

Holy Spirit Parish

NOVEMBER 3, 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 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

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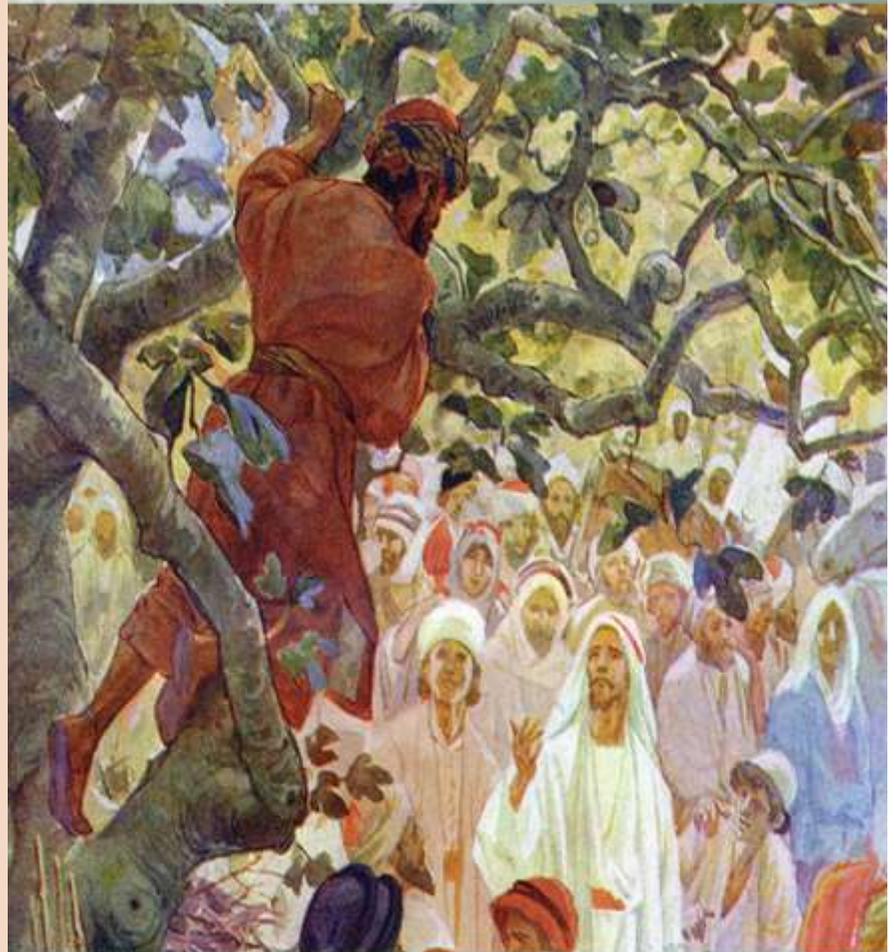
Timothy Gallant, Supervisor
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FAITH FORMATION

Carolyn F. Houston, Director
Rosanne Smith, Adult Education

LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mark Reeth, Coordinator
Lisa White, Choir Director



31st Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. - Lk 19:5-6

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**November:
The Month of Remembrance**

The month of November is the traditional season for Catholics to remember all those who have gone before them ‘marked by the sign of faith.’ Following the Solemnity of All Saints that remembers all those who have lived the life of faith with integrity and are now one with the Lord in heaven, we celebrate All Souls Day on November 2. Although we didn’t celebrate with a special Mass this year due to the date falling on Saturday, this day of prayer for the dead provides the opportunity for us to surround our beloved dead with our prayers, especially through the Eucharistic celebration, as we companion them on their journey to the Father.

Each of us will be touched by the reality of death in the course of our journey of faith. We have all experienced the painful leave-taking of a loved one in death as we prepare for our own ‘going forth’ through death to eternal life in Christ.

The funeral rites of our Church help us to remember that no one truly dies alone, but is accompanied by the community of believers as eternity opens for each one of us. The reformed liturgy of our Church, and particularly its funeral rites, provide opportunities for family and friends of the deceased to actively enter into this moment of passage as we shape a truly fitting farewell for our loved ones.

Please enter the names of deceased loved ones into the Books of Remembrance next to the vigil candles at both St. Martha and St. Mary Churches.



This weekend, at all Masses at St. Mary Church in Wells, we return to the four cups for distribution of the Precious Blood during Communion, as we traditionally do through the winter months.



THIS Sunday, November 3, at 12 noon, volunteers are needed to help set up. *Please come and help!*

Monsignor Charles Murphy will sign copies of his new book, *Mystical Prayer: The Poetic Example of Emily Dickinson*, on both days of the fair, between 9 and 11 AM



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Christ loves us first. So much of the Christian life is as simple as that. Today’s Gospel is a prime example! “Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man ... was seeking to see who Jesus was.” We may have gotten used to the story of Zacchaeus; this short, seemingly innocent man who climbs a sycamore tree in his desperate desire to see Jesus. But this colorful, children’s Bible illustration isn’t what the gathering crowd would have seen. They would have seen the white-collar criminal. Tax collectors were notorious for extortion. They were collaborators with the oppressive Roman overlords, overcharging for taxes and skimming a cut off the top. And how does Jesus respond to this man? “Come down quickly,” Jesus says, “for today I must stay at your house.” If you had been there, would you have believed it? No doubt there were other disciples in the city or, at the very least, kind, generous, and just people. “Good” people. But those aren’t the people Jesus chooses to share a meal with. Christ loves us first. He chooses Zacchaeus even before the man makes a public profession of his repentance. “The Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost.” We may not be tax collectors and extortionists — I hope not! — but we all have elements of our lives that are lost. We have wounds from childhood, unresolved anxieties or attachments, daily fears. No matter how “put together” we are, we all have our lost moments. Some days, it may feel like we can’t see over the ways they crowd our inner life. Today’s Gospel invites us to do something a little strange. Don’t let your flaws, failures, or hang-ups prevent you from seeing Jesus. Take a deep breath. Go climb a tree, because Jesus is passing by. And he wants to stay in your heart today.



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MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND: November 2 & 3

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) James Simonds, Jr. by Mom, Dad, & Mark
- 4:00 PM (W) Alfred Robinson by his wife
- Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) For our parishioners
- 9:00 AM (W) Kenneth & Marty Fitzgerald by Terri Fitzgerald
- 10:00 AM (K) Minh & Doi Mai by the family
- 11:00 AM (W) Mark Farley by the Finn Family

WEEKDAYS: November 4-8

- Monday: 8:00 AM (W) Nancy Waddell by Alice & Jerry Fitzgerald
- 9:00 AM (K) Anne Clarke Sheehan by Beth Flynn
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM (W) Alice Ladyszewski by her daughter
- 9:00 AM (K) Herb Kowal by his wife
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM (W) Mary DeMarco by Anne Pulsifer
- 9:00 AM (K) Leo Morency by Jeanne O'Connor
- 1:30 PM Huntington Commons Communion Service
- Thursday: 8:00 AM (W) Robert Hartnet by Barbara Burns
- 9:00 AM (K) Janet Dattore by Connie & Leo Bourque
- Friday: 8:00 AM (W) Eileen Reilly by a friend
- 9:00 AM (K) Carmalle Cannella by Jeanne O'Connor

NEXT WEEKEND: November 9 & 10

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Thomas Barbaria by the family
- 4:00 PM (W) Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus
- Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) Theresa & Stanley Roberts by Nancy & Ray Hallczuk
- 9:00 AM (W) John O'Neil Hoell by Mari O'Neil
- 10:00 AM (K) Inez Mencaccini by the family
- 11:00 AM (W) For our parishioners



~REST IN PEACE~

Thomas Leonard, Jr.
Jane Lagarra
Reverend Armand Neault

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

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

November 9 & 10

- 4:00 PM St. Martha (K) Fr. Morse
- 4:00 PM St. Mary (W) Fr. Agustin
- 8:00 AM St. Martha (K) Fr. Agustin
- 9:00 AM St. Mary (W) Fr. Morse
- 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 the St. Mary's altar are in loving memory of Mary Patricia & James T. Walsh by Peter C. Walsh.



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.

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

BEREAVEMENT QUILTING

The bereavement quilters meet on Tuesdays at 9 AM, upstairs at St. Mary Church in Wells. Newcomers and beginner quilters are welcome. For more information, contact Carol Varano at (508) 801-2054, or just show up!



THE WEEK AHEAD

November 3-10

ST. MARTHA CHURCH

Sunday: No Faith Formation
K of C Breakfast - after Masses
Family Mass - 10 AM
S Anon - 7 PM

Monday: Fair Set-up

Tuesday: Fair Set-up

Wednesday: Fair Set-up

Thursday: Fair Set-up

Friday: Fair Set-up

Saturday: Parish Fair - 9 AM-5 PM
Reconciliation - 3 PM

Sunday: No Faith Formation
Parish Fair - 9 AM-1 PM
S Anon - 7 PM

ST. MARY CHURCH

Sunday: No Faith Formation
Family Mass at St. Martha - 10 AM

Monday: No Faith Formation

Tuesday: Bereavement Quilting - 9 AM
Romans: The Gospel of Salvation - 1 PM

Wednesday: Bible Study - 10 AM
Food Pantry - 5:30 PM
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

Sunday: No Faith Formation
RCIA - 10 AM
Coffee & Donuts - 10 AM



St. Mary's Ecumenical Food Pantry is adding an additional hour to its weekly schedule. The pantry will be open on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 PM on a trial basis, beginning this Wednesday, November 6, and continuing through January 8. Volunteers are needed to provide this additional service. If you would like to help on one or more Wednesdays per month, please contact one of the following: Jim Heenan at 207-467-5313 or jimheenan@aol.com, Paul Goyette at 207-252-3245, Bill Sawyer at 617-513-0548 or billsawyer@live.com, Don Kamann at 207-251-3241.

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



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WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT

October 19 & 20

Collection	\$	12,610.00
We Share (33)	\$	1,166.50
Total Offertory	\$	13,776.50
Tithe	\$	964.00
Envelopes (326)	\$	7,064.10
Loose	\$	5,545.90

World Missions

(Propagation of the Faith) \$ 4,468.00

Next weekend's second collection will be for the ***Archdiocese of Military Services.***



As Holy Spirit Parish has surpassed its goal for the 2019 Catholic Appeal (currently at 104 %), *periodic* updates will be published for any future significant increases. Once again, thank you all for your generous and much-needed contributions to our parish and to the Diocese of Portland!

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!

ST. MARTHA COMMUNITY PANTRY NEEDS:

Hamburger Helper, cereal, canned meats, pudding, coffee.

ST. MARY ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

mustard, mayonnaise, canned pasta, jelly/jam, small fruit cups, facial tissues.





NOVEMBER FAMILY BREAKFAST

**ST. MARTHA CHURCH HALL
this SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3
8:30 - 11:15 AM**

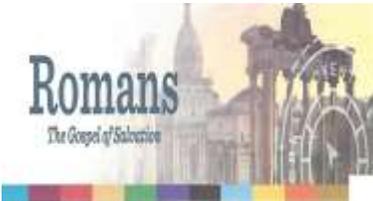
**Adults - \$8
Ages 13-17 - \$5
Ages 12 & under - Free**



Holy Spirit Parish is looking for a team of adult parishioners to join Cross Catholic Outreach on a mission trip to the Caribbean island of Grenada. The trip will be Saturday, May 30-Sunday, June 7, 2020. Our mission will be to provide love to the 20 people being cared for at St. Martin's Home for the Aged. These residents have no other friends or family to care for them, and the Diocese of St. George's in Grenada is asking for missionaries to come and love them in their final days. The home has additional needs, such as painting, repairs, and yard work with which we might help. We will be staying at the St. Martin Retreat Centre in Mount St. Ervans. You must be at least 18 years of age to participate. If interested, or for more information, please contact Lisa White at (207) 351-0502 or lisa.white@portlanddiocese.org.

If you would like to make a donation to St. Martin's Home for the Aged through Cross Catholic Outreach, checks can be made out to Holy Spirit Parish.

To learn more, you may also visit one of the following sites: <https://www.stmartinsgrenada.org/about/> or <https://crosscatholic.org/>



Paul's letter to the Romans has been at the center of reflection, conversion, and controversy from the very beginning. **Romans: The Gospel of**

Salvation is an eight-week Bible study being offered by Holy Spirit Parish. It will help make sense of the difficult passages regarding faith, works of the law, and justification. It will provide a Catholic, comprehensive, and simple way to understand this challenging epistle. The next Bible study will take place on **Tuesday, November 5, at 1 PM at St. Mary in Wells. It will NOT take place at St. Martha in Kennebunk** this week due to set-up for the fair. FMI, or to register, contact Rosanne at 985-6252 or rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org.

SIN AND RECONCILIATION...

This seminar, led by Fr. John Bacevicius, OFM, of the Franciscan Monastery in Kennebunk, will reacquaint the participants to the Church's teachings on the forgiveness of sin, the reason for such teachings, and the path to their fulfillment. If you would like to learn more about reconciliation, which is important for salvation, please attend either:

**WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, & FRIDAY
(NOVEMBER 6 - 8), 8:30-10 AM OR
MONDAY, TUESDAY, & WEDNESDAY
(NOVEMBER 11 - 13), 3:30-5 PM.**

Refreshments will be served.

Seating is limited; please RSVP to Peter at 967-0302 (include number of attendees and dates of attendance).

For Guest House inquiries, call 967-4865.



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.

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**



Tithes and offerings

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH REPORT OF OUTREACH FROM ITS TITHING ACCOUNT FOR PAST FISCAL YEAR (July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019)

We would like the parish to know about the support we provided this past fiscal year for those in need. This comes from the fund that is derived from the 7% which is taken each week from the Parish Offertory and placed in our Tithing Account. We have a Committee, including the Pastor, who reviews requests which are submitted. We have helped those in our towns, region, and even further within the diocese with requests of support for legitimate needs. We would like to always have an amount in reserve that will significantly help any major need which might arise in our parish area. This could also include disasters, such as fires, explosions, accidents, etc. We regularly review requests based on our available funds, income, need, and frequency of requests from recipients. *(Note: Any food needs would be handled by our Ecumenical Food Pantries)*

Below is a list of assistance provided to low-income applicants:

LODGING (\$26,696) This includes temporary help with hotels for homeless individuals, rent when in danger of eviction, mortgage payment and property tax when in danger of lien. This is done for those who have a sudden job loss or a financial emergency.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (\$4,362) This is when there is no insurance or often when a deductible is very high, etc.

UTILITIES (\$7,858) This includes heating fuel and electricity.

TRANSPORTATION (\$8,661) This includes car repairs, gas cards, short term rentals, etc.

SCHOOLS (\$16,950) This includes sudden needs of some of the Catholic schools in the diocese.

SCHOLARSHIPS (\$5,000) This is for young people in our parish.

ALL OTHER (\$9,008) This includes various sudden requests not included above.

TOTAL FOR THIS PAST FISCAL YEAR - \$78,535

We hope that all Holy Spirit parishioners are pleased with the assistance we are able to provide for those in need. The total paid out (above) did exceed the 7% income from the same time period; however, our reserve covered it. Our current balance, which changes every week, is **\$20, 501**.

Anyone is welcome to make a direct tax-deductible donation to the Tithing Account.

TOTAL OF DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTIONS TAKEN UP IN OUR PARISH FOR THE NEEDY IN THE SAME FISCAL YEAR - \$88,557

GRAND TOTAL FOR THOSE IN NEED (INCLUDING LENTEN RICE BOWLS) - \$167,092

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GREAT SUPPORT AND HELP TO THE NEEDY, LOCALLY AND AROUND THE WORLD!



National Vocations Awareness Week
Diocese of Portland
November 3-9

As we celebrate National Vocations Awareness Week, we pray for all of those who are discerning their vocation in our parish and in our diocese. May they listen attentively to the voice of the Lord and follow him with courage and generosity.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

God has entrusted your spouse to your care. Show that you are trustworthy by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, December 13-15, in Duxbury, MA. FMI, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

