



# Holy Spirit Parish

## SEPTEMBER 22, 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  
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 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

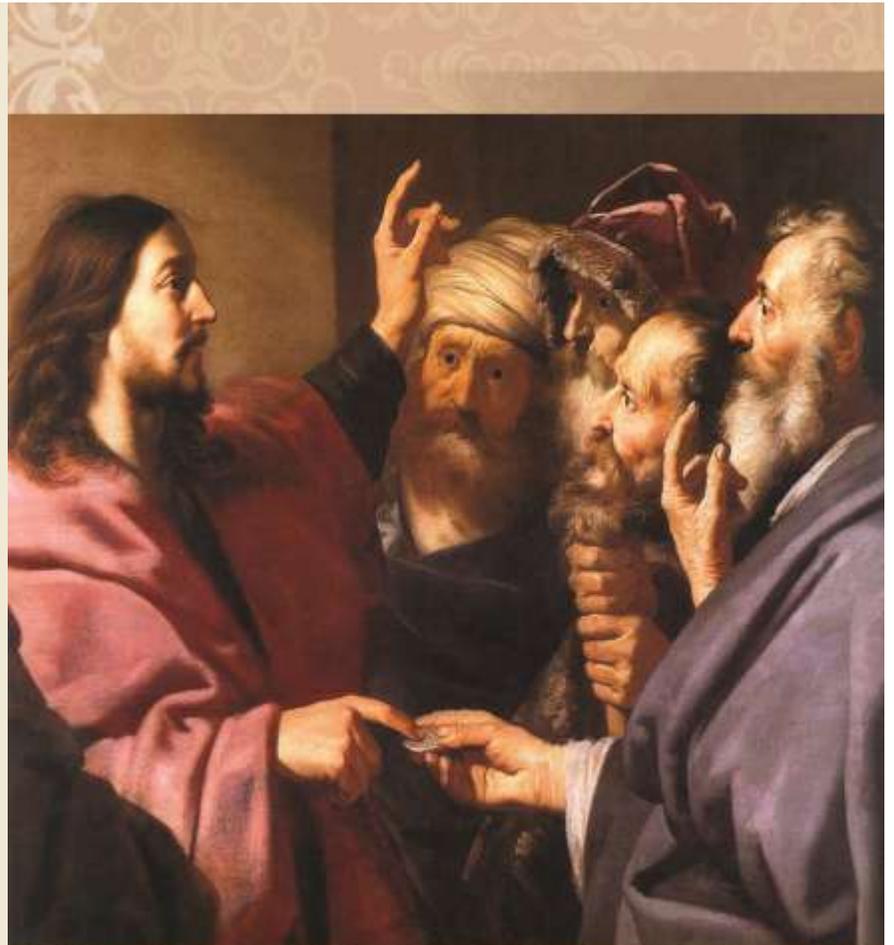
Timothy Gallant, Supervisor  
Jesse Ouellette

#### FAITH FORMATION

Carolyn F. Houston, Director  
Rosanne Smith, Adult Education

#### LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mark Reeth, Coordinator  
Lisa White, Choir Director



## 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?" - Lk 16:11

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**NEXT SUNDAY,  
SEPTEMBER  
29<sup>TH</sup>  
SEE PAGE 5  
FOR DETAILS.**

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[www.facebook.com/holyspiritmaine](https://www.facebook.com/holyspiritmaine)

GOSPEL MEDITATION



Compartmentalization or consistency? In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells a strange story of a sneaky, savvy steward that raises questions about our personal virtue. "How much do you owe? Here is your promissory note, write one for eighty." This parable isn't advice for money management. Historically, there were many positions that acted on behalf of their masters regarding money, like customs agents, household stewards, and tax collectors. Often, these workers over-charged and skimmed off the top.

Usurious practices like this were not in line with the traditional Jewish understanding of money-lending, which strictly forbade them from taking interest or making a profit off of their own people. As the steward reduced the debt, he was likely writing out the amount he originally intended to take for himself. Before the steward can be commended, he needs to right the wrong done. "The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones." This parable contains an important self-check.

We have a great many things we're responsible for that seem to have nothing to do with the kingdom of God. How do we interact in those spaces? Are we trustworthy in our dealings at work and at home? Are we honest and faithful to our commitments to family and friends? Are we honest with our money and prudent with how we spend our time?

Jesus calls his disciples to consistency. How often do we expect that we can be one person one place, yet shrug off that persona in a new situation? "No servant can serve two masters." This week, take stock of your life. All of your life. Are you living the Gospel values wherever you go?

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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 *this weekend*. 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!



"On behalf of the Diocese of Portland, I join the Farmington community in mourning the tragic death caused by the Monday morning explosion and praying for the recovery of those injured," said Bishop Robert Deeley. "We offer our support and our prayers to their families and friends. We also extend our sincere gratitude for the heroism displayed by residents and public safety personnel who responded. May the soul of the individual who died and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace."

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 began last 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 2019-2020

Faith Formation classes for the 2019-2020 academic year began last Sunday and Monday. It is not too late to sign your child up. Family Handbooks containing registration materials are available in the church offices and on our parish website under the "Formation" tab ([www.holyspiritme.org](http://www.holyspiritme.org)). The Handbook also contains an academic calendar, a description of programs and policies, and other faith formation-related information. Please feel free to contact Carolyn Houston at [Carolyn.Houston@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:Carolyn.Houston@portlanddiocese.org), 646-5605, or 985-6252, if you have any questions or need more details.

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS 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

WEEKDAYS: September 23-27

- Monday: 8:00 AM (W) Judy McLaughlin by Susan & Tom Kerekes  
 9:00 AM (K) Raymond Mellone by Ruth Shrader  
 Tuesday: 8:00 AM (W) Robert Caruso by Maria Trodella  
 9:00 AM (K) Sylvester & Helen Phyllis Kutt by their children  
 Wednesday: 8:00 AM (W) Ann Reynolds by the Parish Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 9:00 AM (K) Richard Nista by Mary Foster  
 10:30 AM Communion Service - Atria  
 Thursday: 8:00 AM (W) Ed Defino by Sue & John Freeman  
 9:00 AM (K) The Chretien Family & Louise Kusek by Steven & Helen Kutt  
 Friday: 8:00 AM (W) Maurice "Moe" Lamontagne by Carlene & Paul Winn  
 9:00 AM (K) Ly Nguyen by Phai Nguyen

NEXT WEEKEND: September 28 & 29

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Beth Ann Suzor by the family  
 4:00 PM (W) Charles Dahill by Ruth Dooley  
 Sunday: 7:00 AM (W) Geraldine & Richard Johnson by Cheryl & Fred Willett  
 8:00 AM (K) Kelly Cerone by Cynthia Fitzmorris  
 9:00 AM (W) For our parishioners  
 10:00 AM (K) Rodney Mailhot by the family  
 11:00 AM (W) Betty Talbot by Sandy Masi

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

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

**September 28 & 29**

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

- 7:00 AM St. Mary (W) Msgr. Murphy  
 8:00 AM St. Martha (K) Fr. Agustin  
 9:00 AM St. Mary (W) Msgr. Murphy  
 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.**



**THOSE SEEKING TO JOIN THE CHURCH OR WANTING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH,** call Rosanne Smith at 207-985-6252.

**Prayer Line Requests** may be made to Aline Saunders at 207-985-9214 or [alinesaunders@roadrunner.com](mailto:alinesaunders@roadrunner.com)

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS** wishing to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion at home, please call the office at 646-5605.

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).

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



The sanctuary lamp at St. Martha's burns for A special intention by Sue Caron

The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Mary's burns in loving memory of Charles McLaughlin by his wife, Judy.

THE WEEK AHEAD

**September 22-29**

**ST. MARTHA CHURCH**

Sunday: Faith Formation - 9 AM  
S Anon - 7 PM  
Monday: Centering Prayer - 9:30 AM & 6 PM  
Tuesday: Fair Crafters - 9:30 AM  
Cursillo - 4 PM  
Wednesday: Mass at Avita - 10:30 AM  
Weight Watchers  
Thursday: Faith Sharing - 7 PM  
Friday: Produce Pantry  
Saturday: Reconciliation - 3 PM  
Sunday: Faith Formation - 9 AM  
Parish Picnic at Wells Harbor - 2-4 PM  
S Anon - 7 PM

**ST. MARY CHURCH**

Sunday: Quilt Show after Masses  
Faith Formation - 10 AM  
Coffee & Donuts - 10 AM  
Monday: Faith Formation - 3:45 PM  
Outreach Committee - 4 PM  
Tuesday: Bereavement Quilting - 9 AM  
Wednesday: Bible Study - 10 AM  
Choir Rehearsal - 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: Faith Formation - 10 AM  
Parish Picnic at Wells Harbor - 2-4 PM

**ST. MARTHA'S COMMUNITY PANTRY NEEDS:**

beef stew, tuna fish, macaroni & cheese, spaghetti, canned chicken, spaghetti sauce.

**ST. MARY'S ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY**

**NEEDS:** Spam, canned beans, corned beef hash, chowder, salad dressing, instant coffee.



***BANNS OF MARRIAGE***



~ Laura Inniss & Darrell Robinson  
September 28 @ 1 PM (*Kennebunk*)  
~ MaryEllen Barba & Stephen Babcock  
September 28 @ 2 PM (*Wells*)  
~ Kimberly Ferreira & Christopher Dube  
October 5 @ 1:30 PM (*Kennebunk*)

**stewardship**

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT**

**September 8 & 9**

Collection	\$	14,966.00
We Share (34)	\$	1,111.50
Total Offertory	\$	16,077.50
Tithe	\$	1,125.00
Envelopes (310)	\$	7,096.15
Loose	\$	7,869.85

The Catholic University of America  
& Special Education Needs

Collection	\$	5,689.00
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**2019 HOLY SPIRIT PARISH  
CATHOLIC APPEAL**

**AS OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2019:**

Total - \$112,274  
Goal - \$124,301  
% Goal - 90%



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.

***Thank you for your ongoing generosity!***



**Next weekend,** missionary priest Fr. Mathieu Herve Mboudou, from the Archdiocese of Yaounde, Cameroon, will speak at all Masses. His diocese

created the program, "The Poor Too Are God's Children", with the goal of creating opportunities for women, children, orphans, handicapped, poor, and marginalized individuals. The program desires to supply water, education, shelter, medication, and food to the thousands who are suffering.

# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 29th  
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!



Kennebunk parishioners are asked to bring desserts.  
Wells parishioners are asked to bring salads.  
Please sign up in the narthexes.

## Romans

The Gospel of Salvation

Paul's letter to the Romans has been at the center of reflection, conversion, and controversy from the very beginning. Ro-

mans: The Gospel of Salvation is **a new eight-week Bible study** we are offering that will help you make sense of the difficult passages regarding faith, works of the law, and justification. It will give you an authentically Catholic, comprehensive, and simple way to understand this challenging epistle. Holy Spirit Parish will begin Romans on Tuesday, October 8 at 1 PM at St. Mary's in Wells and Thursday, October 10 at 6:00 PM at St. Martha's in Kennebunk. Participants will meet weekly to **view an engaging video presentation** by Dr. Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins, followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register contact Rosanne Smith at 985-6252 or [rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org)

## HOLY SPIRIT PARISH FAIR

NOVEMBER 9 & 10

The following is a list of  
donation suggestions.



**Linens:** tablecloths, napkins, bedspreads, new or clean sheets, quilts, comforters, decorative pillows, pillow cases, etc. (*not torn or stained*).

**Christmas:** tree skirts, ornaments, nativity sets, stockings, villages, etc.

**Jewelry:** rings, necklaces, bracelets, pins, earrings & any broken sterling silver pieces. New (*never used*) purses. Please bring all jewelry to either of the church offices.

**Toys:** stuffed animals, dolls, doll, carriages, wagons, bicycles, cars, trucks, balls, etc.

**Books:** *no longer collecting.*

**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 and household items, scarves, etc. (all are welcome to join the monthly crafts meetings at St. Martha in Kennebunk).

**Dishes:** dishes, glassware, candle holders, tea pots, pots & pans, mugs, utensils (*no electric items or used candles*).

**Baked Goods:** cakes, cookies, breads, cupcakes, whoopie pies, regular pies, candies, or other g delicious goodies for which you might have recipes (*please do not deliver these before Nov. 7 & indicate if they contain nuts*).

**ALL ITEMS ARE TO BE NEW,  
OR IN GOOD, CLEAN CONDITION; NO  
BROKEN ITEMS OR ITEMS WITH  
MISSING PARTS.**

NOTE:

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

**MATTHEW 25: 36**  
**"I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU VISITED ME."**



Kairos is an international, ecumenical, volunteer organization. It consists of outreach by men and women who take the message of the gospel to incarcerated individuals. Established in the mid-1960s, Kairos has ministered in over 10 countries and all 50 states. Kairos in Maine, established in 1997, takes God's love to the Maine State Prison. Men and women have introduced Jesus Christ and His message of love and forgiveness to over 1,000 inmates there. **October 11-14**, Kairos weekend #36 will take place in Warren, Maine. We are requesting your help through prayers, letters of encouragement, and monetary support.

Please sign up in the church narthex. Donations, agape, and prayer sign-up must be turned in by October 9 at 12 Noon. FMI, contact Leo Tetreault at 207-310-8669.



**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKEND**  
**OCTOBER 25-27**

The next Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekend in Maine will be October 25-27 in the greater Bangor area.

Anyone personally affected by an abortion, including women, men, relatives, and former abortion workers are welcome. The retreat includes two overnights and four meals. Arrival time is 6 PM on Friday, and departure time is 1 PM after Sunday Mass. The weekend is experiential, Scripture-based, and non-judgmental, with no more than eight participants. The retreat location is not publicized in order to provide a safe place for participants. To talk about attending a retreat, please leave a confidential message by calling (207) 321-7897, e-mailing projectrachel@portlanddiocese.org, or filling out a confidential online form at [www.portlanddiocese.org/projectrachel](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/projectrachel). For more information, contact Annette Rioux at [mrioux33@gmail.com](mailto:mrioux33@gmail.com) or (207) 774-2420, or Judy Shaw at [jude23@outlook.com](mailto:jude23@outlook.com).

**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 any-

one 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

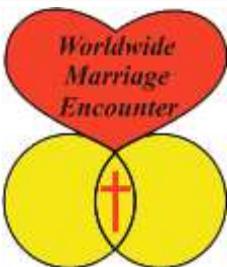
- ◆ Fr. J. Michael Joncas (priest, theologian, composer, professor & consultant to USCCB Secretariat on Worship)
- ◆ Joe Paprocki (catechist, author, blogger, Loyola Press national consultant for faith formation)

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>**



**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

God has entrusted your spouse to your care. Show that you are trustworthy in that care by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends will be October 18-20 in Laconia, NH, and December 13-15 in Duxbury, MA.

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