

# St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

58 Elm Street, Claremont, NH 03743

Established 1920



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## Pastor, Rev. Maria Sebastian Susairaj, HGN

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### Parish Finance Council

Rick Logan, Chairman  
David Smith  
Sharon Wood

### Music Director

Richard Brown  
**Organists**  
Tristan Smith  
Deborah Stone

**Sunday, September 29, 9:15 am**

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

For the soul (†) of Florence Zurek Couto  
requested by Cindy Kordys and Michael Bonneville

**Wednesday, Oct. 2, 5:00 pm**

For the soul (†) of Connie Barth  
requested by Carole Hayward

**Sunday, October 6, 9:15 am**

**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

For the soul (†) of Joseph Januszewski  
requested by his wife Susan.

**There is no Second Collection today.**

<b>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024</b>		<b>75 Souls</b>
<b>Offertory</b>		<b>\$735.00</b>
<b>Fuel</b>		<b>\$335.00</b>
<b>Votive Candles</b>		<b>\$8.01</b>
<b>Funeral Mass</b>		<b>\$200.00</b>
<b>9-22-24 TOTAL AT MASS</b>		<b>\$1,278.01</b>
<b>PARISH GIVING ONLINE</b>		
<b>Offertory</b>		<b>\$118.57</b>
<b>Fuel</b>		<b>\$118.57</b>
<b>TOTAL ONLINE</b>		<b>\$237.13</b>
<b>9-22-24 TOTAL MASS and ONLINE</b>		<b>\$1,515.14</b>



New gifts over the last two weeks have raised the amount received to \$3,805.00 towards our parish goal of \$7,650. We thank the donors who have brought us almost to 50% of our goal. If you find that you can make a contribution at this time, gift envelopes are available at the back of the church.



You may also make your gift by using this QR code or 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.

See pg. 4 for more information about the Appeal.



*Today is Priesthood Sunday*  
**THANK YOU FATHER SEBASTIAN**  
 for your vocation to the Priesthood  
 and all that you do for St. Joseph's Parish.

Thank you  
 to Bessie Sheehan  
 for keeping our altars decorated  
 with fresh flowers this summer.

**UPCOMING COLLECTIONS**  
 October 13: Fuel  
**ONGOING COLLECTIONS**  
**2024 NH Catholic Appeal**  
 (Ministry Fund managed by the  
 Diocese of New Hampshire)  
**Grand Annual Fund**  
 October 2024 - October 2025  
 (Parish 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  
**for Father Sebastian**  
 requested by his  
 St Joseph Church 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](mailto:stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com)  
 Suggested donation: \$10.00.

The month of October is dedicated to  
 Our Lady of the Rosary.  
 The Marian Candelabrum will be lit  
 on the four Sundays in October.  
 Intentions may be scheduled with  
 Sherri Smith in the church hall  
 after Mass. A donation of \$10  
 is requested.



## Feast Days and Memorials

### Sept. 30: St Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

#### Patron of the archaeologists, Biblical scholars, librarians, students, translators

Born in what is now Croatia, Jerome was a strong, outspoken man with a violent temper who lived the early part of his life in excess and immorality. He became a Christian and well-respected scholar of Scripture. His translation of the Bible from Hebrew and Aramaic into Latin became the Church's official version.

### Oct. 1: Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, 1873-1897, Virgin, Doctor of the Church Patron of the Missions

This beloved saint is known by many names in addition to the one above: The Little Flower of Jesus, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, St. Thérèse of the Roses, St. Thérèse of the Holy Face. She became a cloistered Carmelite nun at 15 and strictly followed that demanding rule, keeping silence when required, fasting, and spending long hours in prayer and work. Her letters, spiritual writings, and photos of her taken by her sister Celine soon helped to spread the story of her short life. Canonized in 1925 and declared co-patron of France in 1944, she was named the 33rd Doctor of the Church by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1997.

### Oct. 2: The Holy Guardian Angels (Feast of Guardian Angels)

The concept of a guardian angel assigned to each one of us, to guide, nurture and protect, is a beloved part of Catholic doctrine and piety. Tradition tells us that our angels represent each one of us before God, watch over us always, aid in our prayer, and present our souls to God when we die. The 6th century monk, Saint Benedict, and the 12th-century reformer, Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, are recognized as early promoters of this belief. A feast in honor of guardian angels was first observed in the 16th century. Pope Paul V added it to the Roman calendar in 1615.

### Oct. 4: Saint Francis of Assisi Patron of ecologists and of Italy

St Francis was known for his charismatic personality and his compassion for all. Renouncing wealth to follow "Lady Poverty," he founded the Franciscan Family, today made up of the Capuchins (Friars Minor); Conventuals, Poor Clares, and the Secular Franciscan Order.

### 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.

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### Sunday, September 29, 2024

Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14;  
Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

### Monday, September 30, 2024

Jb 1: 6-22; Ps 17: 1bcd, 2-3, 6-7; Lk  
9:4 6-50

### Tuesday, October 1, 2024

Jb 3: 1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88: 2-3,  
4-5, 6, 7-8; Lk 9: 51-56

### Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Jb 9: 1-12, 14-16; Ps 88: 10bc- 11,  
12-13, 14-15; Mt 18:1-5, 10

### Thursday, October 3, 2024

Jb 19: 21-27; Ps 27:7-8A, 8B-9ABC,  
13-14; Lk 10:1-12

### Friday, October 4, 2024

Jb 38:1, 12-21 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-  
8, 9-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16

### Saturday, October 5, 2024

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 Ps 119:66,  
71, 75, 91, 125, 130 Lk 10:17-24



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Wed. Oct 9, 2024, 6:00 pm

St Joseph Church Hall

Halloween Party theme

## 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. For more information see the display on the table at the back of the church or contact

Juanita Sweet  
603-477-1348

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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. Search for the links to videos about this week's saints:

*Therese of Lisieux, Momenta Sacra*

*Brother Francis, the Barefoot Saint of Assisi*

*(First watch the Video Trailer and then listen to the Audio Drama)*

*Faustina and the Spread of Divine Mercy*

**NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL**  
**FUTURE OF OUR FAITH II:**  
**ONE BREAD, ONE BODY**



**DID YOU KNOW?**

**The NHCA now funds:**

1. Two Faith Formation programs, Campus Ministry and Totus Tuus, serving our young adults and children in our state.
2. Catholic cemeteries
3. Six collections that are no longer taken up individually at Sunday Masses throughout the year; Please consider giving what you would have given for each of these collections in a donation to NHCA.
  - a. Seminarian Fund
  - b. Catholic education
  - c. Parish to Parish Support Fund
  - d. NH Missionaries Abroad and Migrant & Refugee Ministry in NH
  - e. Catholic University of America and USCCB
  - f. NH Priest Retirement Fund

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO USE THE SPECIAL ENVELOPES FOR YOUR DONATION TO NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL and place them in the basket on the table at the back of the church.

**Prayer List**

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

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 send an email to [stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com)

**St. Mary and St. Joseph Homebound Ministry**

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.

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

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL FOR PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY**

For all priests who are ordained to serve our Church, that their ministry may be fruitful and appreciated by the people whom they serve...we pray to the Lord.

For the gift to our Diocese of vocations to the ordained priesthood, that good men may be drawn to love and to serve the People of God...we pray to the Lord.

For retired priests, that they may experience God's abundant love as they walk a new path of prayer and servanthood in retirement...we pray to the Lord.

For Father Sebastian, our pastor, in his ministry to the people of St. Joseph Parish, that we may affirm, support, and celebrate his gift of service to us...we pray to the Lord.

That we may never take the presence of our priests for granted, as we cherish the celebration of the Mass and are nourished by the Eucharist...we pray to the Lord.

For all priests who struggle with loneliness, declining health, or loss of mobility, that they may be comforted by the grace of the Holy Spirit...we pray to the Lord.

That this parish family may always embrace our priests, and sustain their ministry by our love, our constant prayer, and our trust in their leadership...we pray to the Lord.

For priests who now sleep in peace of the resurrection, and for those who may die this year or this day, that God lead them gently into their eternal reward...we pray to the Lord.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Loving and gracious God, your son Jesus reminded us: "To love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:12)

May we never forget Jesus' words in all that we do. We pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life in the Diocese of Manchester. Give us the gifts of the Holy Spirit so we can serve you more faithfully in our own vocations of married, single, religious or priestly life. Help us to support one another in our vocations to work together to build up your kingdom here on earth. Amen.

**Hymns for  
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Entrance Hymn: No. 402  
"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

Offertory Hymn: No. 407  
"Praise and Thanksgiving"

Communion: (Choir)

Recessional: No. 352  
"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"



**CHOIR REHEARSAL**  
Wed. Oct.2, 2024  
6:30 pm  
All are Welcome to Join

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

**Safety and Security**  
Please remember to lock your car doors  
when attending events in the church.

**Tootsie Roll Fundraiser**

Large Tootsie Roll \$2.00  
Available after Mass  
in the Parish Hall.

**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)

**Polish American Heritage Month  
2024**

St. Joseph Church, 58 Elm Street, Claremont, NH  
stjosephclaremont.org



**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 6:30 PM**

**Polish Cooking Class**

Suggested donation \$10.00  
Reservations: 603 542-6454

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 5-7PM  
DOZYNKI (Polish Harvest Supper)**

Gołąbki, Pierogi, Kielbasa and more  
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Tickets sold in Church Hall  
Sundays after 9:15 AM Mass  
Wednesdays 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
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**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 9:15 AM  
Polish Month Mass and Coffee Hour**

9:15 AM Mass: Polish hymns sung  
by the St. Cecelia Choir  
Coffee Hour with Polish and American  
pastries after Mass in the Church Hall  
No Charge; Free Will Offerings Welcome!



**REGISTER FOR  
POLISH COOKING 10-8**  
Information on Flyer

**DOZYNKI TICKETS  
MUST BE PURCHASED  
IN ADVANCE**

After Mass on Sundays or  
between 10am and 1pm  
on Wednesdays  
in the Church Hall  
Questions?  
See Flyer on left

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**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.

**ST. MARY PARISH  
OLD-TIME PENNY SALE  
Saturday, October 5, 2024**

St. Mary Gym, Main Street, Claremont  
Doors open at 5:00 PM  
Drawings begin at 6:00 PM  
Grand Prize: \$\$1,500 Cash (if present)  
\$1,200 (if not present)  
300+ prizes Plus Free children's raffle  
Free door prizes, Food sales  
Sponsored by St. Pierre Sand & Gravel;  
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Knights of Columbus

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other valuable information,  
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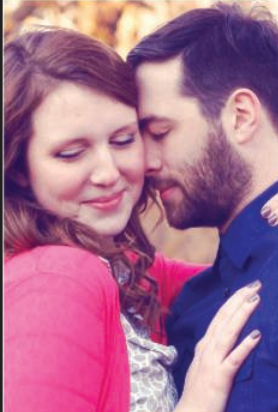
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