



Holy Spirit Parish

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

OUR PARISH CHURCHES

ST. MARY CHURCH

236 Eldridge Rd.
Wells, ME 04090
(207) 646-5605
FAX (207) 646-9437
Weekday Mass: 8 AM
Weekend Masses: Saturday 4 PM & 6 PM
Sunday 7, 9, & 11 AM

ST. MARTHA CHURCH

30 Portland Rd.
Kennebunk ME 04043
(207) 985-6252
FAX (207) 985-7740
Weekday Mass: 9 AM
Weekend Masses: Saturday 4 PM
Sunday 8 & 10 AM
Confessions at both Churches
Saturdays 3-3:30 PM

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

(open through this Sunday, September 8)
45 School St.
Ogunquit, ME 03907
Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:30 PM
Sunday 8:30 & 10 AM

Our PARISH STAFF

Fr. Fred Morse, Pastor
Fr. Agustin Sebasthian, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Darrell Blackwell

OFFICES

Diane W. O'Neil, Manager
Rosanne Smith
Ruth Shrader
Paula Moses

COMMUNICATIONS

Donald Webber
Mark Reeth

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Timothy Gallant, Supervisor
Jesse Ouellette

FAITH FORMATION

Carolyn F. Houston, Director
Rosanne Smith, Adult Education

LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mark Reeth, Coordinator
Lisa White, Choir Director



23rd Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27

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2019 CATHOLIC APPEAL

Awakening
THE FUTURE OF
our faith



If just 300 parishioners were to pledge or donate \$100 each, we would reach our goal! That would be just 28 people at each of this weekend's Masses! Right now, we have only about 15% of our parishioners participating.

(see next page for more information)

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www.facebook.com/holyspiritmaine

GOSPEL MEDITATION



It's said that, upon reading the Gospels, Gandhi commented that he very much liked Jesus Christ. It was Christ's followers he found troublesome. One wonders who Gandhi had met, and if these Christians had truly counted the cost of their faith. Following Jesus, really following Jesus, is much more challenging than we may think. He emphasizes this with strong language in this Sunday's Gospel. He compares discipleship to the carrying of one's own execution device - "his own cross" - and for the need even to "hate" what could disrupt one's commitment. Some of this is standard hyperbole, exaggeration for effect common to the time period. Some of this should make us wonder how deep our discipleship goes.

"Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost?" Jesus imagines this construction project gone wrong. Someone may lay the foundation but not have enough resources to finish. We've received the firm foundation of the sacraments - our baptism, for one, along with weekly Mass attendance and regular confession. Yet, how often do we find ourselves too distracted, exhausted, or uninterested to truly build our lives on our faith? We have all met such Christians. Some days, we may be those Christians ourselves. We become the incomplete tower that confuses and baffles the onlookers. "This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish!"

For some of us, our cross may feel heavier than we expected upon the first lift. Building a tower means laying stone upon stone. It's a process. We don't arrive at completion overnight. Grace is always sufficient to provide the resources, but we need to keep saying yes to the task. This week, consider your own discipleship. What is one area where you've become distracted or discouraged? How can that improve this week? Let God lay another brick on the tower.

QUILT SHOW



To help the parish become more familiar with the Bereavement Quilting Group, there will be a "Quilt Show" after all Masses at St. Mary on the weekend of September 21 & 22. Also, any-

one who has experienced a loss in the last 10 years is invited to let the group know so that a quilt may be given to him or her. The quilters meet on Tuesdays at 9 AM, upstairs at St. Mary. Newcomers and beginner quilters are welcome. For more information, contact Carol Varano at (508) 801-2054, or just show up!



2019 CATHOLIC APPEAL

This weekend, our second Commitment Weekend for the 2019 Catholic Appeal, we encourage you to prayerfully consider a financial gift. These are just *some* of the programs and ministries where your support will be felt:

- Catholic Charities Maine, including:
 - ⇒ Parish Social Ministry
 - ⇒ Food Bank
 - ⇒ Farm for ME,
 - ⇒ SEARCH
- Campus Ministry
- Catholic Schools
- The Christian Life Center
- Harvest Magazine
- The Office of Lifelong Faith Formation
- Hospital Chaplains

Holy Spirit Parish, which has 2,450 households, has given a total of 294 gifts, totaling \$96,674. These numbers reflect progress towards our goal. As you can see from this brief report, there is ample opportunity for all parishioners to step up and take part in the Appeal, which is vital if the Diocese is to continue to provide so many wonderful, life-giving, and faith-transforming ministries in every corner of our diocese. If you have not already done so, it is important that you make your gift today.

It is the Bishop's hope that every parish will achieve their 2019 Appeal goals.

Thank you for your support in working together to accomplish these goals!

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND: September 7 & 8

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Emile Simone Couture by Rachel & Robert Thibodeau
 4:00 PM (W) Kristin Lally Clerico by Audrey Silveri & Dick Johnson
 5:30 PM (O) Brenda Crowley by Joseph & Kathleen Mackiewicz
 6:00 PM (W) Denise Payeur Robinson by Dean, Jan, & Neil Robinson
- Sunday: 7:00 AM (W) Paul & Dottie Millerick by Pat & Moe Maroney
 8:00 AM (K) Julius Palmero by his Wife
 8:30 AM (O) Emil Masi by his family
 9:00 AM (W) For our parishioners
 10:00 AM (K) Minh Mai by his family
 10:00 AM (O) Mary von Schlegell by Sheila Yorke
 11:00 AM (W) Christopher, Mary & Patrick DeMarco by their family

WEEKDAYS: September 9-13

- Monday: 8:00 AM (W) Brian Kennedy by Jennifer, Steve, & Elizabeth
 9:00 AM (K) Yen Nguyen by Phai Nguyen
 10:30 AM Communion Service - River Ridge
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM (W) William & Marion Maroney by Pat & Moe Maroney
 9:00 AM (K) Robert Klouda by his wife
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM (W) Robert Caruso by Maria Trodella
 9:00 AM (K) Yvette Willis by Judi Morin
- Thursday: 8:00 AM (W) Claire Keefe by her best friend
 9:00 AM (K) Bill Madey by Helen & Jean Conaty
- Friday: 8:00 AM (W) Walter "Wally" Johnson, Jr. by Ron & Kathie Hansen
 9:00 AM (K) Sheila Duggan by Joe & Tracy Ryan

NEXT WEEKEND: September 14 & 15

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Mary Convery by Bob Convery
 4:00 PM (W) Kevin Beatty by Lucy & Tim Cilley
- Sunday: 7:00 AM (W) Dana B. Holmes by Pat & Moe Maroney
 8:00 AM (K) For the parishioners
 9:00 AM (W) Sean O'Sullivan by the Villator Family
 10:00 AM (K) Eileen Callahan Brown by Quincy & Ellen Moy
 11:00 AM (W) Joyce & Fred Pompeo by their family



~REST IN PEACE~
 JOANNE ANDERSON
 RICHARD BOIS
 MARIE BOSCALIA
 ED HOYT
 HANNAH JOHNSON

Location Key: (K) St. Martha, Kennebunk
 (O) All Saints, Ogunquit
 (W) St. Mary, Wells

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

September 14 & 15

4:00 PM St. Martha (K) Fr. Agustin
 4:00 PM St. Mary (W) Fr. Morse

7:00 AM St. Mary (W) Msgr. Sniezyk
 8:00 AM St. Martha (K) Fr. Agustin
 9:00 AM St. Mary (W) Msgr. Sniezyk
 10:00 AM St. Martha (K) Fr. Agustin
 11:00 AM St. Mary (W) Fr. Morse

Schedule subject to change.

**Reconciliation on Saturdays
 3-3:30 PM at St. Martha & St. Mary**



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: To register, call Diane O'Neil at (207) 646-5605.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays, 3-3:30 PM (or upon request), at both St. Martha and St. Mary Churches.

MATRIMONY: Please contact the pastor six months prior to the desired wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call anytime. If you know that you will be admitted to the hospital, please call the office to make arrangements to receive the Sacrament after a daily or Sunday Mass. Please advise the office when a parishioner is hospitalized.

For more information, or to make an appointment for any sacrament, please call the office at 207-646-5605.

The flowers at St. Mary's are in loving memory of Mary Patricia & James T. Walsh by Peter C. Walsh.



The Holy Spirit Parish Choir will sing next Saturday, September 14 at the 4 PM Mass at St. Martha in Kennebunk. Additional singers are welcome, especially men (basses in particular)!

FMI, contact Lisa White, at lisa.white@portlanddiocese.org.

THE WEEK AHEAD

September 8-15

ST. MARTHA CHURCH

Sunday: S Anon - 7 PM
 Monday: Centering Prayer - 9:30 AM & 6 PM
 K of C Officers - 6:30 PM
 Tuesday: Fair Crafters - 9:30 AM
 Cursillo - 4 PM
 K of C Meeting - 7 PM
 Wednesday: Weight Watchers
 Thursday: Faith Sharing - 7 PM
 Friday: Produce Pantry
 Saturday: Reconciliation - 3 PM
 Sunday: Faith Formation - 9:00 AM
 S Anon - 7 PM

ST. MARY CHURCH

Sunday: Coffee & Donuts - after 9 AM Mass
 Monday: *Have a great day!*
 Tuesday: Bereavement Quilting - 9 AM
 Wednesday: Bible Study (Proverbs) - 10 AM
 Choir - 6 PM
 Spiritual Study Group - 7 PM
 Thursday: Food Pantry - 1 PM
 Friday: AA - 7:30 PM
 Saturday: AA - 8 AM
 Reconciliation - 3 PM
 Sunday: K of C Breakfast after Masses
 Catechist Sunday - 9 AM
 Faith Formation - 10 AM

ST. MARTHA'S COMMUNITY PANTRY NEEDS:

Muffin Mix, mayonnaise, fruit juice, powdered milk, maple syrup.



ST. MARY'S ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY

NEEDS: canned meat, cranberry sauce, small flour, jelly, bar soap, dish detergent.



FAMILY BREAKFAST

ALL ARE WELCOME!

**next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15,
 after Masses in St. MARY'S HALL**

MENU INCLUDES:

**pancakes, waffles, eggs, toast, potatoes, bacon,
 sausage, fresh fruit, milk, tea, water, coffee**

Ages 11 & older - \$10

Ages 6-10 - \$5

Ages 5 & under - free

stewardship

WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT

August 24 & 25

Collection	\$	17,421.75
We Share (33)	\$	1,046.50
Total Offertory	\$	18,468.25
Tithe	\$	1,292.00
Envelopes (350)	\$	7,779.20
Loose	\$	9,642.55

This weekend's second collection will be for
*Catholic University of America &
 Special Education Needs*

2019 HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

CATHOLIC APPEAL

AS OF AUGUST 29, 2019:

Total - \$ 96,674

Goal - \$124,301

% Goal - 78%



In addition to your regular weekly offering, you may donate to *special collections* through **WE SHARE.**

***How to create your
 We Share account:***



1. Visit holyspiritme.org and click Give Online.
2. Click on the collection to which you'd like to donate.
3. Click Recurring Donation; enter your donation amount and frequency.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

~ Erin Tobin & Sean Rogers
 September 14 @ 1 PM (*Kennebunk*)
 ~ Brittany Moker & Daniel Leary
 September 14 @ 2 PM (*Ogunquit*)
 ~ Gillian Aldridge & Chase Gilbreath
 September 21 @ 1 PM (*Kennebunk*)
 ~ Laura Inniss & Darrell Robinson
 September 28 @ 1 PM (*Kennebunk*)
 ~ MaryEllen Barba & Stephen Babcock
 September 28 @ 2 PM (*Wells*)





HOLY SPIRIT PARISH FAIR

NOVEMBER 9 & 10

The following is a list of donation suggestions for the "booth of the week".

~ Books ~

hard covers, paperbacks, DVDs, CDs
(no magazines, including National Geographic or Reader's Digest; no educational books; no books with missing pages).

Booths to be highlighted in coming weeks:

Linens, Toys, Christmas, Jewelry, Dishes, Baked Goods, Crafts

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Spirit Parish is a welcoming and caring Roman Catholic community, grounded in Eucharistic faith, and which enthusiastically lives and embraces the values modeled by Jesus Christ. As a community of believers, Holy Spirit Parish is committed to:

- Ongoing faith formation
- Life-long spiritual growth
- Nurturing and sharing our gifts for the common good



Bishop Deeley installed Fr. Wilfred Labbe as Pastor of St. Thérèse of Lisieux Parish in Sanford and St. Matthew Parish in Limerick at a Special Mass on September 3. Father Labbe was ordained in 1999 at St. Joseph Church in Biddeford. Having been on assignments further north, we welcome Father Labbe back to southern Maine, and offer him our prayers.

PLEASE NOTE: This weekend, September 7 & 8, is the final weekend that All Saints Church in Ogunquit will be open for the season (reopening in June 2020). This Saturday, September 7, is also the final 6 PM Saturday Mass at St. Mary Church in Wells for the season. The 7 AM Sunday Mass at St. Mary will continue through Columbus Day weekend.



CENTERING PRAYER

The groups meet at St. Martha Church every Monday at 9:30 AM and 6 PM. FMI, contact Deacon Darrell at 207-467-0957 or doxieduo@maine.rr.com.

OPIATE CRISIS RECOVERY PRAYER GROUP

~ St. Mary's, 5:30-6:30 PM, the 1st & 3rd Mondays of every month.
FMI: Cornelia Stockman at 207-468-4586 or Leona Regan-Dolan at 508-308-4819.



The Holy Spirit Prayer Shawl Ministry



For the past 16 years, the Prayer Shawl Ministry has made and provided shawls for the benefit of hundreds of people in need of our prayers and thoughts. The ministry meets once per month to knit/crochet, and to offer prayers over the shawls so as to pass along personal petitions and intentions for the recipients. If you would like to be a part of this rewarding ministry, please join us for our first meeting of the season on **Wednesday, September 18, at 11 AM** in the downstairs parlor of St. Mary Church. FMI, or if you know of someone who might benefit from a shawl, please call Sue at 646-8217, or Verna at 646-4543.

PARISH REGISTRATION/UPDATE

Name (s): _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

____ New registration ____ Change of address

____ Change of e-mail address

____ Moving out of parish ____ Request envelopes

If you are new to the parish, or you have a new address or phone number, please complete this form, place it in the collection basket, & mail to:

**Holy Spirit Parish,
236 Eldridge Road, Wells, ME, 04090,
or e-mail to stmarywells@myfairpoint.net**



THE FAITH FORMATION TEAM INVITES YOU...

Our parish is blessed with an amazing group of volunteers, helping to form the faith of our parish children. We need catechists (teachers) and assistants for *several* grades at *both* church sites, as well as people to serve as “faith techs” to provide extra assistance to children with disabilities. The faith formation office invites you to think and pray about whether you might be called by the Holy Spirit to assist in the faith formation of our children. Being a catechist, assistant, or faith tech is a wonderful opportunity to give back to our faith community, and to share the love of Jesus with the next generation of Catholics. There are openings for people with all levels of knowledge, abilities, and time. Some classes are held on Sunday mornings and others on Monday afternoons. Materials and support are provided, as are training and background checks. Classes begin on September 15. To volunteer, or for more information, please contact Carolyn Houston at 985-6252, 646-5605, or at carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org.

Faith Formation for the 2019-2020 Academic Year

Registration for youth faith formation (religious education) for the 2019-2020 academic year for kindergarten through high school has begun. **Youth classes begin on September 15** with Sunday morning sessions at both St. Martha & St. Mary for kindergarten through high school and, if enough enrollment, a Monday afternoon session at St. Mary for grades 1-6. Classes are provided for children of all abilities. Children with developmental, intellectual, sensory, physical, or behavioral disabilities are welcome and encouraged to attend! Registration is required for all children, regardless of age, or whether they have participated in Faith Formation at Holy Spirit Parish previously.

Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation is a two-year process (beginning in 1st & 2nd grades) in the Diocese of Portland. Families are encouraged to enroll their pre-school and kindergarten-aged children in the parish programs in order to develop familiarity with faith formation prior to the sacramental-preparation years. Faith Formation Family Handbooks (which contain an academic calendar, a description of programs and policies, and other faith formation-related information) with registration forms are available in the church offices, in the narthexes, and on our website at www.holyspiritme.org. FMI, please contact Carolyn Houston at 646-5605, 985-6252, or carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org.

A PARISH THAT WELCOMES PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



The National Directory for Catechesis states that, "The whole community of faith needs to be aware of the presence of persons with special needs within it and be involved in their catechesis" (NDC, 49). Catholics believe that all people are made in the image and likeness of God, and that all the baptized share in the life and mission of the Church. This includes people from every range of ability. As a parish, we are mindful and respectful of families who have children with disabilities. At times, parents of children with disabilities become anxious that their child might not be welcome during the celebration of Mass. Let us strive to be patient, respectful, and helpful to individuals with disabilities. Let us also find ways to support and assist their families to make it easier for them to worship together as a family. As brothers and sisters in Christ, each of us has an essential place at the table, and we are all enriched and blessed by one another as we become one Eucharistic community of faith.



Local, state, and federal law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency personnel

will be recognized for their faithful commitment and self-sacrifice at the Blue Mass next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, AT 10 AM, at the CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ON 307 CONGRESS STREET IN PORTLAND. Bishop Robert P. Deeley will celebrate the Mass, joined by priests and deacons from throughout the diocese. All are invited to attend and join in showing gratitude to these dedicated heroes. All active and retired members of the public safety community are encouraged to come with their families, and in uniform. Color guards, a multi-jurisdictional honor guard, the Maine Public Safety Pipe & Drum Corps, and the Maine State Police Pipe & Drum Unit will be on hand. A reception will follow the Mass. For more information about the Blue Mass, including its history in the Diocese of Portland, visit:

www.portlanddiocese.org/BlueMass2019.