



# Holy Spirit Parish

## SEPTEMBER 15, 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 (closed until June 2020)

### Our PARISH STAFF

Fr. Fred Morse, Pastor  
Fr. Agustin Sebasthyan, 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



## 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance." - Lk 15:7b

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**Special collection in all  
Maine Catholic churches this weekend.**

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**GOSPEL MEDITATION**



"Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain?" In this Sunday's

Gospel, we learn the context for the forthcoming parables about the lost and found. A great mixed crowd surrounds Jesus. The religious elite are present, along with all manner of local lowlifes. The Pharisees seem a bit upset that this wasn't the lecture series they were hoping for. Why would Jesus welcome sinners? Jesus responds as if it's the most obvious thing in the world. "Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep... rejoice because I have found the coin that I lost; let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine... was lost, and has been found!" Each of the parables features a dramatic example. Of 99 sheep, one has gone astray. Of 10 coins, one has gone missing. The welcomed son has previously been a covetous scoundrel. Jesus' point to the Pharisees is clear. If the Gospel really is "good news," if our faith really has the power to save, why wouldn't we want everyone drawing near? Why wouldn't we do everything in our power to eke out that possibility for every single person, no matter where they have wandered? After all, if this message is not of value to everyone, why is it of value to anyone? Our Christian faith is not a matter of rule adherence for the perfectionist elite. In our own ways, each of us is the lost sheep, the prodigal son. There is no one who "has no need of repentance." The Church is a mixed crowd. And we are mixed people. And the Gospel has good news for each of us today! There is no one Jesus doesn't go after, no one he does not catch sight of "while... still a long way off," no one to whom he does not run to embrace and welcome home. ©LPi

**SUNDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 29  
2-4 PM  
Wells Harbor  
Rotary Pavilion**



Located at the end of Harbor Road in Wells: 5 miles from St. Martha Church; 4 miles from St. Mary Church. Turn off Route 1 at Wells Fire Station. Tables are under cover, near the water with nearby playground. Parish provides the hamburgers and hot dogs (beef and turkey) with regular and gluten-free rolls. Drinks and chips also provided! Both K of Cs do the cooking!

We ask parishioners to *just* bring salads or desserts (Wells parishioners - salads; Kennebunk parishioners - desserts). Please sign up in the narthexes.

**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. Several of our experienced and veteran catechists are unable to lead a class this year, resulting in our parish's significant need of catechists (teachers) and assistants for several grades at both churches. We also need people to serve as "faith techs" providing 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 this Sunday, September 15. To volunteer, or for more information, please contact Carolyn Houston at 985-6252, 646-5605, or at [carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org](mailto: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 is underway. **Youth classes begin this Sunday, September 15**, with 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](http://www.holyspiritme.org). FMI, please contact Carolyn Houston at 646-5605, 985-6252, or [carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org).



## MASS INTENTIONS

THIS 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

WEEKDAYS: September 16-20

- Monday: 8:00 AM (W) Jim Curtin by Jennifer, Steve, & Elizabeth  
 9:00 AM (K) Eileen Conaty by her daughters  
 Tuesday: 8:00 AM (W) James Walsh by Anne Pulsifer  
 9:00 AM (K) Bill Roach, Sr. by the Saunders Family  
 Wednesday: 8:00 AM (W) Kevin, Fred, & Sheila Brown by Pat & Moe Maroney  
 9:00 AM (K) Tony Anni by Marie Guerin  
 10:30 AM Mass at Kennebunk Nursing Home (Louis Hannigan by Mary Foster)  
 Thursday: 8:00 AM (W) Robert Caruso by Maria Trodella  
 9:00 AM (K) Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus  
 Friday: 8:00 AM (W) Ed Defino by Frank DiPietro  
 9:00 AM (K) Dung Nguyen by Phai Nguyen

NEXT WEEKEND: September 21 & 22

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Isabel Lorie by Edwin & Jacqueline Kindler  
 4:00 PM (W) Steve Woodhead by Noella Gauthier  
 Sunday: 7:00 AM (W) Reginald & Estelle Willett by Cheryl & Fred Willett  
 8:00 AM (K) For the parishioners  
 9:00 AM (W) Alfred Francullo & Carl Petricca by MaryBeth & Bob Bonci  
 10:00 AM (K) William McGrath by Bev & George Lynch  
 11:00 AM (W) Rose Linehan by Ruth Dooley



~REST IN PEACE~

Stuart Flavin  
 Robert Anderson

Location Key: (K) St. Martha, Kennebunk; (W) St. Mary, Wells



## 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 next weekend, September 21 & 22. Also, anyone 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!

## CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

September 21 & 22

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

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

*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 Eilyana Turpin by her family.



The sanctuary lamp at St. Mary's burns for health & blessings upon Pat & Moe Maroney by their friends at St. Mary's.

For those in need of enlarged Mass music sheets, please e-mail Mark at mark.reeth@portlanddiocese.org. You will be e-mailed enlarged copies which you'll be able to print and take to Mass.



THE WEEK AHEAD

**September 15-22**

**ST. MARTHA CHURCH**

Sunday: Faith Formation - 9 AM  
S Anon - 7 PM  
Monday: Centering Prayer - 9:30 AM & 6 PM  
Tuesday: Blood Drive - 2 noon  
Cursillo - 4 PM  
Wednesday: Choir Rehearsal - 6 PM  
Weight Watchers  
Thursday: Faith Sharing - 7 PM  
Friday: Produce Pantry  
Saturday: Ultreya - 10 AM  
Reconciliation - 3 PM  
Sunday: Faith Formation - 9 AM  
S Anon - 7 PM

**ST. MARY CHURCH**

Sunday: K of C Breakfast after Masses  
Catechist Sunday - 9 AM  
Faith Formation - 10 AM  
Monday: Faith Formation - 3:45 PM  
Hope & Recovery Ministry - 5:30 PM  
Tuesday: Bereavement Quilting - 9 AM  
Wednesday: Bible Study (Proverbs) - 10 AM  
K of C Officers - 7 PM  
Spiritual Study Group - 7 PM  
Thursday: Food Pantry - 1 PM  
Friday: AA - 7:30 PM  
Saturday: AA - 8 AM  
Reconciliation - 3 PM  
Quilt Show after 4 PM Mass  
Sunday: Quilt Show after Masses  
Faith Formation - 10 AM

**ST. MARTHA'S COMMUNITY PANTRY NEEDS:** pancake mix, pancake syrup, peanut butter, jelly, mayonnaise.

**ST. MARY'S ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** tomato paste, Jello, pudding, instant coffee, beef stew, hash.



***BANNS OF MARRIAGE***



~ 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*)

**stewardship**

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT**

**August 31 & September 1**

Collection	\$	18,021.75
We Share (38)	\$	1,961.50
Total Offertory	\$	19,983.25
Tithe	\$	1,398.00
Envelopes (344)	\$	8,365.38
Loose	\$	9,656.37



Bishop Robert P. Deeley has authorized a special collection at all of Maine's Catholic churches *this weekend* to provide aid and support to victims of Hurricane Dorian, as well as other natural disasters that could occur this year. "This special collection will allow the Diocese of Portland to respond to the immediate, emergency needs and long-term recovery of many who are suffering," said Bishop Deeley.

Thank you for your support of last weekend's second collection for the *Catholic University of America & Special Education Needs*.

**2019 HOLY SPIRIT PARISH**  
**CATHOLIC APPEAL**

**AS OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2019:**

Total - \$ 97,694  
Goal - \$124,301  
% Goal - 79%



***NOTE: The results of last weekend's pledges & donations have not yet been tabulated.***



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](http://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.



# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH FAIR

NOVEMBER 9 & 10

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

## ~ CRAFTS ~

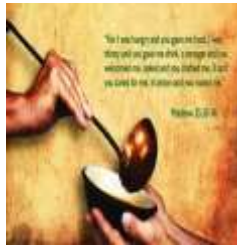
New or home-made (*not store bought*): small woodwork items, pottery, art, photography, knitted, crocheted, or sewn hats, mittens, baby sets, throws, polar fleeces, doll clothes, holiday & household items, scarves, etc.

### NOTE:

**SEPTEMBER 30 WILL BE THE FINAL DATE FOR ACCEPTING FAIR DONATIONS.**

## Youth Ministry Matthew 25:35 Meal

The Matthew 25:35 Meals put on by the youth ministries of both Holy Spirit and St. Therese of Liseux Parishes are served monthly, every second Tuesday at St. Ignatius Church Hall in Sanford, 5:30-6:30 PM.



To support this community meal project, gift cards to Hannaford, Walmart, or Shield's Meats in Kennebunk, are welcome. All donations should be labeled "youth ministry" and dropped off at either church site. Prayers for volunteers and guests are also appreciated! If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Houston at [carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org), 985-6252, or 646-5605.



## 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](mailto: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 this **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, or mail to:**

**Holy Spirit Parish,  
236 Eldridge Road, Wells, ME, 04090,  
or e-mail to [stmarywells@myfairpoint.net](mailto:stmarywells@myfairpoint.net)**



## FAMILY BREAKFAST...

ALL ARE WELCOME!

this 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**



# That All May Worship

## 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.

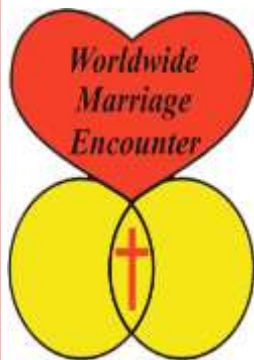
## HOLY SPIRIT PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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



## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Allow Jesus to transform your marriage and show you how to truly love your spouse by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend will be October 18-20 in Laconia, NH.

For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

## **PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE OCTOBER 4 & 5, 2019 RAMADA INN & CONFERENCE CENTER 490 PLEASANT STREET, LEWISTON, ME**



The Apostle Peter (1 Peter 3) challenges us to always be ready to give an answer to anyone who asks about our faith in Christ. This conference is designed to help us do just that, both in our common life as Catholics and in our day-to-day encounters with people.

### PLANNED TOPICS INCLUDE:

- ◆ Sacredness of Life
- ◆ Choosing Music for Liturgy
- ◆ Basics of Sharing Your Faith Story (connecting life and faith)
- ◆ Making Good Choices (discernment in everyday life)
- ◆ Maintaining Joy while Dealing with Ministry Conflicts
- ◆ Family and Intergenerational Formation
- ◆ Scripture and Tradition (keys for explaining the Catholic faith in everyday situations)

### FEATURED SPEAKERS

- ◆ Fr. J. Michael Joncas (priest, theologian, composer, professor & consultant to USCCB Secretariat on Worship)
- ◆ Joe Paprocki (catechist, author, blogger, Loyola Press national consultant for faith formation)

**COSTS:** \$60/person for full conference  
\$25/person for Friday only

**LAST-MINUTE PRICING:** \$75/person, on or after October 1, including walk-ins.

*To register, visit:*

**<https://portlanddiocese.org/content/registration-parish-life-conference>**

Bulletin insert requests must be submitted by Friday at noon (7 days prior to the weekend for which being requested). Please E-mail Mark Reeth at [mark.reeth@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:mark.reeth@portlanddiocese.org).

