

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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Established 1920



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Sunday, September 8, 9:15 am Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

For the soul (†) of Rev. Stanley J. Piowar
requested by Ron and Marilyn Gilbert

Wednesday, Sept. 11, 5:00 pm

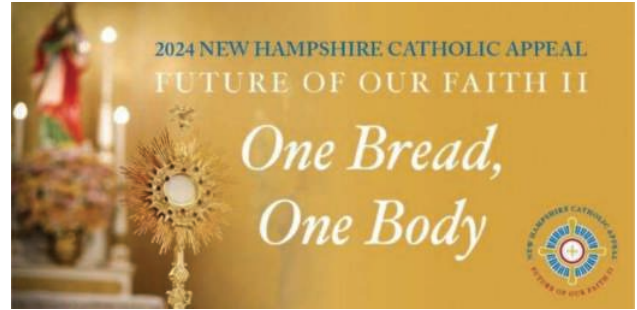
For the soul (†) of Paul St. Martin
requested by Tom DeVoyd

Sunday, September 15, 9:15 am Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

For Gary Merchant
requested by his sister and family

Today's 2nd Collection is for Fuel.

This bulletin was sent for printing before the Labor Day weekend. Next week's bulletin will report the collections from both Sept. 1st and 8th.



We are grateful to all who have given to New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. Our parish goal is \$7,650. As of August 26, \$3,105.00 was received with \$600.00 pledged for future payment, giving a Grand Total of \$3,705.00 This represents 48% of our goal, which will be paid by our parish. If gifts are not received to cover it, the balance will need to be paid from our parish savings. We need the support of all our parish families in order to reach our parish goal without having to do that.

Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church. 100% of the funds raised above this goal will be returned to our parish this year. Gift envelopes are available at the back of the church or you may make your gift by using this QR code or going online to www.catholicnh.org/nhca. See pg. 4 for more information about the Appeal.



UPCOMING COLLECTION
Sept. 22: Church Maintenance

ONGOING COLLECTIONS
2024 NH Catholic Appeal
(Diocesan Collection)
Grand Annual Fund
(Parish Collection)

GRATITUDE
Your Parish Community is
GRATEFUL
for your consistent contributions.

MANY THANKS

to all who have signed up for **Online Giving.**

If you have tried to sign up and have encountered problems, a parishioner would like to share a hint that helped him. Try changing the Internet browser that you're using for the process. He found that he was able to complete the procedure using Google Chrome.

Reminder:
you can sign up at our website
stjosephclaremont.org

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 Lawrence Sheehan** requested by the Sheehan family.



Masses and Sanctuary Lamp Intentions may be scheduled with Sherri Smith in the Church Hall after each Mass or by email to stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com
Suggested donation: \$10.00.

VOTIVE CANDLE DONATIONS
PLEASE DEPOSIT the requested amount in the slot on the candle stand to offset the cost of replacing the candle that you have burned.
THANK YOU.

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



thank you

Feast Days and Memorials

Sept 9: St Peter Claver, Priest, 1580-1654

Patron of slaves, the Republic of Colombia, and ministry to African Americans.

St. Peter Claver was born at Catalonia, Spain, studied at the Jesuit college of Barcelona, and was inspired to travel to the Indies as a missionary. He was deeply affected by seeing the major slave market of the New World in what is now Colombia, where a thousand slaves were landed every month. After his ordination, he dedicated his work to the salvation of the African slaves and the abolition of the Negro slave trade. He brought food on board the slave ships, cared for the sick and dying, and administered the Sacraments after giving instruction through Negro catechists. It is said that he did not abandon his converts when they left the ship, but traveled to the plantations where they were enslaved, encouraging them to live Christian lives and prevailing upon their masters to treat them humanely.

Sept 12: The Most Holy Name of Mary

We venerate the name of Mary of because it belongs to the Mother of God, the holiest of creatures, the Queen of heaven and earth, the Mother of Mercy. This feast, instituted in 1513 in Spain, commemorates all the privileges given to Mary by God and all the graces we have received through her intercession and mediation.

Sept 13: St John Chrysostom, 344-407 Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Named Chrysostom or "golden-mouthed" as a tribute to his eloquence, St. John was born in Antioch, served as archbishop of Constantinople, and is among the most prolific writers in the early Christian Church.

Sept. 14: Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Early in the 4th century, the Roman Emperor Constantine ordered the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher to be built in the place where it was traditionally believed that the Savior's tomb was located. During the excavation, workers found three crosses. According to legend, a dying woman was healed when she touched one of them, so that cross was identified as the one on which Jesus died. It immediately became an object of veneration. The Feast day has since been celebrated on the anniversary of the Basilica's dedication.

www.catholic.org

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Sunday, September 8, 2024

Is 35: 4-7a; Ps 146: 6-7, 8-9, 9-10; Jas 2: 1-5; Mk 7: 31-37

Monday, September 9, 2024

1 Cor 5: 1-8; Ps 5: 5-6, 7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

1 Cor 6: 1-11; Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 6: 12-19

Wednesday,

September 11, 2024

1 Cor 7: 2 5-31; Ps 45: 11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk 6: 20-26

Thursday, September 12, 2024

1 Cor 8: 1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139: 1B-3, 13-14AB, 23-24; Lk 6: 27-38

Friday, September 13, 2024

1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84: 3, 4, 5-6, 12; Lk 6: 39-42

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Nm 21: 4b-9; Ps 78: 1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3: 13-17

The Month of September
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STREAMING ON FORMED

After you've signed up, search the many choices at the links: Movies, Documentaries, Saints of History. Some are lecture/discussions; others are dramatizations.

The Littlest Saints

is a series that features child actors in beautifully filmed recreations of lives of saints, with adult narration.

We enjoyed **Confessions of St. Augustine.**



NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

FUTURE OF OUR FAITH II: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Does my parish have to support the NHCA?

Yes. Each parish in the diocese has a set goal which represents the parish share of the total Appeal. A good faith effort is requested of all parishes. Additionally, individual parishes can benefit significantly by retaining any funds raised over their set goal; administering fewer second collections; and parishes will see a reduction in fees and administrative costs (assessments) paid to the Diocese.

Are all parishes in New Hampshire participating in the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal?

Yes, after rolling out the NHCA over two years, all 88 parishes in New Hampshire participate in the NHCA.

How much should I give?

Charitable giving is a reflection of our Christian stewardship of treasure. Giving back to God, either through contributions to your parish, the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal, or other worthwhile charities, should require a sacrifice, one that recognizes God's generosity to us individually.

Therefore, your gift is a personal decision between you and God and should be made after careful reflection. Please consider the dollars you have donated in the past to the six discontinued 2nd collections plus the Catholic Charities NH special collection and the *Parable* magazine drive to help you determine how much to give. The pledge and recurring gift option may make this amount feasible.

The power of prayer!
PRAY FOR HEALING

Prayer List



Rev. Msgr. Donald Gilbert	
Fr. John Loughnane	
Mandy Albanese	Deborah Hemingway
John Arsenault	Karen Ouellette
John Casey	Tim Roberts
Anne Cherry	Brenda Ruest
Chris Currier	Janet Ruest
Jean Drena	Roger Sheehan Jr.
Frederick Gallant	Bob St.Aubin
Isabella Gowell	Darlene St.Aubin
Stephen Grogan	Barbara Trask
Family and friends of Helena	Chee Chee Tyrrell Janice Vilgats
Deborah Hemingway	Joshua White

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 send an email to stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com

42nd Annual Scout Retreat

Fri. Sept. 13 – Sun. Sept. 15, 2024
Camp Fatima,
Gilmanton Iron Works, NH

Like a Camporee, this Retreat is very active, involving scouts in a number of fun, interesting, challenging, thought provoking and faith filled activities.

Climbing wall	High ropes
Capture the flag	A dance

Open to all Scouts (Boys & Girls) in grades 6-12 and adult leaders from BSA, GSUSA, American Heritage Girls, Venture Crews, Trail Life, Troops of St. George, Knights of Columbus Squires

Scouts: \$20 Adults: \$13

Info & Registration:
www.catholicnh.org/scout
www.facebook.com/nhscoutretreat
FrRay3@gmail.com
(603) 224-4393 x1.

St. Mary and St. Joseph Homebound Ministry

If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Father Sebastian, please call Steve Denis at (603) 558-5209.

Homebound visits are made on the second Monday of every month.

Father is assisted by one of the Lay Ministers of the Holy Eucharist: Steve Denis, Jackie Merrill, Bill Pamplin, or Gary Lambert.



Sept. 15th to Nov. 2nd
Nationwide campaign of Prayer and Fasting for an end to abortion
Local organizers are planning a 10-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside CVS in Claremont
For more information, call 802-591-1207 or beckymatthews2003@gmail.com

Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn



THANK YOU
to those who have spiritually adopted an unborn child through the Pro-Life Ministry at St. Mary Parish.
Information is available at the back of the church.

Contact Juanita Sweet
603-477-1348 or juanitajoy2@gmail.com

**Hymns for
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Entrance Hymn: No. 343
"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Offertory Hymn: No. 259
"I Know That My Redeemer Lives "

Communion: (Choir)

Recessional: No. 356
"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"



**MASS READINGS
B/645**

**CONFESSIONS
St. Mary Church
Friday 9:30 am
Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 pm**

**CHOIR REHEARSAL
Wed. Sept.11, 2024
6:30 pm
All are Welcome to Join**

Knights of Columbus
Council Meeting

Monday, Sept. 9, 7:00 pm
St. Mary's Gym
Council Chambers



**COFFEE HOUR
TODAY AFTER
MASS**

All are Welcome

No Charge
Free Will Offerings Accepted
PLEASE JOIN US!

THANK YOU
to all who helped to prepare,
serve, and clean up after our
Church Supper fundraiser
last Saturday, and to those
who attended.




Catholic Daughters of the
Americas Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 10, 6:00 pm
St. Joseph Church Hall
Program:
One Pound Bag Auction

1-20 RAFFLE TICKETS to benefit
our Fuel Fund will be sold in the
Parish Hall after Mass.
Drawing to take place at our
Coffee Hour on December 8

1st PRIZE. \$500.00
2nd PRIZE \$200.00
3rd PRIZE. \$20.00 (20 prizes)

 **The
Catholic Speaker
Series**

Saturday, September 28 @ 10:00 AM
Great and Holy Laywomen Through the Ages
with author Bronwen McShea

Although in contemporary times, Catholic leaders such as St. John Paul the Great have spoken powerfully about "the genius of women" and its importance to the life of the Church, the deep and rich history of Catholic women's contributions to the Church over the centuries remains unfamiliar to many people today.

In this talk, Dr. McShea will draw from her new book, **WOMEN OF THE CHURCH: WHAT EVERY CATHOLIC SHOULD KNOW (2024)**, to highlight some remarkable, holy, and courageous Catholic laywomen, in particular, from medieval to modern times whose stories, when better known, can inspire the laity today toward more effective, faithful service to God and Christian witness to the world.



Saint Joseph Cathedral Rectory, 145 Lowell St, Manchester NH

Kindly RSVP at www.stjosephcathedralnh.org/CatholicSpeakers or 603-622-6404



Join us for other upcoming talks:

Saturday, November 2 @ 10:00 AM
The Art of Iconography
with Rev. Eric Ouellette

Saturday, December 7 @ 10:00 AM
Why Pray? Reflections for Men
with Rev. John Fortin, OSB

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Security**

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lock your car doors
when attending
events in the church.

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FOR
NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN

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**Tootsie Roll
Fundraiser**

Large Tootsie Roll
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in the Parish Hall.

Our Bulletin Policy

We have received requests from other parishes to put notices in our bulletin. Our space is limited, so our policy is to limit our notices to those relating to St. Joseph and St. Mary Churches, notices requested by our Pastor and Bishop, events we are participating in that are sponsored by other area churches, and Polish cultural events in the Northeast. We thank you for understanding that space would become unmanageable if we honored every request that comes in.

Did you miss getting a printed copy
of our bulletin because of travel,
illness or snow?

Recent copies are available in the
church hall after Mass.

Let us know if you'd like older ones.

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our church schedule, please send us an email.

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You can view our bulletin, and other valuable
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but the website address is
singular (St Joseph)**

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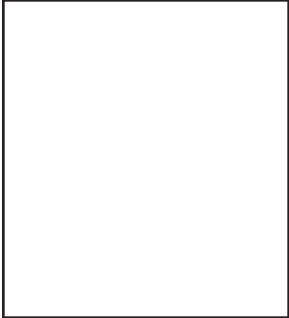
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