

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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June 1, 2025

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Parish Finance Council

Rick Logan, Chairman
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Music Director

Richard Brown

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. Piwowar
requested by Ron and Marilyn Gilbert

Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 5:00 pm

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

Sunday, June 8, 9:15 a.m.

Solemnity of Pentecost

For the soul (†) of Debra Ann Bedard
requested by Ron and Marilyn Gilbert
and

For the soul (†) of Estella Hudson
requested by Buddy and Alberta

**Today's 2nd collection is for the
Catholic Communications Campaign**

TODAY WE WELCOME
Christian Hurlburt, Seminarian,
who is visiting our parish this week-end.

Sunday, May 18, 2025	62 souls
Offertory	\$600.00
Maryknoll Missions	\$280.00
Candles	\$8.00
Catholic Daughters Donation	\$150.00
Funeral Mass	\$200.00
TOTAL at Mass 5-18-25	\$1,238.00
Parish Giving Online	
Offertory	\$133.88
Fuel	\$118.13
TOTAL ONLINE	\$252.01
TOTAL at Mass and Online	\$1,490.01



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 \$2,701.00 with a pledge of \$400.00 for a total of \$3,101.00. 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. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.

**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. To donate or learn more, go to www.catholicnh.org/nhca.

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS

- June 8: Fuel**
- June 15: Heralds of Good News
(Fr. Sebastian's Order)**
- June 22: Church Maintenance**
- June 29: Peter's Pence**

**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.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE
all checks are correctly written.**

Check the date, the amount of the check (both words and numerals) and that it is signed.
Thank you!

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 all those on the the NH Eucharistic Pilgrimage.



**Mass, Sanctuary Lamp &
Candelabrum Intentions**

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

The Month of June is Dedicated to the MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS. The Sacred Heart Candelabrum will be lit on the side altar on Sundays in June.

It is lit today for the repose of the souls of Richard and Loretta Marcotte
requested by Mary and Richard Brown.



Feast Days and Memorials

June 2: St Marcellinus and Peter, d.304

Little is known about these two martyrs except that a basilica was over their tombs by the Emperor Constantine and they are named in the first Eucharistic prayer. Those facts are evidence that they were respected and venerated in the early Church. According to a legendary account of their martyrdom, Marcellinus, a priest, and Peter, an exorcist, converted their jailer and his family. Their executioner, too, became a Christian after their deaths and told Pope St. Damasus their story.

June 3: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, 1860-1886

Patron of African Catholic Youth Action

By the mid-1880s, Christian missionaries had been in Uganda for several years, and the converts had reached about 200 in number. Some, including Charles Lwanga, lived and taught at the court of King Jwanga, a violent ruler who preyed on young boys and men who attended him.

Angered by the Christians who tried to interfere with his cruelty, the king ordered that a large number of them be killed. Witnesses to their thirty-seven mile walk to the place of execution reported that the young men exhibited courage and joy in their final days.

One was quoted as saying, "Why are you so sad? This is nothing to the joys you have taught us to look forward to."

June 5: St. Boniface, 675-754, Bishop, Martyr

Patron of Brewers, Germany, World Youth Day

This English Benedictine monk was a significant figure in the foundations of the Catholic Church in Germany and is known as "apostle of the Germans." He is celebrated as a missionary, a unifier of Europe, and as a national figure to German Catholics. He and his companions were martyred while on mission to Frisia, now in the Netherlands.

June 6: St. Norbert, Bishop, 1075-1134

Patron of English writers and historians

Norbert was of noble birth who became a promoter of an apostolic way of life. He was a legendary peacemaker who founded of the Norbertines, an order of monks who also serve as parish priests, They are known for their emphasis on community life, liturgy, and active ministry within the Church.

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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.

Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer

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Sunday, June 1, 2025

Acts 7: 55-60; Ps 97: 1-2, 6-7, 9;
Rv 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17: 20-26

Monday, June 2, 2025

Acts 19: 1-8; Ps 68: 2-3ab, 4-5acd,
6-7ab; Jn 16: 29-33

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

Acts 20: 17-27; Ps 68: 10-11, 20-21;
Jn 17: 1-11a

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Acts 20: 28-38; Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a,
35bc-36ab; Jn 17: 11b-19

Thursday, June 5, 2025

Acts 22: 30; 23:6-11; Ps 16: 1-2a and 5,
7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17: 20-26

Friday, June 6, 2025

Acts 25: 13b-21; Ps 103: 1-2,
11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21: 15-19

Saturday, June 7, 2025

Acts 28: 16-20, 30-31; Ps 11: 4, 5 and 7;
Jn 21:20-25

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 stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

PRAYER LIST

Rev. Msgr. Donald Gilbert

Fr. John Loughnane

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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

NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL: FUTURE OF OUR FAITH II: JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

The New Hampshire Catholic Appeal (NHCA) is a combined campaign and fundraising effort for the parishes and ministries of the Church in New Hampshire.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What ministries and needs will be included in the NHCA?

1. Catholic Charities NH's Community Services program * (see **Note**)
2. Catholic Education and Catholic Schools
3. Seminarians, Deacons, & Vocations
4. Priest Retirement
5. Parable magazine
6. Parish needs (Parish to Parish Support Fund and individual parish support)
7. Missionaries abroad and multi- cultural ministry in NH
8. Faith Formation: Campus Ministry and Totus Tuus
- 8 .Catholic Cemeteries

Many of these needs and ministries were previously funded through second collections. These have been eliminated or consolidated into the NHCA.

Parishioners can still give to these causes and programs separately, though it does not count towards the overall parish appeal goal.



*Note about Catholic Charities NH (CCNH):

The NHCA does not fully fund CCNH.

Gifts to NHCA only support CCNH's Community Services program. The NHCA provides similar income as to what CCNH had originally raised in their in-pew appeal. It is important to note that the NHCA does not fund all of CCNH's programs.

For instance, Our Place, Liberty House, Mental Health Counseling Services, New Generation, and others are supported through appeals conducted directly by CCNH throughout the year. This is why you will continue to hear from CCNH via direct mail, online campaigns, special events, and more, outside of the NHCA appeal time frame.

To learn more about the Community Services program at Catholic Charities NH, please visit their website: www.cc-nh.org/services/community-services-assistance/



Knights of Columbus

Council Meeting

Monday June 9, 7:00 pm

Council Chambers

St. Mary's Gym



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.

COFFEE HOUR NEXT SUNDAY

JUNE 8 after Mass

Please bring something to share.

No charge; Free Will Offering



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Meeting

Tuesday June 10, 6:00 pm

St. Joseph Church Hall

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
7th Sunday of Easter**

Entrance Hymn: #452
"At That First Eucharist"

Gloria (Latin) No. 161

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

Communion: (Choir)

Recessional Hymn: #276
"Come, Holy Ghost"

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Wed. June 4
6:30 pm

All are welcome to join!



MASS READINGS:
C/568

Memorial Acclamation:
"Save us, Savior of
the World"

CONFESSIONS
St. Mary Church
Fridays:

After 9:00 am Mass

Saturdays:

Before 4pm Mass
(3:00 to 3:45 pm)

Diocesan Vocation Awareness

"You will be My witnesses to the ends of the earth."

If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest, deacon or deacon or in the consecrated life contact the Vocation Office, (603) 663-0196, cmartel@rcbm.org

New Hampshire Eucharistic Pilgrimage

The Diocese of Manchester is hosting the first Diocesan-wide, 33-day Eucharistic Pilgrimage. The **Jubilee 2025: New Hampshire Eucharistic Pilgrimage (NHEP)** kicked off May 18 at Saint Joseph Cathedral in Manchester and will visit every parish and school in the Diocese, along with special stops at Catholic colleges, hospitals and cemeteries until it concludes at the Cathedral on June 19, the Feast of Corpus Christi.

This event is part of the Jubilee Year of Hope proclaimed by Pope Francis. The Most Reverend Peter Libasci, D.D., Bishop of Manchester, has decreed the Jubilee Year in the Diocese, including a plenary indulgence and apostolic blessing to those who participate in the NHEP.

Some of the Manchester-based Daughters of Mary, Mother of Healing Love (DMML) were inspired to organize the NHEP after their journey of 1,200 miles to Indianapolis during the National Eucharistic Revival in July of 2024.

"This is a walk with purpose," explains Sister Miriam Christe Zore, DMML. "This is a walk to bring that love of Christ to every person, to our parishes, our homes, all throughout our Diocese."

A perpetual pilgrim team will process throughout the entire 33-day pilgrimage. It includes DMML sisters, seven young adult missionaries, Diocesan seminarians and priests from the Franciscans of the Poor Christ of the Holy Rosary Shrine in Lawrence, Massachusetts. They will process the Eucharist through the streets of New Hampshire both on foot and by vehicle.

The NHEP is generously sponsored by the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal and St. Thomas Aquinas High School. All are welcome to participate. For more information, including the parish route, visit www.catholicnh.org/nhjubilee.



The NHEP will be in Claremont on June 12. The screenshot on the right is from the NHEP pilgrimage route that can be downloaded from the Diocesan website at www.catholicnh.org/nhjubilee.

JUN 12	8:30AM-10:00AM (Mass + Procession) Saint Mary Parish Church, Claremont
JUN 12	10:15AM-1:00PM Saint Joseph Parish, Claremont

PLEASE BE WARY OF SPAM EMAILS

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.

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.
stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

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.

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.

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

St Joseph Church Bulletin can be seen at

<https://church-bulletin.org/?id=9021>

or at the link on our website at stjosephclaremont.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Our printing schedule has returned to normal. Please send information for the June 8 bulletin by June 3 to stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com or call Sharon Wood at 603-542-6454.

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