

# 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, November 24, 9:15 am

### Solemnity of Christ the King

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

## Wednesday, Nov. 27, 5:00 pm

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

## Sunday, December 1, 9:15 am

### First Sunday of Advent

For Bradley Anderson  
requested by his godparents

**Today's 2nd Collection is for Church Maintenance.**

<b>SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024</b>	80 Souls
Offertory	\$708.00
Campaign for Human Development/ Black and Indian Missions	\$297.00
Votive Candles	\$16.00
Sanctuary Lamp	\$10.00
<b>11-17-24 TOTAL AT MASS</b>	<b>\$1,031.00</b>
<b>PARISH GIVING ONLINE</b>	
Offertory	\$123.55
Fuel	\$19.61
<b>TOTAL ONLINE</b>	<b>\$143.16</b>
<b>TOTAL MASS and ONLINE</b>	<b>\$1,174.16</b>



As announced by Fr. Sebastian, St. Joseph Parish has met and exceeded its goal in the NHCA Appeal. \$7,750.00 has been received and credited to St. Joseph's plus \$300.00 in pledges remain, for a total of \$8,050.00. The excess of \$400.00 above our goal as well as any future NHCA donations credited to St. Joseph Church will be returned to our parish. We sincerely thank all of those who donated to help us achieve our goal!

**Thank you!**  
to all who worked on and attended our Turkey Party on Thursday evening.  
**Special Thanks**  
to our Turkey Party Committee and our co-chairs, Ron Gilbert and Rusty Fowler

**CANDLE DONATIONS**  
Please deposit the requested amount in the slot on the candle stand to offset the cost of replacing the candle you lit.  
Thank you!

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 today in memory of** Noreen Estella Jones requested by Halford & Emelda Jones.



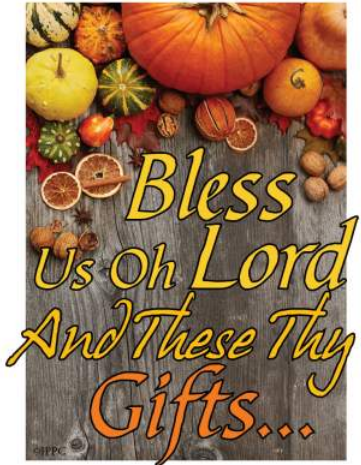
**UPCOMING COLLECTIONS**

- Sunday, December 1**  
Fuel Fund
- Sunday December 8**  
Retirement Fund for Religious
- Sunday December 15**  
No Second Collection
- Sunday December 22**  
Church Maintenance
- Sunday December 29**  
No Second Collection

**ONGOING COLLECTION**  
**Grand Annual Fund**  
October 2024 - October 2025  
\$2,053.00

**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 donations: \$10.00.

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



May God Grant Us All a Blessed Thanksgiving Day!  
Greetings from Fr. Sebastian and Your Weekly Bulletin Committee

## Feast Days and Memorials

### Nov 24: Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



This feast day was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as the Feast of Christ the King. It was intended to proclaim Christ's royalty over all and to remind us not to live our lives as though God did not exist. As the Creator of the universe, He has supreme power over all things. He is God and our Redeemer.

We belong to Him and He is Head of the Church.

### Nov 25: St. Catherine of Alexandria, 282-305, Virgin, Martyr

Patron of unmarried girls, craftsmen who work with a wheel (potters, spinners), archivists, the dying, educators, lawyers, librarians, mechanics

Catherine was a gifted scholar of noble birth who converted to Christianity at fourteen. When the emperor Maxentius began his persecution of Christians, she visited him to denounce his cruelty. He summoned fifty orators and philosophers to debate her, and she spoke eloquently in defense of her faith. Several of those who heard her were converted. She was tortured, imprisoned and killed for refusing to denounce her faith.

### Nov 30: Feast of St Andrew, Apostle

Patron of fishermen, singers, Scotland, Russia, Romania, and Ukraine

Andrew, an apostle of Jesus, a "Protoclete" or First Called, is mentioned in the Gospel of Luke as being Simon Peter's older brother. In the Gospel of John, he is described as having been a disciple of John the Baptist and as the apostle who told Jesus about the boy with the loaves and fishes. Following Jesus' death and resurrection, he is said to have preached around the shores of the Black Sea and in what is now Greece and Turkey. Condemned to crucifixion and feeling unworthy to be nailed to the same kind of cross as Jesus, he asked to be bound to an X-shaped cross, now known as "St. Andrew's Cross."

More information about saints and their feast days is available at:  
<https://www.catholic.org/> <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/> [mycatholic.lif](http://mycatholic.lif)



### Sunday, November 24, 2024

Dn 7: 13-14; Ps 93: 1, 1-2, 5;  
Rv 1: 5-8; Jn 18: 33b-37

### Monday, November 25, 2024

Rv 14: 1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24: 1bc-2,  
3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21: 1-4

### Tuesday, November 26, 2024

Rv 14: 14-19; Ps 96: 10, 11-12, 13; Lk  
21:5-11

### Wednesday, November 27, 2024

Rv 15: 1-4; Ps 98: 1, 2-3AB, 7-8, 9; Lk  
21:12-19

### Thursday, November 28, 2024

Sir 50: 22-24; Ps 145: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7,  
8-9, 10-11 1; Cor 1: 3-9; Lk 17: 1 1-19

### Friday, November 29, 2024

Rv 20: 1-4, 11-21; 2 Ps 84: 3, 4, 5-6A  
and 8A; Lk 21: 29-33

### Saturday, November 30, 2024

Rom 10: 9-18; Ps 19: 8, 9, 10, 11;  
Mt 4: 18-22

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)

### Monday December 9 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a Holyday of Obligation.

Masses will be at  
9:00 am at St. Mary Church  
5:30 pm at St. Joseph Church

### Roman Catholic Homebound Ministry

Homebound visits are made on the second Monday of every month. Father is assisted by one of the

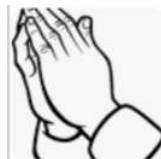
Lay Ministers of the Holy Eucharist:

Steve Denis, Jackie Merrill, Bill Pamplin, 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



### Prayer List

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



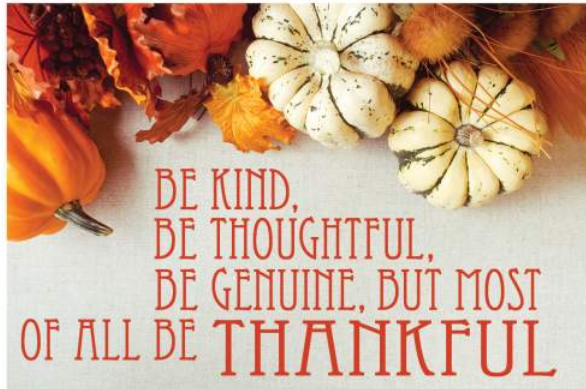


## Grand Annual Collection

In October we begin 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 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](http://stjosephclaremont.org)

You may have noticed that donations have been made to this fund since the beginning of October. We thank the donors for getting this year's collection started and hope to see the fund grow over the next 12 months!

**Dziękuję Bardzo (Thank you very much!)**



### Christmas Flower Fund

Envelopes are available at the back of the church for donations for Christmas altar flowers.

Please write your memorial intentions clearly on the envelopes so the names can be listed in our bulletin during the Christmas season.



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

### CHANGE IN BULLETIN DEADLINE

Because of upcoming holiday schedules at JCCP, our bulletin printers, there are much earlier deadlines coming up for sending our completed bulletins for printing. If you have something you would like to see put into our bulletin over the next two months, please send it well in advance of the printing date to [stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com).

Our current bulletin may be viewed online at <https://www.jppc.net/onlinebulletins/9021template.pdf>

### FORMED

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Parishioners of St. Joseph and St. Mary Churches can take advantage of this opportunity at [formed.org](http://formed.org). Click on "Formed for Parishes," then "Find your Parish Subscription" type in our church's Zip Code, St. Mary Church will pop-up. Click "Next" & you're in!

### STREAMING ON FORMED

#### Video: St. Giuseppe Moscati: Doctor to the Poor

This medical doctor and layman in the early 20th century came from an aristocratic family but devoted his medical career to serving the poor. A medical professor and pioneer in the field of biochemistry, his research led to the discovery of insulin as a cure for diabetes. Before examining a patient or engaging in research, he would place himself in the presence of God, and encouraged his patients to receive the sacraments.

Dr. Moscati treated poor patients free of charge and would often send someone home with an envelope containing a prescription and a 50-lire note. When Mount Vesuvius erupted in 1906, Dr. Moscati himself moved frail and infirm nursing home patients to safety minutes before the roof of the building collapsed. He also served beyond the call of duty during the 1911 cholera epidemic and treated some 3,000 soldiers during World War I.

Instead of pursuing a brilliant academic career with more time to devote more time to research, he continued working with patients and training interns. Giuseppe Moscati died in 1927 at forty-six years old, was beatified in 1975, and declared a saint by Pope John Paul II in 1987. His feast day was last week on November 16.

#### Radio Theatre: Ode to Saint Cecelia

The Augustine Institute presents stories in the style of the popular radio programs of the mid-20th century. This story of a saint whose life inspired musicians, composers, artists, and poets is told with music, sound effects, and renowned British voice actors, as it would have been in the heyday of radio.

Did you miss getting a printed copy of our bulletin because of travel, illness or weather? Recent copies are available in the church hall after Mass. Let us know if you'd like older ones.

You can view our current and past bulletins, and other valuable information on our website [stjosephclaremont.org](http://stjosephclaremont.org) or send an email to [stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephsclaremont@gmail.com) and a back copy will be located for you.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

The email address uses St Josephs (plural) but the website address is singular (St Joseph)

**Hymns for  
Solemnity of Christ the King**

**Entrance Hymn: No. 284**  
"Christ Is the King"

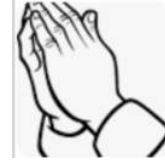
**Offertory Hymn: No. 244**  
"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

**Communion: (Choir)**

**Recessional Hymn: No. 287**  
"To Jesus Christ,  
Our Sovereign King"

**CHOIR REHEARSAL**

is moved to  
**Tuesday, Nov. 26, 2024**  
6:30 pm  
because of the  
Thanksgiving Holiday.



**MASS READINGS  
B/678**

**Memorial Acclamation**  
"We proclaim  
your death, O Lord, and  
profess your  
resurrection until you  
come again."

**1-20 RAFFLE TICKETS  
to benefit our Fuel Fund  
will be sold in the  
Parish Hall after Mass.**

Drawing to take place at o  
December 8 Coffee Hour

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



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

**Sunday, December 1 is the  
First Sunday of Advent,  
which begins a new  
Liturgical Year.  
Next week will begin Cycle C  
for our Sunday readings.**



**Christmas Craft Fair**  
**Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>**

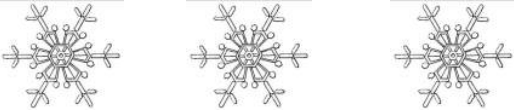
9am – 1 pm  
St Joseph's Church Hall  
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Refreshments Available

**2025 Calendars**  
Our English/Polish calendars  
are available  
at the back of the church.  
**Dziękuję Bardzo! (Thank You!)**  
to our Calendar Sponsors:  
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**The Area Choir**  
is composed of singers from many  
churches in NH and VT.  
Steve Wood and Karen Parker  
from St. Joseph Church and  
Mark Lafontaine from St. Mary's  
are members of this year's choir.  
Karen and David Parker's  
daughter Katie is a featured  
musician in the program.  
All are welcome to attend this  
annual concert.

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

**THEY'RE HERE!**  
Our popular Holiday Fundraiser  
has begun!  
**Pecans**  
(Cinnamon covered, Chocolate  
covered  
and plain)  
plus  
**Caramel Clusters**  
(Also known as **Turtles**)  
and **Cashews**)  
YUM!  
Get your favorites while supplies last!



**Winter Weather Cancellations**  
If it becomes necessary to cancel  
the Wednesday afternoon Mass,  
choir rehearsal, or other church  
event because of the weather,  
we will again post the cancellation  
on the WMUR-TV notification  
system. Please check their website  
or broadcast on air for our listing.



Welcome in the 2024 Christmas Season  
with  
**The Area Choir's  
Christmas Concerts**  
at South Congregational Church  
20 Church Street, Newport, NH  
Saturday, December 7 at 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday, December 8 at 3:00 p.m.  
*Maximum capacity anticipated at the afternoon concert*  
Sunday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m.  
Susan Cancio-Bello, Director of Music  
Alexander Stewart, Pianist & Bell Choir Director  
Nikolas Kleinschmidt, Organist  
Katie Parker Ames, Flutist  
The Earle Pollard Memorial Bell Choir  
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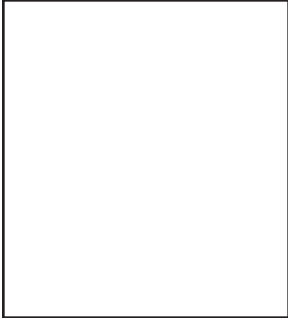
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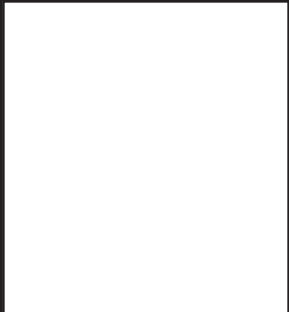
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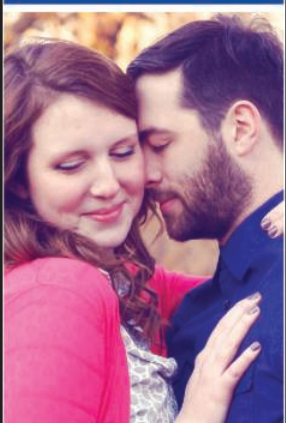




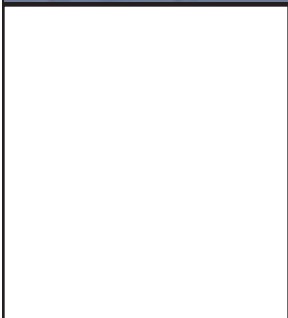
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