St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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Catholic Outreach Director	Denny Francis
ProLife Ministry Director	Juanita Sweet
Safe Environment Coordinator	Kevin Krawiec
Homebound Ministry Director	Steve Denis
Parish Hospitality/Security	Knights of Columbus Fr. Cote Council 1820

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
(Memorial Day Weekend to October) at Old St. Mary Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

EMERGENCY NUMBER: (603) 504-5430
This number is to be used to reach Fr. Sebastian outside office hours in cases of emergency.

CATHOLIC OUTREACH HOURS

Tuesday 2:00 PM

ADORATION CHAPEL—24/7

Please come by the Parish Office to receive the code and instructions.

ST. MARY CEMETERY Old Church Road

Please call the Parish Office for inquiries or other information regarding the parish cemetery.

January 11, 2026
The Baptism of the Lord

Readings for The Baptism of the Lord

1st

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

THUS SAYS THE LORD:/
Here is my servant whom I uphold,/ my chosen one with whom I am pleased,/ upon whom I have put my spirit;/ he shall bring forth justice to the nations,/ not crying out, not shouting,/ not making his voice heard in the street./ A bruised reed he shall not break,/ and a smoldering wick he shall not quench,/ until he establishes justice on the earth;/ the coastlands will wait for his teaching.
I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice,/ I have grasped you by the hand;/ I formed you, and set you/ as a covenant of the people,/ a light for the nations,/ to open the eyes of the blind,/ to bring out prisoners from confinement,/ and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.
The word of the Lord.

PSALM 29

℟ (11b) **The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

Give to the LORD, you sons of God,
give to the LORD glory and praise,
give to the LORD the glory due his name;
adore the LORD in holy attire. ℟

The voice of the LORD is over the waters,
the LORD, over vast waters.
The voice of the LORD is mighty;
the voice of the LORD is majestic. ℟

The God of glory thunders,
and in his temple all say, "Glory!"
The LORD is enthroned above the flood;
the LORD is enthroned as king forever. ℟

2nd

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38

PETER PROCEEDED TO speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."
The word of the Lord.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 3:13-17

JESUS CAME FROM Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?" Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed him. After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."
The Gospel of the Lord.

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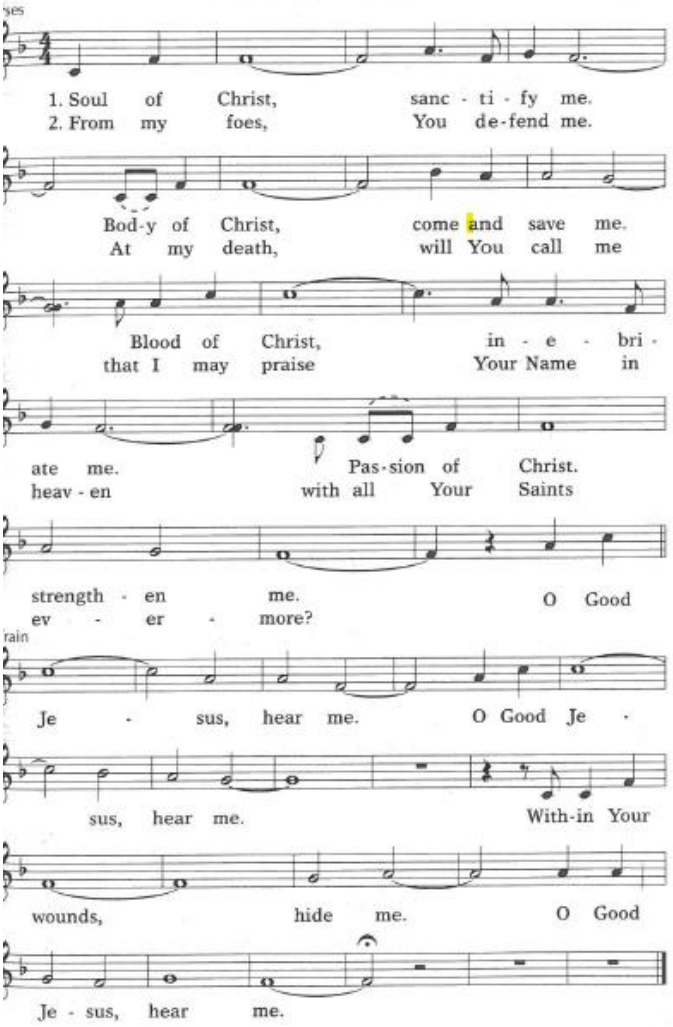

January 10, 2026—January 18, 2026

Sat. Jan 10	**Vigil of the Baptism of the Lord** (StJ)
4:00 PM	Special Intention By Les & Sandra St. Pierre
Sun. Jan 11	**The Baptism of the Lord** (StJ)
10:30 AM	Alex Puksta (†) By Family
Mon. Jan 12	**Weekday** (OSM)
9:00 AM	Gerald Gringas (†) By the Family
Tue. Jan 13	**Weekday** No Mass
Wed. Jan 14	**Weekday** No Mass
Thur. Jan 15	**Weekday** (OSM)
9:00 AM	Adam Ferland (†) By Family
Fri. Jan 16	**Weekday** (OSM)
9:00 AM	Patrick O'Mara Jr. By Mary O'Mara
Sat. Jan 17	**St. Anthony, Abbott** (OSM)
9:00 AM	Special Intention By Les & Sandra St. Pierre
	Vigil of Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (StJ)
4:00 PM	Joseph and Claire Bouchard (†) By David Bouchard
Sun. Jan 18	**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** (StJ)
10:30 AM	Sally Michaud (†) By Ray Michaud

The Rosary is prayed 20 minutes before each Mass during the week.

Beginning Monday, January 12, 2026, morning Masses during the week will be celebrated at Old St. Mary Church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Jan 12	1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20
Tues. Jan 13	1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28
Wed. Jan 14	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
Thurs. Jan 15	1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
Fri. Jan 16	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22/Mk 2:1-12
Sat. Jan 17	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1/Mk 2:13-17
Sun. Jan 18	Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

PARISH OFFERING

Sunday Offertory - January 4, 2026

Envelopes (52)	$2,109.50
Loose	$1,424.00
Fuel	$1,665.00
Solemnity of Mother of God	*$837.00*

Online Giving

Offertory	$401.12
Capital Campaign	$290.18

Upcoming Second Collections

Church Maintenance	January 10/11
Catholic Outreach	January 24/25

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."

Capital Campaign checks should be made payable to "God's House, Our Home."

PRAYER LIST

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

Michael Aaron	Carol Fontaine	Mark Miller
Mark Baril	Dennis Fontaine	David Montano
Marc Bissonnette	Joanne Garren	Mary Ouellette
Georgette Boudreau	Geoffrey Houle	Janet Ruest
Paul Boudreau	Timothy Houle	Nancy Ruest
Eliott Brown	David Immic	Paul Ruest
Michael Cirre	Ricky Kaynew	Christine Snyder
Sandra Colby	Don Keating	Andrew St. Pierre
Scott Colpas	Paul Keating	Barbara St. Pierre
Christine Currier	Al Kulacz	Edward Stone
Dana Davidson	Donna Kulacz	Mary Sullivan
Norman Dion	Robert Labelle	Ryan Sullivan
Susan Doody	John Laushance	Pauline Trottier
David Doster	Diane Lavigne	Louise Unger
Nichole Dunkel	Matthew Limoges	Gary Vezina
Jimmy Dunn	Fr. John Loughnane	Jennifer Viger
Charles Eastman	Patrick Lozito	Barbara Woodin
Frank Emig	Sylvia Michaud	

Give a gift of the greatest prayer for your loved ones, living or deceased. Contact the Parish Office to schedule. The 2026 calendar is now available.

The Sanctuary Candle Memorials will be temporarily on hold until Our Eucharistic Lord returns to St. Mary Church.

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—The Baptism of the Lord

Processional Hymn: #301—Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Offertory Hymn: #342—Amazing Grace

Communion Hymn: #431—O Lord, I Am Not Worthy

Recessional Hymn: #306—Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING PARKING AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

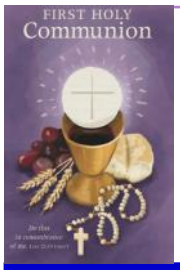
1. There is **no street parking** allowed on Elm Street. St. Joseph Church has **two parking lots**: one behind the church and the other on Elm Street, on the left side of the Rectory. Snow will be cleared so that all available parking spaces will be accessible.

2. **One-way traffic will enter the Elm Street driveway between the Rectory and the Church** and continue on to find a parking space in the large lot behind the church. Drivers may stop at the side door for passengers to get out there and be assisted to the door by Security/Ushers. An **ELEVATOR** is located at the far end of the side entry doorway. Exiting the parking lots after Mass will be via Gold Street at the back side of the lot.

3. **Please be considerate** of parishioners with mobility issues by leaving them the parking spaces closest to the entry door (alongside the church, behind the rectory, immediately behind the church) However, following a storm, the possibility of snow and ice sliding off the roofs make it risky to park along the side or directly behind the Church. Please avoid those parking places under wintry conditions.

4. Once Mass starts, if the side entrance facing the Rectory is unattended it will be locked and only the front door unlocked. Security/ushers will be in the back of the Church and in the vestibule area to assist.

5. **We ask for your patience** as these changes begin and we will soon become more comfortable with them.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Classes for First Holy Communion preparation will be starting soon. Please contact Kevin Krawiec at 603-801-6130 for further information.

Campaign Corner

We begin plaster repair and painting inside the church this week! Thank you to the MANY volunteers who helped with removal of the pews on January 10th. Masses each weekend during this time are celebrated at St. Joseph Church. The work will be completed by Holy Week. We ask that everyone please fulfill their pledges in order to complete the project.

Catholic Outreach—St. Mary Parish

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

St. Mary ProLife Ministry

Contact Juanita Sweet
or the Parish Office

Roman Catholic Homebound Ministry

If you or someone you know would like to receive a visit from Fr. Sebastian, please call Steve Denis at (603) 558-5209. Visits are made on the 2nd Monday of every month. Father is assisted by one of the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.

Traveling Statue of Mary

A program of the New Hampshire State Council of the Knights of Columbus. Parishioners are encouraged to welcome the statue into their home for a week or two and gather family, friends, or neighbors to pray the rosary daily during the statue's stay. Pamphlets and blessed rosaries are provided.
To sign up call Steve Denis at (603) 558-5209.

New Hampshire Catholic Appeal:

We are grateful to all parishioners who have given to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised **$6,489.61** toward our goal of $32,657.00. Approximately 90% of the funds raised above this Appeal goal are returned to our parish this year of appeal. If you have not made your gift yet, please mail your gift in an Appeal envelope or make your gift online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca. Envelopes are available in the church. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our parish goal. Please make all checks payable to **New Hampshire Catholic Appeal**.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS FOR WEEKEND MASSES:

Please note that money collected at the 9:00 AM Mass will solely support St. Joseph Parish; the Saturday 4:00 PM Mass and Sunday 10:30 AM Mass will support St. Mary Parish. Please continue to use your offertory envelopes and continue to make any checks payable to St. Mary Church.

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

GiveOnline
easy. fast. secure.