

# St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

58 Elm Street, Claremont, NH 03743

Established 1920



November 9, 2025

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### Parish Finance Council

Rick Logan, Chairman  
David Smith, Sharon Wood

### Music Director

Richard Brown

### Sunday, November 9, 9:15 a.m. Feast of The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica

For Cody Comstock  
requested by his godparents  
and  
for the soul (†) of Ashley Januszewski  
requested by her family

### Wednesday, November 12, 5:00 pm

For Samuel Januszewski  
requested by his mother

### Sunday, November 16, 9:15 a.m. Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Twenty-third Sunday after Pentacost

For the soul (†) of Carol Braga  
requested by the Braga family  
and  
for Samuel Januszewski  
requested by his mother

**Today's 2nd Collection is for the  
Archdiocese for Military Services**

<b>Sunday, November 2, 2025</b>	<b>64 souls</b>
Offertory	\$927.00
Fuel	\$395.00
Church Supper Fundraiser	\$896.00
Polish Month Donations	\$201.00
Votives	\$20.00
Sanctuary Lamp	\$10.00
All Souls Day intentions	\$20.00
Mass stipends	\$10.00
<b>Total at Sunday Mass 11-2-25</b>	<b>\$2,479.00</b>
<b>Online Giving</b>	
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>\$209.58</b>
<b>Church Maintenance</b>	<b>\$119.19</b>
<b>Fuel</b>	<b>\$25.83</b>
<b>Total Online:</b>	<b>\$354.60</b>
<b>TOTAL at Masses and Online</b>	<b>\$2,833.60</b>

**UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS**

**Nov. 16:** Catholic Campaign for Human Development and Black and Indian Missions (one collection; two purposes)

**Nov. 23:** Church Maintenance

**Nov. 30:** No 2nd Collection

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 Shirley Ozenich requested by the**

**Polish Month Committee of St. Joseph Church**



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

**Mass stipend for Priest: \$10**

**Suggested donation for Candle Intentions: \$10.00.**



**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!

**GRAND ANNUAL FUND**

We began our parish's Grand Annual Fund on October 1. 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.

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](http://stjosephclaremont.org)

**2025 Grand Annual Fund: \$2,500.00**



**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 24 parish families, we have now raised \$4,746.00 with a pledge of an additional \$80 for a total of \$4,826.00.** This represents **53%** 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.

**The Archdiocese for Military Services (AMS)**

is a national Catholic organization approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and managed by the AMS. It provides spiritual services to U.S. military personnel and their families worldwide, relying on donations for its funding.

This week's national collection is held every three years on the Sunday before Veterans Day, to support the AMS's vital mission.

**THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER IS DEDICATED TO ALL SOULS.**

**Feast Days and Memorials**

**Nov 9: Dedication of St John Lateran Basilica**

The original magnificent Lateran Basilica was established as the Papal cathedral by Emperor Constantine. It had been the palace of the Laterani family and was named the Church of Christ Our Savior. Destroyed repeatedly by fire, earthquakes and war, rebuilt and rededicated under different names, the term "The Lateran" was used in the context that we refer to "The Vatican" today. The feast day celebrates, not the building or its history, but the union the universal church has in communion with our Holy Father.

**Nov 10: St Leo the Great (400-461)**

Leo, a prominent deacon of the Church during the pontificate of Pope Celestine I, was widely respected for his love for the Lord, his intelligence and his persuasive nature. He used his gifts to bring about reconciliation between disputing groups of Christians. Pope Leo I fought to preserve the unity of the Church and its faith, and to protect his people against invasions from armies seeking to destroy the Church. He was the first pope to be given the title "the Great."

**St Martin of Tours (c. 316-397)**

**Patron of soldiers, wine producers, and of France**

Born of pagan parents in what is now Hungary and raised in Italy, Martin was a reluctant soldier who became a Christian at eighteen. He has been described as a conscientious objector who wanted to be a monk, a monk who was maneuvered into being a bishop, and a bishop who fought paganism as well as pleaded for mercy to heretics. A disciple of St. Hilary, he founded the first monastery in the West, became Bishop of Tours, and was the first non-Westerner to have an annual feast in the Western Church.

**Nov 12: Memorial of St Josaphat of Polotsk, Bishop and Martyr, 1580-1623**

In 1054, after centuries of cultural, political, and theological difference, the Eastern Church centered in Constantinople and the Western Church centered in Rome formally split. Josephat, born in Poland, raised Ukrainian Orthodox, became an Eastern Rite bishop who worked to preach the Gospel, serve the poor, and rebuild the church. As Archbishop, he was subject to attacks by violent dissenters but persisted in working towards peace. His death at the hands of an angry mob led to regret and horror at how far the violence had gone. Public opinion changed toward reconciliation. In 1867 Josaphat became the first saint of the Eastern church to be formally canonized by Rome.

**Nov 13: Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin (1850-1917)**

**Patron of Immigrants**

Mother Cabrini, as she was known, was an Italian-American nun who founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a major support to her fellow Italian immigrants in the United States. The sisters provided education, health care, and other services to the poor. *"I trust in you, my Jesus. I place my poor soul in your hands - mold me according to your divine will,"* she wrote in 1877. Mother Cabrini became a naturalized citizen in 1909, so she holds the distinction of being the first U.S. citizen to become a Catholic saint. Another remarkable fact is that in 2020, the state of Colorado established Frances Xavier Cabrini Day as an annual, legal, state holiday on the first Monday of October and repealed Columbus Day. The annual feast day celebrated in the United States is November 13, the day she was beatified.

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

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

Butler's Lives of Patron Saints

**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.

**The Traveling Statue of Mary Program**

is a program of the New Hampshire State Council of the Knights of Columbus.

Parishioners of St. Joseph and St Mary Churches are encouraged to welcome the statue into their home for a week or two and gather family, friends or neighbors to pray the rosary together.

Pamphlets and blessed rosaries are provided.  
Call Steve Denis at 603-558-5209

**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF MARY**

**MISSA CANTATA**

**Nov 21, 2025 6:00pm**

Sacred Heart Parish  
2 Hough Street, Lebanon, NH

Roman Catholic Mass  
in the Ordinary Form  
completely sung.  
Young adult fellowship  
to follow.

**SAFETY & 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.

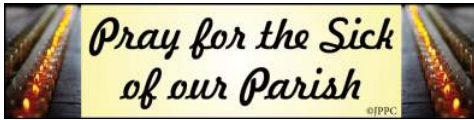
**Diocesan Vocation Awareness**

"God is our refuge and our strength."

Are you being called as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, your path of holiness and eternal glory in Christ?

Contact the Vocation Office.

(603) 663-0196 [cmartel@rcbm.org](mailto:cmartel@rcbm.org)



Fr. John Loughnane	Kallie Knight
Mandy Albanese	Tina Lange
John Arsenault	Carol Logan
Mark Baril	The Lord family
Ashley Booher	Matt
Brooke	Michael
Jean Brown	Karen Ouellette
John Casey	Linda Patch
Elissa Coburn	Brenda Ruest
April Colle	Janet Ruest
Chris Currier	Nancy Ruest
Eva Jane Demers	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

**Readings for the Week**  
**November 9 - 15, 2025**

**Sunday** Ez 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2: 13-22

**Monday** Wis 1: 1-7; Ps 139: 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Lk 17: 1-6

**Tuesday** Wis 2: 23—3: 9; Ps 34: 2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Lk 17: 7-10

**Wednesday** Wis 6: 1-11; Ps 82: 3-4, 6-7; Lk 17: 11-19

**Thursday** Wis 7: 22b—8: 1; Ps 119: 89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17: 20-2

**Friday** Wis 13: 1-9; Ps 19: 2-3, 4-5ab; Lk 17: 26-37

**Saturday** Wis 18: 14-16; 19: 6-9; Ps 105: 2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18: 1-8

To add a name to our Prayer List, please ask the person's permission first, then call Sharon Wood at 603-542-6454 or send an email to: [stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com)

**Turkey Party, Thursday, Nov. 20**  
 The Turkey Party Committee is in need of volunteer workers and items to be given away as door prizes.  
 If you can help, please contact Rusty Fowler at 603-843-8190.

**THANK YOU!**  
 to the parishioners who "kept the Watch" on parish property on Halloween!  
 Rusty Fowler, Larry Duval,  
 Mike LaFont, Richard Brown



**ST JOSEPH CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**  
**SATURDAY, NOV. 20**  
 Vendors are still being accepted, please contact Mary Brown if interested.



**COFFEE HOUR AFTER MASS TODAY**  
 No Charge  
 Free Will Offerings Accepted  
 All are Welcome!  
 Please Join Us!

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas**  
 will meet  
 Tuesday November 11th  
 6:00 pm  
 St. Joseph Parish Hall

**Prolife Ministry**  
 Thank you to everyone who brought a gift for the baby shower box that was given to the Pregnancy Center in Claremont.  
**Information:**  
**Juanita Sweet**  
[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)

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**  
 Please send information for the Nov. 16 bulletin by Tuesday Nov. 11 to [stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com) or call Sharon Wood at 603-542-6454.

**Hymns for the Feast of  
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**Entrance Hymn #362:**  
"The Church's One Foundation"

**Gloria (English) #106 in supplement]**

**Offertory Hymn: #320**  
"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

**Communion: (Choir)**

**Recessional Hymn #363:**  
"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

**CHOIR REHEARSAL**

**Saturday,  
November 15, 1:00pm**

**PLEASE NOTE THE  
CHANGE IN DAY AND  
TIME SINCE THE  
RETURN TO  
STANDARD TIME.**

**All are welcome  
to join.**

**MASS READINGS: 769**

**Memorial Acclamation:  
"We Proclaim Your Death O Lord"**

**CONFESSIONS: St. Mary Church**

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

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

We are so very grateful for our parishioners and friends who volunteer to help with our parish's regular weekly responsibilities and special events. If you are willing to help with one of the following, please let Fr. Sebastian, Richard Brown, or Rick Logan know. Training will be given in the guidelines and responsibilities of each position.

**Security Team:** Outside greeting and assistance before Mass

**Ushers:** Inside greeting and assistance before, during and after Mass; taking up, securing, and delivering the collections to secure location for counting

**Choir:** Weekly rehearsals and singing during Mass

**Church Bulletin:** Composition and graphic design, sending file to printer, distributing after delivery is received

**New Knights welcomed into  
Knights of Columbus, Council 1820**

On Sunday, October 19, 2025, Gordon Sheehan of St. Joseph Parish and David "DJ" Bourque of St. Mary's were initiated as Third Degree Knights of Columbus at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church in Bedford NH.

DJ and Gordon are pictured on the right in the photo of candidates. They (back row, 2nd and 3rd from the right) and their sponsors, Steve Denis and Roy Stone (front row, far right) can be seen in the group photo below.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Council Meeting**

**Monday November 10th**

7:00 pm

Council Chambers at  
St. Mary's Gym



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**4th Degree and 3rd Degree Social**

Monday, November 17, 6pm

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