis at 603-558-5209. Father is assisted by one of the Lay Ministers of the Holy Eucharist.

IMPORTANT UPDATE CONCERNING ST. MARY CEMETERY

Memorial Day weekend is the official opening of Catholic cemeteries and burial grounds in New Hampshire. Realizing the importance and beauty of Christian burial in a Roman Catholic cemetery, we will continue to follow the Diocese of Manchester's rules and regulations for Mary Cemetery.

Diocese of Manchester Cemetery Rules and Regulations, Article XIV Section G:

Ornaments and Flower Vases – Management reserves the right to regulate the method of decorations of lots so that uniform beauty is maintained. Use of statues, silk/fake flowers, boxes, shells, coins, gourds, toys, metal designs, ornaments, vases, votive candles, glass, plastic, concrete, vigil lights, Christmas decorations, crockery jars and containers, wood or metal cases, potted plants, balloons, pinwheels, lawn ornaments, bric-a-brac of any description, etc. will not be permitted on any lot and any such articles will be removed by management. In addition, should these ornaments be placed on the cemetery property in violation of these rules, the cemetery shall not be responsible for the damage or loss of any of these items at any time.

Memorial Day floral arrangements and/or decorations must be placed on the base of the memorial (monument) or placed on an extension to that base. [They] may be placed seven (7) days before the federal holiday and removed from the cemetery by June 10.

Also, **NO NEW DECORATIVE ADDITIONS** will be allowed in St. Mary Cemetery and a policy of "carry in, carry out" relating to water and trash will be implemented. Water for any existing plantings and bins for removal of trash/trimmings will no longer be provided by St. Mary Cemetery. The goal of implementing these rules and regulations is to move towards a uniform, orderly, and beautiful cemetery to honor our beloved dead in keeping with the Catholic Faith.

**Hymns for the
6th Sunday of Easter**

Entrance Hymn: #427
"I Come with Joy"

Gloria (Latin) No. 161

Offertory Hymn: #444
"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

Communion: (Choir)

Recessional Hymn: #472
"My Country, 'Tis of Thee"



MASS READINGS: C/564

Memorial Acclamation
"Save us, Savior of the World"



CHOIR REHEARSAL

Wed. May 28
7:00 pm
After the Holy Day Mass

All are welcome to join!



CONFESSIONS

St. Mary Church

Fridays:

After 9:00 am Mass

Saturdays:

Before 4pm Mass

(3:00 to 3:45 pm)



St. Joseph, Pray for Us

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Please remember to lock your car doors when attending any event in the church. Once Mass begins on Sunday morning, the side door of the Church facing the Rectory will be locked. The front door will remain unlocked for any late arrivals. An Usher will be inside the Church to assist you.

**Diocesan Vocation
Awareness**

**"Those who love Me will keep
my word."**

Is your love for the Lord leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

**Contact the
Vocation Office**
(603) 663-0196
cmartel@rcbm.org

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can be seen at

<https://church-bulletin.org/?id=9021>
or at the link on our website
at stjosephclaremont.org

FUNDRAISER

Available after Mass in the Parish Hall

Large Tootsie Roll \$2.00

If you use email and would like to be placed on the Parish email list to receive timely updates to our church schedule, please send us an email.
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PARISH REGISTRATION

**To make sure our Parish Records
are up to date for 2025.**

please check after Mass to make sure your registration form is in the green notebook in the Church Hall.

You can download and print out a Registration Form from our website or get one from Sherri Smith after Mass.

BULLETIN DEADLINES

BECAUSE OF EARLY DEADLINES
throughout May, our bulletin for June 1 has already been sent to the printer.

Please send notices for the June 8 bulletin by this Tuesday, June 3. We will do our best to include notices that usually are posted at this time of year, but appreciate your understanding if something is not included.

stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com or
call Sharon Wood at 603-542-6454

Copies of past bulletins are on a small table as you enter the church hall. Ask Sharon Wood if you'd like an older issue than is left there.

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that claim to be sent by Fr. Sebastian. Father does not generally send emails to parishioners. Please delete them and definitely do not open any attachments.

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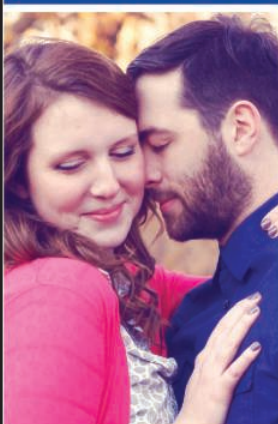
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