# St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Sunday Monday / Tuesday / Friday Wednesday No Mass on Thursday 4:00 PM 8:00 AM / 10:30 AM 12:10 PM 7:30 AM

3:00 - 3:45 PM

### MASSES AT OLD ST. MARY CHURCH

Saturday Morning Mass at 8:00 AM every week (June to October) at Old St. Mary Church

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Monday and Friday 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Monday and Friday Saturday

VOCATIONS HOLY HOUR Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 PM

**ST. MARY CEMETERY** Old Church Road Please call the Parish Office for inquiries or other information regarding the parish cemetery.

### ADORATION CHAPEL <u>Closed until further notice!</u>

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Thursday ONLY 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

### **Chapel Hours**

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Vednesday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
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Sunday	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM Friday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

# June 20, 2021 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Peaceful Storms

"A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped."

Jesus and his disciples are crossing the Sea of Galilee. They are moving from the Jewish side to the Gentile side, the side where they are at home to the side where they are strangers, the side where life is familiar to the side were it is new, different, and unfamiliar. We may have never crossed the Sea of Galilee but we've been in that boat.

This is not just a story about the weather and a boat trip. It is a story about life. It's a story about faith. It's a story about fear. Wherever you find one of those you will find all three. They cannot be separated.

Sometimes the sea of life is rough. The wind is strong. The waves are high. The boat is taking on water and sinking. We all know what that is like. Each of us could tell a storm story. Some of our stories will begin with a phone call, a doctor's visit, or news we did not want to hear. Some of them will start with the choices we have made, our mistakes, and our sins. Other stories will tell about the difficulty of relationships, hopes and plans that fell apart, or the struggle to grow up and find our way. Some storms seem to arise out of nowhere and take us by surprise. Other storms build and brew as we watch.

Storms happen. Storms of loss and sorrow. Storms of suffering. Storms of confusion. Storms of failure. Storms of loneliness. Storms of disappointment and regret. Storms of depression. Storms of uncertainty and second guessing, Storms of thoughts and voices.

Regardless of when or how they arise storms are about changing conditions. Life is overwhelming and out of control. Things don't go our way. Circumstances seem too much for us to handle. Order gives way to chaos. We are sinking. The water is deep and the new shore is a distant horizon.

The disciples are quick to make the storm about Jesus. "Do you not care that we are perishing?" We've probably all echoed their words in the storms of our lives. "Do something. Fix it. Make it better." In the midst of the storm Jesus seems absent, passive, uncaring. How can he sleep at a time like this? Sleeping Jesus is not what they or we want.

Sleeping Jesus, however, is in the same boat and the same storm as the disciples. He is surrounded by the same water as the disciples, blown by the same wind, beaten by the same waves. Hi response, however, is different. While disciples fret and worry he sleeps. The disciples want busyness and activity. Jesus sleeps in peace and stillness. His sleep reveals that the greater storm and the real threat is not the wind, waves, and water around us – the circumstances in which we find ourselves – but within us. The real storm, the more threatening storm is always the one that churns and rages within us.

That interior storm is the one that blows us off course, beats against our faith, and threatens to drown us. Fear, vulnerability, and powerlessness blow within us. The sense of abandonment, the unknown, judgment and criticism of ourselves and others are the waves that pound us. Too often anger, isolation, cynicism, or denial become our shelter from the storm.

"Peace! Be still!" Jesus speaks to the wind and the sea. Jesus isn't changing the weather as much as inviting the disciples to change. He's speaking to the wind and the waves within them. The disciples have been pointing to what is going on outside them. Jesus now points to what is going on inside them. "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?"

Jesus' words are more about us than the circumstances of our lives, the storms we meet. Storms happen. Faith, more faith, better faith, stronger faith, the right kind of faith do not eliminate the storms of our lives. Faith does not change the storm. It changes us. Faith does not take us around the storm but through the storm. Faith allows us to see and know that Jesus is there with us. Faith is what allows us to be still, to be peaceful, in the midst of the storm. It means we do not have to interiorize the storm.

The Spirit of God blows through and within us more mightily than the winds of any storm. The power of God is stronger than any wave that beats against us. The love of God is deeper than any water that threatens to drown us. In every storm Jesus is present and his response is always the same, "Peace! Be still!"

In every storm there are choices to be made. Will we interiorize the storm or Jesus' peace? Do we put our faith in the power of the storm or in the power of God in Christ?

### Happy Father's Day!

<b>Sat. Jun 19</b> 4:00 PM	<u>June 19, 2021—June 27, 2021</u> Vigil of Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Geraldine Palyla (†) By Family	WEEKLY OFFERING Stewardship Giving of Time, Talent and Treasure in gratitude for all of God's gifts. Thank you for your generosity! <u>Thank you also for those who make up envelopes!</u>		
<b>Sun. Jun 20</b> 8:00 AM	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time For the People	June 13, 2021 Offertory \$3588.50 Buck-A-Month \$ 205.00		
10:30 AM	John Brunet (†) By Charles & Janice Fletcher	Upcoming Second Collections		
Mon. Jun 21	<b>St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious</b> No Mass	St. Vincent de Paul Society Peter's Pence Fuel		June 19/20 June 26/27 July 3/4
<b>Tue. Jun 22</b> 12:10 PM	<b>Weekday</b> Mercedes Barreiro (†) By Lucia Barreiro	PLEASE NOTE <u>All checks made payable to: St. Mary Parish.</u> You are welcome to indicate the collection in the memo section of your check. Checks for St. Vincent de Paul Society <u>should be</u>		
Wed. Jun 23 7:30 AM	<b>Weekday</b> Mary R. and J. Park Goddard (†) By the Estate	made payable to St. Vincent de Paul Society.		
Thur. Jun 24	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist No Mass	PRAYER LIST Call the parish office to add/continue a person on the prayer list Dennis Containe		
<b>Fri. Jun 25</b> 12:10 PM	<b>Weekday</b> Joanne Lemieux (†) By Hibbard & Claire Doe	Bill Beattie Gloria Beattie Joan Beattie Scott Beattie William Beattie	Dennis Fontaine David Grey Jake Grey Liz Grey Deborah Hemingway	Sylvia Michaud David Montano Paul Nadeau Mary Ouellette Mike Poirier
<b>Sat. Jun 26</b> 8:00 AM	Weekday All Souls (Mass at Old St. Mary Church)	Deb Bedard Carol Braga Gary Bromley	Renee Honeman Gabriel Houle Timothy Houle	Mary Raymond Lucille Richards Cheryl Shaimas
4:00 PM	<b>Vigil of Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Mary LaPointe (†) By Husband & Family	Pauline Buckner Stephen Burlew Sis Corsale Douglas Craig	David Immic Richard LaCasce Pearl Landry Merranda Lenahan	Christopher Shaimas Andrew St. Pierre Elaine St. Pierre Marcy St. Pierre
<b>Sun. Jun 27</b> 8:00 AM	<b>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig	McKenna Day Rebecca DeVoyd Susan Doody Thomas Eagen Charles Eastman	Matthew Limoges Roy Lucier Lucille Matteau Terry McGuire Shirley McNutt	Mary Sullivan Peter Sullivan Christine Synder Carolyn Theroux David White
10:30 AM	For the People	Charles Fletcher	Matthew Merrill	David White
All 3 Weekend Masses are livestreamed on the parish Facebook page. The church is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Monday and Friday from 3:00-4:00 PM.		PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY LOVED ONES Zachary Long US Army Raymond F. Parizo, JrUS Navy Call the parish office to add your loved ones in the service.		
	READINGS FOR THE WEEK			
Mon. Jun 21 Tues. Jun 22 Wed. Jun 23 Thurs. Jun 24 Fri. Jun 25 Sat. Jun 26 Sun. Jun 27	Gn 12:1-9/Mt 7:1-5 Gn 13:2, 5-18/Mt 7:6, 12-14 Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Mt 7:15-20 Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80 Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Mt 8:1-4 Gn 18:1-15/Mt 8:5-17 Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43	<b>Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions—June 2021</b> <b>Intention for Evangelization—The Beauty of Marriage</b> Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.		
Give Online easy. fast. secure.	Please consider online contributions to St. Mary Parish. Visit our website and click on the "Give Online" button.	REMEMBERING DURING THE YEAR <i>"Memorial Candle Fund"</i> Candles burning in the Church/Adoration Chapel for the soul of Deacon Paul Boucher.		



Welcome New Parishioners...Just moved to this area? We welcome you to St. Mary Parish. Please stop by the parish office or call (603) 542-9518 for "new parishioner" information!

### HYMNS—Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: Page 207

Offertory Hymn: #157—Holy, Holy, Holy

Communion Antiphon: Page 209

Communion Hymn: #136—Gift of Finest Wheat

### Recessional Hymn: #156—Holy God, We Praise Thy Name



I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.



Calling St. Mary's High School Alumni -Claremont, NH to participate in Stevens Alumni Parade on Sat. - Oct. 2, 2021. A special organizational meeting will be held on Tues. - June 29, 2021 in S. Mary's Gym in Claremont, NH. For more information contact Claire Lessard, Vice Pres. - St. Mary's Alumni Assoc. (603) 543-3617.

### Special Pilgrimage to Franciscan Italy



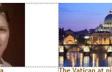
With Fr. John Loughnane and Sr. Dymphna October 16-25, 2021

### \$3,999 from Boston

This Pilgrimage Tour begins with four nights in Rome where you will visit St. Peter's Basilica and other Major Basilicas, the Vatican Museum, the Sistine Chapel, and you will attend an Audience with the Pope if he is in Residence. Other spiritual highlights of the pilgrimage include 4 nights in Assisi to pray at the Shrines of St. escence. Unlet spinule ingringing or in the pagining in motion of ringing in resist to proy at the similes of st rancis and St. Clare, at the Portioncula in the Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli, and al Mount Subiaco d La Verna where St. Francis received the stigmata. Throughout the Shrines of Italy Pilgrimage Tour, you'll so experience the cuisine, art, and culture that exemplifies "la Dolce Vita," which is Italy!







John Loughnane Spiritual Director

Group Leader



### Knights of Columbus Aluminum Can Drive

Sat. June 26th — 3:00—4:00 PM...St. Mary Rectory Garage Sun. June 27th — 7:30—10:30 AM...St. Mary Rectory Garage

Aluminum cans only! Rinse out cans, do not crush them. 5 cent plastic soda bottles marked VT accepted. Check markings! Proceeds go to 2 seminarians and a postulant.

### **Upcoming Pro-Life Event:**

Saturday June 26

Prayer-Witness Vigil for Life Across from Planned Parenthood 136 Pleasant St., Claremont, NH Noon to 1:00 p.m.

All are welcome to come witness for life and pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the unborn and to convert the culture of death. Please contact Walt Stapleton with any questions.

### Catholic Charities NH Hosting **Unemployment Online Support Group**

For those who may be struggling with job loss - or looking for the next opportunity - Catholic Charities NH is offering a free online support group to help you effectively navigate the complex job search process. "Unemployed: What Now? How do I Find A Job?" is a five-part series where you will learn best practices around targeting prospective employers, resume writing and interviewing, as well as how to best apply your unique skills to your own search. The program will be held via Zoom for five consecutive Thursdays (at 10 a.m.) starting June 24. To register, visit www.cc-nh.org/ unemployment or call 603-752-1325.



### **LECTORS NEEDED:**

If you have been a lector in the past, willing to come back to participate in the weekend Masses, or are considering becoming a lector for the weekend Masses, please contact the parish office at 603-542-9518 or email stmarysclaremont@comcast.net.

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