St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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Pastor	Rev. Maria Sebastian Susairaj, HGN
Administrative Assistant	Mary K. Keating
Music Director	Joe Labrecque
Interim Faith Formation Director	Kevin Krawiec
Children Catechesis Director	Moriah Lombardi
Parish Hospitality/Security	Knights of Columbus Fr. Cote Council 1820
Catholic Outreach Director	Denny Francis

Please remember St. Mary's Renovation Fund in your will.

WEEKEND LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM / 10:30 AM

WEEKDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday / Thursday / Friday / Saturday	9:00 AM

MASSES AT OLD ST. MARY CHURCH

Saturday Morning Mass at 9:00 AM every week (June to October) at Old St. Mary Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday	9:30 AM
Saturday	3:00 - 3:45 PM

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

Closed until further notice!

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

Chapel Hours

Monday	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday	6:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM - 12 Noon
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

CATHOLIC OUTREACH HOURS

Tuesday	2:00 PM

April 2, 2023
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

HOLY WEEK

ST. MARY PARISH:
PALM SUNDAY
4:00 PM Mass (Saturday)
7:45 AM Mass / 10:30 AM Mass (Sunday)

HOLY THURSDAY
6:00 PM Confessions
7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper/Adoration

GOOD FRIDAY
2:30 PM The Lord's Passion/Veneration of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY
7:00 PM Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY
8:00 AM Mass / 10:30 AM Mass

ST. JOSEPH PARISH:
PALM SUNDAY
9:15 AM Mass

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
5:00 PM Mass
5:30 PM Confessions

GOOD FRIDAY
5:30 PM Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY
11:00 AM Blessing of the Food

EASTER SUNDAY
9:15 AM Mass

ITALIAN FOOD

(Prepared by Louis Millette)

Date: Sunday, April 23, 2023
Time: 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Place: St. Mary Gym, Claremont, NH

Menu:

Spaghetti w/Meatballs
Italian Bread
Salad
Desserts
Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks

Please RSVP to:
St. Mary Rectory at (603) 542-9518
or stmarysclaremont@comcast.net

There will also be sign up sheets in the back of the church following all Masses

Free Will Offering
All Proceeds to Benefit the Church Renovation

Parish Capital Campaign Update:

Fr. Sebastian and the Steering Committee have been very busy the past 2 months conducting interviews with companies throughout the country who submitted proposals for the St. Mary Parish Capital Campaign to raise funds for the necessary church renovation and repair. Mrs. Bevin Kennedy of the Diocese of Manchester participated in these interviews as well and provided invaluable assistance with her knowledge of and experience with both the companies and parish campaigns.

It is with great pleasure that we announce that St. Mary Parish has contracted with Guidance in Giving, Inc. to conduct the campaign. Mr. Stephen Babcock, Chief Operating Officer of Guidance in Giving, Inc., made the extra effort to be with us in person for the initial interview. We believe he will bring a special, custom touch to the campaign and are looking forward to working with him.

Mr. Babcock was in the Parish Office this past week to begin the parish data collection. You will be seeing him/hearing from him in the near future.

Please continue to keep the parish campaign in your prayers!

GUIDANCE in GIVING

April 1, 2023—April 9, 2023

Sat. Apr 1 4:00 PM	**Vigil of Palm Sunday** Charles Fletcher (†) By Paul & Lorraine Lafreniere
Sun. Apr 2 **7:45 AM**	**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord** Roy Lucier (†) By Michael & Sharon Gilbert and Steve Denis
10:30 AM	For the People
Mon. Apr 3 9:00 AM	**Monday of Holy Week** Holy Souls in Purgatory
Tue. Apr 4	**Tuesday of Holy Week** No Mass
Wed. Apr 5	**Wednesday of Holy Week** No Mass
Thur. Apr 6 7:00 PM	**Mass of the Lord's Supper** Priests of the Diocese of Manchester
Fri. Apr 7 2:30 PM	**Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)** The Passion of the Lord Veneration of the Cross
Sat. Apr 8 7:00 PM	**Easter Vigil** For the People
Sun. Apr 9 8:00 AM	**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord** Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
10:30 AM	Rev. Maria Sebastian Susairaj By St. Mary Parish

The Rosary is prayed 20 minutes before each daily Mass.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Apr 3	Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
Tues. Apr 4	Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wed. Apr 5	Is 50:4-9/Mt 26:14-25
Thurs. Apr 6	Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Fri. Apr 7	Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Sat. Apr 8	Gn 1:1—2:2/Gn 22:1-18/Ex 14:15—15:1/Is 54:5-14/ Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ez 36:16-28/ Rom 6:3-11/Mt 28:1-10
Sun. Apr 9	Acts 10:34, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Since First Friday in April is Good Friday, there will not be Eucharistic Adoration on April 7th. We will resume in May.

The Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday.

PARISH OFFERING

Sunday Offertory – March 26, 2023

Envelopes (51)	$2,083.00
Loose	$898.00
Catholic Outreach	$407.00

Online Giving

Offertory	$667.86
Church Maintenance	$101.38
Fuel	$5.14

Total Collected for Grand Annual Collection…$26,258.00

Upcoming Second Collections

Fuel	April 1/2
Church Maintenance	April 8/9

Donations to Catholic Outreach should be made payable to "Catholic Outreach—St. Mary Parish."

New Hampshire Catholic Appeal checks should be made payable to "New Hampshire Catholic Appeal."

Grand Annual Collection now available with online giving.

PRAYER LIST

Call the parish office to add/continue a person on the prayer list

Deb Bedard	David Grey	David Montano
Georgette Boudreau	Jake Grey	Leanne Mortell
Carol Braga	Renee Honeman	Mary Ouellette
Mary Brunet	Geoffrey Houle	Melvin Parker
Stephen Burlew	Timothy Houle	Lynn Raymond
Andy Champy	David Immic	Mary Raymond
Mary DiFilippo	Nancy Kingsbury	Andrew St. Pierre
Susan Doody	Pam LaBounty	Mary Sullivan
Jimmy Dunn	Diane Landry	Peter Sullivan
Charles Eastman	John Laushance	Christine Snyder
Chuck Ferland	Matthew Limoges	Richard Tremblay
Joan Flaherty	Fr. John Loughnane	Chee Chee Tyrrell
Dennis Fontaine	Barbara Manning	Louise Unger
Rev Msgr Donald Gilbert	Shirley McNutt	George Veilleux
David Goodwin	Sylvia Michaud	Joe Wallace

The Sanctuary Lamp in St. Mary Church will burn this week in memory of Dick Wobbe as requested by a friend.

GiveOnline easy. fast. secure.

Please consider online contributions to St. Mary Parish. Visit our website and click on the "Give Online" button.

Welcome New Parishioners… Just moved to this area? We welcome you to St. Mary Parish!
Parish registration forms are available in the back of the church or on the parish website.
Please contact the Parish Office at stmarysclaremont@comcast.net or (603) 542-9518 if you have questions.

HYMNS—Palm Sunday

Processional Hymn: #180—All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Offertory Hymn: #161—O Sacred Head Surrounded

Communion Hymn: #360—Gift of Finest Wheat

Anima Christi: #699

Recessional Hymn: #290—Crown Him with Many Crowns

After over 3 years, Fr. Sebastian will FINALLY be able to travel back home to India to visit his family. He will be gone from April 10th until May 19th. Please keep him in your prayers for safe travelling and a relaxing, joyful visit with his family. While he is gone, daily Mass will not be celebrated but all weekend Masses will be celebrated with a visiting priest. Also, there will be Mass on Ascension Thursday, May 18th, which is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Parish Employment Opportunity

St. Mary Parish is seeking to onboard a Director for a proposed parish child care center. The individual would be involved in the early stages of the decision-making process prior to opening and engaged directly and enthusiastically in the start-up of the center. It is required that a candidate be a practicing Catholic who understands the importance of providing a positive childcare environment based on good Catholic values. Once open, the Director will be responsible for the daily operation of the program and ensure the program's compliance with all applicable federal, state and local codes, as well as diocesan policies. Other responsibilities will include: Oversee staff, assist in the creation of a budget, market the facility, meet with parents and parish personnel regularly**.** This is a new venture for the parish, one that will provide a much-needed service with a Catholic identity. Salary and benefits will be based on experience. Interested candidates should send a brief description of interest in the position along with any relevant experience to stmarysclaremont@comcast.net.

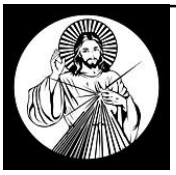
Catholic Outreach—St. Mary Parish

If you or someone you know needs assistance with food or living expenses, please call Denny Franicis of Catholic Outreach at 603-543-0551

Sacramental Preparation Classes

Classes began on Sunday, January 29, 2023. All classes will be held following the 10:30 AM Mass (approximately 11:30). These classes are designed for those baptized children, 2nd grade and above, who desire the Sacraments of First Holy Communion, First Confession and Confirmation. We will meet every other Sunday in the St. Dominic Room on the 2nd floor of the Annex building. Because this catechesis is part of the Family Faith Formation program, parents are encouraged to attend. Any questions, please contact Kevin Krawiec at 603-801-6130 or kkrawiec26@gmail.com.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
4th Annual Penny Sale
Sunday, April 23rd
Doors Open at Noon—Sale Starts at 1:00 PM
St. Joseph Church Hall, Claremont
Members and friends who would like to donate an item, contact Claire Lessard, Coordinator—603-543-3617.



Divine Mercy Sunday is April 16th. The Divine Mercy Chaplet begins on Good Friday. Please consider praying the chaplet to implore God's Mercy for our loved ones and our country.

Following the 10:30 AM Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday, there will be a brunch served in the gym to celebrate the day. The Knights of Columbus will sponsor the brunch and a sign-up sheet is at the back of the church. Donations will be a free-will offering.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree
Fr. Cote Assembly 1820
Nomination of Officers and Elections

Monday, April 3rd, 7:00 PM
St. Joseph Hall—Claremont NH

Please plan on attending so we have a quorum.