

# St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

58 Elm Street, Claremont, NH 03743

Established 1920



October 5, 2025

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## Parish Finance Council

Rick Logan, Chairman

David Smith, Sharon Wood

## Music Director

Richard Brown

## Sunday, October 5, 9:15 a.m.

### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Seventeenth Sunday after Pentacost

for the soul (†) of Tomasz Wilczoch

requested by the Wilczoch family

There will be no Wednesday evening Mass

this week because Fr. Sebastian

will be away from October 7-10.

## Sunday, October 12, 9:15 a.m.

### Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Eighteenth Sunday after Pentacost

for the soul (†) of John Sheehan

requested by the Sheehan family

and

for the soul (†) of Robert Whitcomb

requested by Rick and Carol Logan

There is no 2nd Collection today.



<b>Sunday, September 28, 2025</b>	<b>77 souls</b>
Offertory	\$756.30
Church Maintenance	\$305.30
Fuel	\$20.00
Sanctuary Lamp	\$60.00
Votive Candles	\$11.00
Candelabrum	\$10.00
<b>Total at Sunday Mass 9-28-25</b>	<b>\$1,162.60</b>
<b>Online Giving: Offertory</b>	<b>\$285.47</b>
<b>TOTAL at Masses and Online</b>	<b>\$1,448.07</b>

**Parish Giving**


Please read the insert in today's bulletin about making online contributions to St. Joseph Church through "Parish Giving." Our pastor, Fr. Sebastian, encourages us to use this method to bring more stability to our finances. Are you interested but unsure about how to get started? It's really not difficult. Mary Brown will be in the Parish Hall after Mass today to provide information and answer questions about using "Parish Giving" on our website.

**WARNING:**


A counterfeit bill was put into the collection last month. Please check your paper bills when you receive them to make sure they are genuine U.S. currency.

**UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS**

Oct. 12: Fuel  
 Oct. 19: World Missions  
 Oct. 26: Church Maintenance  
 Nov. 2: Fuel  
 Nov. 9: Archdiocese for Military Services (AMS)



**New Hampshire Catholic Appeal:**  
**Future of Our Faith II, *Jesus, I trust in You***



Our parish continues to work toward raising our parish goal of **\$9,116.00** for the NHCA. Thanks to the generosity of 23 parish families, we have raised **\$3,746.00** with a **pledge of an additional \$80** for a **total of \$3,826.00**. This represents 42% of our goal. If you have not donated yet to the appeal, please consider doing so now. We need the support of all our parish families in order to reach our goal without having to pay the balance from our parish savings. Gift envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please make checks payable to NHCA and that they are correctly written. You may also make your gift by using the QR code above or by going online to [www.catholicnh.org/nhca](http://www.catholicnh.org/nhca). Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church. 90% of the funds raised above this goal will be returned to our parish this year.

**GRAND ANNUAL FUND**

We thank everyone who contributed to the fund this past year.


**October 2024 - 2025    \$2,719.50**

**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 in memory of Rev. Msgr. Norman Bolduc** requested by Richard and Mary Brown.




**Mass and Sanctuary Lamp Intentions may be scheduled in the Church Hall after Sunday Mass.**

Suggested donation: \$10.00.

**The Marian Candelabrum intentions for October are all filled. We thank those who participated.**

The Marian Candelabrum will be lit on the Blessed Mother Altar on the Sundays in October. **It is lit today in memory of Beatrice & Dominic DiBella** requested by Rick and Carol Logan



## Feast Days and Memorials

### Oct. 5: St. Faustina Kowalska, 1905-1938

Born in Poland, Helena Kowalska was determined to become a nun, and reached that goal, despite the objections of her parents and many obstacles throughout her young life. Today she is known for her visions of Jesus as the King of Divine Mercy and His instructions to her to paint an image as she saw Him. Her writings helped to spread devotion to His Divine Mercy throughout the world. St Faustina Kowalska was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1993 and canonized by him on April 30, 2000.

### Oct 6: St Bruno, c.1030 - 1101, Priest

German by birth, Bruno was a teacher, a writer, and chancellor of the archdiocese of Rhaims. He wrote commentaries on the Psalms and the Epistles of St. Paul the Apostle that made him well known, but he wanted only to live alone and spend his time in prayer. He founded the Carthusian Order of hermits, living in a desolate mountainous region where they lived lives of poverty, occupied with manual labor, prayer, and transcribing manuscripts.

### Oct 6: Blessed Marie Rose Derocher, 1811-1849, Virgin

Eulalia Melanie Durocher is known as the Canadian nun who brought Christian education to the frontier. She was the youngest of ten children born into a family in Quebec. Three of them became priests and one a nun. She entered a convent herself but was sent home because of poor health. She then took the name Marie Rose and founded the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary to fill the need for teachers and schools in poor communities.

### Oct. 9: St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, d. 250, Martyrs

Patron of Paris; and against frenzy, strife, headaches, hydrophobia, possessed people

While still very young this saint was distinguished for his virtuous life, his knowledge of sacred things, and firm faith. He became the first Bishop of Paris, was martyred with the presbyter, Rusticus, and the deacon, Eleutherius, on Montmartre (Mount of Martyrs).

### Oct. 9: St. John Leonardi, 1541 - 1609, Priest

Father John was born in Italy, became a pharmacist's assistant, and founded the Congregation of Clerics Regular of the Mother of God, which today numbers about 120 members. He formed the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine and published a compendium of Christian doctrine in use until the 19th century. With St. Philip Neri, co-founded the Collegio Urbano at Rome which, under the direction of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, trains priests for the foreign missions.

### Oct 7: Our Lady of the Rosary

The devotion of the rosary evolved over centuries, beginning with a practice of praying 150 Our Fathers and a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. A mystery of Jesus' life was attached to each Hail Mary, and by the 16th century praying the 15 joyful, sorrowful and glorious mysteries was common practice. Pope St John Paul II added the 5 Mysteries of Light to this devotion in 2002.

### Oct 11: St. John XXIII, 1881-1963, Pope

Patron of Papal delegates, Patriarchy of Venice, Second Vatican Council

Despite humble beginnings as the son of poor sharecroppers in a small Italian village, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli earned a doctorate in theology, became a priest and secretary to a Bishop. During World War I, he was drafted into the Italian Army as stretcher bearer and chaplain. Later, as Archbishop Roncalli, he earned the title "Righteous Gentile" for saving the lives of thousands of Jews during World War II. Elected to the Papacy after the death of Pius XII in 1958, Roncalli announced, "I will be called John." In the turbulent '60s, he opened the Second Vatican Council, intervened for peace during the Cuban Missile Crisis, and issued the encyclical "Pacem in terris" on peace and nuclear disarmament. "Good Pope John" is an apt name for this Pope.

[www.catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org)

[www.mycatholic.life](http://www.mycatholic.life)

[www.franciscanmedia.org](http://www.franciscanmedia.org)



### Diocesan Vocation Awareness

“God did not give us a spirit of cowardice.”

Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you beyond your fearful hesitation to follow Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Contact the Vocation Office  
(603) 663-0196  
[cmartel@rcbm.org](mailto:cmartel@rcbm.org)

### Saturday, October 18

**Fr. Sebastian White, OP**  
Editor-in Chief, of the monthly liturgical prayer magazine,  
*Magnificat*,  
will speak at  
10:00am and 11:30am

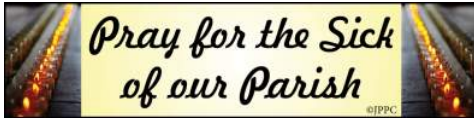
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### Roman Catholic Homebound Ministry

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.



Fr. John Loughnane	Tina Lange
Mandy Albanese	Carol Logan
John Arsenault	The Lord family
Ashley Booher	Matt
Brooke	Karen Ouellette
Jean Brown	Linda Patch
John Casey	Brenda Ruest
Elissa Coburn	Janet Ruest
April Colle	Nancy Ruest
Chris Currier	Paul Ruest
Jean Drena	Sonya Sheehan
Emma	Joan Silver
Frank Fahey	Bob St. Aubin
Carol Girard	Darlene St. Aubin
Isabella Gowell	Barbara Trask
Gianna Gregorutti	Becky Trombley
Stephen Grogan	Chee Chee Tyrrell
Deborah Hemingway	Janice Vilgats
Christine Hunter	Daniel Walsh
Annette Lambert Huntington	Joshua White
Samuel Januszewski	Lawrence Woodward
Kallie Knight	

Readings for the Week	
October 5 - 11, 2025	
<b>Sunday</b>	Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9 2; Tm 1: 6-8, 13-14; Lk 17: 5-10
<b>Monday</b>	Jon 1:1—2:2, 11; Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8; Lk 10: 25-37
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jon 3: 1-10; Ps 130: 1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10: 38-42
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jon 4: 1-11; Ps 86: 3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk 11: 1-4
<b>Thursday</b>	Mal 3: 13-20b; Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 11: 5-13
<b>Friday</b>	Jl 1: 13-15; 2: 1-2; Ps 9: 2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9 Lk 11: 15-26
<b>Saturday</b>	2 Kgs 5: 14-17; Ps 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4 2 Tm 2: 8-13; Lk 17: 11-19

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](mailto:stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com)

**K of C Assembly Fr. Cote Assembly / 4th Degree Honors Banquet Buffet**

Common Man Restaurant,  
Wednesday, October 15, 5:00 pm

Followed by Honor Awards  
Knight of the Year / Sir Knight of the Year / Family of the Year

\$45 a person// meal & gratuities included  
Contact Louis Millette 603-477-4776



**Respect Life Sunday**

Today marks the beginning of Respect Life Month. We are asked to consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

A beautiful way to honor this month is to visit Our Lord, in the Adoration Chapel, praying for the end of abortion.

For the next 5 weeks, a baby shower box will be on the table at the back of our church to collect your donations for the Pregnancy Center in Claremont.

For more information, contact Juanita Sweet at [juanitajoy2@gmail.com](mailto:juanitajoy2@gmail.com).

**PARISH REGISTRATION**

If you have not registered as a member of St. Joseph Parish, you can find a registration form at the back of the church or download and print one from our website, [stjosephclaremont.org](http://stjosephclaremont.org)

**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.

**PLEASE BE WARY OF SPAM EMAILS & TEXTS**

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

**Hymns for the 27th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

**Entrance Hymn: No. 300**

"All Creatures of Our  
God and King"

**Gloria: (Latin) No. 161**

**Offertory Hymn: No. 323**

"For the Beauty of  
the Earth"

**Communion: (Choir)**

**Recessional Hymn: No. 328**

"We Walk by Faith"



**MASS READINGS:  
C/658**

**Memorial  
Acclamation:  
"When We Eat This  
Bread"**



**CONFESSIONS  
St. Mary Church**

**Fridays:**  
After 9:00 am Mass

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

**CHOIR REHEARSAL**

**Wed. October 8, 6:30 pm**

**All are welcome  
to join.**



Next Sunday, October 12  
**COFFEE HOUR AFTER MASS**

No Charge  
Free Will Offerings Accepted  
All are Welcome!

Please Bring Something to Share  
Please Join Us!

**DOZYNKI TICKETS MUST BE  
PURCHASED IN ADVANCE**

**After Mass on Sundays in the  
Church Hall**

**AND**

**Wednesday October 8th  
10:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**Questions?  
603-542-2394**

**Dozynki (Polish Harvest Dinner)**

**Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup> 5PM-7PM**

**St Joseph Church Hall**

**58 Elm St**

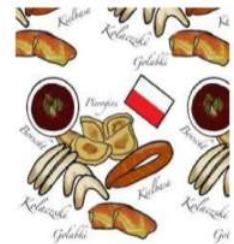
**Claremont NH**

**Gołabki , Pierogi, Kielbasa and More**

**Eat In or Take Out**

**\$20.00**

**Advance Purchase Tickets Only**



Tickets to be sold after 9:15 Mass in the church hall.  
Email questions to [stjosephclaremont@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephclaremont@gmail.com) or call 542-2394

**Catholic Daughters  
of the Americas**

will meet

Tuesday October 14th

6:30 pm

St. Joseph Parish Hall



**WILL YOU HELP IN THE CHURCH KITCHEN?**

**Head Chef Walter Hoszkiewicz will instruct and assist.**

**Pierogi Making Crew Filled: Thank you to all who volunteered to help!**

**Golumpki Making Crew Friday Oct 10, 9am until noon**

**Dozynki Crew, Kitchen and Hall**

**Saturday Oct 1, Before, During and After!**

**No prior experience necessary! Learn while doing!**

**PLEASE CALL**

**Call Sharon Wood 603-542-6454 or Betty Gierko 603-542-2394**

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](mailto:stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com)

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Please send information for the October 12 bulletin by Tuesday Oct.7 to [stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com](mailto: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 issue older than what 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](http://stjosephclaremont.org)

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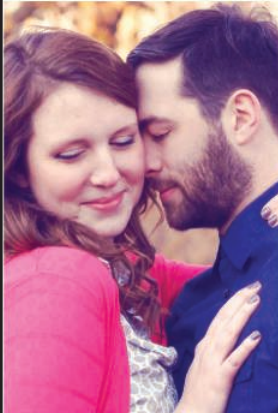
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