

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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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 will be no Wednesday evening Mass
this week.**

Sunday, October 19, 9:15 a.m. Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Nineteenth Sunday after Pentacost

for the soul (†) of Carol Braga
requested by the Braga family
and

for the soul (†) of Tomasz Wilczoch
requested by the Wilczoch family

Today's 2nd Collection is for Fuel.

Sunday, October 5, 2025	77 souls
Offertory	\$780.00
Votive Candles	\$27.00
Mass Intentions	\$20.00
Total at Sunday Mass 10-5-25	\$827.00
Online Giving	
Offertory	\$660.81
Church Maintenance	\$169.44
Fuel	\$75.75
TOTAL Online	\$906.00
TOTAL at Masses and Online	\$1,733.00



GRAND ANNUAL FUND

In October we begin our parish's Grand Annual Fund. This is not a one-time collection taken up at a weekend Mass, but 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.

Grand Annual Collection envelopes are available at the back of the church. If you are not able to bring your weekly offertory or other donations to Mass, you may mail them to St Joseph Church, 58 Elm Street, Claremont, NH 03743 or donate online at our website: stjosephclaremont.org

UPCOMING

2nd COLLECTIONS

- Oct. 19: World Missions
- Oct. 26: Church Maintenance
- Nov. 2: Fuel



**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. 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.

The Month of November is dedicated to All Souls.

Envelopes to be placed on the altar during the month are available at the back of the church. Please write the names of your memorial intentions on the envelope and put it in the collection basket with your donation.

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 Helen Loiselle & Shirley Bunnell** requested by Donald and Amarylis Girard.



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 Giselle and Edgar Condon** requested by Rusty & Anne-Marie Fowler



Feast Days and Memorials

Oct 14: St Callistus I, Pope; d. 222

Callistus came to power during a crucial time in history. Would the Catholic Church insist on adhering to rigid rules of the past and only welcome those who lived exemplary lives, or would she welcome sinners, as Christ commanded? Callistus trusted in God's mercy and love for all, choosing to spread His Gospel to saints and sinners alike. Many others did not approve of showing mercy to repentant sinners, allowing them back into communion of the Church after they had performed public penance. "God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us" and "Let our judgement of souls cease, for God's mercy upon them is extraordinary" are two quotes attributed to St. Callistus.

Oct 15 St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church; 1515-1582

Patron of headache sufferers, Spanish Catholic writers

Seen as an out-of-control teenager by her strict father, Teresa was sent to a convent. which she saw as less strict than her home life and free of worldly temptation. When offered the option of marriage, she chose to remain in the convent. Devoting her life to prayer was not easy. Temptations to slip into worldly habits were still present, since the convent encouraged interaction with wealthy visitors. Wanting a simpler life, she founded the convent of the Discalced Carmelites. Also known as St Teresa of Avila, she was declared a Doctor of the Church for her writing and teaching on prayer.

Oct 16: St. Hedwig, 1174-1243, Religious

Patron of Silesia and the Archdiocese of Wroclaw, Poland; Andechs, Bavaria; and the Diocese of Gorlitz, Germany

Born into Bavarian royalty, Hedwig was married at 12 to the future Duke Henry I of Silesia. She influenced her husband to help found the Cistercian Convent at Trebnitz, the first house of religious women in Silesia. After her husband's death, Hedwig took on the grey habit of the Cistercians, although not formally joining the order so that she might direct her revenue to go for charitable purposes. Word of Saint Hedwig's piety spread throughout Poland and the world. Many miracles are attributed to her intercession.

Oct 16: St. Margaret Mary Alcoque, Virgin, d 1690

As a child born in the diocese of Autun, France, this future saint devoted herself to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.. At 23 she joined the Visitation Order of nuns and suffered many trials for the love of Jesus. She promoted First Friday devotion and was instrumental in instituting the Feast of the Sacred Heart.

Oct 17: Saint Ignatius of Antioch, d108 AD

Born in Syria, Ignatius was a convert to Christianity who became an early Christian writer and Bishop of Antioch, Syria. The Emperor Trajan ordered Christians there to deny their Faith or be put to death in Rome. In a series of letters written while traveling to his death, he urged his people to remain faithful to God and to obey their superiors. In one letter to Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna, he wrote of his willingness to give his life for Christ.

Oct 18: Saint Luke, Evangelist

Also born in Antioch, Luke, who was a Greek and a Gentile, became both companion and physician to St. Paul. Luke's gospel preserved the most extensive biography of Jesus. He wrote the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles, and is credited with writing more of the New Testament than any of the other writers. His writings have been proven to be historically accurate. He is also credited as the founder of Christian iconography.

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Diocesan Vocation Awareness

"Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

How will you respond in gratitude to the mercy the Lord has shown you? Consider giving thanks as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life.

Contact the Vocation Office
(603) 663-0196
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

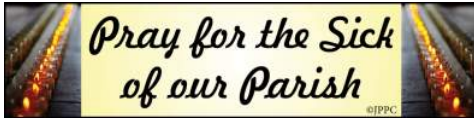
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Roman Catholic Homebound Ministry

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
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Kallie Knight	

Readings for the Week
October 12 - 18, 2025

Sunday 2 Kgs 5: 14-17; Ps 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4 2
Tm 2: 8-13; Lk 17: 11-19

Monday Rom 1:1-7 Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday Rom 1: 16-25; Ps 19: 2-3, 4-5;
Lk 11: 37-41

Wednesday Rom 2: 1-1;1 Ps 62: 2-3, 6-7, 9
Lk 11: 42-46

Thursday Rom 3: 21-30; Ps 130: 1b-2, 3-4,
5-6ab; Lk 11: 47-54

Friday Rom 4: 1-8; Ps 32: 1b-2, 5, 11;
Lk 12:1-7

Saturday 2 Tm 4: 10-17b; Ps 145: 10-11,
12-13, 17-18; Lk 10: 1-9

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

October is 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.

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



Catholic Daughters of the Americas
will meet
Tuesday October 14th
6:30 pm

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

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.

**Hymns for the 28th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

Entrance Hymn: No. 301

"Praise My Soul,
the King of Heaven"

Gloria: (English)

No. 106 in Supplement

Offertory Hymn: No. 368

"Keep in Mind"

Communion: (Choir)

Recessional Hymn: No. 321

"Now Thank We All Our God"



CHOIR REHEARSAL

has been
changed this week
from Wednesday
to

Saturday, October 18, 1:00pm

All are welcome to join.

**MASS READINGS:
C/661**

**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)

COFFEE HOUR AFTER MASS TODAY

All are Welcome

Please Join Us!



No Charge

Free Will Offerings Accepted



POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Thank you to all who helped with our Dozynki
on Saturday. We needed many helpers and
sincerely thank everyone who contributed
their time & energy to this popular fundraiser.

COMING NEXT:

Polish Cooking Class: Tuesday, Oct. 21, 6pm
Mass and Coffee Hour: Sunday, Oct. 26 9:15am



Here are some photos of
the preparations for our
Polish Month events.
More will be printed in
next week's bulletin.



We thank our enthusiastic kitchen team—
Jeanne Brooks, Walter Hoszkiewicz,
Alizabeth Januszewski Roberts,
David Smith and Sharon Wood
(photographer)— for making the pierogi
that were enjoyed at our Dozynki.

If you use email and would like to be
placed on the Parish email list to re-
ceive timely updates to our church
schedule, please send us an email.
stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com



Thanks also to
Mary and Richard Brown, Rick Logan,
Larry Duval, and Mike LaFont
for taking care of the
Polish Month decorations inside the
church (including the Blessed Mother
Altar) and the sign on the front lawn.

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.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please send information for the
October 19 bulletin by Tuesday Oct. 14
to stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com
or call Sharon Wood at 603-542-6454.

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