

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

58 Elm Street, Claremont, NH 03743

Established 1920



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Richard Brown

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Tristan Smith

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Parish Office Hours

Wednesday, Jan. 24, 10:00am to 1:00 pm

603-542-5732

Sunday, January 21, 9:15 am

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the soul (†) of Fausto (Bertoni) Beebe
requested by his sister Gianna

**There will be no Mass at 5:00 pm
on Wednesday, January 24.**

We apologize for the inconvenience
and will reschedule the requested intention.

Sunday, January 28, 9:15 am

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the souls (†) of
Peter Kullmann and Janet Kristine Provencal
requested by Rick and Carol Logan

There is no 2nd Collection today.

Jan 14, 2024	
Offertory	\$1,440.00
Fuel	\$375.00
Diocesan Grant	\$750.00
Grand Annual Collection	\$20.00
1/14/24 TOTAL	\$2,585.00
Parish Giving Online	
Offertory	\$98.65
PARISH GIVING TOTAL	\$98.65

Visit the parish website today to find out how the consistency of signing up for Parish Giving™ helps our community prosper.



THANK YOU
to all our Parishioners who took home and read the bulletin insert for Parish Giving. Laminated PARISH GIVING cards are on all tables at the back of the Church. If you make arrangements for online giving, you can place one of these cards in the Collection Basket in place of cash or check. When your Parish Giving transaction occurs you will receive an email confirmation and a thank you. We are planning an after-Mass inservice to give more information and training for those who are interested. Please stay tuned to future bulletins for a date. You may access PARISH GIVING from our Parish Website if you would like to take a look.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS
Church Maintenance
January 28

ONGOING COLLECTIONS
2023 NH Catholic Appeal
(24 donors) **\$2,816.00**
Grand Annual Collection
\$2,550.00

WHEN WRITING CHECKS
to St. Joseph Church, please mark the name of the collection in Subject Line (Offertory or Specific Collection) to be sure it is put into the right place.

Masses and Sanctuary Lamp
Many dates are available for Sanctuary Lamp intentions.
They may be requested in memory of deceased loved ones; for God's blessings on someone marking a special occasion; or for an unnamed special intention.

Intentions may be scheduled with Sherri Smith in the Church Hall after each Mass or at the Rectory during Wednesday office hours by phone (603-542-5732) or in person.
Suggested donations are \$10.00.

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 Roger Sheehan requested by the David Smith family.



Grand Annual Collection

In October we began our parish's Grand Annual Collection. 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
Thank you for your generosity!

ONLINE RESOURCES

CatholicNH

is the official YouTube account of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Manchester.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkfmzxw7yIBk0ZDj7W9A1aQ>

There are 238 videos on subjects that include Bishop Libasci's Homilies, Vocations, Catholic Schools, Stations of the Cross, and Father Josh Livingston's Road Trip Pilgrimages.



If you haven't watched any of this series, you're missing a great opportunity to see inside the beautiful churches in our diocese without leaving the comfort of your home.

You might even be motivated to make your own road trip pilgrimage some day!

The series includes videos of the following churches:

St Joseph Cathedral, St. Anthony of Padua, St Anselm Abbey, Sainte Marie
(all in Manchester)

St Rose of Lima, Littleton

St Patrick, Nashua and St Patrick, Hampton Beach

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Rochester

Our Lady of the Mountains, North Conway

St Anne, Berlin

Our Lady of LaSalette Shrine, Enfield

and of course,

St Mary's and Old St Mary's, Claremont

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Both St Mary and St Joseph parishioners can access the site and Fr. Sebastian would like us to take advantage of this opportunity.

Go to formed.org, click on "sign up," type in our church's zip code (03743) and select the St Mary Church pop-up.

You'll be surprised at what you will find to watch, listen, and learn!



NEW RELEASE!

Hymns for January 21, 2024

Entrance Hymn: No. 305
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Offertory Hymn: No. 297
"I Want to Walk as a
Child of the Light"

Communion: (Choir)

Recessional Hymn: No.369
"God's Blessing Sends Us Forth"



Mass Readings
2nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time
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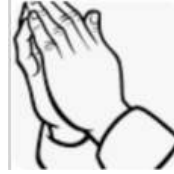
CONFESSIONS
St Mary Church
Friday 9:30 am
Saturday 3:00 to 3:45

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Wed. Jan 24

6:30 pm

New members
welcome!



THANK YOU

to all who took down our
Christmas decorations and
safely stored them away
until next year.

Those who took part included
Mike LaFont, Jim Hanlon,
Rick & Carol Logan,
David & Sherri Smith,
Roy & Debbie Stone,
Richard & Mary Brown



Thank you to all who
prepared and participated in
last Sunday's Coffee Hour.
Our Feb. 11th Coffee Hour
will feature traditional
Mardi Gras fare of
pancakes and sausage.
All are welcome to join us.
Free Will Offerings Accepted!

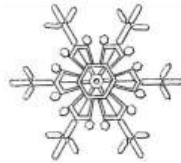
Prayer List

Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert	Fr. John Loughnane
Brenda	Anne Cherry
Paula Cote	Chris Currier
Jean Drena	Jean Drena
Frederick Gallant	Isabella Gowell
Stephen Grogan	Deborah Hemingway
Halford Jones	Tim Roberts
Brenda Ruest	Janet Ruest
Barbara Trask	Becky Trombley
Chee Chee Tyrrell	

To add a name to our Prayer List,
please ask the person's permission
first, and then notify Sherri Smith
in the Church Hall after Mass,
or leave a message on the
Rectory answering machine
(603-542-5732) or at
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Safety and Security

Please remember to lock
your car doors
while attending any event
in the church.



Winter Weather Cancellations:

If it becomes necessary to
cancel Wednesday Mass,
rectory office hours or
choir rehearsal,
we will again be using
the WMUR-TV notification
system. Please check the
cancellations listed on their
website or broadcast on air.

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 an email to:

stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

You can view our bulletin, and other
valuable information,
on our new website at
stjosephclaremont.org

PLEASE NOTE: The email address uses **St
Josephs** (plural) but the website address is
singular (**St Joseph**)

Homebound?

Schedule a visit with
Fr. Sebastian on the
2nd Monday of the month.
Call St Mary Parish Office
603-542-9518 or email
sebaafri@comcast.net



BULLETIN DEADLINE 3pm Tuesdays

If you have something you would like to
see put into our bulletin, please send it to
stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

Feast Days and Memorials

Jan 24: St Francis de Sales, 1567-1622

Patron of Catholic writers, the Catholic press, journalists, the deaf, adult education

Francis was born to a noble family near Geneva, Switzerland, and became a Bishop and Doctor of the Church. He is known for his deep faith and his gentle approach to the religious differences in his land after the Protestant Reformation. His writings on the topics of spiritual direction and spiritual formation are also renowned.

Jan 25: The Conversion of St Paul

This feast celebrates one of the great events of the early Church. Saul, a student of the great Pharisee rabbi Gamaliel, had persecuted Christians, but was suddenly converted on the road to Damascus when our Lord appeared to him in His resurrected glory (Acts 9:1-9).

Jan 26: Sts Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Saints Timothy and Titus were two of the most beloved and trusted disciples of St. Paul, who traveled the world, preaching and converting many to Christianity. Around the year 51, St. Paul visited Timothy's home region of Lycaonia and that is when this disciple joined the apostle in his travels. Timothy later became the first bishop of the Church of Ephesus. He took a stand against the worship of idols and was consequently killed by a mob.

Titus was also a disciple and companion of St. Paul, who referred to him in one of his letters as "my true child in our common faith." Believed to be a Gentile converted to Christianity by St. Paul, Titus was an early Christian missionary and church leader. According to tradition, he was consecrated as Bishop of the Island of Crete.

Jan 27: St Angela Merici, Virgin, 1474-1540

Patron of the sick, disabled and physically challenged, those grieving the loss of parents

St. Angela Merici was an Italian religious educator and founder of the Ursulines. Orphaned at a young age, and later losing her older sister, she became increasingly more devout and joined the Third Order of St. Francis. The Ursulines was the first group of consecrated women to work outside of a formal cloister or convent in her day and became the first teaching order of women in the Catholic Church. They opened both schools and orphanages and in 1537, Angela was elected "Mother and Mistress" of the group. Her Rule was officially approved by Pope Paul III in 1544 and the Ursulines became a recognized religious community of women with a teaching ministry.

<https://www.catholic.org>

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Sunday, January 21, 2024 Jon 3:1-5, 10 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20

Monday, January 22, 2024 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 2 Sm 7:4-17 Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 25, 2024 Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22
Ps 117:1bc, 2 Mk 16:15-18

Friday, January 26, 2024 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5
Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 27, 2024 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17
Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Mk 4:35-41

Quotes by St. Angela Merici

We must give alms. Charity wins souls and draws them to virtue.

Beware of trying to accomplish anything by force.

Strive to be faithful to that which God has called you.

Consider that the devil doesn't sleep, but seeks our ruin in a thousand ways.

You will accomplish more by kind words and a courteous manner than by anger or sharp rebuke, which should never be used except in necessity.

Do now what you wish to have done when your moment comes to die.

Do something. Get moving.
Be confident. Risk new things.
Stick with it. Get on your knees.
Then be ready for big surprises.

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